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## How do they find the time?

by Margaret Emmetts

I recently interviewed Pat and Tom Butler to discuss their many volunteer activities. I must admit I left exhausted just thinking about how they found the time to do the many things they do.

Pat Butler is currently on the Board of Directors and serves as the Corporate Secretary. This, of course, involves attending every Board meeting, Forums and taking part in Veranda Chats.

Pat is heavily involved with the Golf Course. She is co-chair of the Starter Shack overseeing 35 people and running the Scrambles program.

Pat co-chairs the annual Thanksgiving and Christmas feasts that involves setting up the lists for the various tables and organizing Busch Hall for the event.

In yet another co-chair position, Pat works with the Welcoming Committee. The members of this committee greet all newcomers to the park and present them with a "goodies" bag and information about the many activities available here at TR.

Several years ago Pat was asked if she, as a favor, would water the plants around Busch Hall for two weeks while the person who usually did this task was away. Four years later she is still watering those plants. If anyone would like to take over this task, Pat would be grateful.

Pat will work with Linda Smith to create a new activity coming to the Park in the fall. A Foodies Group is being formed that will serve lunch three days a week from the Busch Hall kitchen. The activity will only take place during the months of November and December when our Snack Shack is not yet open for business. I am told that it will serve a different type of food than that served by the Shack. If the venture is successful, it will be continued in the months of April and May, again when the Shack is closed for the season.



Photo by Tom Butler  
Tom's photo of the Crested Caracara may have been one of the first documented sightings of this bird since the 1970's.



TOM AND PAT BUTLER



Photos by Bill Watkins

Pat Butler at her desk in The TR Times office.

Pat may also be found in church on Sunday playing with the JuBellation bell choir and she prepares the Sports page for The TR Times.

With so much free time on her hands, Pat is looking forward to learning to quilt. Phew!

As for Tom he is heavily involved with birding. As you probably know, he writes the Birding column for The TR Times. His articles are often accompanied by photos of the various birds he discusses in his articles.

Tom attends to over 50 feeding stations he has installed on the Bird Watching Path. Just keeping this many stations filled must be a time-consuming job. The path also provides benches for the comfort of the "watchers." If you are interested in birds, bring your binoculars and join the group.

A birding expert, Tom also works with the local Audubon Society outside of the Park. He often is requested to be a guest speaker at their



Pat poses by the Starter Shack.



Tom at one of the feeding stations.

meetings and regularly brings groups from the Audubon Society to our Park to view the many birds found here.

Tom advises that he has observed 171 different species of birds here at TR, some that are quite rare for this area. One bird seen at TR is usually found west of the Mississippi. Recently a Crested Caracara, normally found in Mexico and Central America paid us a visit.

Tom has developed a Bird Watching Path at TR that is equipped with about 50 feeding stations and benches for the use of bird enthusiasts. This area of TR has become a bird watching "hot spot" because of the wide variety of birds Tom has found here.

The couple do have an activity that they share. The TR Special Ministries have an 18" Program. The activity is so named because there is approximately 18" between your brain and your heart. The program provides assistance to the local Dade City charities. At Christmas the group gathers gift cards purchased from local merchants for the Sunrise charity in Dade City that helps abused women. Did you know that last year TR residents provided about \$11,000 in gift cards for this event? Parkwide food drives, such as Souperbowl Sunday, provide groceries to Daystar charity, also in Dade City.

I'm sure everyone is aware of the trailer, currently parked by Busch Hall, that is a depot for used furniture, clothing, etc. Again, these items are taken to the Dade City charities.

Tom admits that in his "spare time" he helps Pat with her many activities, such as the holiday feast program.

I don't know about you, but I am impressed with the amount of things this couple manages to cram into their schedule. How do they ever find the time to do it all?

## The TR Times final issues of the season

The final two issues of The TR Times are scheduled on Friday, March 8 and March 15. The deadline for submissions is the Friday before publication: March 1 and March 8.

Although our last paper is scheduled on Friday, March 15, in order to cover four important events planned that week, delivery of the March 15 paper will be delayed by a few days. We do not know the exact date on which we will receive it from the printer, but we expect it to arrive between March 19 and 21.

If you plan to promote an activity in the March 15 issue that occurs before the latest March 21 possible delivery, you may wish to consider publishing it one week early on March 8.

Email your submissions to [thetrimes@gmail.com](mailto:thetrimes@gmail.com)

## Important – Please read this

by Margaret Emmetts

TR's Practice Range by the Park's entrance is designated as a Life Flight medical evacuation site for serious medical events at TR and the surrounding area. This evacuation is done by helicopter. Apparently many new residents do not know this.

This past week we had such an event. Unfortunately many residents flocked to the area to see

what was happening. This caused a serious problem for the Responders attempting to make the evacuation.

In a serious event, the speed with which the patient is evacuated may make the difference between life and death. I'm sure no one at TR would want to be responsible for a patient not "making it" due to a delay. Extra vehicles, cars or

carts at the site impedes the movement of the ambulance and First Responders. This past week extra Responders had to be called to the site to shoo away spectators.

If you hear a helicopter landing in the Park, please, please, say a prayer for the victim but stay away from the site. You would not want to be the one responsible for the loss of the patient.

