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Communication expands at first Resident Forum

by Karen Waldo

President Deborah May opened the meeting by introducing the seven Board members, the General Manager, the Office Manager and the Sergeant-at-Arms that were in attendance. She noted that the Treasurer was not able to attend.

The park staff was busy this summer and completed many projects. The key card system is completed along with the tennis courts and pickleball courts. The golf course is slated to be completed by the end of November.

The Resident Dashboard on travelersrestresort.com has been expanded to include InTouchLink app access, board meeting minutes, non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) and communications from the board.

The committee appointed to review the current confidentiality agreements has completed the review. The six page confidentiality agreements have been converted to two-page NDAs.

At the end of October 2023 all park leases were paid except for two. The park currently has over \$67,000 more in reserve than at this time last year.

President May explained that a budget is designed as an estimate of how funds will be used within the corporation. This year's budget has incurred the unexpected costs for repairs from a lightning strike and treatment for lethal bronzing disease that is prevalent in the park's palm trees.

An audit of TR's finances is currently being conducted by an

outside company. It has been determined that the audit will include the Activities funds this year.

As president of the current board, Deborah May is committed to limiting the use of the attorneys. Legal fees are rising. The board will need to have the attorneys settle a permitting issue with Pasco County.

The nominating committee will determine how the proxy votes will be divided between the candidates.

The following questions and comments were presented by audience members and addressed by the board:

-How much was paid in lawyer fees last year?

With the current audit in progress the amount is unknown but should be on the financial statement when it is completed.

-Is it possible for the board to sell TR without having the sale voted on by the stockholders?

President May stated that the stockholders would have to vote on a sale.

-Another resident questioned whether a vote by stockholders was needed to sell any amount of the park.

An audience member read the policy that states that 15 percent of TR can be sold without shareholder vote and that Florida Statutes do not have a policy stating that shareholders have to be given a chance to vote to sell the corporation. Per the current Bylaws, the board currently has the power to sell the park without

input from the shareholder. Florida Statutes are very broad regarding this issue. The resident would like to have the current Bylaws updated to limit the power of the board.

-What corporation does TR invest with?

Charles Schwab where funds are in a money market account and rotating CDs.

-A delivery driver stopped and asked a resident if they would open the restroom door as they are now locked. The resident did let the driver into the restroom but was concerned if it was acceptable to do so.

President May said that it is up to the individual as to how they would handle such a situation.

-A resident congratulated the board on opening up communication.

-Several residents presented questions regarding background checks being done in the future, for residents, people purchasing stock and employees?

-A resident requested that everyone reflect on what "type" of person would be deemed acceptable after a background check.

The board will survey shareholders in the future and review the possibility of doing background checks.

-Employees currently do not have health insurance. Given that TR currently has a larger reserve of funds will health insurance be offered to employees?

The Board will conduct a survey and review the option.

-Is there an issue with current park models and permitting?

The permit issue pertains to new units coming into the park.

-A former board member commented on the employee health insurance issue. In the past, employees were given a pay increase that could be used to purchase health insurance. With the upcoming repairs that will need to be completed, employee health insurance will be investigated as an option.

Activities Director Guy Weik offered the following: If you do not see an activity on this month's calendar it is most likely not starting yet. Many activities or events are happening in the next few weeks.

Congratulations to Richard and Amy Peebles on a successful 1st Flea Market. They have taken over for the Gilsons. A Flea Market will be held on the first Saturday of the month thru March and a Yard Sale will be held on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

Veranda Chats will be on the 3rd Monday of the month at 3 p.m. on the Veranda in front of Busch Hall.



Plan to attend the next Forum on Monday, Dec. 4, 3 p.m. in Busch Hall.

A beacon of welcome is rebuilt!

by Margaret Emmetts and Rich Matkovich

Back in 2007 Sam Scime built a lighthouse that was placed on the Golf Course near Johnston Road. From the beginning the Florida climate caused problems. Although the original was built of cypress wood, heat, moisture and condensation were not kind to the structure. Over the years Rich Matkovich, Don Clark and Jay Matthews have struggled to keep the lighthouse intact. It was eventually totally reconstructed and changed from an 8-foot structure to one over 12-feet tall. It was also moved to a new location to make it more visible.



Lighthouse positioned for easy access.

This past year the crew took down the entire structure and did a major overhaul. Did you know that the lighthouse's design copied that of the Hatteras Lighthouse except for the very top? The new structure is made of more durable material that will hopefully withstand the Florida climate.



The lighthouse top with new ventilation holes.

In a recent interview with Matkovich he reported the following: "The complete rebuild of the lighthouse includes mounting it 3/4-inch above the concrete base so that air can get under it. A 4-inch hole has been bored from top to bottom. The new top structure is a totally new design thanks to Don Clark, with a fan that operates 24 hours a day to help draw the air up thru the structure.

Located at the top are (12) 1-inch vents to help the moisture and heat to escape. The top structure consists of PVC and marine plywood. All materials are double-primed, double-painted and covered with Flexseal rubberized paint. The three windows have also been rebuilt with new windows and curtains. A custom-made 4-inch boring tool



Jay Matthew, Don Clark and Rich Matkovich with the finished lighthouse.

was made by Don Clark so that they could accomplish that part of the project. At his home base back in Paradise, Pa. Don was able to piece together all the parts that make up the top structure.

"I personally would like to thank Don for all his efforts to make this project a success for the benefit of all at TR to enjoy. Jay Matthews, thank you for your assistance in helping put it all together and putting the final touch on the project." - Rich Matkovich

A plaque on the structure's base dedicates the beacon and lighthouse to two generations of the Rowden family.



Photos by Rich Matkovich

Dedication plaque located at the lighthouse.

The TR Times 2023-24 publication schedule

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BUSCH HALL Sunday Night

Jacob Hunt and Jason Ensor return to TR

by Ken and Sandy Langell

Jacob and Jason are no strangers to the Doug Pedersen Stage. They have appeared here as solo vocalists and as part of duos, even as part of a troupe at Christmas time. Something they have never done is appear here together and having these two entertainers sharing our stage is a huge treat.

They will be bringing a little bit of each of their shows. Music from the 50s, 60s and 70s, as well as comedy and impressions, all along with some wonderful renditions of Broadway's great hits.



JACOB HUNT

The show is Sunday, Dec. 3, in Busch Hall. There is no charge for this event.

Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Enjoy the ice cream social with a selection of ice cream treats available for \$1 each. Announcements begin at 6:45 p.m. with the show immediately following.



JASON ENSOR

Wednesday Evening Concert Series

All shows are on Wednesdays with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. and shows starting at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall.



Jan. 3, Jimmy Travis



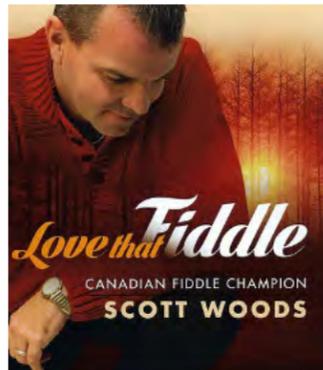
Jan. 17, Captivating Keyboards
Alan Tripp & Scott Griffin



Feb. 7, We've Only Just Begun:
Carpenters Remembered
Annual Spectacular



Feb. 21, Stephen Ditchfield
& My Three Sons



March 6, Scott Woods
and Company



March 20, Bill Chrastil's Country
Music Legends



Tuesday Night Movies opens in January



by Carol and Jim Henrikson

Tuesday Night Movies [TNM] is opening on Jan. 2, with the 2023 *Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny* movie. We are bringing you outstanding new releases coupled with two highly-rated Classics. We encourage you to tell us of movies you have enjoyed. As in past seasons, we will take these suggestions and fit them in for all our audience to enjoy.

The 2024 lineup starts in January with the following movies: *Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny (2023)*, *Golda (2023)*, *Quiz Show (1994)* and *Oppenheimer (2023)* which takes us into February when the popular *Barbie* will be included in the slate of newly released films.

The large screen projector was an excellent addition to TNM last year. In addition, we upgraded the Sonos Audio equipment. The sound in Citrus East now matches the cinematic experience in commercial theaters. We are going to add to this sound quality again this year. Stay tuned!

The overall TR Spectrum Internet System was replaced last season. We had a few teething issues with it at Citrus East. The Sonos System is dependent on reliable Internet. We seemed to close our past TNM season with a fully reliable service.

Bob Dylan's lead guitarist was Robbie Robertson. They collaborated and changed the musical scene of the day like no other

artists. Robbie worked with many other artists to ultimately create "The Band." After a long illness, on Aug. 9 of this year he died. This story is captured in a movie called *The Last Waltz* that subsequently has been released by iTunes. Carol and I have seen the early release on DVD. We thoroughly enjoyed this story and great music, so we expect to make this a March TNM. We hope you will enjoy Robbie's story as much as we did.

TNM messages in *The TR Times* and the InTouch App will provide much more related information and scheduling for our entire 2024 season. Hope to see you soon. Take care!

Friday Afternoon Live



by Donna Probes

Friday Afternoon Live! will kick off today, Friday, Dec. 1 at 3:30 p.m. Join us in The Grove as we bring you some great hits from the Age of Aquarius.

For those who are new to the Park or have not met us, we are Doc and Donna Probes. We summer in Traverse City, Mich. and enjoy the sunshine of TR all winter. We look forward to sharing more music with our TR

family this year and thank the Board, Ray and the crew for reviving the wonderful Grove Stage. It is a very special venue. As performing musicians, it is such a treat to look out and see all of you under the beautiful Live Oak trees with the magical flow of the moss hanging down. Mark your calendars for the four additional Friday concerts on Jan. 12 and 26, and Feb. 9 and 23. As always, we will be at The Grove Stage unless



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Donna and Doc Probes performing for Christmas.

the weather is inclement in which case, we will move to Busch Hall.

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Communications from the Board

Buy/Sell in Place or Sell-on-Site Policy

by Deborah May
President/CEO
TR Board of Directors

It is wonderful to see so many people back already this season. The turnout for the Thanksgiving meal in Busch Hall was around 150 people. The food was spectacular. What great cooks we have here. The TR game was based on interesting facts (many I didn't know) about Travelers Rest. A special thanks to Beanie Wise and Pat Butler for organizing this event. A special thanks also to all the workers who set up and took down the tables, chairs and decorations. What would we do without our volunteers!

One of the most misunderstood Travelers Rest Resort Policies is the Buy/Sell in Place or Sell-on-Site Policy D7010. Basically, it means that if you live in RV South or the Cabana section and you want to sell your unit and have the buyer be able to leave it on the lot and lease the lot, you must pay \$100 a year beginning when you first move it on the lot. If you did not pay the \$100 fee and the buyer wants the lot you must go back and pay the fee from the first day forward. If you have been there for five years you must pay \$500 if you have not already paid it annually. Without the fee being paid, if you sell your unit it must

be removed from the lot. The lot then is available to someone on the waiting list or it is given to a current leaseholder who has requested that lot under Policy D3110-D3115. If a unit being sold is 10 years old or older, they must meet the requirements of D4012 before it can be sold on site. Any units that have an approved free-standing screen room are required to pay the Sell-on-Site fee automatically (D6285).

