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Six candidates vie for four Board positions

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TR Talent Show Sign-up deadline is Sunday, Feb. 18.



DENNIS LEDBETTER

TR history: I have been and currently am a seasonal resident of Travelers Rest since 2017 having spent some time on the Hill two years prior. We purchased our village home in 2021 and, after upgrading, moved in 2022.

TR involvement: As a resident I have been involved in many activities. Those include member and director of the TR Singing Men, membership in the TR Golf Association, the TR Sports Club and the TR Wood Shop. I currently serve as a Parker for new arrivals to TR. My wife, Joan, and I currently replace the dirty water in the golf course ball washers and attach clean towels every Tuesday during the golf season.

Work history: I was employed in the jewelry manufacturing industry since 1966 working up to management positions including Vice President and Secretary of the Armbrust Chain Corporation. I retired in 2014 from the position of Vice President and Product Development Manager at Rio Grande, a jewelry manufacturer and supplier in Albuquerque, NM.

What I can contribute: I am creative and use that creativity to find ways to accomplish positive results with minimal assets. I am



THOMAS J. MARAGNANO

As a Board member, I would do my best (with God's help) to alleviate some of the stress and division that has been apparent in the park over the last couple of years. I feel my professional experience and personal demeanor may be beneficial to the Board and by extension, to the shareholders of the park.

Personal Profile: My wife (Laura) and I have been residents of Traveler's Rest since March, 2019. We have nine children and 22 grandchildren who are the light of our lives. We visited TR in October 2018 and very quickly decided TR would be our new home following my retirement. Over the nearly five years since we purchased our home in the village, I have become involved in various activities in the park, such as the Snack Shack, Wood Shop, golf, bowling league, Bible study, and regularly participating in moving and unloading the TR Church Association donation trailer.

Professional Profile: Until shortly after my retirement in 2019, I was a Connecticut Licensed E1 UNLIMITED ELECTRICAL CONTRAC-TOR with 40+ years of experience. In addition to owning my own electrical company, I held various project management positions on residential, commercial and industrial projects.



JOHN M. TOOMBS

I was born and reared in Anderson, Indiana and attended Anderson Community Schools



DEBORAH MAY

In February 2014 my husband and I purchased the cabana on 1122. He was diagnosed with leukemia in August and passed away January 2015. During his illness, he never gave up on the idea of coming back to Travelers Rest that winter. I spent my first winter here in 2015-2016 and have returned every year since.

TRAVELERS REST: The first groups I joined that fall was the Rug Hooking group and a morning exercise group in Citrus East. At my first Wednesday night Bingo, I met Nancy Campbell who persuaded me to try out for the Travelers Rest Theatrical Group. In the last play that we presented, I played the defense attorney for Dorothy when she was accused of murdering the Wicked Witch of the West. Card groups: Joker, Wizard, Hand and Foot, 500, and Five Crowns. I am the Chairman of Joker and also Hand and Foot. Chairman of West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia Day. I belong to the Chinese Mah Jong club, the Pet Lover's Club, have traveled with the Travel Club and Stained Glass. I have also belonged to the Basket Weaving group, volunteered for the Party Planners, Dining with Friends and Habit for Humanity. I



WOLF REIMANN

Education: Mohawk College Hamilton, ario Engineering Technologist



LINDA SMITH

I started coming to TR as a snowbird in 2013. After 3 years of snowbirding, I decided I wanted to have only one home to care for. I enjoyed so much of my time at TR I made it my permanent home in 2016.

Program is Sunday, March 10 at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall. See Page 2.

CPR and AED training

Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. See Page 5.

Quilt-A-Rama

Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. See Page 7.

Michigan Luncheon

Saturday, March 2 beginning at noon in Citrus East. See Page 6.

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I would like to continue to a new term on the Board of Directors. Having spent six years on the board I feel I can bring historical information to the new board. I have served as Corporate Secretary, 1st Vice President & 2nd Vice President and as recording secretary. Having served as bylaw/policy chair I am very familiar with TR bylaws and policies. My goal would be to strive to keep Travelers Rest a desirable place to be, either as a snowbird or full-time resident.

TR Involvement: As Co-Chair for the Party Planners, I do a lot the pre-party organization. I also keep the financial records for the group.

In June 2017 I started an aquatics class that runs year-round.

Plan and organize 'Girls Night Out' outings- The where, how much and logistics. In 2018 started "Monday Night Game Night"

In 2022 became a Serve Save Supervisor.

graduating from Anderson Senior High School in 1964. On September 10th of 1964 I enlisted in the United States Air Force and following basic training I was assigned to the Electronics Technical Training School at Lowry AFB, Denver, Colorado. Upon graduation I was assigned as an airborne weapons control systems analyst whereas I served in Europe, North Africa and Southeast Asia servicing various Fighter/Interceptor and Fighter/Bomber aircraft before being honorably discharged on August 9th, 1968.

By mid September of 1968 l applied for employment with Delco Remy Division of General Motors and began a 15 month employment while applying for and being accepted into the Law Enforcement Training Academy.

On January 4th of 1970 l entered the Academy and upon graduation I embarked on a career as a member of the Anderson Police Department. Anderson was a city of about 100,000 people with a police department of 135 men and women. My tenure on the department included serving as department liaison to the

Key Skills: Design Project Management, Manufacturing Planning, Communication, Problem-solving.

Past Objectives: As a past Engineering Design Manager my primary objective was to support my staff and provide oversight of the design engineering group. Our designs provided components critical in the safe operation of Commuter and Transit trains in the USA and Canada. My skills included preparing Technical Proposals for multimillion dollar projects with corporations like Bombardier Transit, Alstom Transit, Siemens Rail a n d CRRC a train vehicle builder from China that has won multiple transit rail projects in the USA and Canada.

Experience: January 2019 to present. Retired, Enjoying Lake of the Ozarks, Traveling in an RV, Being an active Elk Member, Finding Travelers Rest RV Resort.

September 2016 to December 2018. Engineering Consultant for Bradken. March 1999 to August 2016, Design Engineering Manager.

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Travelers Rest Resort

BUSCH HALL Sunday Night presents Sammy Lane plays your requests

by Sandy and Ken Langell

We have a few traditions surrounding Busch Hall Sunday Night, and one of the best is Sammy Lane on Super Bowl Sunday! Sammy is a remarkable pianist and vocalist, and his show is amazing because he doesn't come with a set list - he simply takes requests from the audience and plays ANYTHING requested. He rarely turns down a request and seems to know every song ever written. If you are not a football fan or your team isn't playing, come to Busch Hall for a wonderful alternative.

There are really two stars of this show-Sammy, and the opportunity to show off our coveted Yamaha grand piano. If you've never paid much attention to it, you might not know how exceptional it is. Through the years there have been many master pianists at our keyboard and they all but drool over it. Sammy always tunes the piano before his show so it is in top form on Super Bowl Sunday.

Blind since birth, Sammy started playing the piano at age two and a half, mimicking his mother who was a church pianist. While growing up in Brooklyn, N.Y., he says he often was asked to play piano when attending nursery



SAMMY LANE

school, and he began formal lessons when he was seven years old. At age 12 he learned to read music in braille when he began attending a Catholic school for the blind in the Bronx. In the late sixties, his family moved to Sarasota. A graduate of Sarasota High School he then went on to Oberlin College in Ohio as a music major with a specialty in piano performance, graduating in 1976. Since then he and his wife Anita have made their home in Florida, where he was house pianist for many years at Longboat Key, serves as church organist and pianist, and maintains a frequent performance schedule and piano tuning business.

The show is Sunday, Feb.11, in Busch Hall. Ice cream treats are available for purchase from 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. Announcements start at 6:45 p.m. with the program immediately following.

is approaching

by Donna Neer, Director/Producer

The deadline to sign up for TR's Got Talent is Sunday, Feb. 18. I know there is a lot of talent in this park, and it is my hope that you will share your talent with your TR family and participate in the TR Talent Show on Sunday, March 10. Trust me, this particular event always has standing room only in Busch Hall.

Please don't wait. Complete the entry form below and submit it to me before the soon Sunday, Feb. 18.

2024 TR TALE	ENT SHOW ENTRY FORM
Your Name	
Lot#Phon	e:
Name of Performing	Act:
Title of Music:	
(requ	uired so there are no duplicates)
Type of p	performance (please check):
VOCAL	How many performers?
INSTRUMENTAL	How many performers?

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 4/VE **Cherry Blossom Ramblers Family Band**

by Donna Probes

Provided Allegiant Airlines gets our daughter here safely, we are so excited to announce that Kelly will be joining us for Friday Afternoon LIVE today.

As many of you might remember from two years ago, both of our daughters joined us for a full Cherry Blossom Ramblers family band concert. You'll recall Kelly's beautiful voice and her lovely smile. We are so excited to have her on board with us and she

Make A Difference



TR was built by volunteers and is maintained by volunteers. Will it be preserved by volunteers?



by Carol and Jim Henrikson

"Maestro" was shown on Feb. 6, and next in the queue on Feb. 13 is the movie "Spotlight."

Rounding out the February playlist on Feb. 20 is "The Last Waltz" movie featuring Robbie Robertson with The Band followed by "The Whale" that was the 2023 Oscar Best-Actor winner.

On March 5, "Killers of the Flower Moon" and on March 12, "Napoleon" will be shown followed by "The Boys in the Boat" on March 19.

Asking for a recommendation of a great movie from you, our audience, was successful. This movie to close the TNM 2024 season, is the current Oscar-nominated inspirational story based on the achievements of a world-class swimmer. The swimmer and movie are called "Nyad."

In addition to InTouchLink we are using signs placed in strategic locations to remind you of all upcoming TNM showings. We will place the signs each Tuesday morning. They are taken down after the movie is presented. We highly recommend InTouchLink as a daily/weekly planner to stay current with many of TR's activities Chairs are provided in the front rows. They are set up before you arrive in a pattern for optimal viewing. Some of you may wish to bring your own seating, like a favorite picnic chair. There is usually lots of floor space behind the front rows that are set up initially. When choosing a preferred chair please keep in mind those behind you wishing a clear view of the projection screen. Please help yourself to the freshly prepared popcorn as you arrive at TNM. It is available ahead of the showtime of 7 p.m. Carol has an introduction and commentary just ahead of movie time. Also ahead of movie time, we use the Sonos Audio System to listen to a variety of music to showcase this new SONOS equipment and perform sound checks. Hope to see you at TNM soon.



File Photo **KELLY, DONNA AND DOC**

is looking forward to being back at TR.

The music will start today at 3:30 p.m. in The Grove. We will post on Facebook if we need to move into Busch Hall in case of bad weather.

Kelly has a busy career working remotely for a California tech company. She and her husband Mike live in Traverse City, Mich. with their "fur family" of two cats and one coon hound. She loves to join Doc and me whenever possible and we have several big concert engagements already lined up for the summer in Michigan.

About The TR Times

by Margaret Emmetts

Most residents probably take The TR Times for granted to some extent. It magically appears in your mailbox every Friday for 14 weeks. Probably little thought is given to just how the paper is produced. Few who are not directly involved realize the pressures under which our volunteers work.

We receive the articles by our deadline on Friday afternoon and they are given to our Editors to make corrections or revisions. On Saturday the Pagemakers begin putting the articles on the pages finishing up on Sunday. Monday morning Proofreaders pick up files for the individual pages, take them home and check for errors. They return them to the paper's office by 11 a.m. The remainder of Monday is spent making any corrections made by our Proofreaders.

Tuesday morning the head of our Proofreading Department reads the entire paper to check for any errors we might have missed. Again, final corrections are made and the paper is sent to the printer around noon on Tuesday.

As you can see, much work is done in a rather short period of time in order to make our "weekly miracle" come to pass. All this is accomplished by a volunteer staff of fewer than 40 people.

As I have pointed out in prior articles, the paper was originally founded by a professional newspaper reporter by the name of Ruth Howes. She strived for excellence and required that everyone who worked on the paper use professional newspaper standards. To this end we use "The Associated Press Stylebook" as our reference.

Everyone who works on the paper makes every effort to avoid errors. However, as the saying goes, "Only God is perfect" so errors do slip in despite our best efforts. Again, remember we are working with volunteers, not professionals. We think that under the circumstances they do a pretty good job.

However, if you note an error and wish to call it to our attention please do not call individual newspaper workers. Please do call our office at 352-588-4993. We have an answering machine on our phone, so you may leave a message. We will try our best to get back to you if it is needed.

Thank you.



2024 TR Talent Show

SKIT ____ DANCE ____ How many performers?

NOTE: EACH ACT LIMITED TO MAXIMUM OF 5 MINUTES.

Audio requirements: (check where needed) Stage microphone (suspended ceiling) Floor microphone(s) (how many) Stand microphone(s) _____ (how many) ____ Hand microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____ Headset microphone(s) _____ (how many) ____ Special audio needs _____ What? ____ (you must provide 2 CDs to the sound CD

booth)

Other Assistance Needed:

Music stands (how many) Chairs (how many)

Other

(please be specific) Return entry form to Donna Neer - Lot 10-71 No later than Sunday, Feb. 18, 2024



From the Manager's desk

Communications from the Board

Visitor versus guest

by Deborah May, President/CEO TR Board of Directors

"I own stock in Travelers Rest. What do you mean I can't come in and use the facilities?" Unless you are a visitor or a guest of a current leaseholder you may not use our facilities.

What constitutes the difference between a visitor and guest here at Travelers Rest Resort? How are they treated differently?