# Sunday Night Busch Hall presents



by Ken Langell

What do you get when you combine some of the best musicians from in and around the Disney area complexes into a band that plays jazz, country and western swing? Jazz lovers will immediately recognize the take on Duke Ellington's "Take The A Train" which accounts for the jazz portion of their songbook. However, when you add country and western swing selections in the style perhaps of Bob Wills and his Texas Cowboys, you'd better call them "Take The Hay" Train."

These band members have played everything from theme parks to jazz festivals to nightclubs to cruise ships and paddlewheel steamboats. They have all been

friends for a long time and have played together in many bands of many types for many years. Several of the group are multi-instrumentalists and they sometimes joke that there are so many instruments on stage that it looks like a pawn shop!

What you'll hear Sunday night will draw from many musical genres and traditions but all of it will be very good listening. Don't miss seeing this extraordinarily talented group of musicians.

"Take The "Hay" Train" will be here on Sunday, March 3 in Busch Hall. Ice cream treats are available for purchase at 6:15 p.m. Announcements are at 6:45 p.m. with the program immediately following. Admission is free.

# Wednesday Night Concert Series

## Canadian Fiddle Champion Scott Woods Wednesday, March 6

by Doug Pedersen

For many years Scott Woods was a regular entertainer at TR and at RV rallies everywhere towing his Airstream. Today, Scott and his band travel instead in a custom-designed Prevost Bus, annually touring all of the Canadian Provinces plus performing here in the U.S.

COVID was not at all kind to the band when all of the scheduled performances were suddenly canceled and the expected income stream dried up. It takes several years to reschedule enough stops to pay to resume touring. Fortunately for us, Scott and company are back on the road with many scheduled performances this month in Florida.



Scott is a Canadian Fiddle Champion. His multi-talented band includes several other award-winning musicians including multi-instrumentalist Kendra Norris and step dancing sensation Leo Stock. Many residents will remember their Showcase Day appearance here last season. Their program this tour is called "Old

Fashioned Hoedown," a family-friendly fun and fast-paced show of championship fiddling, country music, award-winning step dancing and humor.

The show will begin promptly at 7 p.m. because that's when the show is scheduled whether the audience is seated or not. Scott says, "I always begin my performances on time." For those without season reserved seat tickets, the doors open at 6:30 p.m., cost is \$15 at the door for general admission seating and my advice is to be there early to get your best seats. Our faithful Canadian residents and area friends are sure to be there. You will want to be there too on Wednesday, March 6 for this high-energy outstanding show.

# Tuesday Night Movies

by Carol and Jim Henrikson

Next in the movie queue on March 5 is the feature, "Killers of the Flower Moon."

On March 12, "Napoleon" will be shown followed by "Four Men in a Boat" on March 19.

Closing the 2024 TNM Season will be the Oscar-nominated inspiring story of world-class swimmer, Nyad. The movie name "Nyad" is the surname of the swimmer.

In addition to the InTouch-Link 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 InTouch as

a daytime/weekly planner to stay current with many of the TR activities.

Chairs are set up before you arrive in a pattern for optimal viewing and to provide roughly 50 folding chairs in the front five rows of preferred seating. Many of you may wish to bring your own seating, like a favorite low-backed picnic chair. There is usually lots of floor space behind these front rows of chairs. When choosing a preferred chair, please keep in mind those behind you wishing a clear view of the projection screen.

You are reminded to silence your mobile devices ahead of the movie start to make our movie experience enjoyable for all. Those

of you members of the TR First Responders are encouraged to use the vibration feature on your phones. If the siren should sound, we will pause our feature underway and clear the way for your important duties to be fulfilled.

Please help yourself to the free popcorn as you arrive at TNM. It is available ahead of showtime. The show starts at 7 p.m. and Carol has an introduction/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.

# Mardi Gras Dance

by Pat Daubenmier

Join the Travelers this evening, Friday, March 1 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall to celebrate Mardi Gras. Feel free to bring your own snacks and refreshments. There is no admission fee but we are happy to accept your donations to fund the band. To really get into the mood, deck yourselves out in Mardi Gras green, gold and purple or maybe a jester's mask. Most importantly, come and have some fun!



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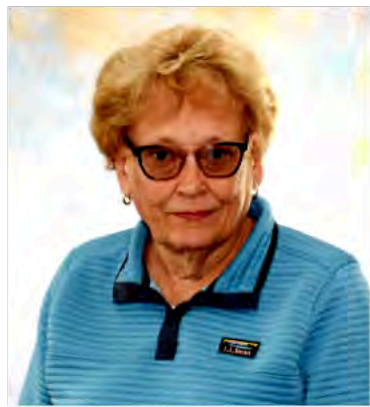
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## Information from the Board



DEBORAH MAY

by Deborah May,  
President/CEO  
TR Board of Directors

Many of our leaseholders began their journey to becoming residents by staying on the "hill" or Golf View. Some were short-term visitors, others returned for several years before making the decision to become a leaseholder by buying a share of stock and getting a lot. Some opted to buy an existing unit under the Sell on Site Agreement, took their unit home and returned the next year to their purchased unit. Regardless of how they decided to go, they all decided they loved our "little piece of paradise" and wanted to become part of the community.