Under Policy D3655 Park Model Site Fees the \$100 fee is applied to all park model sites and all Cabana sites that have a Cabana on them. This fee is included automatically on the yearly lease billing for these sites.

From the Manager's desk



RAY HILL

by Ray Hill with Richard Kushman

This season with Ray begins with the new InTouchLink system. Training classes will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 6, 13 and 20 in Busch Hall at 1 p.m. You can also check page 15 of this TR Times issue for a link to the InTouchLink web site. Access to this new information system is available on your phone with the InTouchLink Community App or at <https://pegasus.intouchlink.com/> on

your computer.

It is expected that the Fire Pit area will be improved this coming week as a nice layer of crushed shells applied to cover the tree roots will provide a safer walking area. The Bocce Courts will also be dressed with a new layer of sand. This re-sanding is required every three to five years because as the courts are cleaned and leaves removed, it is unavoidable that some of the sand layer is also blown away.

I always enjoy being greeted with Ray's uplifting smile but this past summer was not the easiest for him. Be assured with 29 years total with almost 7 years as manager Ray is still enthusiastic and genuinely cares about our park and its residents.

TR Board approves policy changes

by Linda Smith
Recording Secretary

Policy changes approved 4/4/23

New Policy

O1042 STOCKHOLDER MEETING ANNUAL PACKET. It is the responsibility of the Board First Vice President or duly appointed Board Member to prepare the Annual Meeting Packets for mailing. Preparation of the packet for notification of Annual Stockholders Meeting should begin by Dec. 15 each year.

Changes

A1040 STOCKHOLDER MEETING ELECTION INSPECTOR: Responsibilities of the Election Inspector are to assist the Board First Vice President in ~~preparing the Annual Meeting Packets for mailing~~, setting up Busch Hall for the meeting, supervising the registration of attending stockholders, advising the meeting Chairman when a quorum exists so the meeting may be called to order, voting the proxy ballots held by the Board of Directors and maintaining an accurate tally of proxy ballot votes and floor votes.

O2005 STOCKHOLDER MEETING RESPONSIBILITY: It is the responsibility of the First Vice President of the Board, or duly appointed Board Member, and the Election Inspector to see that the detailed work required to prepare for the meeting and to carry out the registration and voting procedures, before and during the meeting, are carried out in a timely manner. ~~This includes the preparation of the packet for notifications of the Annual Stockholders Meeting and should begin by December 15 each year.~~

O3025: STOCKHOLDER MEETING PREPARATION: The following are the combined duties of the Board First Vice president, or duly appointed Board Member, and Election Inspector in preparing for the meeting.

O3025- 2: After mailing the Annual Meeting packet and before the Annual Meeting, the Election Inspector will maintain a file of the proxy ballots received. This file will be stored in the file safe in the TR Office. All proxy ballot envelopes will be opened in the presence of at least 2 other people.

O6040 USHERS: Ushers will oversee the registration lines. The Ushers will collect ballots and assist with other procedures as needed and directed by the ~~Head Teller~~ Election Inspector.

Policy Changes approved 5-23-23

Changed to read: D3610: HUD AND ANSI APPROVED MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS: Manufacturers and Dealers must meet Pasco County Requirements and the TR basic package requirements. Prior to ordering a unit, stockholders must have Manufacturer and Dealer approved by Management and/or Board of Directors.

Delete ~~D3615: PARK MODEL APPROVED DEALERS~~

Changed to read: E2030: PET EXERCISE FACILITY: There are two pet exercise facilities at Travelers Rest. The primary facility is located in RV South at the corner of 14th Avenue and 10th Street. The second facility is located on the north side of the Citrus Building. Adhere to posted hours of operations and follow posted regulations. These facilities are maintained by the Pet Lovers Club and Travelers Rest.

Changed to read: C3030 SIGNS WITHIN TRAVELERS REST: A "For Sale" sign no larger than 11" x 14" may be placed on the front and on the patio fence/screen of units within the resort. A normal "Real Estate" type "For Sale" sign may be placed in the front yard of a Village Home. Businesses working in the park may have a sign up for the duration of their project with approval of park management or BOD. No general advertising signs are permitted.

N2060 PROCEDURES FOR ENFORCEMENT OF RULES AND REGULATIONS.

#2 To ensure compliance with the Rules and Regulations, Shareholders and/or Lessess, may be fined not less than ~~\$10.00~~ \$35 nor more than ~~\$100.00~~ \$150.

A. STANDARD INIMUM SCHEDULE OF FINES.

1. ~~\$25~~ \$35 for first offense, (after violation procedures have been followed) and a ~~\$5.00~~ \$10 per day until compliance.
2. ~~\$50.00~~ \$75 for the second offense and ~~\$10.00~~ \$20 per day until compliance.
3. ~~\$100~~ \$150 for third or subsequent offenses and ~~\$25.00~~ \$35 per day until compliance.

Policy changes approved 7-11-23

Changed to read: C3095: YARD SALES: A community yard sale may be held on the 3rd Saturday of each month October thru March. Time is from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Set up on the day of the sale only and take down by 1 p.m. Any variance will require management/BOD approval (Approved 11-17-20) (Revised 7-11-23)

Addition:

D4010: SITE CLEANLINESS AND APPEARANCE

2. All Lots, Units, Cabanas, Sheds and Village Mobile Homes must be kept clean and free from accumulated clutter, trash, junk, dirt, debris, foliage, algae stains and discoloration.

Added:

- A. Failure to properly maintain any of these Lots, Units, Cabanas, Sheds and Village Mobile Homes will result in a Notification of Non-Compliance from park management requiring compliance within 15 days.
- B. Failure to comply with D4010-2A will result in Compliance Committee actions as noted in Policy N2060, Section 5: Fines.

New -E1011: PROHIBITED BREEDS: The following canine (dog) breeds are prohibited on any site including RV South, the Cabana Section, Golf View/Oak View and the Village. Pit Bulls/American Staffordshire Terriers, Rottweilers, Doberman Pinschers, Chow Chow, Wolf Hybrids, Akitas and Presa Canaios. Leaseholders/Residents as of 8-1-23 with any of these breeds are grandfathered in

with their existing dog(s), however, deceased/lost pets cannot be replaced to maintain this status. Travelers Rest Resort, Inc. reserves the right to refuse entry of any pet to the park, as well as the right to require removal of any pet from the park.

Changed to read: O1010: Stockholder Resolution Submission.

A. Priority of bylaw changes to be considered for presentation at the annual meeting is:

- Changes need to be in compliance with government regulations.
- Changes submitted by the Board of Directors.
- Changes submitted by the stockholder, maximum of 2 per year.

B. Stockholders and the Board of Directors may submit resolutions to amend the bylaws.

>Resolutions must be received by the Corporate Secretary either directly or by the office (where it will be date stamped) by Oct. 10 for consideration at the next regular scheduled Annual Meeting.

>Each resolution, including any accompanying supporting statement, may not exceed 500 words.

>The Resolutions must then be approved by the Board of Directors pending the Corporate Attorney's review, and modified, if necessary, before the resolution can be placed on the ballot for a vote at the Annual Meeting.

>If the Corporate Attorney's review is challenged, a second legal option may be obtained. A second legal option is at the expense of the shareholder if Attorney's review is challenged by shareholder.

>A written copy of the Attorney's opinion must be available to Stockholders upon request.

C. Resubmissions: If a resolution is substantially the same subject matter as a resolution included in the Corporate proxy materials within the preceding three (3) calendar years and the most recent vote on that resolution received less than 25 percent of the votes cast in favor of adopting the resolution, the resolution will not be resubmitted with TR's proxy materials.

>All resolutions submitted receiving less than 25% of all votes cast in favor of the resolution will not be resubmitted for AGM shareholder votes for at least three (3) years.

C. Although compliance with 17 C.F.R 240.14a-8 (2023) of the Code of Federal Regulations for Shareholder Proposals is not mandatory, the Corporation should use this regulation as a guideline when considering Stockholder proposals.

Policy changes approved in August, September and October

Definitions added under A0000 8-24-23

Ballot: A device to cast a vote in an election and is usually found as a piece of paper.

Proxy Card: A document assigning voting authority to a person or group (such as the TR Board of Directors) to act on their behalf.

Resolution: A formal proposal intended to result in a vote.

Vote: A formal expression of opinion or will in response to a proposed decision or resolution. All shareholder votes are expressed as indicated on a ballot.

Changes

Approved 8-24-23

AA2260 Directors Meeting Place. In accordance with Florida Statutes 607.0820 and 607.0821, the Directors meetings may be held at Travelers Rest Resort Inc., 29129 Johnston Road, Dade City, FL 33523-6128, or by telephone, by email interactive video in person whether it be in Florida or out-of-state provided the Article II Section 6 quorum and Article II Section 8 (Time of Meeting) requirements are met. All directors present must be able to hear communicate with all other directors present and votes may be taken verbally provided they are verified in writing by means of the U.S. Mail, commercial delivery service, facsimile machine(fax), email or meeting minutes.

Approved 9-19-23

D6280 DOUBLE ROOF ADDITIONS:

Deleted: ~~The suggested aluminum contract is Sauer & Sons Construction in Ocala, Florida. The use of a single source contractor ensures the continuity of construction and keeps warranty issues local and consistent.~~

Approved 10-24-23

N2025 BOARD APPOINTMENTS

6. Ability to maintain confidential information, ~~and the candidate shall sign the Candidate Confidentiality Agreement prior to interviewing~~ Candidates shall sign the Candidate Non-Disclosure Agreement prior to attending a board meeting and if elected, shall sign the Board of Directors Confidentiality Agreement-Non-Disclosure Agreement prior to the first meeting of the Board.

W1000 WASTE DISPOSAL

DELETED AND REPLACED WITH

1. Household trash including kitchen waste is to be deposited in trash dumpsters at Busch Hall and at the end of 14th Avenue.
2. Deposit plastic containers, jugs and bottles, clean metal food cans, flattened cardboard and mixed paper in the respective dumpsters at these sites. No plastic bags, plastic packaging or Styrofoam.
3. Large household items such as broken chairs, electronics, appliances, lumber, or golf equipment should be taken to Pasco County Handcart Road Transfer Station or retained until a Special Event during the season.
4. Aluminum soda and beer cans can be deposited in the wire cages at each site. They are sold to a nearby metal salvage yard.
5. Hazardous waste such as paint, stain, herbicides and pesticides should be taken to Paso County Handcart Road or retained for a Special Event.
6. Small batteries and small propane tanks can be deposited in designated containers at the dumpster sites.



Welcome back to all you TR Snowbirds.



To Ray, his crew and all the year-round residents, thanks for keeping our park in great shape over the summer.

I hope you, like myself, are looking forward to a great "high season" at TR. It is always good to see old friends and to make a few new ones. Time to revisit your favorite activities and perhaps try out a new one.

As always, part of the TR tradition is volunteering. If you have an idea for a new activity, I'm sure Guy Weik would like to hear from you.

Get out your calendars and start to list all the things you would like to do each week. Get busy and have a great season. *mre*

TR Church Association

Choir Rehearsal..... 8:45 a.m.
Bernie Guttridge
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Hymn Sing 10:15 a.m.
Barb Swartz
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Anthony Shipe
Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the month.