According to the dictionary, a visitor is a person visiting a person or place, especially socially. A guest is a person who is invited to visit the home of or take part in a function organized by another.

Policy C3065 Visitors Conduct: Residents of Travelers Rest shall be present and responsible for the conduct of their guests.

Policy D7005 Visitors: All visitors to TR, including children, are limited to a 30-day stay each year in the Mobile Home, Cabana and RV South sections of TR when the owners or lessee(s) are present 100% of the time of the stay. All visitors are to be registered at the



DEBORAH MAY

Office upon arrival. Travelers Rest Resort retains the right to evict any and all visitor(s) at any time.

There is a process to allow family members and friends to use a Leaseholder's Unit when the Leaseholder(s) are not present in the park and is listed under Policy D7005. This process shall be subject to annual review for value and efficiency.

Leaseholders are required to complete and return to the Office the "Travelers Rest Visitor Notification Form." After arriving, all visitors must register at the Office, sign a "Release of Liability Form" and show proof of identity. There is a park amenity usage fee of \$3/person/day and should be paid up front at time of registration. Any and all unpaid fees/charges accrued by any and all visitors will be assessed to the original Leaseholder(s).

Leaseholders are responsible for their visitors' adherence to all of our Rules and Regulations, emphasizing "All Pet Regulations" and Policy D4010 – Site Cleanliness and Appearance, which includes property mowing and cleanup during the months of November to April.

There is really only one area where people are welcome to come into Travelers Rest without being directly invited by a Leaseholder. Policy H0010: The TR Church Association is a separate entity from TR. The Church Association provides for all its financial needs by donations from the attendees at Church services. The religious services are open to all who wish to attend, including neighbors and visitors from outside Travelers Rest. The Church Association is a non-denominational religious organization which holds regularly scheduled worship services within Travelers Rest.



by Ray Hill with Rich Kushman

Ray and I both thought it somewhat comical after discussing and writing about the lack of interest in the sport of cornhole a few weeks ago that all of a sudden an activity group has set up shop on the Shuffleboard Courts and the game is on. The Park has purchased mats that cover the slippery shuffleboard surface making it safe for participants. What a nice surprise to see another reason for residents to gather and have fun, so join the cornament and don't get shucked.

We touched on just how important volunteerism has been to the design and continued operation of Travelers Rest. Ray is somewhat concerned about the dwindling interest to step up and lend a hand. This Park was conceived, built and is maintained on the concept of volunteer participation. There are many benefits for all residents when those who are able do pitch in and help our community. Volunteering can defeat loneliness, give one a sense of achievement, help self-esteem and build self confidence. You can often learn a new skill or help others by sharing your special talents.

Realistically the community is helped financially as well. A simple example is setting up chairs in Busch Hall for events. Volunteers help lower costs pitching in for paid personnel. The Snack Shack food prices are so reasonable only because the fun-loving crew are all volunteering their time. Here at TR we love our "too many chefs." How many other communities have a Fire Department and First Responders who are always on duty and will arrive at your home in a surprisingly few minutes to offer professionalgrade volunteer help.

Remember, you control how much you donate to any volunteer task. Never assume you don't have the time. Setting up chairs for an hour once a week or helping the Parkers twice a month will garner the benefits listed above. Please never think you are not needed. Find something you like doing and pitch in. The more the merrier is the rule here at TR where "too many cooks" makes a great and delicious meal.

AGM packets will be here soon

by Pam Watkins

What are AGM packets? Also known as stockholder packets, these envelopes contain informative documents related to TR's annual general meeting (AGM), and more importantly, they contain a Ballot/Proxy Assignment Form, the tool stockholders need to exercise their right to vote at the AGM. The contents and process by which AGM packets are prepared is set forth in law, TR's Bylaws and TR Policy.

The Florida Business Corporation Act, also known as Florida Revised Code Chapter 607, provides that unless directors are elected by written consent in lieu of an annual meeting, every corporation shall hold a meeting of stockholders annually for the election of directors and for the transaction of any proper business, at a time stated in or fixed within the bylaws. Annual meetings provide stockholders with an opportunity to participate in directing how a corporation is managed. TR's 2024 AGM is scheduled on Tuesday, March 12, at 2 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Article 1 of TR's Bylaws sets the annual meeting date, location and notice requirements for the meeting, while TR Policies O0000 through O11005 provide the process and procedures to prepare for the AGM. Following determination of the meeting date and the record date, or the date fixed to determine a stockholder's entitlement to AGM notice and AGM vote, AGM packets are prepared and mailed. TR Policy O2010 outlines the items that are to be included in each AGM packet such as the notice of meeting, candidate resumes, proposed resolutions, if any, and Ballot/Proxy Assignment Form. Policy O2015 provides a preparation list for the packets, e.g. number of packets, envelope size for mailing, what is to be printed on the labels that are affixed to the Ballot/Proxy Assignment Forms and the pre-addressed envelopes to return Ballot/Proxy Assignment Forms.

Policy O2020 outlines the steps for assembling the packets such as ordering materials, labeling the materials, sealing the envelopes and notifying the TR Post Office to have sufficient postage on hand to take care of the mailing.

According to TR Policy, it is the Corporate Secretary's responsibility to prepare and mail the Notice of the Annual Stockholders Meeting, but preparation of the AGM packets is the responsibility of the Board's First Vice President or duly appointed Board member (O1035, O1042).

Florida Revised Code section 607.0705 provides that a corporation shall notify stockholders of the date, time and place of each annual meeting no fewer than 10 nor more than 60 days before the meeting date. TR Bylaw Article 1, Section 4 sets the timeline to no fewer than 30 and no more than 60 days before the meeting date. The Stockholder Notice of Meeting is contained in the AGM packets. These dates do change. TR Policy O5000 provides a table to easily determine the mailing deadline for AGM packets and under March 12, this being a leap year, packets are to be mailed between Jan. 12 and Feb. 11. When you receive your packet, it will contain everything you need to understand the AGM's business agenda. It also includes that most important of stockholder rights-a Ballot/Proxy Assignment Form. A Ballot/Proxy Assignment Form serves as EITHER a ballot OR a proxy assignment depending on which box the stockholder checks on the front of the form. Whether the form is used as a ballot or proxy assignment, it also serves to establish the stockholder's quantity of share(s) as being present at the meeting for the purpose of establishing quorum. Finally, a stockholder has the option of submitting the form without checking any of the boxes or voting for any of the candidates. In this case, the share(s) are counted for quorum, but no votes are recorded.

Please review your AGM packet carefully. Consider the reports, resolutions, if any, and director candidates. Stockholders who are entitled to vote have the right to vote the number of share(s) owned and recorded in his/her name with TR by the record date for up to as many persons as there are directors to be elected and for each resolution, if any. Next, EITHER check the "I vote my shares as indicated on the reverse side of this ballot" and mark your vote(s) on the other side OR assign a person of your choice or the Board's designee as your proxy on the front side of the form. If you assign a proxy, you do not vote on the back. You may also check no boxes on the front of the form and not vote on the other side. This means you will be counted for quorum only, no vote.

Finally, you may submit or mail vour Ballot/Proxy Assignment form to the TR Office prior to the AGM OR submit it in person at the AGM. If you do not plan on attending the AGM, it is important that you timely submit/mail your Ballot/Proxy Assignment form to the TR Office so that you are counted as represented to meet quorum. Use the enclosed, selfaddressed envelope to do so. The envelope is marked PROXY VOTE because it may contain either a proxy assignment or a vote. As a reminder, quorum is defined as one third of TR's issued and outstanding shares, which was 334 shares in 2023, represented or in person at the AGM in accordance with TR's Articles of Incorporation.

Fourth Forum of the season is very informative

by Margaret Emmetts

The fourth Forum was held on Monday, Feb. 5. All Board members were present with the exception of Jim Weigand who was ill.

Deborah May announced that the Park is full. Also that it is completely booked for next year and there is a waiting list. Regarding the pending audit, it has not yet been completed, but is expected to be done by week's end. When received it will be available on the Web as well as the AGM.

May spent some time informing residents of the benefits etc. for Park employees. They are as follows:

After a 90 day trial period, the one year employees receive five days vacation. Two to five year employees receive 10 days and six to 15 year employees receive 15 days and all over 16 years 20 days. They receive receive nine paid holidays and up to 14 personal days per year which are not cumulative. In addition, if the Park should be closed for any reason, such as storm, they may be paid for up to three days per year. Employees have available a 401K. TR matches annual contributions up to 3.5% of employee contributions. The average hourly wage is currently \$21.92. In the past two years employees have received approximately a 44% increase. We currently have 18 employees, nine of whom have been at the Park for eight or more years. Nine have worked four years or less. May announced that Jim Weigand's term on the Board is expiring. He is also its Treasurer, so a replacement is needed. A Treasurer does not have to be a Board member. Volunteers with appropriate backgrounds are being sought for this important position. At the last Forum it had been asked if residents could use codes instead of key cards to access buildings. It was determined that our computer system is not capable of doing this. Also, wearing your ID immediately identifies you as a resident. It is permissible to wear

your old badges, however, they will not gain you access to the buildings.

The Board recently sent a survey to residents. Currently 192 people have responded. The purpose of the survey is to determine how the Board might better serve its residents. If you have not yet done so, please return your completed survey this week. Results will be published as soon as available.

May stated that it is believed that the rat problem that existed in RV South has been eliminated.

Ray Hill has obtained a flat-bed trailer which is being fitted out to be a portable stage. Plans are to tear down the current stage in The Grove and replace it with the portable unit as soon as it is ready.

If you have not been receiving regular emails with Park updates, you should contact the Office to give them your email information.

Once again the Pasco County Sheriff's Department will be presenting safety programs for residents. The first will take place on Friday, Feb. 16 at 1 p.m. in Busch Hall. Please plan to attend. May reminded leaseholders that they should not park their carts in car slots as the number of these places is limited. Carts should be parked on the large grass areas between our Fire Station and Hobby House and Citrus. Carts may also be parked on the grass behind these buildings. It is suggested that carts be parked facing or perpendicular to the buildings. The question of whether Village roads are classified as "A' or "B" is still up in the air. May has been advised that the legal meeting that was supposed to take place to decide the issue did not happen. Now it seems more information is needed. Residents will be advised as soon as a determination is made.

Watch for your AGM packet in the mail. Review its contents so you can make informed decisions. Exercise your right to vote.



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It is a TR tradition

TR is a small city, really a community. In the past most residents knew each other and we realize that has changed with many new folks in the park.

It was a long-standing tradition here that we would greet each other whenever we met. If we drove past someone, we raised our hand in a modified wave. If in person we smiled and said hello, it really didn't matter whether or not we knew the person.

We understand that if you have lived in a metropolitan area this probably never happened. In New York, for instance, apartment residents may have no idea of who lives in the next apartment. They certainly would not speak to them or acknowledge their presence.

But this is TR. We are community. We smile, we speak and we wave and we hope you new folks will see fit to follow our tradition.

Doesn't it make you feel good when your presence is acknowledged with a smile? Consider too, smiling is good for your face. It uses fewer muscles than frowning and helps prevent developing wrinkles. We wouldn't want to develop wrinkles would we?

In the show "Fiddler on the Roof" there is a song, "Tradition!"

At TR we also have tradition. Please help us keep that tradition alive. mre



Words of advice

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, and honest compliment or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around. People come into our lives for a reason, a season or a lifetime. Embrace all equally! -- author unknown.

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Unnecessary burdens

by Anthony Shipe

The TR Times

Let's examine the life of a guy in Scripture who had a fractured relationship with money. In my opinion, his terrible financial mindset left him increasingly filled with guilt and shame. But then he encountered Jesus:

Luke 19: 1-10 NIV, "Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short, he could not see over the crowd. So, he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him since Jesus was coming that way.

"When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.' He came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

"All the people saw this and began to mutter, 'He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.³

"But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, 'Look, Lord! Here and now, I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."

"Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

If you grew up in the church, this story is not new to you. It's likely you heard about Zacchaeus many times in Sunday school. Perhaps you can still sing the song about this "wee little man." He is a well-known biblical character from a well-known passage of Scripture.

Yet in my more recent studies of this episode in Luke's Gospel, something entirely new fascinates me about this tax collector's story. I sense a raw, human element just below the surface of Zacchaeus'



ANTHONY SHIPE

carefully constructed, rich-man facade. The emotional undercurrent of his messed-up life bubbles up through the cracks as he encounters Jesus.

Luke tells us that because Zacchaeus was short of stature, he needed to climb a tree in order to catch a glimpse of Jesus. He couldn't see over the heads of the crowd. Seems straightforward enough, right?

However doesn't it make you wonder what would drive a wealthy man to go to this extreme, sacrificing his dignity by hiking up his tunic and climbing a tree in broad daylight on a crowded street? Why was he so determined to see Jesus?

Almost everyone in the area had heard of Jesus, the teacher and miracle worker. For the past couple of years, He had been healing people, feeding them with miraculous multiplications of bread and fish and turning barrels of water into a fine wine. The word had spread. Perhaps Zacchaeus was simply a Jesus fan, like those who crowd around famous baseball players today seeking autographs. No doubt plenty of people in Jericho were crowding Jesus in a similar way. Zacchaeus could have been a mere curiosity seeker. But Zacchaeus took it a step further. He risked ridicule by climbing a tree—the unsettling act of a desperate man.