Policy D3800 to D3835 lists the requirements of Golf View. To be allowed to park in the Golf View area renters are required to have a recreational vehicle that conforms to TR's regulations which states it must be an owned, hard-sided, commercially-manufactured recreational vehicle that is self-contained. Self-contained means that it must have sleeping, cooking, bathing and toilet facilities in order

to occupy any site (D2030). We do not allow freestanding tents or converted school buses.

Renters wishing to stay on Golf View must fill out and sign a registration card and accept a copy of the Rules and Regulations that they are expected to abide by during their stay. This includes all current pet regulations. No fire pits or campfires are allowed on Golf View. They are provided with a concrete pad and a bench that converts to a table. All lots have full hookups. No sheds are allowed on any Golf View sites. However, renters on Golf View are allowed to have golf carts. They are allowed to use all amenities and join in activities of their choice. They are issued a key card code which is preloaded into the computer based upon their arrival and expires on their departure date that allows them access to the buildings. All buildings close at 10 p.m. each day except the Library and the Paul Ruth Fitness Facility which are open 24/7. The use of the Wood Shop closes at 8 p.m. The pool is open until 10:30 p.m. Our Welcoming Committee is always available to help our guests get acquainted with our facilities.

Site rental fees are set by the Board of Directors and can include extra cost for more than two people per unit. We welcome any group who decides to have a group rally at TR. These rallies are generally held during our off season and the site rental rates are set by the Board of Directors.

Please make all visitors feel welcome. They may be your neighbor next year.

## Few residents attend the Meet the Candidates program

by Pam Watkins

Only 110 people attended last week's Meet the Candidates program, far less than expected. Even if every single person in attendance represented a voting share, that is only 11% of the 1,000 outstanding shares at TR eligible to vote at the AGM on Tuesday, March 12. It was anticipated that there would be greater interest in what future leaders of TR had to say.

A wide variety of excellent questions was submitted to *The TR Times* in advance of the program, but not all of the questions could be presented to candidates in the planned program time. Topics included such items as: TR's security measures; the possible long-term impact of the expanding residential communities surrounding TR on our infrastructure, profitability and property rights; corporate documents consistency; the soon-to-be-vacant treasurer position; and TR's strategic plan.

Thank you to all the candidates for participating in the program.

If you missed Meet the Candidates, the program is available on InTouchLink and the Travelers Rest Resort website.

Next year's Meet the Candidates is scheduled on Thursday, Feb. 20, 2025 at 2 p.m. in Busch Hall.

## From the Manager's desk



RAY HILL

by Ray Hill and Rich Kushman

Before talking to Ray this week I was given two separate tours of the golf course by experienced and dedicated TR golfers Phil Simmers and Roy French. I learned about maintenance and just how tricky establishing and sustaining the condition of greens, tees and fairways can be. In addition I learned how the right combination of weather, labor and budget don't always coalesce to deliver perfect playing conditions. Over the past 30 years much time was given, money donated and sweat wiped from brows by volunteers as year after year the course was built up, improved and beautified. Visit the Duffer's Deck and read the names of some of the volunteers who have given TR golfers and the whole community a tremendous asset.

Many of the golfers want to pay a consultant they hope will offer a magic solution for golf course improvement. There is a very good argument that the expertise needed already resides here in the park with Ray and also experienced long time golfing volunteers. What if the solution this high-priced adviser offers includes a dramatic increase in golfing fees? Considering the current TR price structure and the reality in the marketplace doesn't that seem probable?

Then with a little research I found that golfer complaints about golf course conditions are numerous and ubiquitous and the volume grows directly proportional with the skill level of the grumblers. Too

many beefs about the conditions at one of the 40 executive 9-hole courses at a large community north of TR and it gets shut down until further notice and leaves a lack of available tee times resulting in moans from players. You might think I'm complaining about complaints. Gosh no, but if no one complained about getting wet in the rain we might not have umbrellas. Complaints can be kept helpful and usually work better than blame.

Phil and Roy introduced me to a good deal of TR golf history. Perhaps 7 to 10 years ago as many as 250 golfers a day played a round but now players have dwindled to around 100. There was a time when more volunteers did more work helping manage and improve the course. Now there are fewer volunteers and Ray is carrying a heavier load as General Manager.

When discussing the golf fee structure I found differing opinions. "Yes, raise the price. It is unrealistically low." "Wait, be careful because charging too much might discourage volunteers." History here at TR awards logic and value to both of those statements. Thankfully volunteers are still helping. Walk the cart path on a nice Tuesday morning and see for yourself the raking, divot repair and any number of other chores being done by people who love the game and this community.

Can the TR Golf Course continue into the future with the rising cost of materials and labor with volunteerism in decline and golf fees below par? Will the non-golfing residents continue to subsidize the sport as it is today? I bet there are a bunch of golfers here now that don't need a pricey guru to sort that out. Maybe it's time to put constructive planning on the table.

Ray and I, just for a few minutes, wondered if a marriage between the Golf Association and a profit-making "Ray's neat idea" could help provide golf funds. "Hey, we need a volunteer to man the #19 hole next Wednesday. Ok, Ok, put your hands down, just one at a time."

## Your vote is important

Please submit your ballot or your proxy assignment form to the office as soon as possible. We must have a quorum (334 shares represented) to have an election.