Praise and Worship
1st and 3rd Saturday of each month
Praise and Worship Service
4:30 p.m. in Busch Hall

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The Servant's Plow

A living sacrifice to God

by Anthony Shipe

Paul is writing a letter to the Church in Rome, one of his most lengthy Epistles, explaining the principles of Christian living. He begins the 12th Chapter, "Dear brothers and sisters," (depending on which translation you have), "I plead or I urge or I appeal to you... to give your bodies to God or offer your bodies as living sacrifices." Interestingly, when you go to the *HarperCollins Bible Dictionary* and look up the word "sacrifice" it tells you to look under "worship." That led me to look deeper into the concepts of sacrifice and worship, what they meant in Jesus' time and what they might mean today.

Remember that Paul, the author of this Epistle, was born Saul and was educated and raised as a Pharisee before he was converted by an encounter with the risen Christ. Paul understood the theology of Jesus the Messiah.

Because of who Jesus was and what He means to us, Paul "appeals" to all Christians, by the mercies of God. The word that the *NLT Bible* translates as "plead," is translated elsewhere as "urge" or even "appeal." The point of the word is exhortation. Paul is urging the Roman Christians to be serious in their commitment to God. He is like a coach who wants the greatest possible performance out of his team. He exhorts them, by the mercy of God, to present their bodies as a "HOLY" living sacrifice.

The idea of sacrifice has been around as long as humanity has. Sacrifice has always been part of the human worship of God – whether a god or the one true God of Israel or any other deity worshiped by people. As early as Chapter 4 of Genesis, we read a story of Cain and Abel making sacrificial offerings to the Lord. Able was a shepherd and brings before God the best of the lambs from his flocks. Cain was a farmer and brought the best of the grain grown from his fields. Just for trivia... why did God accept Able's sacrifice and not Cain's? Because... Cain's sacrifice was from the "cursed ground" and the lamb that Able brought was a life that God created in the womb. From that story through the stories of Abraham giving the best he had to God when God came to visit his camp, through the story of Abraham being willing to sacrifice his beloved son Isaac (another life that God created in the womb) on the altar before God. We have story after story of sacrifice as a part of worship.

When God led the children of Israel out of Egypt, Hebrew worship began to take shape, a shape that decidedly included sacrifice. Through the books of Exodus,



ANTHONY SHIPE

Leviticus and Numbers, Moses' brother Aaron and the house of the Levites was trained in the ways of Priestly worship and sacrifice. Cattle, sheep, goats, doves and pigeons became the sacrificial animals of our ancient faith. By the time that King Solomon built the first Temple in Jerusalem, the Priests had perfected the art of sacrifice greatly.

In the Temple, there were several different kinds of sacrifices, each involving different animals and offered for different reasons. The burnt offering was the most common and most general of sacrifices. Any kind of animal could be used, as long as it was male and free of blemishes and it was ritually killed, prepared and burned on the altar. (The burning sacrifice took the prayers skyward and brought a "pleasing aroma" to God, which is why some churches continue to use incense in services today.) The sacrifice could be offered as thanksgiving or in atonement and was done twice a day, every day, in the Temple in Jerusalem. In addition to this twice daily sacrifice, there were peace offerings, thank offerings, free-will offerings, votive offerings, sin offerings and ordination offerings. Each of them has a purpose.

One of the sacrifices offered by the Temple Priests did not involve killing an animal or using its blood as a part of the rite. On one of the High Holy Days, the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur), the High Priest would take one of the male goats destined for sacrifice. Because this was a sacrificial animal, it would be as close to perfect as they could get. The Priest would take this perfect goat and say prayers in which he would lay all of the sins of the people on the goat. Then the goat was run off into the countryside, where it would presumably take the sins of the people with it. Do you see where this is headed? By the way, this sacrifice of the goat on Yom Kippur is where we get the modern term "scapegoat," for one who takes the blame for another's wrongdoing.

During our services here at Travelers Rest, when we remember the Lord's Supper, we say that

Jesus "offered himself, in obedience to God's plan, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world... for the remission of sins." That is the way Paul understood Jesus' crucifixion, as a perfect sacrifice, as the ultimate act of atonement for the sins of the whole world under the New Covenant. To Paul, and to most of the modern Church, Jesus' sacrifice on the cross was the perfected version of a lamb without blemish being laid on the altar in the Temple.

So, when Paul tells the Roman Church that they are to present their bodies to God as a holy and living sacrifice, he didn't mean that they should be ritually killed in the name of God. Paul meant that they were to offer their hearts, souls, minds and bodies, in other words their entirety, to God.

Today, we are still called by God, just as the Church in Rome was almost 2,000 years ago, to offer to God everything we have as a sacrificial offering to the Lord because of our blessings or the mercies that God has given us. In our modern understanding that means the "Three T's" our time, our talents and our treasure or our tithes and offerings.

In the coming weeks, a new worship season is upon us again here at TR. This theme of our need to sacrificially give is going to re-emerge several times. As those weeks and those sermons come around, I want you to keep a couple of things in mind. First, we do not give our offerings because God needs it or because the Church needs it. This is about our need to give sacrificially to God because of how He has blessed us. Believers here at TR always bring their talents, their time and their treasures. Think about how you give of your time and how you use your God-given talents. Blessings to you at the beginning of this new season at TR.



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The Siren



by TR Fire/Rescue Station 33 volunteers

To those who have found their way back to our beloved Travelers Rest, "welcome back!" It is exciting to see familiar faces as well as new ones arriving. Fire/Rescue is here to serve our residents in any way we can.

There is some information we would like to make available to everyone to keep you informed about our services. Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. First Responders will be at the Fire Station to perform blood pressures and blood sugar tests. Tuesday, Dec. 4 there will be a Blood Drive. First Responders will be there to supply juices and snacks.

A word on the sirens: When you dial 911 there will be a steady blast for one minute, activated by Pasco County Rescue. If there is an emergency in the park there will

be five warbling blasts which is activated by the red button on the front of the Fire Station. This DOES NOT ACTIVATE the 911 System. It does alarm the First Responders in the park who will go to the Fire Station. Please remain at the Fire Station to inform the First Responders of the emergency. Every Tuesday at 9 a.m. the siren is tested and you will hear two blasts. For Tornado or Hurricane warnings there will be three long blasts for 15 seconds. Listening to local tv/radio will keep you posted on up-to-date information.

Sunday evenings a Vial of Life is available in Busch Hall before the entertainment for those who do not have one. These have a piece of paper with vital health information on it that we ask you to fill out and place in the provided vial on the door in your refrigerator for easy access in the event of an emergency.

For those with propane the Firemen have a "Sniffer" in the event of a leak. Do not hesitate to contact someone to verify if there is a leak.

Everyone should be cognizant of placing house numbers in front of your homes making it easy for Fire Rescue to find you.

A reminder, if you see the TR Medcart please move over and let it pass.

Wishes for a fabulous 2023-2024 season.

Healthy Tips

by Donna Neer, RN, retired

Welcome back to TR! I am pleased to be a part of *The TR Times*' staff again this year and to be able to write these articles for you. Every year I find myself asking what can I write about this year? Generally it can be challenging for me to write on health topics that may be informative and useful to you.

Thankfully, this first article was relatively easy for me. Because the first TR Blood Drive will be held on Monday, Dec. 4, I decided to use this event as a theme for this article. My husband Ken is the chairperson of this event and he will provide more information regarding the Blood Drive in this *TR Times*.

Although all blood is made of the same basic elements, not all blood is alike. Basically there are four blood groups: Group A, Group B, Group AB and Group O. These are determined by the presence or absence of certain substances (A & B antigens) on the surface of red blood cells. A third antigen is called the Rh factor. The Rh factor can be present (+) or

Gift cards for Sunrise

by Pat Greene
TR Special Ministries

We are collecting gift cards again this year for the women and children at the Sunrise Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Center.

Many of the mothers at the Center have never had money. Sunrise teaches them how to budget their money. They provide a lot of training to help the ladies prepare for their new lives. The gift cards you donate are divided among the women depending on how many children they have.

These gift cards allow them to buy presents and food for their family for Christmas. If you would like to contribute to this worthy cause, please buy gift cards in small denominations between \$5 and \$25. Gift cards from Walmart are particularly useful because the store has both food and items to purchase as presents. Don't forget to put the amount on each card. We also accept checks and cash. If donating by check, make it out to the church and put *gift cards* on the memo line.

You may bring your donations to Church, Busch Hall Sunday Night or simply mail them to: Pat Greene, lot 06-03, Beannie Wise, lot 14-09 or Pat Butler lot 14-07. To allow time for delivery to the shelter, please donate by Friday, Dec. 8. Thank you for your generosity.

BLOOD TYPES

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TYPE	YOU CAN GIVE BLOOD TO	YOU CAN RECEIVE BLOOD FROM
A+	A+, AB+	A+, A-, O+, O-
O+	O+, A+, B+, AB+	O+, O-
B+	B+, AB+	B+, B-, O+, O-
AB+	AB+	Everyone
A-	A+, A-, AB+, AB-	A-, O-
O-	Everyone	O-
B-	B+, B-, AB+, AB-	B-, O-
AB-	AB+, AB-	AB-, A-, B-, O-

negative (-). Based on these groups and antigens, there are eight blood types.

Since some antigens can trigger a patient's immune system to attack transfused blood, safe blood transfusions depend on accurate blood typing and cross-matching. Donated blood is carefully processed and analyzed to determine the group and Rh factor, followed by testing for infectious diseases. Following testing, the suitable blood units are then properly labeled and stored for subsequent transfusions. Blood has three components each of which has a specific use for the recipient. RED BLOOD CELLS are given to surgery and trauma patients and those with blood

disorders (ex. anemia).

PLATELETS control clotting and can be used for cancer or surgical patients. PLASMA also carries clotting factors and is given to trauma patients, organ transplant recipients and patients with clogging disorders.

So what blood type can be donated and then be transfused to whom? I found the chart above and found it not only easy to read, but very informative.

Please consider participating in the Dec. 4 Blood Drive! Your gift of donated blood can save lives.

(References: American Red Cross, Florida Blood Services and StepIntoMyGreenWorld.com.)

Daystar Hope Center announces new hours

by Glen Thompson
Secretary, Daystar Hope Center

The Daystar Hope Center, one of the charities that TR supports, is changing their hours of operation for the winter season. The **Thrift Store** will be open the first Saturday of each month this season from 9 a.m. until noon in addition to their regular hours of 9 a.m. until noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The Food Pantry hours remain unchanged. It will not be open on Saturdays.

Daystar Hope Center Thrift Store is located 1.3 miles north of downtown Dade City at the northeast corner of U.S. 301 and Pioneer Museum Road.

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TR Blood Drive is this Monday



by Ken Neer

This coming Monday, Dec. 4, two OneBlood mobile units will be parked next to our TR Fire/Rescue Station. They will be open for donations from 8 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. If you would like to donate, please consider going online to www.oneblood.org/donate-now or calling 888-936-6283 to reserve a time. You may need to enter our blood-drive details, i.e., Dec. 3 at Travelers Rest, 29129 Johnson Rd. Dade City FL. 33523. If registering online, you must register 24 hours before the drive, i.e., Sunday, Dec. 2. As always walk-ups are welcome. If you are unsure of your eligibility to give, don't hesitate to go on the bus and ask a staff member.