My hypothesis is this: Zacchaeus wanted to do more than simply catch a glimpse of the famous rabbi known for hanging out with sinners and tax collectors. He wanted help. Perhaps Jesus' teachings of grace and forgiveness had given hope to a man steeped in guilt for his dishonest ways. Years, maybe decades, of extorting money from his own people on behalf of their Roman oppressors had finally caught up with him. Zacchaeus had become wealthy, to be sure, but he found his riches did not satisfy. Just the opposite, in fact.

Perhaps this desperate man clung to more than a sycamore tree that day. Maybe he clung to the hope that this miracle worker could work a miracle in his life and free him from the bondage of his crippling relationship with money.

Not only had Zacchaeus obtained his money unethically, but it seems evident from Scripture that he kept his ill-gotten gains for himself. Instead of using a portion of his wealth to serve the poor, he ignored their plight. He essentially said of the needy around him, "Let them eat cake." He hoarded his riches, no doubt making him even more of a pariah in that Jewish community. His money-obsessed lifestyle had caught up with him and corroded his soul leaving him tortured and guilt-ridden.

On this particular day, it was more than Zacchaeus could stand. He seems to have reached the same point an addict reaches when he or she finally admits, "I'm powerless to change my behavior." Overwhelmed with the weight of self-reproach, perhaps Zacchaeus realized it would take something major in his life to free him from his bondage to money. It would take a power greater than his human strength. Jesus waits to lift such burdens off us, because many of us unnecessarily carry heaviness and worries.

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Praise and Worship Service First and third Saturday at 4:30 p.m. in Busch Hall





The Siren



by Jean Bjorgen, Retired EMT

An emergency is time sensitive. Decisions and information take on an urgency. Persons we know and persons we may not know enter our lives and help us navigate the events surrounding the nature of the emergency in real time

Is there a way to prepare for a medical emergency, weeks or even months in advance? The answer is yes, and it is easy and convenient.

Most of us are familiar with the Vial of Life, but let's revisit what it is, its purpose, who uses it and why it is valuable in a medical emergency.

The Vial of Life is a plastic container similar in appearance to



by Dean Peters, **Residents Waste Management** Committee

Let's talk about logos and wordmarks!

There are several promotional elements in the Waste Management Program at TR.

The brochure is probably the most important, which everyone received last season and is still available outside the Post Office and at the southeast door of Busch Hall. Posters were developed and used in the Activity Fair. They are also attached to the bins.

A common thread in all of these, except for the current version of the bin posters, is the logo with the wordmark TRash Talk.

You may notice, and I hope you do, that we have "refreshed" the logo for the Waste Management Program. It appears here as black and white and there is also a color version.

The driving force behind this change was discussions with The TR Times and their creative talent, more specifically Rich Kushman who we believe did a fine job in a pill bottle. Inside is a folded sheet of paper with a fill-in-the-blanks format. When all those blanks are filled in, it contains "all about you" medical information. Name, address, date of birth, insurance carrier, physician, prior surgeries, current meds, known allergies,

relatives/friends to contact and other important items are all listed on that one piece of paper.

Purpose of Vial of Life: Critical bits of information are conveyed to emergency responders and valuable time is saved in the collection of accurate data.

Who uses it: First Responders, ambulance crews and hospital personnel.

Why is it valuable: It is information used in real time situations to assist in your care. It can be prepared in advance.

The Vial of Life is utilized at TR by First Responders to assist in your medical emergency. It is to be stored in the refrigerator door. Keeping it current makes a

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crafting this refreshed version.

just better!

Program.

easier to see and relate to and, well,

to change promotional elements,

we believe the new logo will be

well received. It will continue to identify the Waste Management

support and a special thanks to

Gunny Gundrum, Ted Smith and

others who monitor our bins and

help folks get the "right stuff in the

We believe it is a lot happier,

While it is never a good idea

Thank you for your continued

and Containers Cleaned, crushed and no caps. C

Vial of Life

difference. As I was writing this article, I pulled mine out of the fridge and discovered it had not been updated in the past year. Yep, lots of outdated information on it including insurance info and current meds. Be sure to update yours and then date the update.

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If you do not have a Vial of Life, a table is set up each Sunday evening in Busch Hall during the Ice Cream Social. There you will find the forms and Vials of Life which are free.

The Welcoming Committee also provides them to TR newcomers

If you already have one, do an update. It truly does provide essential information.

TR First Responders Ø will be providing CPR and AED training on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Program is open to all residents and guests.

Cleaned

Flatten Cardboard - NO Pizza Boxes

Recycle

If in doubt - throw it out!

PLEASE NO - Tires, Laundry Baskets, Storage Bins and nothing smaller than your fist as they fall through the equipment

Healthy Tips

What is acid reflux?

by Donna Neer, RN, Retired

Did you know that approximately 60 million Americans experience acid reflux at least once a month?

What exactly is acid reflux? Acid reflux, also referred to as GERD-Gastro-esophageal reflux disease, is a condition in which the stomach acids rise up into the tubular structure that connects the mouth to the stomach. This structure is referred to as the esophagus. A valve separates the stomach from the esophagus. When this valve is faulty, strong stomach acids and enzymes (gastric juices) may seep upward into the esophagus. When this occurs we feel awful.

Some symptoms of acid reflux are heartburn-the burning sensation in the esophagus, regurgitation-that awful taste in your mouth, vomiting, bloating, upper abdominal pain/discomfort or feeling nauseated after eating are experienced. These symptoms may occur after eating a heavy meal; lifting an object, or when lying down, especially on your back. The most painful episodes of acid reflux may occur at night.

What can cause acid reflux? Unfortunately it may be the foods

that we especially love. To name a few: spicy foods, coffee, tomato products, citrus products, fatty or fried foods, coffee, and even chocolate may cause you to experience acid reflux. I am in serious trouble! I love them all.

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Sometimes, people confuse the symptoms of a heart attack with the symptoms of acid reflux. In as much as heartburn is one of the most common symptoms of acid reflux, if a person should experience sudden onset, intense chest pain, 911 should be called immediately.

Most generally, over-thecounter antacids can remedy occasional attacks of acid reflux. Frequent, unrelieved episodes of acid reflux after taking medications are cause to call your healthcare provider ..

Additionally, unexpected weight loss, blood in vomit, maroon-colored stools or painful /difficult swallowing, chronic sore throat and/or ongoing nausea are symptoms that should be reported to your healthcare provider.

As always, listen to your body!

References: WebMD.com, MedicineNet.com and EverydavHealth.com.

Geocaching fun



Photo by Nan Lance

by Nan Lance This photo shows the challenge and difficulty of finding a hidden cache. We searched for ages to find this tiny acorn hanging from a vine attached behind a tree. Not easy, but fun!





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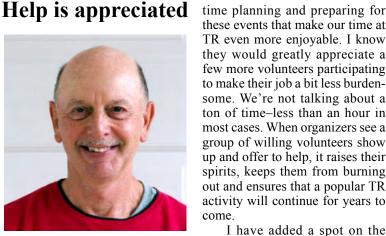




by Guy Weik

The concept of many hands making light work can be used to describe our large events at TR. You see it after every Sunday or Wednesday entertainment program when hundreds of chairs are quickly and methodically returned to the storage room in a matter of minutes. I am so grateful that at the conclusion of the Activity Showcase or the Hobby and Art Show, tables and chairs also vanish quickly. Within 15 minutes Busch Hall transforms from a hall bustling with activity to being clean, quiet and completely empty. Samantha from "Bewitched" couldn't accomplish it much better with that little wiggle of her nose.

Please keep in mind that these large events also require considerable set-up time. In addition to weekly entertainment events and the monthly Flea Markets, we have several activities coming up where organizers will be setting up chairs,



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GUY WEIK

tables and sometimes decorations. You will most likely be attending one of these functions, such as the Golden Anniversary Dance, one of the many State Celebration Luncheons or Dining with Friends. These events are listed in the TR Directory and InTouchLink. The organizers donate so much of their

Directory updates

by Guy Weik

Previous updates can be seen in previous editions of The TR Times. Building Schedules:

- 1. Thursdays and Fridays, Hobby House: Harmonaires no longer meeting. They are joining Jam sessions.
- 2. Fridays 7 p.m.: Euchre meets in Citrus East and Calligraphy meets in JMAB.

Monthly Special Events:

Since the February Dining with Friends quickly filled to capacity, a second Dining with Friends will be added for tonight, Feb. 9, 5 to 6:30 p.m. in Busch Hall if enough participation warrants it. Sign-up sheets are on the Activity Bulletin Board in Busch Hall.

Come to the Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia Luncheon

by Judith Fischer

The potluck luncheon for Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia will be held on Sunday, Feb. 18 at 12:30 p.m. in Citrus East. Anyone who has ties to Kentucky, Tennessee or West Virginia or wishes they did are invited to join us. Please bring a covered dish or two to share, your table service and your beverage.

A sign-up sheet is posted in Busch Hall. Contact Judy Fischer at Lot 11-27 or 502-797-3788, Linda Gough at lot 11-14 or 615-400-3332, or Debbie May at lot 11-22 or 304-888-8207, if you have any questions.

We hope to see you there!

Golden Anniversary Dance: Love is in the air

by Pat Daubenmier

Love is always in the air at TR, but no time like that which surrounds the 50th Anniversary Celebration Dance. Honoring those who have reached the milestone of 50 years together just seems to send Cupid's arrows out into Busch Hall and envelopes all with feelings of warmth. Of course, maybe that warmth is coming from an exhilarating rumba, that energetic cha-cha, a perky polka or being among the many line dancers who take to the dance floor. Regardless, join the Travelaires as they entertain on Friday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall.

In honor of the anniversary celebrants small cakes will be served, as in the past, attendees are welcome to bring their own snacks and əfre shments. There is no admission fee, but donations are welcon

these events that make our time at TR even more enjoyable. I know they would greatly appreciate a few more volunteers participating to make their job a bit less burdensome. We're not talking about a ton of time-less than an hour in most cases. When organizers see a group of willing volunteers show up and offer to help, it raises their spirits, keeps them from burning out and ensures that a popular TR activity will continue for years to come.

I have added a spot on the Activity Bulletin Board in the TR Post Office where organizers can post an upcoming event for which help is needed to set up. Small sheets with the set-up time and place are available by the board. They can be completed and pinned to the Setup Help Needed Poster. There's no need to sign up. Just showing up is sure to put a smile on the face of any event organizer.



by LuAnn Gatewood and **Cindy Tinkham**

Join us for an afternoon of fun and fashion. TR Gals Love to Have Fun is next Thursday, Feb. 15 at 2 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Welcoming Committee **Coffee Seminar**

by Susan Stahley

The next Red Dot Coffee Seminar is Thursday, Feb. 15 from 8 to 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. The Red Dot Coffee Seminar is for new guests. We strive to make new guests aware of what TR has to offer. Activity Coordinator Guy Weik will present information on the various activities offered at TR. Welcoming Committee members will be available to answer your questions and give you information about activities and policies within the resort. Guests are greeted within a few days of arrival with welcome bags by our Welcoming Committee members.

We arrive at the RV with a smile and the bag containing information useful to a new guest. We answer any questions the new arrival may have and encourage them join in the fun

If bricks could talk, what stories they could tell



TR VETERAN MEMORIAL BRICKS

by Ken Hankinson

Most TR residents are familiar with the Veterans Memorial that we have here at TR. On any given day you drive by it on your way to Busch Hall, the Post Office, Snack Shack or any of the other activity buildings.

While the flags and monuments to each branch of service are highly visible, the engraved bricks at the base of the Memorial are not as visible or familiar to many. The bricks, purchased by family or friends, are meant to honor the individual named on the brick for their service to their country. That service could have been as short as two or three years or as many as 25 to 30 years. The bricks honor the men and women who have served whether they returned home or made the ultimate sacrifice never returning from their service or conflict.

If these bricks could talk, here are some of the stories they would tell.

There are approximately 485 engraved bricks presently in the Memorial and approximately 350 blank bricks remaining which could be engraved and placed at some time in the future. The engraved bricks represent every branch of service with the exception of the Space Force which is relatively new to our Armed Forces. Virtually every Military Occupation Skill (MOS) that a veteran has been trained to do is represented on the bricks, i.e. fighter pilot, tank commander, submariner, army ranger, medical services, transportation and logistics, engineer, administration and numerous others. Virtually every military rank is represented from a Private First Class (PFC) to a

Major General. Awards and decorations are prominent among the bricks with many bronze stars, silver stars and Purple Hearts awarded to brick recipients. One brick is for Sgt. David Kenney who was awarded 3 Purple Hearts for his service in Vietnam. We should be very proud of all veterans no matter how their paths found there way to TR. It may be hard to believe but there are bricks representing veterans who participated in the American Civil War, WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan. These veterans were certainly well-traveled and represented in all this country's wars and conflicts.

Presently we are reviewing our plans, efforts and options as they relate to the Memorial Brick Program concerning maintenance, record keeping and possibly replacing bricks that have over time become faded and unreadable

Bricks can be ordered for any veteran at any time during the year. You do not need to be a TR resident or related to a resident. We try to install bricks on a timely basis, generally two to three times per year, and the brick donor may choose to be present when the brick is installed. Order forms for ordering bricks are available in Busch Hall by the Veteran Bulletin Board, or contact Bill Wise at lot 14-09 or Ken Hankinson at lot 2609 to place an order or for additional information

If you haven't taken the opportunity to visit the Memorial please make an effort to do so. You will be surprised if you spend some time there, someone just appears and asks questions about your service or begins to relate stories of a father, husband or brother who has served, and it always makes for a memorable conversation.