## TR's Official Policy Manual

by Pam Watkins

There were a few questions posed at last week's Meet the Candidates (MTC) program that prompted the response to refer to TR policies for more information. TR's policies can be easily reviewed on the Resident Dashboard, found under the drop-down menu at the top right corner on the Travelers Rest Resort website. Login credentials are required, however, to access this resident-only page. You can also find a direct link to the Resident Dashboard on the InTouchLink application. Clicking the link will bring you to the Resident Dashboard where you can log in with your credentials. Once you've logged in, scroll down the page to Resident Publications to find TR's Official Policy Manual.

TR's Official Policy Manual

is actually a complete set of rules that all of us are responsible to read and follow. Many of them refer to the Park's management and organization such as those topics raised at the MTC: procedures for enforcing the Park's rules and regulations (N2060) and submission/acceptance of resolution proposals (O1010). However, in addition to Park management, the TR Policy Manual also contains a wide array of rules that have been adopted to foster unity and harmonious interaction in our neighborhood. For example, there are rules that direct how we park and where we walk our pets, prohibit the crossing of our neighbors' sites, govern the hours that we may use the laundry facility and tell us when yard sales are permitted. There are also many safety-related rules, e.g., all golf carts must have visible headlights

and tail lights or reflectors, campfires on leased lots are forbidden, and there is a speed limit of 10 mph for all vehicles.

TR's policies hold a wealth of information for both new and long-time residents. Take a look – you may find answers to questions you didn't even know you had! Finally, keep in mind that policies do change, so review them more than once, at least at the beginning of every season.

Please contact the TR Office if you do not have login credentials for the Resident Dashboard.



**Resident Forum**  
Monday, March 4 at  
3 p.m. in Busch Hall.



**AGM**  
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# A parable: If it is not broken...

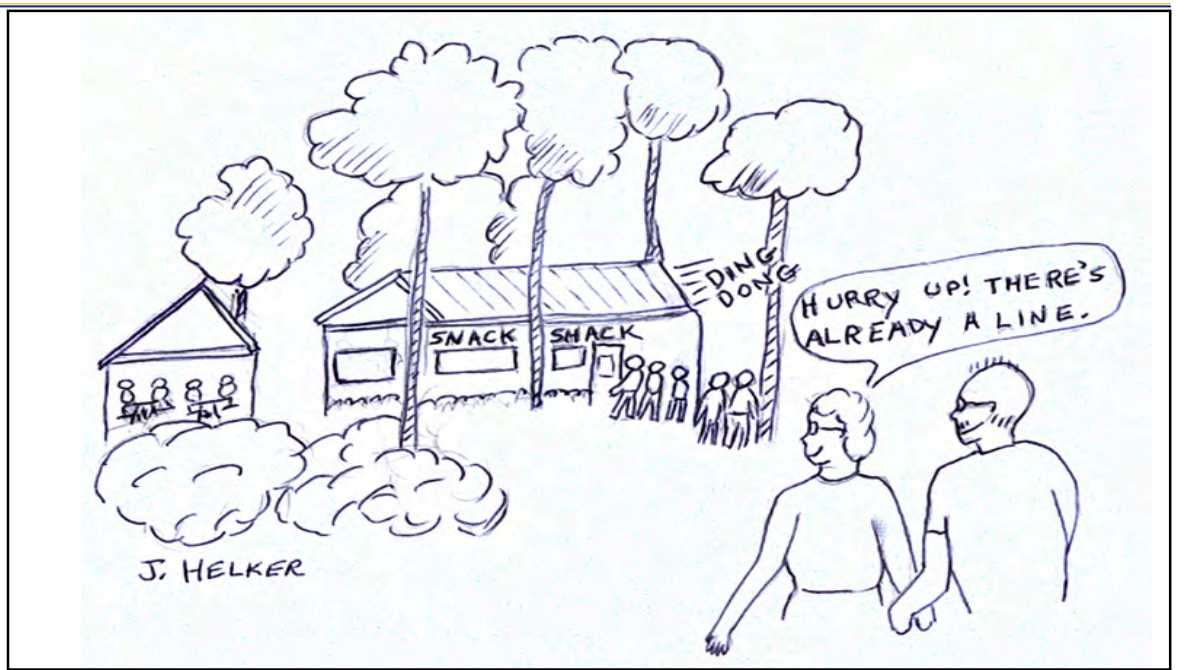
Many years ago a good friend of mine graduated from school and obtained her dream job. It was a rather low-level position in a small company, but in an area she loved. She brought great enthusiasm to the job she loved and over time received promotions. After each promotion she took courses to further enhance her understanding of the job.

As years passed, she gradually rose in the position and the corporation grew. Employees were happy as were the customers. Eventually my friend reached a management position. Under her leadership the corporation thrived.

But, as fate would have it, a corporate merger occurred. Over time this brought new Directors to the Management Board. New people mean new ideas which often involve change. Now change for the purpose of correcting a problem or making improvements is a good thing. However, change for the sake of change can often be disastrous. The new changes led to customer disapproval. Unfortunately the people behind the changes did not understand the company as well as my friend. My friend expressed her disapproval of the changes and one thing led to another. Lawyers were called in to resolve the dispute. Monies that should have gone to the development of the company were wasted on legal fees.

Unfortunately, although still with the company, my friend no longer approaches work with the joy and enthusiasm she once had. Isn't that sad.