OneBlood will be giving every donor a \$20 e-gift card as well as a cozy OneBlood blanket. Incentives of course always welcomed, but the greatest incentive is knowing you have helped someone with *the gift of life* in their time of need.

Per TR First Responder Lise Minnick, the TR Fire/Rescue Station will be open and manned during the 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. blood-drive time. You are encouraged to stop by after donating for a few minutes of rest, hydration and conversation with a First Responder and your blood-donating TR neighbors. Please remember, we are a 55+ community; although giving blood is safe for seniors, our bodies react differently to sudden blood loss than when we were younger. Take a few minutes at the Fire/Rescue Station after donating. I personally found out the hard way. A few minutes of rest and plenty of hydration may be needed.

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Activity Affairs



GUY WEIK

by Guy Weik

Start planning now for this year's **Christmas Golf Cart Parade**, which is scheduled for **Tuesday, Dec. 12**. The is one day earlier than originally planned, so please make note of that in the Monthly Special Events in your TR Booklet. We will once again parade through most of the streets in TR, missing only the Village cul de sacs (Juniper, Willow and Holly Courts), 12th Ave. and lots

23-35 on the left as you enter TR. Those residents can catch the parade by gathering at the entrance to their court, either end of 12th Ave., and the corner of 1st and 17th Streets. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to gather outside and cheer on the parade! Last year's participants said they appreciated passing all the cheering groups as much as the viewers enjoyed the carts! The prize for the winning golf cart decorations will be two tickets to Rescue 33's Pulled Pork Dinner on Jan. 20, kindly donated by Chief Larry Polzin. Golf carts should line up at 3:45 p.m. on Snack Shack Road facing Busch Hall. The parade will start at **4 p.m.**, with a short stop in front of the Veterans' Memorial in front of Busch Hall. The parade took about 45 minutes last year, which gives viewers time to socialize with their friends and neighbors while waiting for the parade to pass by.



Calling for Homemade Christmas Cookies... Immediately following the Golf Cart Parade, all residents are invited to gather in Busch Hall for cookies, caroling and hot cocoa. Please either bring a dozen cookies or consider helping Linda Spencer bake cookies in the Busch Hall kitchen on Dec. 10-12. You can call Linda at 352-424-9604 for more information. Marty Schenke is organizing musicians and has Christmas Carol lyrics ready in case you need them. Please join us in Busch Hall immediately following the parade (around 5 p.m.) and hopefully catch that holiday spirit! Everyone is welcome!

Rock Painting begins next week

by Marcia Hatfield

Are you crafty? Or artsy? Do you want to make others smile? Are you ready to try a new activity? Do you want to create a set of checker pieces of Santas and candy canes?

Come join us at Jeri Miller Activity Building (behind Hobby House) on Wednesday, Dec. 6, from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. and learn how easy it is to paint a rock. Create your own design or use one of ours. Bring your own smooth rock or use one of ours. You may use our paints, brushes and sealers. Contact Marcia Hatfield 614-946-4411 or at lot 02-05.



Elf Girl

Photo by Marcia Hatfield



TR Directory updates

by Guy Weik

Every year, for various reasons, some schedule changes are made after the TR Booklet has been sent to the printer in October. I will make note of the changes here, so you can make the corrections in your booklets.

Building Schedules 1. (Sunday): Busch Hall: Church Association new times: Choir Practice (8:45-9:30 a.m.); Bible Study (9:30-10:15 a.m.); Hymn Sing (10:15-10:30 a.m.); Church Service (10:30-11:30 a.m.) 2. (Thursday) 8:30-9:30 a.m.: Change Zumba from JMAB to Citrus West.

Additional/Outdoor Schedules: New times for RC Sailboat Practice on Tuesday (9-11 a.m.), RC Sailboat Races on Wednesdays and Saturdays (9-11 a.m.).

TR Amateur Radio Club News

by Dan Zile

Hello all TR residents. The TR Amateur Radio Club is continuing the tradition of one of our deceased members, Frank Hickam, by raising the Christmas Star in his honor. The TR residents always enjoyed viewing the Christmas Star high upon his ham radio tower in The Village. His tower has been removed so look for the Christmas Star on the TR Amateur Radio Club's tower behind the Hobby House near Citrus West and the Communications Center.

The TR Amateur Radio Club had a very active time last season. We anticipate this season will be no different and already have many planned activities. We welcome anyone interested to join us. The club meetings of our more than 40 members are held the second and fourth Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Jerri Miller Activity Building.



If you are new to TR and already have a ham license, join us on our daily net (except Sunday) on 146.43 (tone equals 100 Hz) at 8 a.m. If you are a new resident to TR and think you might have an interest in learning about Amateur Radio or getting your Amateur license, please contact Dave Baur 207-650-8384, baurdelta@icloud.com or Dan Zile at 618-954-8550, WBOYMQ@aol.com.

Karaoke is back

by Gabriella Young

Once again Karaoke will be offered as a fun activity. Everyone is welcome to participate. Feel free to sing, dance or just sit back, listen and watch. It's all about having fun. Karaoke uses special equipment to provide recorded music, words and background video for participants of all ability levels to sing along. It is a very informal and great entertainment.

This year there will be a theme for every evening. Mark your calendars now for the following Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall:

- Dec. 20, Christmas songs
- Jan. 10, Margaritaville Jimmy Buffet
- Jan.24, The '60s live on



- Feb. 14, Love songs
- Feb. 28, Surfin' U.S.A. Beachboys and Jan and Dean
- March 13, The 70s
- March 27, The 80s

Please join us and enjoy the company and talents of neighbors and friends as they sing and dance along to old favorites.

TR Welcoming Committee meeting

by Susan Stahley

Once again, the resort is starting to fill with residents. As we look forward to a great 2023-24 season in our winter homes, we are eager to connect with our TR family. Each year we are blessed to have a new group of residents join in the fun. The TR Welcoming Committee strives to greet all new guests, make them feel at home and help them navigate the many aspects of TR life. The TR Welcoming Committee will host our

First Red Dot Social on Thursday, Dec. 7, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Citrus West. We invite all new guests to attend this event. Come with your questions and concerns and meet some new friends. We hope to see many previous committee members there as well.



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Thrift Trailer Tips



Photo by Ken Hankinson

Remember the Thrift Trailer when discarding useful items.

by Ken Hankinson

Let me start off by extending a warm TR welcome to those who have just recently returned or arrived during the month of November.

The TR Thrift Trailer continues to be very popular as it fills up every week and we have already made several deliveries to DayStar during the past few weeks. Our Thrift Trailer volunteers, as well as DayStar and The Helping Rock, sincerely appreciate the items you donate and place in the trailer.

We would appreciate your assistance in two important areas:

1) Please be sure the items placed in the Thrift Trailer are clean, usable and most importantly resaleable at the Thrift Store. It is counterproductive to transport

items that are unusable or broken to the Thrift Store only for them to have to discard them. Make sure all appliances and electronics are functioning and have all the necessary cords and remotes that go with them.

2) It would be extremely helpful to us and the Thrift Store if the items were packaged, boxed or bagged in some form when put into the trailer. Loose items make it more difficult to unload the trailer, and if items get separated or broken, it's more work and sorting for the volunteers at the store.

We appreciate your help and assistance in these two areas. Thank you again for all the items you donate and the revenue they produce for the thrift stores.

Tom Sutton and Kit Wheatley retire from Station 33

by Gloria Polzin

Tom Sutton will not be returning to TR. He was one of the last group of trainees that Pasco County has passed thru to official firefighter for Station 33. Over the off season Larry and I took Tom his retirement pillow. Tom was a Driver Engineer for Station 33 and treasurer for the Fire Rescue organization for several years.



photo by Gloria Polzin

Tom Sutton and Larry Polzin



photo by Gloria Polzin

Larry Polzin and Kit Wheatley

Kit Wheatly has been with TR Fire Rescue for four years. She worked as the purchasing representative for our station through Pasco County, getting the supplies we need to keep our station running. We are sorry to have her leave the First Responders and in the picture Larry is presenting her retirement pillow. We wish her well.

TR Veterans honored



Photos by Gail Downing

The flags flew and honors given at Travelers Rest.

by Karen Waldo

TR's Veterans Day Program was held on Saturday, Nov. 11, at the TR Veterans Memorial. Barb Swartz sang the *Star Spangled Banner* acapello which was followed by the invocation presented by Pastor Anthony Shipe. Bill Wise was the keynote speaker. Ceremony attendees sang *God Bless America* led by Barb Swartz. Ninety-one year old Clint Taylor was honored for his naval service and presented with a tee shirt depicting the USS Toledo. The ceremony concluded with the playing of taps by trumpeter Phil St. John.



Barb Swartz delivered the Star Spangled Banner acapello as the vets salute.



Photo by Amy Grier

Clint Taylor and his daughter Ruth Taylor Bordner display his gifted shirt.

Grandma and Grandpa's Cupboard now open



by Ruth Reeve

Do you need to borrow extra items when your grandchildren visit? Volunteers have worked together to provide a one-stop shop to pick up the items you may need at no charge. Located to the left of the pool washrooms, you will find an area where you can sign out or reserve such items as a pack-n-play, crib, stroller, highchair, books and toys. Simply collect what you need and note your name and date on the provided information sheet. Don't forget to promptly return the items so that other grandparents can prepare for their young visitors.

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Party Planners

by Linda Smith

Welcome to a new season at TR. Party Planners will be having a New Year's Eve party again this year. The potato/salad bar is back. You can BYOB as spirits are approved. Ticket cost will be \$20 per person. This year we have a new DJ to play our dance tunes. Look for us selling tickets at Busch Hall on Sunday Dec. 4, 11 and 18. Tickets will also be sold outside the Post Office on Dec. 6, 13 and 20.

There have been some who have asked what we do with the money that party planners collect. Over the years we have paid for half of the TR smoker, purchased

3 grills, 2 down at the Snack Shack and 1 at Golfview, paid half of the cost of the grill station structure by the Golfview Pavilion, and purchased the bench down by Vanishing Lake. Also, we have transferred funds each year to various activities, they include: Fire Rescue, Garden Club, Christmas Decorations for the Christmas Social, Quilters Guild, Model Railroad, Library and Birding Group. We also spend some of our dollars for Toys 4 Tots each year.

So come down NYE and join us for a fun party to ring in the new year and support us in supporting other TR activities.