In closing, take the time to thank a veteran as well as visit our Veterans Memorial. We are so proud to have it here at TR.

CPL FRANK A. PANTER SR. WWH US MARINE CORPS

Photos by Pam Forsyth One of the many patriots.

Michigan Luncheon 👬

by Tawnya Rowden

Save the date for the Michigan Luncheon to be held on Saturday, March 2 beginning at noon with a social in Citrus East. Luncheon to follow at 12:30 p.m. Watch for sign-up sheet to be posted in Busch Hall during the third week of February

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TR Woodcarver Jim Van Winkle



Photo by Betty Van Winkle Beginning carver Jim Van Winkle and Instructor

Linda Murphy hold a green dolphin that he carved.

by Jim Van Winkle

My classes began in 2018 at TR with Linda Murphy teaching new students how to carve a comfort cross or comfort bird as our first project. Within the month we carved a wind spirit face on a walking stick; this was followed by other intriguing options.

During our sessions we are able to observe several of our more experienced classmates' projects and learn of their adventures with wood. This camaraderie and exchange of experiences is encouraging!

Everyone interested in this hobby is welcome to join the classes held on Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West.

Four great reasons why woodcarving classes are made easy at TR:

- Master Wood Carver Linda Murphy, talented instructor.
- Step-by-step training for beginners.
- Carving knife, protective glove and rules for safe carving available on the first day.
- Choice of projects and patterns for various skill levels.

Forum from page 3.

The floor was opened for a Q and A

Q - Delegation of authority and responsibility is an important part of management. It appears the Board does not do this well and needs to back off from day-to-day details. Should this be changed so employees can do their jobs more efficiently?

A-The Board is not generally involved with employees. Hill manages employees and meets twice a week with different groups.

Q – A question was again raised regarding whether or not the Board, under current bylaws, could sell off any or all corporate assets

A – May replied that the only assets that might be sold are old and used equipment. She could not imagine that any past or future Board would consider selling any portion of TR. Board Attorney feels that the bylaws do not need to be changed in this regard.

Q - May was asked where the closest defibrillator was located to service RV South and the Dog Parks. A – There is one on the railing of the TR Main Office and in Citrus. In order to add more, additional funding would be needed. The units cost about \$1,000 each. It was noted that the original units were donated.

Q – It was stated that the bylaws on our website show an approval date of 1923, however the date on the bylaws document is 2022. Were changes made between these dates?

A – No changes were made and Board attorney advised it is not always desirable to post changes with the County.

Q – Many documents are posted on the TR website, but not the Articles of Incorporation. Will these be posted?

A – It is not planned to post these. They are available upon request at the TR Main Office.

Q – It appears people are bringing non-residents into the Park to participate in activities. What is being done about this?

A – The Board was petitioned to allow four individuals to participate in the RC Motor Sports. These people provided both money and labor to build the facility. The Board will allow

these four men to participate this year only, on a trial basis. Decision on whether or not to continue will be made next year based on this year's experience.

Q – Shareholders may apply to be on the Board, but employees are not allowed. Yet some employees are shareholders. Isn't this contradictory.

A – The Board decided that permitting employees, who are shareholders, to be on the Board would present a conflict of interest.

Q - A resident noted that the lease fees have increased about 30% over the last few years. What is anticipated for next year.

A – The budget has not yet been set for next year. May pointed out that the Park has had to deal with substantial increases recently were caused primarily by increase in taxes, insurance, supplies, materials and employee compensation

Q-Budgets are required to be complete before the AGM. The AGM packets will go out on Feb. 11. Why is the budget not yet complete?

A – The budget for next year is handed out at the AGM, it is not included in the packet. May acknowledged that they are behind this year but will be focusing on the budget this week.

Q-Is it possible to post Board changes in more places. It was noted that the board outside the Post Office is difficult to read due to glare. Could the large board inside the Post Office foyer be used?

A – That board is designated for activities.

Q - Why does the Board not take advantage of the expertise of many residents to participate on the Maintenance Committee?

A - The Board welcomes anyone with expertise. These individuals just need to make themselves known to the Board. In fact, there will be several people retiring from this committee soon and replacements are needed.

Q–One resident contacted the County and was advised that The Village roads were designated as "A" roads back in 2018. Why then is there confusion regarding their classification?

A - The County has stated that

they believe that designation was made in error.

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Q – There are several Porta-pottys stored in maintenance. One used to be by the Bocce Court. Could this be returned to that area?

A – That unit was placed there in the past to service the stage in The Grove. It was not intended to remain there. Despite offers to pay for a unit for that area, Hill advised that it was not feasible. The units have to be emptied on a regular basis incurring continuing costs.

Q-New signs were posted on the dog walking path barring its use to golf carts. Who posted the signs and why.

A – Hill posted the signs. He advised that that path was never intended for use by golf carts.

One resident complimented Hill and his maintenance crew for their work at her site. A broken sewer line had caused a deep hole at the location necessitating temporarily removing the shed to access the problem. Maintenance moved washer, dryer and other heavy items for the resident. The shed floor, damaged by the leak was also replaced. When returned to its former location, the maintenance crew carefully replaced the shed contents and reinstalled the plumbing for washer and drver.

Residents were requested not to put plastic bags in the recycling bins as it clogs the equipment.

Activity Director, Guy Weik was pleased to report that some activities seemed to be bursting at the seams. This has required that these activities be relocated to larger facilities. He thanked all activity chairs who assisted in the reassignment of locations.

Weik suggested residents attend the Neighborhood Watch Program to be held on Friday, Feb. 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall.



Model Railroad Club news



by Brian Krupicka



Photos by Brian Krupicka Imagine printing your own railroad city.





New date set for

A beautiful lineup of quilts at TR.

by Joan Ledbetter

For the past 20 years Quilt-A-Rama has been scheduled on the first Tuesday in March. We are changing the date this year since many TR residents will be traveling on the Hawaii Cruise. The date for this event will be Tuesday, Feb. 27.

On this one day we will be making quilts for the women and children that find the need to come to Sunrise Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Shelter in our community. During a time of crisis in the lives of families needing protection, Sunrise is there. We supply a quilt for each adult and all the children that arrive. The TR Church Association also helps by providing funds for new sheets to go along with our quilts. It is a worthwhile cause and the TR Quilt

We're Cooking "Justa For YOU

Guild is happy to be able to assist. Quilt-A-Rama takes place

from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. We need many hands to help with both sewing and non-sewing tasks during this work day. Please bring a sewing machine if you have one. Non-sewing tasks for volunteers include ironing, tying quilts (you will be shown the process), moving quilts from one work station to the next, as well as other tasks needed to complete as many quilts as possible. Please come and be a part of this worthwhile event. The

take lunch orders and deliver them to Busch Hall. The regular Snack Shack Menu will be offered that day.

Snack Shack will be on hand to

The TR Quilt Guild hopes to see many volunteers for this year's Quilt-A-Rama.

The railroading hobby is always changing and one of the biggest changes in the last several years is in 3-D printing. Now it is possible to print in three dimensions everything from doors/windows, cars/trucks, people, trees and much more. Printing can be as simple as finding what you need to print off the internet or modeling something on your own computer. Items can be small or large, depending on the printing equipment you have, or for a nominal fee you can send your designs to a reproduction house for printing. If you have any questions, please contact Brian Krupicka at, TRTrains@dbcomserv.com or call 630-961-1243.



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MIKE AND WANDA ARNOLD

Wanda and Mike Arnold, who live at lot 3-16, have been full time TR residents for three years. Wanda is a native of Florida and Mike is from Bristol, Va. After Mike's three years of military service ended, the couple met and were married on Sept. 27, 1974. The big wedding including Wanda's seven siblings, their spouses and children. They were married in the church they attended and sang in the choir.

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Mike met Wanda through her brother after he attended a family BBQ.

Wanda was employed as a special needs school bus driver for 36 years and Mike is retired after being a mason for 40 years. The couple have two sons, a grandson and a

granddaughter. As for their thoughts on TR, Wanda said, "We love TR. It's a nice place to call home. The friendliness and amenities to enjoy and the TR staff are the best." When asked what makes for a long marriage, Mike said, "Have respect for each other and keep communication open."

Mar Martin Contractor



Carol and John Schell live at lot 04-17. They are from Manawa, Wis. They found TR through friends Bill and Linda Buczek who lived next door to them in Wisconsin. The Schells have been coming to TR since 2019.

John and Carol met on a blind date arranged by Carol's godfather who worked with John as a salesman. Carol worked for a medical clinic. Carol said John talked her into joining a couples bowling league. John said this way he knew he would get to see her every week.

CAROL AND JOHN SCHELL

They were married in Milwaukee, Wis.

on Jan. 19, 1974 and spent their honeymoon at the Dells in Wisconsin. They said it snowed on their wedding. However, they were lucky to have it rain for their honeymoon because a large group of skiers from Chicago cancelled their reservations at their hotel, leaving all the amenities almost entirely at the hotel for them.

The Schells have two children and two grandchildren. They live on Bear Lake in Wisconsin. where the grandchildren can enjoy all the outdoor activities that a place on a lake can provide.

The Schells enjoyed a dinner at Red Lobster on their anniversary this past Jan.19. John and Carol said they are very thankful the Buzeks invited them to visit several times. They fell in love with TR, bought a fifth wheel and a share of stock.

On their way home last year they got caught in a very heavy wind storm outside Memphis, Tenn. When a tractor trailer went by, it almost literally tore the back wall from the fifth wheel. John said they were lucky enough to have a roll of flex seal tape that he used to hold the fifth wheel together until they got to a Walmart in the nearest town. There they bought five more rolls that he used to wrap around every part he could to hold their unit together. The fifth wheel did make it home to Wisconsin. However, they now have a new fifth wheel at their site.

John enjoys water aerobics, golf, bingo and bowling at TR. He is also on the Tuesday morning divot crew at the Golf Course. Carol enjoys bowling and bingo. John said, "If you can't find things to do here you definitely have a problem."

When asked if they had any advice for a long and happy marriage, Carol said, "Just hang in there," and John said, "Don't go to bed mad."





Rosemarie and Richard Kuharick live on lot 05-32, They have been coming to TR for six years. Rich is a First Responder. Rosemarie is on the Welcoming Committee, co-chair for the Red Dot Socials and a volunteer for the Monday Coffee Socials. Both enjoy participating in many activities at TR.

Rich and Rosemarie are from Milan, Ohio. They have three daughters and three grandchildren. Rosemarie was a kindergarten teacher and Rich was a quality manager at an automotive manufacturer. They have done extensive traveling throughout the U.S. and say they have never found a better place to be than TR. They were married on Oct. 5, 1974 in Vyrl and Marvin Becker are from Keswick, Ontario, Canada. They are staying at lot 90-01 in Oak View. Their good friends John and Nancy de Jong are parked right next to them. For this interview all four friends chipped in with humorous comments. You can tell they are very good friends.

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This is the 3rd time the Beckers have come to TR. Covid and a trip to western Canada interrupted their coming in consecutive years.

They first heard about TR when they were at a garage sale at a park near Dade City. They were talking to a lady whose truck was marked with the name of their hometown in Canada. She encouraged them to come to TR to check out the yard sales here. They liked the place and decided to spend some time here.



VYRL AND MARVIN BECKER

The Beckers have two daughters, two granddaughters and a border collie named Bella. True to the nature of the breed, the Beckers say Bella tends to herd the granddaughters, sometimes to the frustration of the girls.

Marvin and Vyrl were married on June 15 in Clifford, Ontario. They honeymooned in a tent at Algonquin Provincial Park. One memory of their wedding reception is that Vyrl's father kept improving the punch that was being served by adding hard liquor. At the end of the reception even the bartender was inebriated. Another memory was that two bags of confetti had been stuffed into the car's air vents and when Marvin started the car confetti splayed all over the place, and continued to do so for quite a while. This actually saved them when they were stopped by the police for speeding. When they tried to explain that they had just gotten married, Marvin stepped on the gas in the idyling car and the confetti shot out. The policeman just turned around and let them go.

Marvin and Vyrl met when they were 5 and 4 years old respectively. They each lived on farms which were across the street from each other. Despite living across from each other they were not in the same school district and did not attend the same school. Their parents were friends and they both enjoyed roller skating at the Clifford Arena.

The Beckers have owned and run two restaurants during their married life. The first was called Smokeys and was opened one year from the date of their wedding. The second was called Tama Inn and was a dining lounge with a smorgasbord. Their friends John and Nancy said they both are very good cooks and their restaurants were very popular places. Vyrl said that they always considered their employees as family and still keep in touch with them.

Marvin also got his license as a funeral director and was in the business for 30 years.

This summer Marvin and Vyrl plan to spend a week at a cottage in Tobermory, Ontario with their family. In August they will be touring Newfoundland on a bus with their friends. They are looking forward to being able to enjoy the trip without having to worry about the driving.

When asked if they had any advice for staying married, they jokingly said that for them they realized they could not get divorced because neither one wanted to take the kids alone, although this statement was quickly retracted saying that they have really wonderful daughters.

The Beckers say that as they celebrate their 50 years of marriage they enjoy reminiscing about their love for each other, their family, friends, businesses and accomplishments.

The Beckers have friends in the park and nearby. They are looking forward to all being together at the Golden Anniversary Dance.





MARTA AND BARRY SELLICK

honeymoon in St. Augustine, Fla.