There appears to be truth in the saying: "If it is not broken, don't fix it." mre



## The Servant's Plow

### Unconditional love

by Anthony Shipe

Perhaps one of my favorite stories is from the book "Chicken Soup for the Kid's Soul" and talks about self-sacrifice, love and concern for others.

There was a family who lived in Ohio in a small country house. One night they all sat down for dinner and there was a knock at the door. The father went to the door and opened it. There stood an old man in tattered clothes, with ripped pants and missing buttons. He was carrying a basket full of vegetables. He asked the family if they wanted to buy some vegetables from him. They quickly agreed to buy some because they wanted him to go away.

However, the next week, the man returned. Over time, the family and the old man became friends. The man brought vegetables to the family every week. They soon found out that he was almost blind and had cataracts on his eyes. But he was so friendly that they learned to look forward to his visits and started to enjoy his company.

One day as he was delivering vegetables, he said, "I had the greatest blessing yesterday. I found a basket of clothes outside my house that someone had left for me." The family, knowing he needed clothes, said, "How wonderful." The old man replied, "The most wonderful part is that I found a family that really needed the clothes."

That story gets to the heart of what the Apostle Paul is teaching us. Our love is genuine when we learn that those we help are also loved by God. We truly capture the meaning of loving our neighbors when we accept the fact that the people we help are just as worthy and capable of loving others as we are.

"If I could speak all the languages of earth and angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong, or a clanging cymbal. If I had the gift of prophecy, and if



ANTHONY SHIPE

I understood all of God's secret plans, and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith, that I could move mountains, but didn't love others, I would be nothing..." (1 Corinthians 13:1-3)

Believe me when I say, it is very hard to love some people. Sometimes it takes everything we have to reach deep inside and reserve judgment and begin to focus on their needs. Whatever level they seem to be on in life, whether it be below us or maybe higher above us, we come up short leveling the plain between us. Yet Christ in His mercy knew we couldn't reach the level He is on and came down to greet us and welcomed us in unconditional love. To love others in that same unconditional way is the greatest gift you can give, and the most powerful testimony as to what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

What does it mean to love one another? First, it means to accept and affirm others unconditionally. That means to see the beauty of God's presence in their faces, no matter how disfigured they may be.

Disfiguration comes in different forms from loved ones, friends, acquaintances, strangers and enemies.

One might be having a bad day. There could be a scowl on the face of another. We might be divided by political views. There

could be a deep disagreement about how something should be. An individual could have been wounded by another long ago. There is the one who can't seem to get ahead. Anger and dissension, guilt and sorrow, feeling of worthlessness, or some debilitating condition can disfigure us in ways unrecognizable.

What sets the tone for your day each morning? Is there thankfulness for each new day? Is there an opportunity to serve our magnificent God to bless another? How do you wake up in the morning? Think about our waking up rituals. Some people just open their eyes and they are fully awake. Others of us moan and groan, and slowly bring all the physical systems back on-line, and even more slowly wake the mind and get the joints into functioning order.

One lady asked another if she woke up grumpy in the morning. She replied, "No, I usually just let him sleep."

When Paul says it's time to wake from our sleep and embrace our salvation, he is suggesting that getting up in the morning suggests that God intended some purpose in our lives. We have things to do. We have plans to make. We have priorities to set. As our new day takes shape, our faith and our actions should affect the way other people live together.

A poem I heard long ago says: "Only this life 'twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last."

To love one another the way Jesus taught us means to accept and affirm others unconditionally and without reservation.

This is the heart of Jesus' teaching, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." In this spirit, we seek to do what's best for all concerned and not simply act out of self-interest. Are we not glad God loves us unconditionally? Blessings for the days ahead.

### The TR Times

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Bernie Gutridge

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Pastor Anthony Shipe

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# The Siren



by Jean Bjorgen, Retired EMT

Travelers Rest was named Travelers Rest because those who established it were travelers. Adventures awaited - things to do, people to see and places to go.

Today TR is still primarily inhabited by people who travel in RVs and campers of one sort or another. That being said, many of you have encountered various sorts of emergencies, whether those be vehicular or medical. Vehicle or camper emergencies often required "jury-rigging" (jerry-rigging is an often used

# Tourniquets

offshoot of this term). Jury-rigging is actually a nautical term. Jury means temporary or makeshift, and so jury-rigging is temporarily fixing the rigging until a permanent fix is possible. Its exact origin is unknown, but today the term is used extensively.

During one's travels, whether on the road or near home, encountering a scene where a person has sustained a severe laceration, or a severed arm or leg, is an emergency needing immediate attention to stop the blood loss. A tourniquet may be necessary if direct pressure using an absorbent cloth does not work.

In my lifetime, I've never seen one used, and it is rare that tourniquets are needed, but here is how to apply one:

Tourniquets can only be applied to arms or legs.

Apply to bare skin.

Use a strip of cloth about 2 inches wide, if possible, and tie it in place using a square knot.

Next, add a windless (stick) on top of the square knot and tie loose ends into another square knot.

Tighten the tourniquet by twisting the stick until the blood flow has stopped or significantly reduced.

Apply several inches above the injury (and never on a joint).

Once applied do not loosen or remove. Instead, add a second tourniquet if necessary if bleeding has not subsided.

Note time applied by writing it on patient's forehead so hospital personnel know.