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Travelers Rest Resort Activities

ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION

PICKIN? & GRINNIN? - Wednesdays, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Hobby House. December thru March.
Rob Werner
Harold Keefer

BOWLING

Fridays at 2:00 p.m. at Pin Chasers Bowling Lanes, Zephyrhills. Dec. 1-March 22.
Lin Buczek

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Mondays, 9:00 a.m. to noon in Jeri Miller Activity Building. January 8-February 12 (6-week class).
Carey Box

GARDEN CLUB

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11 a.m. at Lake Margaret.
Stacy Grier

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

2nd and 4th Thurs., 6:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. November-March Meetings open to all. Amateurs can check into the 8 a.m. Two Meter Net on 146.430 Mhz Monday thru Saturday.
Dan Zile

BRASS ENSEMBLE

Wednesdays, 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. All Brass players welcome!
Bill Watkins

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Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East. January 9-March 18.
Carey Box

GENEALOGY

Fridays, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East. November-March.
Sherry Wright

AQUATICS - (WATER AEROBICS)

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the pool. Year Round.
Linda Smith

BRIDGE: BEGINNERS

Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Hobby House. January-March.
Jim Weigand

DINING WITH FRIENDS

2nd Saturdays, Busch Hall, 5:30 to 7 p.m., January thru March.
Harold and Marlene Hughes

GEOCACHING

Tuesdays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus West. Outings 10 a.m.-3:00 p.m. January thru March.
Barbara Colson

BALLROOM DANCING

Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Busch Hall. January 10 thru March 31.
Jeffrey Duquette

BRIDGE: INTERMEDIATES

Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West. January-March.
Connie Bradley

DOMINOES

Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. January-March.
Linda Gough

GOLF - LADIES LEAGUE

Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m. at Starter Shack.
Sandy Nelson

BEADAHOLICS

Mondays, 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Citrus East. January 8 thru March 25.
Kathy Kushman
Kathy Lemke

BRIDGE: PARTY/PARTNERS

Party Bridge with partners - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. Partner not required. Singles will be teamed up. January-Maarch.
Barb Aubrey

DULCIMER JAM

Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 pm in Citrus East. October-April.
Lois Showers

GOLF - MENS LEAGUE

Thursdays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. at Starter Shack.
Barry English

BIBLE STUDY- CO-ED

Mondays, 5:30-7:00 p.m. on the Busch Hall Stage.
Anthony Shipe

BULLETIN BOARD IN BUSCH HALL

For information or help with a notice or ad contact:
Betsy Behler
Guy Weik

DULCIMER LESSONS

Mondays in Citrus West. Beginners: 9 to 10 am. Intermediates: 10 am to noon. January-March.
Lois Showers

GOLF - SCRAMBLES

2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday mornings at 9:00 at Starter Shack.
Tom and Pat Butler

BIBLE STUDY, WOMEN?S

Tuesdays, 3:00-4:30 p.m. in Citrus West. January-March.
Rosita Williams

CALLIGRAPHY

Fridays, 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Citrus East. November-April.
Richard Peebles

ENTERTAINMENT SUNDAYS

Announcements begin at 6:45 p.m. with program following. Performances will be in Busch Hall.
Ken and Sandy Langel

GOLF ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Monthly meeting 2nd Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. in Hobby House. All members/golfers are welcome. December-March.
Roy French

BICYCLING

Tuesdays and Fridays, meet at 8:45 a.m. at parking lot behind Busch Hall. Watch Cycling Bulletin Board in Busch Hall for rides.
Susan Delaney

CHOIR PRACTICE

Fridays, 9:30 to 11 a.m. and Sundays 8:45 a.m. in Busch Hall. Join us.
Bernie Gutridge

EUCHRE

Fridays, 7 to 9:00 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building.
Chairperson Needed

GOLF LESSONS

Tuesdays, Practice Range with all levels of expertise from 9 to 11 a.m.
Joan McLean

BINGO

Nov.-Dec.: 1st and 3rd Saturdays; January-March: Weekly. 7 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East.
Linda Smith
Jim Walsh

CHURCH ASSOCIATION

Sunday Activities: All events in Busch Hall, 8:45 a.m.: Choir Practice 9:30 a.m.: Bible Study. 10:15 a.m.: Hymn Sing. 10:30 a.m.: Worship service, Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the month.
Anthony Shipe, Pastor

FIRE/RESCUE 33

Firefighters-Tues, 9 to 11 am- Fire Station. First Responders-Tuesday, 11 to 1, JMAB. Thursdays, 8:30 am to 12:30 p.m., Paul Rife Room. Business Meeting - 3rd Tuesdays, 9 a.m. in Paul Rife Room.
Larry Polzin

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Volunteer to help build homes in Pasco County. Projects January thru March TBA.
Vince Smith

BIRDING

Tuesdays, 8 a.m. at Post Office Veranda. Bring binoculars and cameras. November-March.
Tom Butler

CHURCH COMMITTEE

3rd Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Jeri Miller Activity Building. November-April.
Bill Wise

FIVE CROWNS

Wednesdays (non-concert nights only), 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. November-April.
Jackie Thackery

HAND AND FOOT

Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. November-March
Diane & Brian Krupicka

BLOOD DRIVE AT TR

Blood drives are held the 1st Monday in December and March. The Blood Mobile will be parked next to the TR Fire Station from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. unless announced otherwise.
Ken Neer

CLOGGERS OF TR

Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 to 11:30 a.m., Saturdays 10 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus East.
Donna Neer
Donna Smith

FIVE HUNDRED - CARDS

Saturdays, 6:45 to 9 p.m. In Citrus West. November-March.
Pat McCallum

HARMONAIRES

Bring your harmonica and play with us! Beginners welcome. Thursdays 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Hobby House.
Joe Shipe

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11 a.m. in Paul Rife Room.
Larry Polzin

COFFEE & DONUTS - RADIO CLUB

1st Saturday (during Flea Markets), and 3rd Saturdays during Yard Sales. 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. or until sold out. Donuts and coffee served in Busch Hall. Nov.-Mar.
Dan Zile

FLEA MARKET

Flea Markets are held in Busch Hall the first Saturday of each month, November thru March, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Setup at 7 a.m. Coffee & donuts for sale.
Rick and Amy Peebles

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sundays, 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Rosita Williams

BOCCE (FALL)

Sundays thru Fridays, 1:30 p.m. November and December.
Bob Fisher

COFFEE SEMINARS

Thursdays, 8 to 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. Watch The TR Times and online calendar for updates.
Billie Doell

FRIDAY AFTERNOON LIVE!

Certain Fridays, 3:30-5:00 p.m. at The Grove Stage. Check dates in the InTouch app and TR Booklet.
Donna Probes

IPHONE CLASS

Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Jeri Miller Activity Building. January-March.
Susan Stahley

BOCCE (WINTER)

Scheduled games and competitions, Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays, 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 7 p.m. January thru March.
Jim Ridolfi

COFFEE SOCIAL

Monday thru Friday, 7:30 to 9 a.m. in Busch Hall.
Jim Matkovich

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCES

Fridays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall, starting January 19. The dance schedule and themes are listed in the TR Booklet and the InTouch app.
Sharon Fosnight

JOKER

Mondays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. Fridays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West.
Bob & Deb Englert (Mon.)
Deborah May (Fri.)

BOOK BROWERS

2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 2 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West.
Nan Feeney Lance

CREATIVE ART GROUP (CAG)

Wednesdays, 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus West. January-March.
Linda Spencer

GAMES NIGHT

Mondays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Snack Shack Pavilion. Non-contact games. New game each week. January-March.
Linda Smith
Joan Colao

JUBELLATION

Mondays, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. November-March.



Bulletin Board

Travelers Rest Resort Activities

KARAOKE Most non-concert Wednesdays, 7 to 9: p.m. in Busch Hall. December-March. Check InTouch schedule. Glenn and Gabriella Young Alan West	POKER TEXAS HOLD?EM Tuesdays and Saturdays, 7 to 9:30 p.m. in the Hobby House. Tom Thompson	TABLE TENNIS/PING PONG Mondays and Thursdays, set up at 2:30 p.m., play from 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus East. Extra paddles available. Ron Hicks	WATERCOLOR PAINTING Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East. November-March. Amy Grier
KNOTTY KNITTERS Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus West. All year. Diane Fisher	POM-POM DRILL TEAM Tuesdays, 3 to 4 p.m. and Fridays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus East. Donna Neer Deb Niles	TENNIS Open play, Mondays- Fridays, 9 to 11 a.m. November-April. Betty Teichert	WEIGHTS & STRETCHING Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 8 to 9:00 a.m. in Citrus East and West. Year-round. Sheila Schencke
LIBRARY Located in northwest corner of Busch Hall. Open 24/7. Honor system sign-out. Please reshelve your own books if you can. If not place in cart behind desk. Meetings: 1st Tues., 1:30 p.m. SSP. Mary Kosbab Kay Blunda	POWERBOAT RACING Mondays and Fridays, 8 a.m. to noon at Mirror Lake. Howard Best Don Meddles	STONE & TIGHTEN Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus East. Strengthen your muscles. Bring mat and weights. January-March. Bev Weissinger Louise McRoberts	WELCOMING & RED DOT SPOT Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Citrus West. Red Dot Socials: 1st and 3rd Thursdays. Welcoming Committee: 2nd and 4th Thursdays. Diana Hill
LINE DANCING (IMPROVERS) Mondays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East. January 8-March 23. Alex Adair	PRAISE & WORSHIP Contemporary Church Services - 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. December - March. Marty Schencke	TR ROADRIDERS MOTORCYCLE 1st Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Hobby House to plan rides. Tuesday Rides: 8 a.m.-noon. Thursday rides: 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Meet at Busch Hall parking lot. October-April. Phil St. John	WIZARD Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. November-March. Imma Smith Gary Smith
LINE DANCING (BEGINNERS) Tuesdays, 10 to 11 a.m. in Citrus West and Saturdays 3 to 4 p.m. in Citrus East. Jan. 2-March 23.. Alex Adair	QUILLING ON A BUDGET Thursdays, 1-3 p.m. in Citrus West. Pat Daubenmier	TR SINGING MEN Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Jeri Miller Activities Building. All men are invited to sing along. Ron Reeve Gene Gough	WOOD SHOP Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. October-May. Membership \$20. Larry Kurkowski
MAH JONG CHINESE Mondays and Fridays, 12 to 2 p.m. in Citrus West. Marcia Hatfield	QUILTING Thursdays at 9:30 a.m to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. 2nd Thursday Guild Meeting/Show and Tell. Pat Greene Cloie Morgan	TR TRAVEL Planned events advertised on Travel Board in Busch Hall. Watch for articles in TR Times. Sharon Gilbert Zile	WOODCARVING Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. January-March. Linda Murphy
MAH JONGG - NATIONAL PLAY Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. at Hobby House. Lessons on Mondays. Bette Gorman	RC AIRPLANE FLYING Parlor - Thursdays, 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Outdoor - Tuesdays, 8-11:45 a.m. , at the Golf Course 9th hole. James Morrow, Sr.	TR TRAVELAIRES Ochestra Tuesdays, 12:30 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. New members welcome. Pat Daubenmier	YOGA Restorative Yoga (Improves flexibility): Tuesdays, 7:15-8:15 a.m. Yoga for Athletes: Thursdays, 7:15-8:15 a.m. Both in Citrus West, January thru March. Jean Renee DeTar
MATS FOR THE HOMELESS Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Busch Hall Pat Dellamuth Lorraine Gould	RC MOTORSPORTS Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. at RC Motorsports track by the Snack Shack. John Toombs	TRAVELETES/WOMEN'S CHORUS Wednesdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. January-March. Mary Beth Coldren	ZUMBA Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., in Citrus West. November 30-March 28. Bev Weissinger
MIRROR LAKE YACHT CLUB RC Powerboat and Sailboat Activities at Mirror Lake. Powerboat Races: Mondays and Fridays 8 a.m. to noon. (January 1-March 15) Jerry McRoberts, Commodore	ROCK PAINTING Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. December 6-April 15. Marcia Hatfield	TRAVELOGUE 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus East. January thru March. Bert Contractor	
YACHT CLUB SAILBOATS Sailboat Open Practice: Tuesdays, 9 to 11 a.m. Sailboat Races: Wednesdays and Saturdays 9 to 11 a.m. (November 22-March 15) Barry Sellick	RUG HOOKING Tuesdays, 9:30 to noon in the Green Room, Busch Hall. A small avid group. Join us and make something beautiful! Tawnya Rowden	TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES (TNM) Tuesdays, doors open at 6:45 p.m., movie will start at 7:00 p.m., in Citrus East. Movie Night runs January thru March. Jim and Carol Henrikson	
MODEL RAILROAD Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to noon in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. Brian Krupicka	SEW SPECIAL AND EMBROIDERY Mondays, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Welcome to cut out and sew. Bring machine, projects, ideas. 3rd Mondays - Show and Tell. Rosita Williams Laura Lilawski	UKULELE CLUB Tuesdays, 3 to 4:00 p.m. in the Hobby House. Players share tips and tunes without weekly instruction. January thru March. Donna Probes	
OIL & ACRYLIC PAINTING Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. January-March. Mary Kubiniee	SHUFFLEBOARD Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Competition. Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Dime Day. Richard Von Qualen	VETERANS MEETING 2nd Mondays, 10:03 to 11 a.m. in the Hobby House. All year. Darold Long, Commander	
PET LOVERS CLUB 2nd Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. January - April. Kim Roberts	SNACK SHACK Currently weekdays, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Additional volunteers needed to add a Saturday crew. January 8-March 22. Lee Brenn Mickey Cobb	VILLAGE HAPPY HOUR Thursdays, 4 to 5:30 p.m. at host residence. Meet in Hobby House if temperature is <60 or if it's raining. November thru April. Mario Noll	
PICKLEBALL Over a dozen Pickleball activities from beginner to competitive play offered weekly. Check Outdoor Activities in the TR Booklet and InTouch app for current schedule. Delia and Carey Box	SPORTS CLUB Meet in the Jeri Miller Activity Building, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7 to 8 p.m. (October-May) All welcome. Ray LoPresti	WAIST WATCHERS Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. in the Hobby House porch. Jackie Thackery	
PINOCHLE Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. John Delaney	STAINED GLASS All times in Jeri Miller Activity Building, January-March: Mondays, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. Wednesdays, 4 to 6 p.m., Fridays, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Instructor - Shari Harberts Shari Harberts Laura Apgar	WINTER WALKING AEROBICS Monday thru Friday, 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. in Citrus East. November- March. Gloria Polzin	