Marta and Barry Sellick who live at 18-32 have a close-knit family of three children and three adult grandchildren, a love of travel, and careers that have taken them throughout Florida and around the world. At TR since 2013, Barry serves on the Board of Directors as 2nd vice president, and he and Marta are involved in many activities in the Park. When not spending the winter season here at TR, they live in Brevard, N.C. The third member of their TR family is Franz, their 2 year old schnauzer, who is named after a soccer player.

Both interested in motorcycles, it was at a motorcycle meeting where the couple first met. They were eventually married on Dec. 27, 1974 at Barry's mother's house in North Miami, Fla. where they said they had a small wedding with 40 in attendance. The couple spent their

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RICH AND ROSEMARIE KUHARICK

Williwick, Ohio and honeymooned at Niagara Falls.

Rich and Rosemarie met at a dance. After the dance, Rich asked Rosemarie for her phone number while standing by his car. Rosemarie said, "Sure, but I don't have anything to write with." Rich didn't either so he picked up a rock from the ground and scratched her phone number into the roof of his car and said, "Now I don't have to worry about losing your number." This really impressed Rosemarie, but it was dark and she couldn't see the poor condition of his VW bug.

When it came time for their first date, Rich ran into a car issue. He normally tried to park on a hill because the starter was going bad and he sometimes had to push-start the car. Much to his dismay Rosemarie's driveway was as flat as a landing strip. When Rosemarie got into the car, it wouldn't start. He retrieved a hammer from the back and banged on the starter, which sometimes would resolve the issue, but not this time. Rosemarie asked, "Is there a problem?" Rich replied, "Yes, the starter is going bad and we need to push-start the car." Upon hearing this, Rosemarie replied, "I don't know how to drive a stick shift." Rich replied, "Unfortunately, you will have to push-start me." Rosemarie performed an excellent job push-starting the car but wasn't up to continuing to do this. When she got back in the car she said, "Am I going to have to push-start you if I go out with you again?" Rich replied, "If you go out with me again, I will put a new starter in this car." Richard installed a new starter and the rest is history.

Rich and Rosemarie plan to spend their anniversary in Hawaii. Their first meeting and first date were clearly very successful and have resulted in this celebration of 50 years of being happily married. Marta had a daughter, Tanya, from a previous marriage, and the couple would have two more children, Ginger and Eric.

Barry did a lot of traveling for work in his 40 year career beginning as a sheet metal mechanic, and then for the past 25 years before retirement as International Vice President Nieco, a food service equipment business. His career has taken him all over the world and he notes the only places he hasn't visited are S.E. Asia, China and Russia. He jokes that while he and Marta had been married 40 years, he has only been home for seven of them, but always made sure he was home for the holidays. He notes in those 40 years he has been to 65 countries, always with his passport ready in case he got a call and had to travel on short notice.

Marta has held many varied positions in the healthcare and insurance fields throughout her career, but as the children began to grow she became a part-time employee and a full-time soccer mom. While Barry was traveling, Marta would be busy dividing her travel time between her two children's soccer activities. For seven years she was on the board of the Orlando Seminole Soccer Club, and was a substitute mom for many soccer kids, ferrying them around in her minivan.

It was friends from their Bible Study in Brevard County, Fla. long time TR residents Bob and Nancy Scharsich, who first introduced the Sellicks to TR.

Marta and Barry keep very busy with activities here at TR, and Barry said "There is so much to pick and choose from, if you're not finding something to do here, you're not looking hard enough." They both enjoy motorcycles and sailing, Marta notably at one time sailing Biscayne Bay with an all women crew. Marta is also a member of the Welcoming Committee and is a co-chair of the goodie bags. She also enjoys line dancing, acrylic painting, Zumba, ballroom dancing and weights and stretching. Barry enjoys table tennis, choir, bridge and travel.

When asked about advice for a long marriage, Marta concludes that it takes "a lot of prayer, patience and forgiveness."

🚁 celebrate their Golden Anniversaries



JOE AND JOAN BRAUN

Joan and Joe Braun were married on Nov. 15, 1974, in Wapakoneta, Ohio, at Joan's home church, Bethlehem Christian Union Church. She remembers it was the first day of snow in Ohio that year. The couple had plans to honeymoon in Florida. They made it as far as Chattanooga, Tenn., when Joan became homesick after one night, the couple returned to Wapakoneta, the hometown of Neil Armstrong.

Their wedding was held in a little one-room-wooden country church, with a larger church addition built onto the back. The Brauns were the first couple to be married in the new section. The wedding was standing

room only, partly because as Joe said, he had a huge family that included many aunts, uncles and cousins. First a priest and then a protestant minister officiated at the wedding because the two families were of different denominations. Joan's dad called the square dancing at the reception.

Joe operated a plastic plant for 25 years and Joan drove a bus for developmentally disabled adults. They have three sons and seven grandchildren.

The Brauns are seasonal residents, and this is their second year at TR. When helping a friend move from Dade City, they came to TR to visit two friends who lived in the park and decided to return and spend their first season on Golf View. After that first season, they said they loved it here so much they decided to make it their winter home and found a lot at 18-25 where Joan said all the neighbors are so friendly.

It was friends, neighbors and EMT members who came to Joe's aid when he had a stroke on Jan. 5 of this year. The stroke was on both sides of his cerebellum affecting his speech and motor skills. With ongoing speech and physical therapy, Joe is working to recover and has already golfed a couple of times.

The couple own a motorcycle and enjoy getting out on the open road. Joe fondly recalls that in 1975 he had to sell his motorcycle so he and Joan could buy their first house which cost \$17,000. He sold the motorcycle to a friend, so he was eventually able to buy it back again. Joan said it is the most fun way to travel on a country road with all the wonderful scenery. They both recall a favorite ride on the Tail of the Dragon in the Smokey Mountains-an 11-mile drive, there are 311 curves and no more than two car lengths of straight road. They have ridden in 48 states on both two and three-wheeled motorcycles.

Besides their love of motorcycles and Joe's interest in golf, Joan enjoys sewing and watching the quilters work. She fondly recalls sewing on her machine outdoors at their site on Golf View.

Reflecting on TR, Joan said, "We love the country location. The people are so friendly, and everything is so self-contained."



Lorraine and Bill Gould live at what I call the friendliest lot in the park, 01-01. There is no other lot where the residents do more waving. When you walk or drive by you will almost always see one or both of them on their patio reading, or Lorraine working on beading or mats for the homeless.

The Goulds are from Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. They have been coming to TR for 7 years and give credit to Bill's sister and brother-in-law for finding TR. At that time Bill and Lorraine were in Punta Gorda, Fla.



Bill's brother-in-law was searching for a park LORRAINE AND BILL GOULD

with a golf course and stopped at TR to check things out. They told Bill and Lorraine about the park and they came to see for themselves. At the time there were 28 lots open. They chose 01-01 because of the beautiful view of the Golf Course, Mirror Lake and the fountain.

They particularly enjoy their location because they can sit outdoors regardless of which way the sun is shining. They can either sit on their patio or move across from their patio and sit beside the park model of their neighbors, Ken and Kelly Person. Moving from the sun to the shade means a very noticeable drop in the temperature on a warm day. They are also blocked from the wind. It is a great spot to sit and enjoy their own activities or the camaraderie of friends.

The Goulds were married on June 15 in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. They had known



Church in North Syracuse, N.Y. The couple both attended SUNY College at Brockport in New York State. They

Sheila and Marty Schencke were

actually met at the YMCA where Sheila's sister worked full-time and Marty worked part-time.

Marty joined the Air Force after college as Air Force navigator. He already had his pilot's license but the force was not training additional pilots at that time. He ultimately became a navigator before he assumed his leadership duties. He retired after 30 years as a Colonel. At one point he took part in a 42 ¹/₂ hour nonstop flight which was achieved SHEILA AND MARTY SCHENCKE using only in-air refueling. He has a masters

degree from Auburn. Marty's hobbies always included music. When he retired from the Air Force he worked as a piano technician,

Jackie and Russ Thackery seem to have

known each other forever. Jackie was good

friends with a neighbor's daughter in Colum-

bus, Ind., for many years and spent a good

deal of time at their home. Russ ended up

living with this family, his aunt and uncle,

for some time. The two saw each other on

years in Thailand, Korea and the U.S. Jackie

attended Indiana University where she

of on-and-off dating, they finally married on March 1 in the East Columbus Methodist

received her degree in nursing.

Russ joined the Army and spent four

Jackie claims that after about eight years

tuning, repairing and rebuilding instruments. The couple's honeymoon consisted of a cross-country road trip to reach Marty's new assignment in Sacramento, Calif. Since it was December they took the southern route to reach their destination.

Sheila's undergraduate degree was in biology and chemistry. She taught school near the many bases they were stationed. She specialized in STEM which stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics education. Sheila's master's degree is a MSBA, business administration for scientists. Obtaining her master's coincided with her pregnancy and the delivery occurred as the course was completed. The couple have one daughter, a grandson and granddaughter. Sheila has served as an Adjunct Professor of Science Methods and the Executive Director of two Department of Defense STARBASE Education Programs. She is also a certified financial planner and a certified group fitness instructor.

After living in nine different states, the couple moved to Florida where they currently live in The Village. Marty and Sheila are both active volunteers in Park activities.

Following his musical background, Marty is involved with the church music program, the Park's Veteran program, the Golf Cart Parade sing-a-long and also works at the Snack Shack

Sheila continues her interest in quilting, is a former Board member, serves with the church and leads the Weight and Stretching program year-round.

At present the couple have not planned a formal celebration for their anniversary in December. They are waiting to find a time slot when their daughter and her family will be available.

When asked what helps to make a long-term successful marriage, Marty immediately answered "Always say yes, and don't ask questions."





JACKIE AND RUSS THACKERY Church. Russ claims he carefully polished up

Jackie's car so people would assume they were going to use that car after the wedding. Instead they took his truck to spend a one day honeymoon in Nashville. They returned to Russ' house trailer to find that their mothers had organized a shivaree. For non-midwesterners, a shivaree is a noisy mock-welcoming serenade for newlyweds.

and off for years.

Russ worked for years with the Cummins Engine Company that builds diesel engines. Jackie spent some time as a substitute teacher and then used her nursing degree to primarily provide homecare. The couple have a son and two grandchildren, a boy and a girl.

A year before Russ and Jackie retired, they purchased an Airstream and began traveling eventually, ending up at TR. They currently reside at TR during the winter months and in the summer, they return north in their RV. Very active in the Park's volunteering program, Russ currently spends most of his time facilitating the Amateur Radio Club activities. The club has many members, about 20 to 25 of whom participate in the Two Meter Net Program held every morning. In the past he was a propane tank filler, worked with Maintenance, took photos for The TR Times and worked on TR's Channel 25 TV program. Jackie sings in the church choir and with the Travelettes. She also plays trumpet at church service hymn sing and with both the TR and Wesley Chapel Community bands. She coordinates the Five Crowns program, is a retired First Responder and wrote obituaries and edited for The TR Times. Russ and Jackie both agree that patience helps make a successful marriage. Jackie also commented that it is a good idea to both be "on the same page."

each other from school but met again at a dance in March and were married in June. Lorraine said her mother was in British Columbia at the time and pulled off a fairytale wedding for them in 2-1/2 months. They recalled that they rode on the back of an MG from their wedding to their reception, their picture making the local newspaper. They honeymooned in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, before beginning a trip they took across Canada.

The Goulds have 3 children, all born in different provinces: Nova Scotia, Alberta and British Columbia.

Bill was an engineer and technologist and worked for the same company in Halifax for 37 years. Lorraine did transcription for the X-ray/Radiology Department at Dartmouth General Hospital for 30 plus years.

When asked what activities at TR they enjoy Bill's answer was reading, reading, reading and golf. Lorraine mentioned golf, swimming, beading, yoga, Book Browsers and making mats for the homeless She is also a volunteer worker at the Golf Course on Tuesday mornings.

This summer a big celebration is being planned by their son to celebrate their 50 years of marriage. It will be held at a boat club and will involve hundreds of family and friends.

The Goulds think TR is the ideal place to spend their retirement winters. They love the peacefulness of being away from the hustle and bustle of major tourist attractions and the friendliness of the people.

In my opinion they are the perfect couple to have lot 01-01. They demonstrate TR's friendliness with their smiles and waves to all who wave to them.



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Photos by Bill Watkins

Travel News

by Sharon Gilbert Zile

We're in the midst of a bustling season here at TR with two more day trips remaining. The Feb. 22 Ybor City Tour including the Columbia Restaurant and Flamenco Dancers has a few more openings at this moment, and the March 13 day trip to Daytona International Speedway has many openings. Now would be the time to get a group of your favorite NASCAR fans or other connoisseurs of speed to sign up together for a wonderful and hearty lunch at Bahama Breeze before taking the VIP tour of the World Center of Racing. We must have 30 paid reservations to make this trip a go. Be sure to give me a call for openings on either day trip. Last but not least the TR Hawaii Island Hoppers Cruise has 58 signed up and will be departing on March 2. The Island Hoppers will be sure to send messages and Facebook posts from "TR of the Pacific."

Time passes quickly, and it is not too soon to give thought to the 2024-2025 TR Travel season. Planning next year's day trips will be a focus for me in the months of April and May, however no cruise is being planned for next season. Instead, a multi-day Small World Tours bus trip to New Orleans is under construction for March 2025. We hope to arrange a visit to a plantation, a swamp tour, a city tour accompanied by a step-on guide, the WW II Museum and Mardi Gras World which is the



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DAN AND SHARON ZILE

location of float construction for Mardi Gras. Can you picture yourself enjoying a delicious beignet at Café DuMonde in the French Quarter or lunching on a muffuletta from the famous Central Grocery? Our hotel promises to be in or near the French Quarter. Numerous folks have made requests for a casino trip and a casino overnight stop fits perfectly on our way to Louisiana. This trip is very much still in the planning stages, but I wanted you to mark the dates March 9 to 14 on your calendars.