Remember the Boston Marathon bombing that occurred a few years ago? When the bomb went off, a man watching the parade had his leg blown off just above the knee. A total stranger standing several yards away saw what was left of the leg, saw the profuse blood loss, and jury-rigged a tourniquet. It saved the man's life.

# Two OneBlood bloodmobiles at TR on Monday

by Ken Neer

Two Big Red OneBlood Buses will be here Monday, March 4 starting at 8 a.m. to collect much needed blood donations. The buses will be parked next to the TR Fire Station taking donations until 2:30 p.m. Appointments can be made up until Sunday morning, 24 hours prior to beginning of drive. If needed, please see last week's TR Times blood article for sign-up instructions. Walk-ins are welcome with appointments having priority. There are usually more open time slots after 11 a.m.

Twice each TR season, the first Monday in December and in March, those of us who invade the area as well as full-time residents, have the opportunity to give back to the Pasco Hernando area by giving blood. Full-time residents usually have additional opportuni-



File photo Jane Gorden donates blood.

ties to donate during the year thanks to Diana Hill who coordinates a couple of drives. The need is always great, particularly with the influx of older folks to the area.

As mentioned in last week's article, besides receiving a well-

ness check consisting of assessing your pulse, blood pressure, temperature, iron count and total cholesterol, OneBlood is offering a Saint Patrick's Day t-shirt and a \$20 eGift card. The main "perk" however, is knowing you have given the "Gift of Life" to a patient in need.

We look forward to seeing you on one of the two OneBlood Buses on Monday. Be sure to bring a picture I.D. and after your donation, please take a few minutes to stop by the TR Fire Station which will be open and manned by a First Responder. The need to hydrate your body after giving blood becomes increasingly necessary as we age. Stopping for a short conversation with fellow donors also helps assure you don't have any unmonitored adverse reactions immediately after giving.

# Healthy Tips

## Is it safe to reuse water bottles?

by Donna Neer, RN, Retired

As a nation, we are urged to reduce, reuse and recycle our plastic water bottles. This has been a mantra for decades. Is it safe to reuse our water bottles?

Ken Hankinson gave me an article to read which discussed this question and asked me to research it further and provide information to The TR Times readers.

Well, my research hasn't given me a black or white answer, so let me give you information based on my research and you can draw your own conclusion.

First, how are plastic bottles made? Plastic bottles are made of a variety of resins and organic compounds that can be manufactured into synthetic polymers. Confused yet? I am. Plastic bottles have a recycling code imprinted on them which informs the consumer what type of plastic(s) that particular bottle contains. These codes are sometimes difficult to locate on plastic bottles. I looked!

To keep this article as short as possible yet informative, I decided to give you the following information regarding the types of plastics that are most commonly used to make plastic bottles.

#1) PET or PETE - this is a chemical abbreviation for polyester. Manufacturers design and produce PET bottles as "one-time use only products."

#2) HDPE - this type of plastic is considered a low-hazard plastic, however, according to one article, a compound in this plastic can be dangerous to aquatic life. The bottles with this HDPE code on them are larger bottles such as milk jugs and gallon-size water bottles. These are intended for one-time use only by the initial consumer.

#7) OTHER - now isn't this an interesting recycling code! This code may indicate that the plastic used for that particular bottle may be made from polycarbonate plastics, which in turn contain a possible health concern named BPA. According to the Federal Drug Administration, "BPA is safe at the current levels occurring in foods, HOWEVER, (this is important), BPA has been linked to possible multiple health concerns such as behavioral issues in children, infertility, cancers, etc." Large containers and bottles designed to hold three, five or more

gallons of water are sometimes made from #7 plastics. Bottles with the code #7 imprinted on them cannot be recycled or reused.

According to Healthline, "plastic bottles aren't manufactured or designed for ongoing use. If you wish to be eco-conservative, you are better off buying an eco-friendly water bottle made from recycled stainless steel."

Web/MD stated "plastic bottles can harbor harmful bacteria, which is why most manufacturers recommend you (consumers) use them (plastic bottles) only once."

What to do, what to do...some of these stainless steel water bottles can be pricey; yet, in the long run, think of the money that can be saved by not purchasing bottled water by the case(s), which I am sure most of us have done!

If bottled water still holds your interest, do you recycle them or re-use them? To recycle your plastic bottles it is suggested that these bottles be rinsed out and go into the recycling bin. Recycling plastic bottles can give them a second life if used for products such as furniture, clothing and even new plastic bottles. If re-using is an option for you, it is suggested that the bottle be rinsed out in between uses and when used again, do not expose the plastic bottle to sun or heat. Why? Because when these bottles become hot, chemicals are leached out easily into the fluid contained in the bottle. Yuk!

There are however, new innovations in plastics. A new type of plastic (PDK) was recently created by scientists at the Department of Energy's Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory. This product has the ability to be broken apart at the molecular level to be re-used and hence may make plastic waste in landfills and in oceans a thing of the past.

Thank you Ken Hankinson for suggesting this article. I must confess that I am still somewhat undecided as to re-use or not. The Neer household definitely recycles our plastic bottles when we no longer use them. I may just go and purchase one of those stainless steel beverage bottles.

Reference: Healthline, WebMD.