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 ~ Sherry Anderson



Contact Guy Weik and see how you can join the TR Team.
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Travelogue

Looking for storytellers for 2024 Travelogue presentations

by Bert Contractor

Travelogue presentations start on Wednesday, Jan. 10. They are scheduled in the months of January, February and March. This season the presentations will be on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus East.

Presentations dates are Wednesdays, Jan. 10 and 24, Feb. 14 and 28, March 13 and 27. We are looking for storytellers on these days. Share your travel adventures with your fellow TR residents. Please contact me via text or call at 980-334-5050 if you are interested in sharing your travel adventures.



If you need assistance with preparing your slideshow I will be glad to help.

Save the dates for Christmas events in Dade City

by Pat Butler

Pioneer Christmas and Vintage Market, Saturday, Dec. 2, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Pioneer Museum and Village, 15602 Pioneer Museum Rd., Dade City. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and admission for children under age 5 is free.

Dade City Christmas Parade is Friday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. on 7th Street between MLK Jr. Blvd. and Church Street. Parade sponsors welcome your bringing blankets and chairs, but ask that you please leave your furry friends at home.

Dade City's annual Country Christmas Stroll is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 9, 5 p.m. downtown at 7th Street and Meridian Avenue. It's a



family-friendly, free event filled with activities, entertainment and shopping.

Church Street Christmas is Thursday, Dec. 21 through Saturday, Dec. 23, 7 to 9 p.m., on Church Street in Dade City. Come out and enjoy this free, annual event along historic Church Street where you can stroll luminary-lit sidewalks, see and hear carolers, dancers and musicians and wonder at the brilliant holiday displays.

Travel News

Welcome to TR Travel Season 2023-24!

by Sharon Gilbert Zile
TR Tour Director

After our summer and fall of amazing Airstream travels, Dan and I have returned to our Happy Place here at Travelers Rest. We're looking forward to wonderful trips with our TR friends and we're excited to meet new friends on each trip with TR Travel. Since some of you have recently arrived at TR for the very first time, let me explain. As your volunteer travel director, I plan day trips, multi-day trips and occasionally, a cruise for the TR community. There are no multi-day bus trips planned this season but I'm considering several great possibilities for next year. This winter, a group of nearly 60 TR travelers will be flying to Honolulu for a cruise around the Hawaiian islands - Aloha!

TR Travel day trips begin in the parking lot beside the TR Post Office where a restroom-equipped luxury bus from Small World Tours will meet and transport us to one or more Central Florida locations for a day of discovery and fun. Recent day trips have included a winery, a chocolate factory, a Tampa By Land and Sea tour, Kennedy Space Center, a St. Patrick's Day luncheon cruise and numerous others. Day trips occur monthly December thru March and must have 35 to 53 participants per bus to be a "go". Upcoming trip details are publicized in *The TR Times*, InTouchLink, the Travel Bulletin Board in Busch Hall and on the Facebook Residents and Friends page. Each reservation for



DAN AND SHARON ZILE

one or two persons requires a payment by check made payable to Small World Tours and mailed to me, Sharon Zile at lot 2540. The cost varies depending on the trip but includes your bus transportation, entry fees, lunch with tip and driver gratuity. If you need to cancel, I am often able to find another person who would like to purchase your seat. Day-trip reservations are always transferable. Trip publicity indicates an Activity Level for each day trip to help you to know how much walking will be involved and if assistive walkers and scooters can be accommodated. If you have questions, give me a call or text.

The Dec. 12 day trip to Barn Antiques and Bok Tower Gardens in Lake Wales has already been announced. Fun fact: There are just 600 carillons in the world and only 185 in North America. One of them is at Bok Tower Gardens! We'll also tour Pinewood Estates, the 20-room mansion built at Bok Tower Gardens for Bethlehem Steel Executive Charles Austin

Buck in the 1930s and decorated for the Christmas season for us. Reservations are still available but must be made immediately. Please call me today if you'd like to go. All other 2024 day trips will be announced at the Busch Hall Coffee Seminar on Thursday, Jan. 4, at 8 a.m. You may make a paid reservation for one or more day trips at that time. Hint: Bring your checkbook as some trips are very popular and will fill that morning! In addition to presenting this season's day trips a discussion will begin about potential multi-day trip options for the 2024-25 season.

Shirley MacLaine discovered that "The more I traveled the more I realized that fear makes strangers of people who should be friends." I look forward to traveling with you!

Here's the schedule for our 2023-24 season.

- Tuesday, Dec. 12, 8:15 a.m., day trip to Barn Antiques and Bok Tower Gardens.
- Thursday, Jan. 4, 8 a.m., TR Travel Coffee Seminar in Busch Hall.
- Wednesday, Jan. 10, 4:30 p.m. TR Hawaiian Island Hoppers Party/Meeting, in Citrus East.
- Wednesday, Jan. 24, 8 a.m., day trip.
- Wednesday, Feb. 22, 8:30 a.m. day trip.
- Thursday, Feb. 29 to Saturday, March 9, TR Hawaiian Island Hoppers cruise
- Wednesday, March 13, 8 a.m., day trip.

A Day Back In Time Out To The Barn Antiques and Bok Tower Dec. 12, 2023

Come one, come all! Join us for a delightful Holiday day trip to Lake Alfred to 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, The Back-Yard Garden & The Back Torch Tea-room. After The Barn we will depart for Lake Wales to the unforgettable Bok Tower to see the magnificent Carillion Bell tower. Escape to the unforgettable landscapes found only at Bok Tower Gardens where you can discover & explore the breathtaking sights found around every corner of the meandering garden paths. We will have a delicious lunch here at the café and also enjoy a tour of the Pinewood Estate, the home of Edward Bok, all decorated for Christmas. Carillion concerts will be at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00pm. You won't want to miss this fun and exciting tour! Sign up now!! Activity Level 2.



COST: \$119.00 pp

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 - Entry to Bok Tower & Garden
 - Pinewood Estate Tour
 - Driver Gratuity

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Motor coach will depart Busch Hall at 8:15 a.m. and return at 6:15p.m.

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Library News



Welcome Back

by Amy Peebles

The Library volunteers would like to welcome everyone back for another season and hope you will stop by the Library and make use of all the resources housed there.

A small group of volunteers have been busy maintaining the Library throughout the summer months. Donated books were processed and placed on the New Books Cart and the Reader Recommended Books Display was kept updated. Books we were not able to use due to size or outdated copyright, were placed in the plastic milk crates on the floor and donated to thrift stores or the Dade City Library which has recently reopened after remodeling. The books in those bins are free to take but please don't return them to the Library. Holiday books have recently replaced the Recommended Book Display to enjoy until the New Year.

New changes to the Library include relocation of puzzles and games to the Hobby House and key card access to enter the Library. The Library is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Many new DVDs were donated to the Library over the summer so our collection has grown. From action to comedy, romance, old TV shows and more, you may find just what you are looking for in that section

We appreciate all your donations. They can be placed on the bottom shelf of the cart behind the desk. Returning books can be placed on the top shelf of the cart or returned directly to the bookshelves. Due to space limitations, we kindly request that you do not donate oversized books or outdated copyright books of 5 years or more from the current date. If you have a large selection of books to donate please do not bring them to the Library. Call a volunteer who will follow up with you.

In your travels out of the Park, there are many libraries and bookshops in the area to visit. Many of these will be the topic of a future article.

So another season has begun here at TR and we invite you to visit the Library for a good book or movie to settle in with and enjoy.

Garden News

Call for Volunteers at the Lake Margaret Garden Club

by Leslie Ewing

The Lake Margaret Garden Club will be decorating the Garden on Tuesday, Dec. 5 and Thursday, Dec. 7 from 9 to 11 a.m. in honor of the holidays. We are asking for volunteers to help decorate the Garden as not all of our members have returned for the winter.

The lights and some of our decorations from previous years have worn out. The club purchased replacement lights and decorations. The Garden will have a fresh look this year. Garden activities were suspended Nov. 28 to allow members to participate in decorating TR.

The season for the Garden begins in January because that is when everyone is back for the winter. Members who have arrived early to TR have been busy. Halloween Day was well received and lots of fun. The club hopes to add more events for the 2024 season.

Most people who visit public gardens are not aware of how much work is involved in maintaining a garden. Following summer, there



at the Garden to discuss business and plans for the Garden.

The club invites TR residents and guests to enjoy strolling along the boardwalk during the day and at night when we have lights and decorations in place. We hope that the Garden provides a peaceful place to appreciate the plantings and the lake as well as a place to meet new people. The lights at night present a different perspective. See you in the Garden!

Help Wanted

The Lake Margaret Garden Club is in need of volunteers.