Communication at TR continues to challenge me. Facebook's Residents and Friends group and the Residents Voice group are sometimes effective tools but are not universally used by park residents. *The TR Times* is wonderful for information and photos that can accommodate a one-week lead time. The bulletin board in the Post Office is very low-tech and visible, but who wants to make a late-night trip to the Post Office to check the trip departure time? Personally, I love the new InTouch phone app. The daily schedule is easy to use, and I very much appreciate having a TR Travel button that will connect residents with trip information. Immediate mass communication is more challenging.

Travelers Rest Resort

Lately, I have wondered how our TR Hawaii Island Hopper group will stay in touch with one another as we fly on various airlines through a half dozen connecting city airports and reside for a week on a floating hotel that will hold 4,000 passengers. In a recent conversation with one of our TR First Responders, I was given a very quick tutorial of the Team-Reach phone app, and we have decided that this is the tool our 58 Hawaii travelers need. It will be the way to let the entire group know, for example, that our group meeting place on the ship has been changed or that an on-time flight connection is in jeopardy. Each new communication tool requires some new learning for both the person who sets up the group and each person who uses the group, so that will be a February task for TR Island Hoppers who wish to be connected and in the know.

Information for the Ybor City tour on Feb. 22 and the Daytona Speedway VIP tour are on this page. Reserve your seat today.

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Residents traveling in a very economical way.

by Bert Contractor

The first Travelogue of the year, Mexico Airstream Caravan, was well attended. It was very informative and amusing. Thank you Alan Kenney for delivering an outstanding account of a very interesting trip. Thanks to all who took time out of their busy schedules to attend the Travelogue and encourage the activity.

For those who missed the trip to Mexico, we have another exciting journey scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 14 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus East. This time it's going to be Bard Fuller and the trip is "Western Canada and Alaska."



Photos submitted by Bard Fuller Bard and Kathy Fuller visit the Arctic Circle.

TR residents, Bard and Kathy Fuller, along with Golf View campers, Glen and Christine Lessig, journeyed through western Canada and most of the roadworthy sections of Alaska this past summer.

In Bards own words, Our journey started in Glacier National Park, a destination in itself, with stunning vistas and wildlife, crossing into Canada at Waterton Lakes National Park and experiencing the thrilling Calgary Stampede. We traveled the Alcan Highway, viewed Dawson Creek, the sign post forest of Watson Lake, historical Whitehorse, and continued up the rough and dusty Klondike Highway to the once gold-rich Dawson City.

We entered Alaska from the desolate Top-of-the-World Highway at the infamous town of Chicken. Alaska's vastness and desolate natural beauty are overwhelming. Travels to the Arctic Circle, Denali and the Kenai Peninsula are significant opportunities for photography. The trip out of Alaska included more challenging road conditions in and out of the towns of Valdez, Haines and Skagway. We saw Salmon runs, numerous wildlife and magnificent waterfalls along the way. Our hikes up to glaciers were exciting and challenging. Our photo journey concluded in the forest fires of British Columbia.

Do not miss this exciting, informative and scenic Travelogue by Bard Fuller on "Journey through Western Canada and Alaska" Wednesday Feb. 14.

Travelogues are on the following Wednesdays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus East.

- Feb. 14, Bard Fuller, Journey through Western Canada and Alaska.
- Feb. 28, Richard Hentchel, Cruise from Bangkok to Athens. The Marco Polo Voyage.
- March 13, Bert Contractor, Africa - Safari through Masai, Mara and Amboseli, National Reserves.

• March 27, Looking for a presenter.

I am still looking for one more presenter for the season. Please contact me via text or call 980-334-5050 if you are interested. If you need assistance with preparing your slideshow I will be glad to help.

What is the TR Sports Club?

by Ray LoPresti

The TR Sports Club has a membership of over 100 men and women who enjoy the sport of skeet, trap, sporting clays, rifle and pistol shooting.

Pistol shooting is done at West Armory in Dade City which is open every day except Monday. On Tuesdays, women shoot free and on Wednesdays active and retired military, police and first responders can shoot free. For others the cost is \$10 for 30 minutes. At West Armory we practice and perfect our skills of handgun and rifle shooting. When new to West Armory you will receive instruction on range and handgun safety. Ray LoPresti, a certified NRA instructor who is also the club's chairman, is always available for instruction. At the range you can also use the simulator room. Here you can practice with simulations of the Wild West, test target shooting skills in a variety of timed and untimed shootings, use 4player mode or practice with real life scenarios of car-jacking, live shooter incidents as well as other modes.

On Thursdays many go to Tampa Bay Sporting Clays and have great fun with sporting clay shooting. Sporting clay is a form of clay pigeon shooting described as "golf with a shotgun." The sport differs from trap and skeet shooting in that it is considered to be more difficult. It involves shooting clay targets at multiple locations called stations. Unlike trap and skeet sporting, clay targets are thrown from clay throwing machines in a variety of trajectories, angles, speeds, elevations and stations.

The TR Sports Club will be sponsoring a speaker from the Florida Statewide Crime Prevention Task Force at the Coffee Social in Busch Hall on Tuesday, March 12, 8 to 10 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend this up-to-date informative seminar on safety and protection. Some of the many topics to be covered include: What steps can you take to make a burglar avoid your home? How do you protect yourself from identify theft? How can a cell phone save your life?

We hope you will join us at this informative seminar.



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Library News



Garden news

A good place to spend a rainy day

by Amy Peebles

The Library was a popular place recently on a cool, gloomy afternoon when several people stopped by looking for a book to read. Some were residents and others were friends of residents who were on a TR tour and stopped by to visit the Library. The visitors went on their way with books in hand for their road trip after looking through the Free Book bins, where books are free for anyone to take and keep. We kindly asked that you don't return them due to space limitations. The volunteers who were working in the Library were happy to chat, meet new people and catch up with old friends. It's always nice, rain or shine, to see the library so full of browsers.

We received a generous donation of books on tape. It is a very good selection of authors.

However, we don't have the room in the Library to store them. They have been placed in plastic bins, so please help yourself to one or more if you are able to listen to them in your vehicle or have a cassette player.

A couple of reminders, the Library does not accept magazines. There is a magazine section in the hallway outside the laundry room in Busch Hall. If you reshelve your returned books that you make sure the book is in the correct section such as; Fiction, Biography or Military and that it is in the right alphabetical order on the shelf. If you have any questions about which section your book belongs, the books are color coded with dots by sections on the bottom spine. There is a reference sheet of color coded sections on the bulletin board to help you find the correct bookshelf. If you prefer, you can leave the book on the rolling cart and a volunteer will reshelve the books for you.

We always like to feature our Recommended Books on top of the bookshelves to the right of the door, both fiction and nonfiction. We appreciate those who recommend a book to feature. A Recommended Book has one or two yellow smiley face stickers on the upper spine. Recommended slips are on the desk and you can sign your name or remain anonymous.

Three of the current Recommended Books include "Victoria", by Daisy Goodwin, who was inspired to write a novel about the 19th century queen after reading her diaries; "March" by Geraldine Brooks, set during the Civil War and centered on the character of author Louisa May Alcott's father who leaves for war and must navigate his return as a changed man; and "An Unladylike Profession" by Chris Dubbs, a nonfiction book about the experiences of more than 30 women who worked as war reporters during World War I.

Many books are being donated to the Library this season. Stop by, you never know what you will find!

Book Browsers

by Nan Lance

The TR Book Browsers will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 14, to discuss "Lab Girl" by Hope Jahren. As a special field trip, if it's not raining, we will meet in the TR Garden at 2 p.m.

The following meeting will be on Wednesday, Feb. 28 to discuss "West with Giraffes" by Lynda Rutledge at our regular location in Citrus West. On Wednesday, March 13, we will be discussing "Demon Copperfield" by Barbara Kingsolver. Our final book for this season will be "The Reading List" by Sarah Nisha Adams on Wednesday, March 27. Hope you can join us.



by Nancy McDowell

Dade City is one of five cities proclaimed a "Monarch City USA" in Florida. Consequently, the city supports local gardens, clubs and residents in efforts to help the monarch butterfly flourish in the area.

According to the National Wildlife Federation, some monarch butterflies migrate south during fall months, "Florida is a stop for many monarchs before they fly over the Gulf Coast to Mexico." Then they travel north in the spring. Basically they are the snowbirds of the Nymphalidae family. Per the www.nwf.org website "the monarch population has declined by approximately 90 percent since the 1990s, due to the loss of natural habitats." The Monarch Watch Organization promotes the creation of Monarch Way Stations to help combat this decline. Although we may not be a stop along the major migratory route, the TR Garden has a Way Station.

Some butterflies do not migrate and are year-round residents here in the area. LMGC member Phyllis Zitzer, who is a certified "Master Gardener," is emphatic on getting the TR garden "monarch-ready." She is on a mission to ensure the butterflies' main "host plant" and other nutritional and nectar sources are available. Milkweed is essential for a vibrant monarch habitat. LMGC volunteers have planted milkweed plants throughout the garden. Although milkweeds are tasty to monarchs, do not be fooled by the word "milk," as they are toxic to humans and many animals

As I was learning more about monarchs, Phyllis threw a wrench into my education by introducing the queen to me. At first I thought she meant the "queen monarch." (I watched "The Crown" so I "get" royalty.) But she corrected me and explained that there are monarch and queen butterflies, similar but

Got Milkweed?



Photo by Phyllis Zitzer

Monarch and queen butterfiles.

different. We get both in our TR Garden.

There is something in nature coined "mimicry" and these two butterflies are a perfect example. Both love the milkweed plant and can biologically ingest and then emit the toxins milkweeds contain. Both adults are bright orange, have black striping and white dots. However the devil's in the details of how these markings appear on either. We astute humans can differentiate them by these variations. But their similar features "confuse" predators who have dined on one or the other and after a good dose of indigestion, will decide to let the next orange/blackstriped butterfly pass on by.

Come by the TR Garden soon to see if you can spot a caterpillar or chrysalis or a beautiful adult butterfly and mark your calendar for Dade City's Monarch Festival in October.

Note — Upcoming Lake Margaret Garden Club events open to all:

Tuesday, Feb.13, 2 to 3 p.m., Fat Tuesday Garden Stroll, the club will offer a little to get "fat" on, BYO liquid refreshment. No rain date.

Sunday, March 10, 2 to 4 p.m., Garden Walk.



Photo by Nancy McDowell

Volunteers Patricia Bogdan and Cindy Tinkham are "milking it" for the camera at the monarch way station.

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Pets on Parade

by Judy Leister

Evvy has the kindest eyes. She looks right into a person's heart. Add a wagging tail and in seconds I was an Evvy fan. Kathleen and Mike Clark are from the cold north of Ohio, but they and Evvy enjoy the winter months here at TR.

A number of years ago a friend of Kathleen's ran a nearby animal shelter. When an eight-month-old stray was brought in it was easy to see she had been wandering the streets for quite some time. She was in very poor health and in need of surgery. Luckily a generous benefactor stepped up and paid the \$8,000 vet bill for the pup to have a section of her intestine removed. The benefactor visited Evvy often while she was recuperating and quickly fell in love. She decided to adopt her. Keep in mind this was an eight-month-old puppy that had been slowed down by surgery. The lady wasn't prepared for the liveliness of the now healthy Evvy, and it was way more than she had expected. The shelter manager suggested she talk to Kathleen about some training. Evvy went to



Photo by Kathleen Clark **EVVY**

live with Kathleen in a board and train agreement. Oh, what a good puppy. She was a star pupil. When the training was complete the lady came to take her home and surprised Kathleen with an unfinished statement, "If I decide to keep her." Two weeks later the lady called and admitted this was a much bigger project than she had expected. Did Kathleen want her?

Oh, this was bad timing. Kathleen's old dog was very sick. Sadly, three weeks later that dog passed on. Yep, you guessed it. Evvy immediately joined the Clark family.

Several years before Evvy's arrival Kathleen had two big dogs

with behavior issues. She went in search of trainers that could help deal with this. Several nationally known dog trainers taught her the balanced training method where there is a combination of positive and light correctional training. This led to her offering two-week board and train sessions in their home with an emphasis on the dog performing with good manners.

Evvy is now eight years old and quite the training assistant. She's very motherly to the younger canine students but will give friendly reminders to the older adult dogs when they are sassy with her.

Even the perfect pet can sneak in a few naughty tricks. Kathleen showed me a key they keep in their door lock. Evvy can turn into Houdini and open that door if her humans leave without her. Where did they go? Why am I not with them? That key prevents any unwanted escapes. When they return, she celebrates with lots of happy spins ending with her flopping on her back, paws in the air and-ahhh-a tummy rub.

Pet Lovers Club

The first Pup Crawl was the best



Photos by Kim Roberts Can you guess who are these beach bodies?

by Kim Roberts

Our first Pup Crawl was a great success and a whole lot of fun. Everyone was so happy to meet new neighbors and see each other.

We would like to do another one in February. We already have two host houses in The Village. If you would like to be a host house, please contact Kim Roberts. You get two wristbands and \$60 to help



Pet Lovers Barry and Marta Sellick.

TR resident is recognized for his many years of building projects



with food and drink. Consider doing it jointly with your neighbor, that works too.