# Coming to a venue near you



by Dean Peters, Residents Waste Management Committee

There will be additional facilities available in the next few

days for you to dispose of your empty aluminum and plastic beverage containers. They will be placed in Busch Hall plus Citrus East and West, and are similar to the blue barrels that you now see at the Snack Shack.

This TRash Talk sign will help you identify these receptacles and we hope you will ensure your containers are empty!

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# Activity Affairs



**GUY WEIK**

by **Guy Weik**

I've written in previous years about the onset of March Madness and how it pertains to our activities here at TR. We are once again nearing the end of our snowbird season, and it's that time when activity chairpersons submit their Activity Update Forms with next

season's scheduling and contact information. Participation in most of our activities has been very strong this year, so whatever you are doing to encourage this, you are doing it very well.

As you plan for next year, please consider working with a co-chairperson, if you don't already have someone sharing your responsibilities. I suggest you keep a notebook or file of important information. This should include where materials are stored and how to access them with keys, lock combinations, etc. Can your members access this information if for some reason you get delayed returning to TR next season? Many activities keep a list of their members and their contact information. Include any financial information, especially for activities that keep money in an account

with Renee Bigelow at the TR Office. Over the years, you've learned where you get your best deals ordering supplies, so keeping this information handy will save your members time in the future. Finally, create with your members a list of rules and shared responsibilities, which might include equipment maintenance procedures and a "To Do" timeline.

Your efforts in creating a popular activity are greatly appreciated. If you haven't had this conversation with your members, please consider adding it to your March Madness list of important items you don't want to forget. Taking these steps will hopefully lessen your load as chairperson and help ensure that your activity runs smoothly for current and future residents of TR.

### Directory updates

Prior updates to the directory can be seen in previous issues of *The TR Times*.

### Activity Contacts

#111. Table Tennis: Change Ron Hicks to Charles Mason.

#44. Euchre: Add Mary DeWeerd.

## Dining with Friends

by **Marlene Hughes**

Dining with Friends will meet Friday, March 8 and Saturday, March 9 at 5 p.m. in Busch Hall. Your hosts for the season are Harold and Marlene Hughes (865 617-7092).

We were excited to see such a great turnout. We had a full house in February for Saturday and a good turnout for Friday and because of that we are offering two nights again. We met old friends and made new ones as we shared food, fellowship and some great music. The highlight of all the dinners has been the great music. This was no exception with music by Andrea and her crew on Saturday and Barb, Ruth and Ron on Friday. We are so blessed to have such great musicians here at TR and they are so willing to share their God-given talents. We would like to request you bring your favorite dish this time to share that is Italian. If this doesn't work for you, just bring a dish to share. Everything else is furnished except your beverage. These are the last ones for the season. If you don't make it for either night, we will see you next year. There is a sign-up sheet on the Activities Bulletin Board in Busch Hall for both Friday and Saturday nights.

# It has been asked. It will be done! Let's help stop crime.

by **Ray LoPresti**

Prior to COVID the TR Sports Club, on two occasions, sponsored a representative from the Florida Statewide Crime Prevention Task Force to speak with all residents and guests at TR. It proved to be such a successful event that it has been requested for the Sports Club do this again, especially since we have so many new residents and guests at TR. This is an exceptional program that was started in 1976 by the Florida Governor and in

1982 was taken over by the Florida Attorney General's Office. The program is brought to you by a highly qualified representative that makes the program enjoyable and provides plenty of information that brings attention to the tools to help keep you safe and help stop crime.

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, March 12 at 8 a.m. in Busch Hall. It is open to all TR residents and guests.

See you there!

## Welcoming Committee

by **Susan Stahley**

March is here and hopefully the winter weather is behind us and spring will gently arrive in our little piece of paradise. Along with warmer weather and sunny skies we will be welcoming 15 new guests to our resort. New arrivals can expect a knock at their door a day or two after they settle in. They will be greeted by a friendly face, given a goodie bag of information and contact information should they have any questions about Travelers Rest. We invite all new guests to our next Coffee Social sponsored by the Welcoming Committee.

The next Welcoming Committee Newcomers Coffee Social is Thursday, March 7 from 8 to 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. Free coffee and breakfast items will be provided. Please come and mingle with your new neighbors and friends.

The Welcoming Committee meeting is Thursday, March 14 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Citrus West. We always appreciate new members to help welcome new guests, staff Red Dot tables, disseminate information, stuff goodies bags and deliver them to new guests. Welcome springtime. Welcome new guests!

## T'ai Chi is an ancient discipline

submitted by **Nan Lance** from *The TR Times* archives  
by **Irene Koch**

T'ai Chi ch'uan'ai chi ch'uan is a form of ancient Asian discipline consisting of 108 moves. Justin Stone practiced and taught t'ai chi ch'uan for many years in California. He developed a series of simpler and fewer movements that would yield the same benefit. He called it t'ai chi chih or "knowledge of the supreme ultimate."

The Arthritis Foundation believes that slow gentle movements build muscle strength

without putting stress on the joints, relieve stress and improve balance.

A 10-year study was done at the University of Florida. A doctor followed the results of people using this form of exercise. The results showed that there was a 45% decrease in hip fractures in senior citizens and lower blood pressure.

Anyone who is interested in learning more about this ancient discipline is welcome to join us Mondays (except the second Monday of each month) and Thursdays from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Hobby House.