Did you know that gardening is a beneficial activity not only for your physical health but your mental health, too?

Gardening boosts physical activity levels and helps to improve your immune system. Not only does it provide an opportunity for socialization, which helps to reduce the risk of dementia, but it can also relieve stress and anxiety.

Please consider adding gardening to your volunteer list. Both you and our garden will benefit.

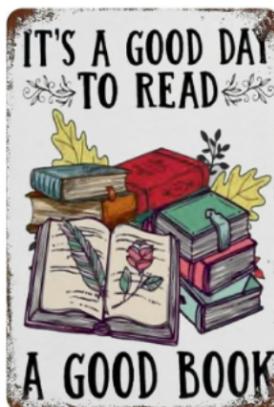
Book Browsers reading list for 2024



by Pam Watkins

The TR Book Browsers invite you to join us in 2024 on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 1 p.m. in Citrus West to discuss this season's recommended books. With numerous participants, the readers are able to enjoy hearing about the books through the perspectives of their fellow residents. Let's get together and enjoy sharing our ideas and viewpoints on the following titles.

- Jan. 10 *The Crooked Branch* by Jeanine Cummins
- Jan. 24 *Dead Wake: Lusitania* by Erik Larson
- Feb. 14 *Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren (nonfiction)
- Feb. 28 *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge
- March 13 *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver
- March 27 *The Reading List* by Sara Nisha Adams



Palm tree deaths at TR ...what happened?

by Amy Grier

Bacterium inside the gut of palm frond "tree hoppers" invaded the three majestic palms on First Street and one on the Golf Course. They had to be cut and carried away. Sad, but true; deaths are predicted for Florida's many varieties of iconic palms. The bacterium destroys the vascular tissue of the plant. Fronds become reddish brown and within three to four months the crown goes from umbrella-like to pear shaped and scruffy and the tree hoppers move on.

Gloom and doom..... ? The University of Florida Agriculture Service (UF/ IFAS) reports possible protection by treating unaffected palms with an antibiotic four times a year. This can be done inexpensively by purchasing a kit that includes the drug in powder form, syringe, drill bit and valve to treat 30 trees. Recent purchases were \$75 per kit. Go to www.palmtree saver.com. TR has pur-



Painting by Amy Grier

Amy Grier's illustration of Lethal Bronzing Disease.

chased the large kit for treating trees along First Street to the TR Garden as well as those on the Golf Course.



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What floor would you like?

by Tom Butler

This is a question we have heard many times when we step into an elevator. If you were in the company of a variety of birds, you would hear a variety of different answers. Imagine a grocery store with multiple floors offering different food selections. When it comes to wooded areas, every tree is divided into different floors – I mean levels. Each level, top to bottom, creates a mosaic of habitats and dietary offerings that provide what is essential for each type of bird. While we can find each bird at different levels, each species has a personal favorite. Let's start on the ground floor and see what is available.

Forest Floor: This is the recycling station for decaying leaves, fallen trees, animal scat, moss and detritus. These waste items are broken down by fungi, insects of many descriptions and earthworms (a bird favorite). Insects and seeds attract doves of all descriptions as well as wrens, thrushes, robins and many species of sparrows. The Ovenbird, a warbler species, not only spends most of its time on the forest floor feeding, it builds its nest on the ground in the shape of a pizza oven. Insects on my pizza – no thank you. How about we check out the second floor?



The Ovenbird is a ground feeder.

Herb Layer: Herbaceous or soft-stemmed plants as well as grasses, ferns, flowers and various ground covers are found here. These plants and flowers attract additional examples of insects and, in turn, more species of birds with just a little different dietary demand. The mere addition of flowers, at this level, creates an ample supply of seeds and nectar

that bring in many newcomers to this floor – err layer. Hummingbirds seek out tubular flowers for the energy-giving nectar while Goldfinches flock to Purple Cone flowers, Zinnias and Thistle plants. Warblers of many descriptions enjoy the seeds found at this level. Yum! Let's push the button for the next floor.

Shrub Layer: Woody-stemmed vegetation makes up the next level. With bushes, brambles and berry-producing plants, this is a very different food source and, therefore, another change in species that flock to this layer. Flock is the perfect word for Cedar Waxwings because they are a very social bird that stays in large groups and descend onto just about any source of berries. When cool weather descends on the woods there is a decrease in the number insects available. Many birds including Bluebirds, Yellow-rumped Warblers and our state bird the Northern Mockingbird turn to a variety of fruits that becomes available. Beauty Berries are found in our park and are a favorite of these incredible creatures. Next floor up, please.

Understory: This level consists of smaller trees, saplings and immature trees that have not yet reached the upper canopy level. This layer provides food, shelter and protection from larger predators such as hawks and owls that frequent the canopy above. Nearly a third of migratory birds frequent the understory level which makes us realize that we need to search higher levels with our binoculars. Looking at bird feeders is great, but you may be missing additional species if you don't search all levels of the habitat. Many of these trees are larval hosts which means that insects lay eggs on leaves that will provide food when they emerge. More insects, larvae and caterpillars can only mean one thing – more birds! Grosbeaks, Tanagers, Orioles and Cuckoos can be seen on a regular basis when viewing this level. Next floor please.



Photos by Tom Butlers

An example of a canopy feeding bird is the Northern Parula.

Canopy: This level is where the crowns of trees meet to form a thick layer. Much like an umbrella, wildlife are provided some shade, wind and rain protection as well as an abundance of fruits and nuts. In a rainforest you would likely find nearly half of all the wildlife residing at this level. Parrots are common in the rainforest while our canopy has a different cast of characters. Owls and Hawks love to perch on the large branches in our park and peer down on the food sources available before making their dining selection. Yikes! Wood Ducks, Black-bellied Whistling Ducks and others use these branches to roost at night. Last stop on our ascent coming up.

Emergent Level: Trees that penetrate the canopy, or emerge, provide incredible observation perches for some of the larger predators like an Eagle. When perched near water, the Eagle has a bird's-eye view of fishing opportunities. Other large predatory birds will feed on mammals, reptiles and birds that frequent the canopy below. A place for everyone! So, as we descend back down to the forest floor, check your shopping list and decide what tasty morsels and snacks you just can't live without. You should be able to find yourself something scrumptious.

Pets on Parade



A rescue for a birthday gift

by Judy Leister

Linda and Jim Gower were in Texas visiting their kids for the summer. Their previous Shih Tzu had passed over the Rainbow Bridge about eight months earlier and Linda really missed having a dog. Linda's birthday was coming up and Jim had a lot of gift suggestions but one day Linda announced she wanted a puppy and the search was on.

They went online and looked at a lot of rescue groups. They finally found an adorable cross of Shih Tzu and Lhasa Apso that sounded very promising. A representative from the rescue group suggested meeting with them at a local veterinarian's office which they happily agreed to.

When they arrived they were told right up front that this cute little guy was not big on hugs and kisses but he proved them wrong. He hurried right over to Linda, jumped in her lap and gave her a big slurpy kiss. It was his way of announcing that he was picking her. They decided right then that they wanted him. Like most rescue groups they required an inspection of the prospective home. What to do? They were in a Texas campground a long way from their Florida home. Luckily the rescue group agreed to an endorsement from the Gowers' home veterinarian and the approval went through.



Photo by Linda Gower

Buddy playing with his toy moose.

Buddy was about 18 months old when he was found near a soccer field. He was well groomed and in great shape. A long search for his owners had been unsuccessful so he went into rescue. Other than a little orneriness at first and a few potty accidents, he settled in well with Linda and Jim.

Buddy is now 10 years old and goes with Linda for a mile long walk here at TR at least twice a day. That is a lot of steps for those little doggy legs but he loves it. If you ever see them while they are on a walk, watch Buddy. When they come to a crosswalk he always stops and many times just like his mom, he looks both ways before stepping out onto the street. Now that's a smart pooch. We mustn't forget the golf cart. Buddy loves it when his dad takes him for a ride and it's especially fun when they stop at one of the TR dog parks.

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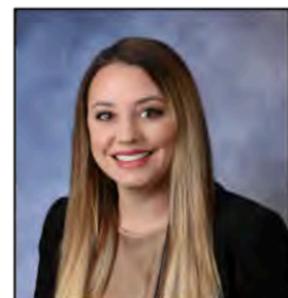
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Frightful to Thankful Halloween Garden Walk



Photo by Sandy Sasuta

Amy Grier striking a very Halloween pose.

by Pam Forsyth

The Lake Margaret Garden Club sponsored a Halloween Garden Walk on Oct. 31 complete with a photo booth producing some great pictures taken by Marijo Noll. She posted all of these on the Residents and Friends Facebook page. It didn't seem to matter to anyone that the gardens were still full of weeds and vines from the summer growth, it was still a great place to gather with friends. Thanks to Amy Grier for organizing this and to all those who helped her. The Garden Club is hoping to be able to host a few more events during the season.



Photo by Marijo Noll

A scary time for Clint Taylor and friend.



Photo by Mark Lupian

Marie Lupian enjoying a scary walk.



Photo by Sandy Sasuta

Sharing a happy Halloween are friends, Michelle Napolitano, Cathy Locke, Laura Weik, and Pam Forsyth.



Photo by Sandy Sasuta

Clearly a warning sign entering the garden.



Photo by Sandy Sasuta

The spider has lured Steve Langell into its web.

Many are thankful for the Thanksgiving feast!



Another delicious Thanksgiving feast shared by many in Busch Hall.

by Pat Butler

Many thanks to all those who attended the annual TR Thanksgiving Feast held in Busch Hall on Thanksgiving afternoon. Food and fellowship were enjoyed by all who brought holiday dishes to share and joined in the fun.

After dinner, a TR trivia game was conducted by Bill Wise with the winning table securing dessert in the form of Whitman's Chocolates!

A special thanks to Guy Weik for helping with the preparations. Thanks also to those participants who decorated their tables to add to the ambiance, as well as the volunteers who helped set up and take down the tables and chairs.

It was a gathering to be thankful for!



Jackie Thackery and Renee Bigelow prepare a plate for a needy neighbor.



First annual TR History Trivia Game run by Bill Wise.

Photos by Karen Waldo



Roy French, Tom and Linda Gelinas are deep in conversation.



Rose Marie Kuharick and Marcia Schacht enjoying their dessert.



What a nice smile by Karen Coles.



Ditto by Laura Weik.



TR Sports

And so it begins again

by Pat Butler

(with thanks to Pat Anderson, George Paquette and Jean Helker)

As you drove into TR this season, you probably noticed once again how beautiful the park is. Our maintenance staff is to be commended for all of its hard work over the summer to keep it and the Golf Course looking their best.

The Men's and Ladies' Golf Leagues will officially start after the reseeded of the Golf Course is complete. To learn more about the upcoming season, you may wish to refer to the *TR Directory*. It is full of information about the Travelers Rest Golf Association. It contains dates for golf-related events, golf course rules, a complete description of our own course hazards, out of bounds, obstructions and drop areas (Annex D) and most importantly the fees for seasonal or daily golf play. Season passes are available now. The tags can be purchased at the TR Golf Starter Shack on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9-11 a.m.