We appreciate the hosts that volunteered for this Pup Crawl. The food and drinks were wonderful. Where else can you go for food and drinks and lots of fun for \$15. See you at the next one. You do not need to own a dog to participate. More information will follow.



Food, drink and fun.

Also many thanks to the volunteers who have been helping at the dog parks with installing the sprinkler timer, new water bowl, bug spraying, weed control and just keeping them neat and clean.

The Blessing of the Animals will be on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 1 p.m. at the South Paw Dog Park. All pets are welcome. Dogs must be on a leash and all others in a crate. Blessings will be offered by Chaplains Anthony Shipe and Rosita Williams.

Dog training classes have started. Different classes will be offered each week. Sign-up sheets will be posted each Tuesday on our Pet Lovers Bulletin Board in Busch Hall.

by Laurie Zentmyer On Tuesday, Jan. 30 the Snack Shack Shelter fire-

place was dedicated to Clint Taylor in honor of his volunteer spirit and all the projects he helped to build in our park.



by Tom Butler

Birding Activity

You wouldn't think that a carpenter ant has a single worry in the world. You would be wrong. There is a creature in this world that hunts them down almost exclusively and is willing to work tirelessly to find them. Using a chisel like tool, this creature will cut a rectangular hole in a dead tree to find the ants' nest. Then a long tongue goes to work pulling the ants from the cavity. What is this ant-eating creature that chisels holes in our trees? The largest woodpecker in North America is the Pileated Woodpecker. Found throughout our park, they survive by seeking out the largest dead trees in the area to hunt their favorite meal. Let's learn some more about this spectacular bird.

The species name, Pileatus, is the result of the flaming red crest of feathers on top of their heads. The Pileum is the ornithological term for the top of a bird's head extending from the base of the bill to the nape. Few birds can rival the beauty of the crimson Pileated pileum. Combined with the striking black and white coloration of the body, neck and wings you have an amazing example of the birding world.

The Pileated Woodpecker is the largest remaining woodpecker because of the loss of two spectac ular birds. The Ivory-billed and the Imperial Woodpeckers were the giants of the woodpecker world until they both disappeared nearly 70 years ago. Deforesting creates loss of habitat, that means a loss of food and nesting areas resulting in the loss of species. This problem is easily understood by everyone, but we keep repeating the same mistakes. The Imperial Woodpecker was common in Mexico and held the title for largest



PILEATED WOODPECKER

woodpecker. At nearly two feet tall, these gigantic woodpeckers surpassed the 21-inch Ivory-billed Woodpeckers leaving the 17-inch Pileated Woodpecker as the largest survivor. It survives in the Eastern portion of North America and across Canada where it is rebounding from a major loss of habitat. Adjusting to more urban settings has been a positive factor in their increasing numbers.

The Pileated carves nesting cavities in large dead trees which provides a home, a nursery and a cafeteria all rolled into one. Genius! But these birds won't stick around long as they seldom reuse a nesting location the following season. This works out well for nature in general because other species of animals will gladly move into this abandoned home including other birds such as Wood Ducks and various species of owls. These nests will accommodate three to five white eggs that will be incubated by both adults, and

when they hatch 18 days later, they will also be fed by both parents. The young will fledge 26 to 28 days and will stay with their parents for only about three months. Unlike human children, they generally will not move back in.

While carpenter ants make up 60% of the Pileated diet, the meals will also include termites and beetles which are found beneath the bark of the dead trees. After four or five chiseling whacks into the bark, the beak is used as a pry bar to break away sections of bark and wood. Any critters found scurrying are quickly swept into the Pileated mouth by a very long tongue. Fruits, nuts and berries add to the diet in small proportions and as you might guess, with 22 different species of woodpeckers found in the U.S., it is easy to understand that diets will vary widely. A good example is the acorn woodpecker, but I won't tell you what they eat. That will be your homework. Good luck.

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Positions continued from page 1.

DENNIS LEDBETTER

open-minded and will take all suggestions that are beneficial to the success and growth of TR into consideration. I will openly voice my opinion of all projects, especially those that I believe are detrimental to the park's success.

DEBORAH MAY

thoroughly enjoy our Sunday evening entertainment and have purchased season Wednesday night Concert tickets for the last several years.

EDUCATION: Born in West Virginia, grew up in Maryland. Graduated from North East High School, North East, MD. My BS degree is from Concord University, Athens, WV. I have an MBA from the University of West Virginia, Morgantown, W.V. and an MBA from Marshall University, Huntington, W.V.

WORKING EXPERIENCE: 1980-2015 Controller/Business Accounting Manager for the Lewis Automotive Group, Beckley, W.V. Responsible for the accounting department including preparation of monthly Financial Statements to automobile manufacturers (at one time nine automobile and truck franchises in various locations). For 19 yrs. I served on General Motor's Business Accounting Manager's Council. In addition to preparing and reviewing all financial statements and accounting activity I was responsible for dealing with problem customers, resolving employee disputes, department disputes and general problems.

1989-2010 Adjunct Professor of Economics/Business at Mountain State University, Beckley, W. V.

1996-2010 Adjunct Professor of Accounting/Business at Concord University, Athens, W. V.

1982-2005 Co-owner and Chief Accountant for Black Gold Trucking, Inc. and May Stone and Materials, Inc., Beckley, W. V.

Other: A long-term member of the Beckley Kiwanis Club in Raleigh County, serving in capacities from Treasurer to President. Past member of the Mercer County Kiwanis Club. Current Treasurer for the West Virginia Airstream Club Unit 15 of the WBCCI and past Treasurer for the WBCCI national rally in Sugarcreek, Ohio. I served on the financial committee of the board for the Beckley Area Foundation. This is a multi-million-dollar community foundation organized for charitable and educational purposes. The mission of the organization is to encourage philanthropic giving by providing an accessible means for contributions to be made to permanent endowments that benefit charitable concerns related to education, health and human services, the arts, public recreation and civic beautification.

Board Qualifications: I was elected to the current Board of Directors in March 2020. This year I was elected to serve as the President of the Board. I bring a wealth of business/accounting experience to the table. I believe my problem-solving skills and the ability to work well with others in developing long term goals for this resort is an asset to the board. I am not afraid to speak in front of large crowds and can breakdown a solution into understandable terms based on the receiver. I am computer literate, learn fast and love learning new things.

JOHN M. TOOMBS

Anderson Community Schools, developing safety programs for 18 elementary schools, 4 middle schools and 3 high schools. During that time I was also a motorcycle officer and a member of the fatal accident investigation team.

In 1972 I was promoted to the rank of sergeant, supervising 30 to 35 officers, rotating between second and third shift. I was also privileged to serve as Senior advisor to the BSA Explorer Post attached to the Anderson Police Department.

My years in law enforcement allowed me an opportunity to attend Anderson University and Ball University in Muncie, Indiana with varying course work in sociology, psychology and mathematics. In August of 1977 I left the department and chose to return to General Motors which resulted in 30 years of employment.

I was an active member of UAW Local 663 for a number of years prior to elevating to a management level position. I supervised line operations in the production and assembly of lighting components and Reaction Injection Molding for all General Motors vehicles at Guide Division of GM in Anderson, Indiana. In 1997 as General Motors was transitioning its components divisions to outsourcing production, I chose to transfer to the Fort Wayne Truck Assembly plant and change my status from a salaried to an hourly employee. I retired on July 1st of 2006.

My husband of 25 years, Michael Bly and I moved to TR in October of 2018 and have been permanent residents since that time, I have a son Douglas and two grandsons Alec and Blake who reside in Sevierville, Tennessee. I am currently President of TR Motorsports RC car racing group and was a member of the TR Crime watch. I helped establish our Neighborhood Watch with the assistance of Pasco County Deputy Sheriff Ron Buzzetto and other TR residents and have volunteered for various activities from Christmas decorating in Busch Hal to gardening. I am also an active participant in the Sport Shooting Club.

It would be a privilege to serve this community as a contributing member of the Board of Directors.

THOMAS MARAGNANO

A few of the companies that I either worked for directly or sub-contracted to include Johnson Controls, Honeywell, Pratt & Whitney and Carrier Corporation.

Through the years, I specialized in building automation controls, temperature controls, fire alarm systems, electronic and pneumatic controls, and power distribution systems. I have a strong HVAC background in addition to schematic/blueprint translation. I was frequently called upon to troubleshoot various system problems and have significant experience on both union and non-union job-sites. My responsibilities included coordination of manpower and material while performing the duties of a working foreman.

As a business owner, in addition to the stated responsibilities above, I was responsible for estimating, accounts receivable and payable, tax withholding/ remittance, marketing and scheduling. I managed all phases of the projects, from design to layout to final installation and start up.

Volunteer Experience: Leader - Boy Scouts of America

Finance Board Chair - Winsted United Methodist Church

Lay Delegate to United Methodist Annual Conference

Bible Study/Small Group leader

Habitat for Humanity

CT Children's Medical Center Miracle Ride Committee, as Road Captain, I led a motorcycle ride of 2,000 bikes to support the children's hospital.

Keynote speaker Children's Inn Fund Raiser at National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD.

LINDA SMITH

For 2023 will be starting a TR Singles Group.

Work Experience: Dates: 1972-2008

Associated Spring-Barnes Group: Plymouth and Saline Divisions.

Over my time I performed many jobs in the accounting department. Data Entry, Accounts Payable, and Accounts Receivable. I created and posted entries for monthly book closing. I worked on yearly inventories of WIP, Raw Materials, and Finished Goods. Filled in on payroll processing, job costing, and creating purchase orders. I was also the go-to person for our computer systems. Over my time at ASC we converted to a number of different operating systems and different computer systems. I was the liaison to our corporate IT group to keep computers and software systems running.

I believe some of my strong skills are: organizational skills, a good understanding of accounting and trying to use logic, not emotion, to solve problems.

I was a member of the Belleville Business and Professional Women's organization. During my time with the organization, I served multiple times as treasurer. Also served two terms as president of the local chapter. I also served as District Director over 7 local chapters. Also worked on a state level committee.

Being on the Board of Directors I have found that having many voices from different work and life experiences has been what keeps Travelers Rest successful. While not everyone is in full agreement on things every time, the healthy debates are what makes the best decisions for the park happen.

Thank you for considering me for re-election to the Board of Directors.

WOLF REIMANN

January 1993 to February 1999, Design Engineering Manager, Dominion Steel Casting. September 1977 to December 1992, Senior Mechanical Designer, DOFASCO.

Most recently: Overseeing daily office operations, responding to customer questions and preparing for potential customer inquiries. Proofreading proposals, manuals and instruction documentation. This included being proficient using Microsoft Word, Excel and using PowerPoint for customer presentations. These presentations were to customers visits in Austria, Germany, South Korea and China.

Other Organizational Involvement: I am a member of the Elks Lodge #2705 in Laurie, Mo. and have requested Associate Membership from the Elks Lodge in Zephyrhills. I have served numerous years as Lodge Esquire and Lecturing Knight. I was a volunteer bartender and was in charge of the 2022 Elks Golf Tournament which raised \$19,998 for charity. This was used for the Christmas Basket Program that provides food and wrapped gifts for 103 needy families. Also, together with my wife Kathy and 4 other members we provided a Friday night dinner for 130 guests. This was sold out both of the years that we volunteered as a cook team for these dinners.

Communication: My past experience has taught me the ability to communicate with all levels whether it be a CEO or a shop floor worker. I am currently available to communicate in person or via Zoom, WhatsApp or any other application chosen by the TR Board. I will be available in person October 01st to May 01st every year.

Park Involvement: We arrived at TR in our RV and had a reservation on The Hill. Within 2 months we had purchased a share and shortly after bought a home in RV South. We love it here.

I have joined the TR Golf Men's League and plan on joining the RC Truck competition (purchased a truck last year). We have attended numerous park concerts, happy hours and participated in the recent Thanksgiving Dinner. We purchased Season Tickets for the Sunday Night Concerts. We are enrolled in the TR Hawaii Trip. I plan on more getting even more involved by possibly starting a Dart League. Confidentiality: My past experience as a manager has taught me the skills to be discreet with personal information or issues and I would be willing to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement.



Summary: My past managerial skills and communication activities with employees, engineering consultants, customers and railway authorities have given me the skills that would be an asset to the board of Traveler Rest RV Resort. I am a person that enjoys being involved and helping volunteer for the benefit of the cause.

Personal Bio: I was born in 1951 in Hildesheim, Germany and immigrated to Canada in 1954. I was raised in Hamilton, Ontario by staunch Baptist parents. They always had part-time jobs that included cleaning offices and churches. That is where I learned to be a perfectionist when cleaning. Years later my friends referred to me as Moly Wolf, Moly Maid cleaning services were popular back then. In 1987 married my best friend, Kathy. Then in January of 1999 while working in Hamilton, Ontario, I received a phone call and job offer from a company in Atchison, Kansas. They were looking for a Design Engineering Manager. By March 01st of 1999 I was working in Kansas. We purchased a home in St. Joseph and Kathy started working as a pharmacist for CVS. In 2016 Bradken, my employer, offered me a retirement package and a 2-year exclusive consulting contract. That is when we moved to Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri. We both retired at the end of 2018.

In August 2019 we decided to become RV'ers. Our first trip in 2020 was 4.5 months in Florida. This week we both went to the DMV to get our Florida drivers license. We are here for good.

Some candidate resumes may have been shortened for space. Refer to your AGM packet to read each resume in its original entirety.

TR Sports

by Sandy Nelson

Ladies Golf League

by Sandy Nelson	
Wednesday, Jan. 31.	
Low Handicap 0-12	ŀ
Low Gross	Ι
Hazel English	S
Shirley-Ann Appleby,	S
Vicki Brooks, Sylvia Cole 38	Ν
Sandy Nelson	E
Low Net	Ι
Eleanor Buchser	Γ
Jean Bjorgen, Vicki Cloyd 33	S
Trish Horney, Chris Marsh 34	Γ
Fewest Putts:	A
Cheryl Porter12	Ι
Closest to #5:	Ν
Hazel English9'7"	(
Birdies:	Ι
Eleanor Buchser, Hazel English,	(
Sherie Grissinger,	S
Trish Horney 1	J
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High Handicap +13 Low Gross Sherie Grissinger......43 Nan Lance, Joan Ledbetter, Barb Watson.....47 Low Net Dee Branchaud, Susan Stahley, Sue Troyer, Karen Waymouth...34 Diane Doggett, Stella Loiselle, Arlene Wykoff, Laurie Zentmyer......35 Closest to Pin #3 Laurie Zentmyer.....10'10" Chip-ins: Sherie Grissinger, Joan Ledbetter.....1

The TR Times

Pickleball Jam Round Robin

by Laurie Gardner Tuesday, Jan. 30. **Novice Bracket:** 1. Towney Kennard 2. Neil Moore 3. Marguerite Glaser Varied Skill Bracket: 1. Sherie Grissinger 2. Barry Zimmerman 3. Denny O'Rourke **Mixed Doubles Bracket:** 1. Michael and Kathleen Clark 2. Mark Fedus and Shirley-Ann Appleby 3. Randy and Merry Smith

Save the date for the TRLGA **"Forget Me Not" Scramble**

by Pat Butler

Plan to join TR golfers and guests for the stand aside, best ball fundraiser scramble to be held on Saturday, March 9. Sponsored by the TRLGA, funds will be donated to TR Golf Course beautification as well as the Alzheimer's Foundation

This will be a truly worthwhile and enjoyable event. Custom signs will be available for purchase to dedicate to a friend or loved one affected by this disease and a speaker from the Alzheimer's Foundation will be on hand.

Cost will be \$6 per golfer and mulligans, snacks and beverage will be on sale.

Golf Equipment Management

before putting.

Golf shoes

water and dirt.

and on the green. Most information

I have read recommends that you

should clean your ball at every tee.

When on the green you should

mark your ball, pick up and clean

with the ball washers on our course

but make sure you dry the ball. A

dry ball doesn't pick up as much

dirt. A wet ball will affect the center

after every game it will get the golf

course chemicals off of your

shoes. Imagine what those herbi-

cides and pesticides can do to your

golf shoes. Wiping down your golf

shoes will also take off any excess

golf shoes make sure they are all

there and in good condition. If

you're missing spikes or if they are

2. Inspect the cleats on your

of gravity on a golf ball.

3. Cleaning the ball is easy

1. Wipe down your golf shoes

by George Paquette

Keeping your golf equipment clean is an important part of managing your golf game. Not only does cleaning your clubs affect their look, but it affects their performance as well. Here are a few steps to follow to ensure you get the most out of your clubs for many years.

Cleaning club heads

1. Fill a bucket with warm water then add a bit of dish soap to the water.

2. Place your club heads down in the water and let them soak for about five minutes.

3. Scrub the club heads with a toothbrush or a soft bristle scrub brush. Avoid using a stiff brush not to scratch your club heads.

4. Rinse your club heads using a faucet or hose then dry the club heads using a dry cloth.

Cleaning golf grips

Don't forget your club grips. A clean grip will provide better control in wet or hot weather when hands perspire. It will provide maximum tackiness giving you more control. Clean grips will also make them last longer because perspiration, oils and grime are removed. Here are some easy steps to follow.

1. Using a bucket of warm water with a couple of drops of mild detergent dip a washcloth into the bucket and scrub your grips. 2. Rinse the grips with soapfree water then rinse the washcloth free of detergent and wipe the grip

Cost will be so per goller alle	Men s francicap frigh Game
mulligans, snacks and beverages	Ken Neer
will be on sale.	Dave Couture
Plan now to attend this worth-	Don Markle
while event!	Men's Handicap High Series
	Dave Couture
it Management	Ken Neer
8	Bill Buczek651
of any residue. Rinse the grips	Men's High Average
again with soap-free water to make	Steve Niles 193
sure all the detergent is removed	Women's Scratch High Game
from the grip.	Debi Niles 177
3. Use a dry towel and wipe	Lin Buczek156
the grips dry.	Pat Markle145
Golf balls	Women's Scratch High Series
1. A dirty golf ball can affect	Debi Niles
contact with the club, flight in the	Lin Buczek437
air and roll on the green.	Pat Markle
2. You can clean your ball on	Women's Handicap High Game
two occasions. These are on the tee	Carol Schell

Pat Markle	392	
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Carol Schell	252	
Debi Niles	251	
Pat Markle	243	
Women's Handicap High Series		
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Women's Handicap High Carol Schell		
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Bingo

Leslie Price.....155

by Linda Smith Saturday, Feb. 3. John J. Schell, Jr. Brenda Dowell Stella Loiselle, 2 Janet Beisel Debi Niles Betsy Behler, 2 Sandi Walsh Mike Doubleday Pat Daboll Jim Walsh Donna Con Fran Freed, 2 Roberta Bradford Vivian Sammons Danny Hatchel Mary Carpenter Verna Sammons Dan Varner Jean McKenney Neil Jillson Shirley Gavin

Men's Golf League

by Barry English

Thursday, Jan. 25. We had 50 men out to enjoy a great round of golf. Lots of birdies, lots of fun!

Low Handicap (0-8) Low Gross Gary Carter, Bill Harkins33 Low Net Barry English, Jay Jager, Dan Varner, John Bearman, Mark Fedus, Al Horney, Rob Prophet, Wayne Schacht, Wayne Branchaud, Ken Neer...31 Gary Carter and Jay Jager2 John Bearman, Wayne Branchaud, Bruce Cole, Fred Endres, Barry English, Terry Halbrook, **Rob** Prophet Ken Neer, Jim Prasch, Wayne Schacht, Mike Schuster, Dan Varner and Gary Wintle.....1

High Handicap (9+)
Low Gross
Stan MacPhee
Serge Loiselle,
Doug Waymouth40
Low Net
Wolf Reimann
Stan Motycka, Frank Bovenberg,
Neil Jillson, Jake Marissen 32
Birdies: Doug Waymouth1
Closest to Pin #3:
Mike Schuster
Closest to Pin #5
Gary Carter
Dominoes

Dominoes

by Linda Gough Thursday, Feb. 1. Table 1 Winner: Linda Gough177

Chinese Mah Jong

by Marcia Hatfield	Friday, Feb. 2.
Monday, Jan. 29.	Janet Baal, Marcia Hatfield4
Kathy Bocchino6	Elaine Morgan, Rose Taggart,
Marcia Hatfield, Deborah May 4	Deborah May,
Debbie Oppel, Rachel Brooks3	Susan Doubleday3
Janet Baal, Rose Taggart,	Anne Amico, Kathy Bocchino,
Jen Furman2	Connie Bradley2
Elaine Morgan, Betty Brown,	Rachel Brooks, Jen Furman 1
Barb Overly1	

Mirror Lake Yacht Club

by Bill Wise Wednesday, Jan. 31. Sailboats Dragon Flite 95 Class – A Fleet 1. Barry Sellick 2. Jamie Hyde Dragon Flite 95 Class – B Fleet 1. Chuck Lemke 2. Jay Starbody Soling 1M Class – A Fleet 1. Jamie Hyde 2. Chuck Lemke Soling 1M Class – B Fleet 1. Rich Matkovitch 2. Jerry McRoberts Saturday, Feb 3 **Dragon Flite 95 Class** 1. Jay Matthews 2. Jamie Hyde Soling 1M Class 1. Jay Matthews 2. Barry Sellick

by Jackie Thackery Wednesday, Jan. 24. Table 1, Game 1 1. Gary Smith 2. Kathy Prockett Game 2 1. Mary Carpenter 2. Joyce Ritzler Table 2, Game 1 1. Pat McCallum 2. Diane Krupicka

Monday, Jan. 29. **Power Boats Spartan Class** 1. Howard Best 2. Bob Troyer **Power Vee Class** 1. Howard Best 2. Bob Troyer **Traxxis Blast Class** 1. Doug Smith 2. Jay Starbody Friday, Feb. 2 **Spartan Class** 1. Howard Best 2. Bud Weubker **Power Vee Class** 1. Don Meddles 2. Dean Peters **Traxxis Blast Class** 1. Doug Smith 2. Jay Starbody

Five Crowns

Game 2 1. Brian Krupicka 2. John Walters Table 2, Game 1 1. Gary Smith, Mary Carpenter Game 2 1. Brenda Hatchel 2. Gary Smith Table 3, Game 1 1. Rose Taggart 2. Rosa Bird

Bowling

by Lin Buczek Friday Feb. 2. Men's Scratch High Game Bill Buczek.....188 Steve Niles178 Men's Scratch High Series Bill Buczek......534 Men's Handicap High Game

worn down too far you could damage the sole of the shoe which will cause your golf shoes to leak. So replace your spikes. Cheers!

Hole-in-one



Photos by Eleanor Buchser Mary DeWeerd made a hole-in-one on #3.



Betty Colborne, Mary DeWeerd, Hazel English and Sandy Pemberton help Mary celebrate.



500 cards

by Pat McCallum	
Saturday, Feb. 3.	
1. Jackie Thackery	1750
2. Deb May	1420
3. Connie Bradley	1250

Game 2 1. Brian Krupicka 2. Diane Krupicka Wednesday, Jan. 31 Game 3 Table 1, Game 1 1. Brian Krupicka 2. Pam Wood, Denise Weik and Kevin Weik National Mah Jongg League by Bette Gorman Monday, Jan. 29. Sue Guffy 150 Kathy Ellison85 Bette Gorman, Arlene Wykoff. 50 Judy Pech, Pat McCallum25 Wednesday, Jan. 31. Bette Gorman.....75 Kathy Ellison25 Friday, Feb. 2. Sue Guffy 105 Arlene Wykoff, Pat McCallum 75 Diane Phillips......50

1. Deborah May 2. Rosa Bird 1. Deborah May 2. Rose Taggart (half game) **RC Car Race**

by Douglas Hatneid	
Wednesday, Jan. 31.	
1. Don Rick, Jason Chambers36	
2. Steve Laymon	
Saturday, Feb. 3	
1. Ed Fosnight,	
Russ Marlowe	
2. Billy Woods,	
Jim Matkovich	
Cribbage	

by Bob and Carol Luthe Monday, Jan. 29.	r
Jean McKenney	
Nan Lance	
Bob King	

Snack Shack =

Burgers/Dogs:

5 5	
Beefburger	4.25
Cheeseburger	4.50
Dbl. Beefburger	
Dbl. Cheeseburger	
Hot Dog	
Italian Sausage	
Chicken Breast	
Sandwiches:	
Ham & Cheese	4.00
Turkey	4.00
Salad Plate:	
Ham	5.75
Turkey	5.75
Veggie (no meat)	
New:	
Grilled Chicken Breast	
Salad	5.75
Extras:	
Slaw, cheese, beans	50
Extra slice of cheese	
Grilled onions	50
Sauerkraut	50

Reverages.

Develages.	
Soda	.75
Iced Tea	.75
Bottled water	.75
Hot Tea	.75
Coffee - Reg. & Decaf	.75
Potato Chips	.75

Daily Specials

Daily Specials	
Mon Chili	3.25
Tue Soup	2.50
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Thu Chowder	3.25
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Fri Tuna Sandwich	3.75
Fri Grilled Cheese	2.25



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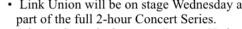
- · Village meeting set on the changes. Residents are urged to check deed restrictions before the meeting, i.e. Airstreams being sold with Board approval. Land and homeowners in the Village are required to own an Airstream.
- · Hearts and Flowers Fashion Show is scheduled for Feb. 26
- Postmistress, Marjorie Watson, is a boon to the park.
- · The Board of Directors responded to a request for
- Cabanas in RV South.
- A prize-winning musician will play shop tools Sunday night. Fred Korb will be playing a shop saw and bow as his instruments.

20 Years Ago - 2004

- Good news and updated news are exchanged at the Resident/Board/Manager's Meeting. President of the Board, Doug Pederson welcomed about 150 residents and led the discussions, responding to residents' questions and concerns.
- · The TR Times is now available to the world. The TR Times is pleased to announce that it is now available on the TR website due to the unfailing efforts of Tim Petrillo.
- · Golfers: Why attend the Friday Night Dances? Sam Snead, called the golfer "with the sweetest of swings," used music to relieve tension and help his golf swing. "I always enjoyed dancing," he explained. "It helped me learn and value rhythm and grace." He professed to using the 1-2-3 waltz beat for keeping his timing in sync.

10 Years Ago - 2014

- · The Supper Club diners formed a giant heart at their Valentine's Dinner. Mardelle and Phil St John provided the entertainment.
- · Ireland's King of Blarney, George Casey, appeared on stage Sunday with his good friend and fellow Irishman, Cahal Dunne. · Link Union will be on stage Wednesday as



- · John A. Green is the "mane" event. He has been growing his hair to donate it to Locks of Love in support of The Walk For the Cure campaign of the American Cancer Society.



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