The first morning here you may have heard the sounds of Florida's *state birds*. The shrill cries of the *yellow-bellied power washer* and the *red-billed lawn edger* echoed over the park. Soon all of our volunteers will be providing assistance in keeping the Golf Course in tip-top shape adding in the cries of the *pink, long-legged hedge trimmer* and the *deep red-throated mower bird*.

Volunteers who arrived early at the park have already been out on Tuesday mornings working on the Golf Course. They are fewer in numbers right now but those numbers are sure to increase once everyone is back. Still, we never seem to have enough volunteers from one year to the next. So, if you're looking for a worthwhile

cause and would like to meet some like-minded friends in the process, why not join the group on Tuesday mornings and see what it's all about.

Of course before you start your golf season, one of the first and most important things to do is to prepare physically. Rotational flexibility, hip flexibility, lower back muscles and shoulder strength all play a role in each golfer's swing. You can perform a number of exercises right at home during the day or in the evening in front of the television and it doesn't have to be strenuous. Try the following exercises: abdominal crunches, gentle trunk rotations with legs bent, gentle torso twists, lower back stretches such as cat arches and hunches, hamstring stretches and side rotations. It is important to begin exercising gently. You don't want to overdo it at the beginning and injure yourself causing you to push back that first tee-off date. Get ready! The season is upon us!

And just for laughs. . .

A retiree was given a set of golf clubs by his co-workers. Thinking he'd try the game, he asked the local pro for lessons explaining that he knew nothing whatsoever of the game. The pro showed him the stance and swing then said, "Just hit the ball toward the flag on the first green."

The novice teed up and smacked the ball straight down the fairway and onto the green where it stopped inches from the hole.

"Now what?" the fellow asked the speechless pro. "Uh...you're supposed to hit the ball into the cup," the pro finally said, after he was able to speak again. The retiree replied, "Oh great! NOW you tell me." *Welcome back everyone!*

5 Crowns

by Jackie Thackery

We have space and cards for more players. Please join us on non-concert Wednesday, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West.

Wednesday, Nov. 22

Game 1 Deborah May, Gary Smith and Barb Aubrey.
Game 2 Barb Aubrey

Saturday, Nov. 11
1. Deborah May 2210
2. Bob Luther 2030
3. Pat McCallum 1710

Saturday, Nov. 18
1. Jackie Thackery 1430
2. Connie Bradley 1340
3. Barb Aubrey 1010

Saturday, Nov. 25
1. Bob Luther 1640
2. Jackie Thackery 1540
3. Deborah May 1480

Safety first on the golf course

by George Paquette

This week I thought I might address safety on the golf course. We all want to enjoy our time on the course and so I thought I might point out some safety related issues for your consideration.

1. When teeing off it is always a good idea to ensure the players ahead of you are far enough ahead. Given the fact that we play on an executive-style short course, it is generally recommended you not hit your ball off the tee box until players ahead of you are near or on the green. No one appreciates an anxious golfer who drives his/her ball at the heels of their shoes. I have rarely experienced this, but the few times I have, it is unsettling and truly not appreciated.

2. When hitting your ball from the tee box or on the fairway, should the ball head over to the adjacent fairway whether you see other golfers or not, I would suggest that you yell "fore." It may not be necessary but as a precaution it could avoid an unfortunate accident. I have been out twice this year where a ball came over the trees from #7 to #8. Both times the person driving the ball wasn't quite sure where the ball went or did not see us and said nothing.

However on both occasions the ball barely missed someone in my foursome. I'm quite certain I am not the only person who has witnessed this so why take a chance.

3. One way to speed up the game and possibly avoid the frustration of an impatient golfer behind you is to ensure that once you have hit go directly to your ball. As you approach your ball determine the club you will need and be ready to hit when it is your turn. I have witnessed several occasions where all the golfers in a foursome converge around the ball of one golfer which inevitably slows the game down.

4. As mentioned in my previous article, remember to play "ready" golf at all times. That means if there are players in the foursome that might need a little more time or might be searching for a ball, the golfer that is ready to play should do so. This method of golf helps speed up the process and at the same time gives the person who might need a little more time the opportunity to do so.

5. Once you are on the green and have finished putting, immediately move on to the next tee box.

This will keep you safely out of firing range of any golfer behind you that is driving for the green you have just left. Scores can be calculated and recorded at the next hole. Remember safety first.

6. Also, remember that wherever there is a body of water there is potentially an alligator. Hole #3 is usually where we are most likely to see one. However, they can show up elsewhere. The best advice is to maintain a wide berth around these guys. Being a northerner I don't know much about alligators but from what I have read they can move pretty fast if they so choose.

7. Duffers Deck when finishing #9 serves a very important purpose. When you finish putting please take advantage of the protection Duffers Deck offers. I have seen and heard of several people being hit by a golf ball because they were standing partially in the clearing between the two fences. The safest place is clearly inside Duffers Deck. Standing by the sidewalk would be second best. These are simple common sense safety recommendations that will make your golfing experience at our little oasis in the sun an experience to remember.



How far can we walk or bike in TR?

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Have you decided to exercise more by walking or biking? These distances will help you create a route to meet your goal.

1. Doggie Walk Loop: Beginning at the TR entrance, walk west along the perimeter grass path (the doggie walk), down to the Puppy Park, to the Snack Shack, past Lake Margaret to the Fire Station...1.35 miles.

2. RV South Loop: From TR Blvd. and 14th Street intersection down to 10th, over to 21st, down 2nd, and back to 14th Street....0.93 mile.

3. Cabanas Loop: Go west from intersection at TR Blvd. and 11th Street down around to 13th and back east to TR Blvd....0.50 mile.

4. Village Loop: Go around the outside perimeter of the Village beginning at the intersection of Maple and Oak Hill Avenues near Oakview and ending at the intersection of Busch Lane and Oak Hill Avenue....0.90 mile.

Combine the longer perimeter routes and you can walk/bike over 2.5 miles.



500 Cards

by Pat McCallum

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Obituaries

EVELYN HELENE GUTH

It is with great sadness that the family announces the passing of Evelyn Helene (Kinney) Guth at the age of 101 in Hudson, Fla. on May 1, 2023. She was born on March 6, 1922 in Temperance, Mich. to Glea and Clara Kinney.

Evelyn spent her childhood in Temperance and later moved to Allen Park, Mich. She worked as an Office Manager at the Automobile Club of Michigan. After retirement she and husband Howard moved to TR and they resided for many years in the Village on lot 2537.

Traveling in their Airstream was a large part of their lives as they traveled with friends made as a result of membership in the Airstream Club WBCCI. At TR she enjoyed working with *The TR Times* newspaper and taking part in all her hobbies which included knitting, crocheting, quilting, scrapbooking and making cards.

Her achievements were many and perhaps most remarkable was her ability to enjoy life to the fullest at the age of 101. She was able to engage in everyday activities such as using a laptop computer and iPhone, going out to dinner with friends and family and getting out and about. Her legacy will be remembered by all who knew and loved her.

She is survived by daughter Cheryl Novak, three grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, son-in-law Joseph Moreno as well as other loving family and friends.

Preceding her in death were husband Howard in 2006, daughter Candace Moreno, grandson Joseph Moreno, Jr., great-grandson Gabriel Moreno and sisters Margaret Brown and Kathryn McClanathan.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

NEILS ROSENBECK

Neils Rosenbeck, 87, passed away April 12, 2023 in Torrington, Conn.

Until retirement in 1991 he was president of J.H. Rosenbeck & Son in Torrington. He and wife, Lydia, were longtime members of Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club and traveled extensively with their classic Airstream trailer. Florida ultimately became their winter home where they resided in TR for more than 28 years in RV South on lot 03-38 and then in the Village on lot 2630.

While here Neils developed his interest in woodcarving, establishing himself as a gifted woodcarving instructor. He was admired for his beautiful and complex carvings of animals and boots and provided carving demonstrations at the Torrington Fair for five years. He also taught at the Sullivan Senior Center in Torrington for more than 24 years and stated that he did it because it was fun to have someone to carve with. His interests also extended to Citizens Band Radio and he was an active member of the Litchfield County Citizens Band Radio Club for many years.

Neils is survived by his wife of 68 years, Lydia, two sons, Neils (Irena) and Randy (Darlene), six grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, sisters Beth (Barry, deceased) Southworth and Elizabeth (Willi) Schmidt. He was predeceased by daughter Kim, sister Paula and brother Guy.

Neils will always be remembered as a quiet man with pretty blue eyes and a gentle smile.

GLADYS R. TAYLOR

Gladys R. Taylor of Messiah Village in Mechanicsburg, Pa., left us to be with Jesus on March 15, 2023. Born Jan. 12, 1931 in Herminie, Pa., she was the daughter of the late Albert W. and Ruth (Ewing) Wolff. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by sisters Wilma Martz and June Fawcett.

Gladys was a beloved wife and mother who was adored by her husband Clint, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and everyone else who knew her. While their children were young she and Clint took them camping through the lower states and to the beach every year. When the grandkids were old enough they got their turn to travel with Clint and Gladys.

After retirement they traveled to Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and throughout North America in their Airstream with WBCCI. They spent the last 30 years as snowbirds at TR on lot 08-01. Gladys was three-time golf champion and was delighted to have four holes-in-one.

She carefully tended to her flower gardens in Pennsylvania and Florida, sang in the TR Church Choir for 20 years, participated in many of the TR musicals, coordinated and ran the American Cancer Society's Walk for a Cure for over a decade in Florida and was a volunteer for Alzheimer's fundraisers.

Gladys received her RN training at Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in Pittsburgh, Pa., Prior to her retirement in 1987 she was employed at Polyclinic Hospital as the Coordinator of the Family Practice Unit.

She is survived by her loving husband of almost 72 years, Clint (Clarence) Taylor, daughters Sandy (Mark) Nelson, Laurie (Steve) Zentmyer, Ruth (Brad) Borden, three grandsons, one granddaughter and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or the American Cancer Society.

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by Nan Lance
30 years ago

- Meet TR maintenance crew employee since 1988, Bob Hooker.
- Carport sales are successful. The larger items not sold at the Busch Hall Flea Market were for sale at individual carports.
- Not all golfers are courteous. It seems several golfers were deliberately aiming at the mower man showing a "lack of compassion as well as a lack of common sense."

20 Years Ago

- Photographers need lots of lead time. A reminder for all TR photographers: you need to submit photos a week before publication.
- The Overflow area beside the South Side Maintenance building is being upgraded for extra RVs.
- Blood Net nets 27 pints. The Bloodmobile was too long to fit in front of the yellow traffic post by the firehouse. Frank Magalski pulled up the post and they guided the bus back to get it off the roadway.

10 Years Ago

- Help is needed with the Luminaria.
- The Polar Bear Plunge is back to New Year's Day.
- Tattered and Faded Flags need to be replaced.
- The Blood Drive brings out 26 donors.
- The quilt raffle will benefit the Alzheimer's Association. This year the Ladie's Golf League voted to do a fundraiser for the Alzheimer's Association. Donna Kerrick worked on and donated a quilt that was raffled off for the benefit.
- TR was awarded a "house" from Habitat for Humanity of East and Central Pasco County. They celebrated the contributions of several local organizations of which TR was one. Carolyn Place and John Lauer accepted the award for TR.

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