## 2024 is a leap year. Why?

by **Margaret Emmetts**

If you were to ask the average person to define a year they would probably say 365 days. However, if you were to ask a scientist the same question you would get a very different answer. Scientifically a year is defined as the time it takes for the Earth to make one complete revolution around the Sun.

This scientific year is approximately 365 1/4 days. So, every four years we add a day at the end of February. Years that are divisible by 4 are generally leap years. However, the time is not exactly 365 1/4 days. To accommodate this slight difference every 100 years leap day is eliminated. Therefore, 2000, although divisible by 4 was not a leap year.

If you were wondering who calculates this, international time is determined by the Observatory

at Greenwich, England. They determine GMT or Greenwich Mean Time.

Time in the U.S. is verified by the U. S. Naval Observatory in Washington, D.C. by atomic clocks. You may visit the Naval Observatory, however small children are not permitted due to the sensitivity of the atomic clocks. This is a military installation so visiting hours are limited or may be cancelled.

Realize that if the number of days in a year were not adjusted, over long, long periods of time, we would experience summer in December.

One benefit of a leap year, you have one additional day to plan your Christmas shopping!

P.S. A day is not always exactly 24 hours. Scientists sometimes sneak in an extra second to keep us legal.

## Karaoke



by **Gabriella Young**

Two sessions remain: Wednesday, March 13 for the 70s and March 27 for the 80s, 7 to 10 p.m. in Busch Hall.

## Book Browsers



by **Nan Lance**

The Book Browsers will be meeting in Citrus West at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13 to discuss "Demon Copperhead" by Barbara Kingsolver. They will also meet on Wednesday, March 27 to discuss "The Reading List" by Sarah Nisha Adams. Hope you can join us to talk about the author, the reviews and the discussion questions. See you there!

## Coffee Seminars

by **Billie and Randy Doell**

The following Coffee Seminars will be presented at 8 a.m. in Busch Hall.

- Thursday, March 7 – Red Dot Social.
- Tuesday, March 12 – Florida Crime Prevention Task Force.
- Thursday, March 14 – SkyMed Presentation by Diane Hill.
- Thursday, March 21 – Red Dot Social.

## Michigan Luncheon

by **Tawnya Rowden**

Welcome Michiganders to the Michigan Luncheon on Saturday, March 2 at noon in Citrus East. Donna Probes and company will provide entertainment at this event.

Please sign up in Busch Hall by the orange-bordered Michigan map and indicate the dish you plan to bring. Bring your own table service, drink and a smile. See you there.

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## TR Woodcarver Tom Guffy



Photos by Linda Murphy  
Tom holding his whimsical house carving made in class at TR.

by Tom Guffy with Dave Murphy

Tom Guffy started carving at TR about five years ago. He observed a friend carving at Navarre, Fla. prior to moving his winter home to TR. He had never tried it until the TR Woodcarving activity presented an opportunity to take beginner classes. Now Tom does most of his carving while he is at TR each winter.

Since joining the TR Woodcarvers, Tom has carved a whimsical house, a walking stick, as well as numerous miniature birds and fish. Recently Tom expanded his art to include wood burning scenes. Fine wood burning is a technique used in many types of wood carving to impart delicate detail. It is also used on its own, with or without colorization, to create beautiful pictures as wall art.

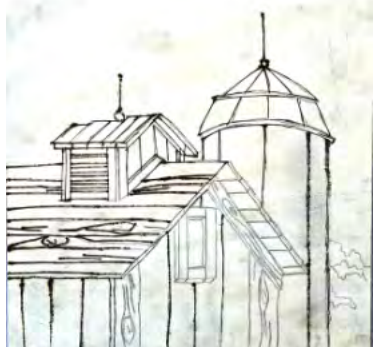


Tom holding a few of the miniature birds he has carved.

Tom and Sue live in a part of Michigan where northern basswood and linden wood trees grow. It is a perfect carving medium for both beginner and advanced carvers. Knowing this, Tom harvested many basswood saplings at the perfect size for walking sticks, spent hours upon hours stripping the bark by hand and then donated them to the TR Woodcarvers. At least 30 beginning carvers were then able to enjoy the experience of learning to carve figures on walking sticks.



One of the many northern basswood walking sticks blanks that Tom donated to the TR Woodcarving activity.



Wall art created by wood burning.

## Wood Shop volunteers offer pen-turning classes



Photos by Pam Watkins

Bud Wuebker and Jeff Montgomery help students Cheryl Racette and Kathy Fuller choose their wood blanks for turning.

by Pam Watkins

Pen-turning classes are offered weekly at the TR Wood Shop on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Several Wood Shop members volunteer their time to lead these one-on-one sessions. Students begin by choosing the blanks from which they will turn their pens. A variety of wood colors and species are available from light to dark and from traditional walnut to padauk, a more exotic species typically found in South America. The blanks are drilled to fit the pen cartridges, the square edges are softened, and then students move on to the most exciting step, using the lathes to turn their works of art. The pieces are sanded, polished and finally assembled. It is an interesting process to watch, and



Jeff Montgomery watches as Kathy Fuller inspects for imperfections with her drilled blank.

students who may never have stepped in a wood shop go home with a beautiful pen, an object to admire.

There were two students at last Thursday evening's class: Kathy Fuller, who has attended a few pen-turning classes this season and Cheryl Racette, who has never used a wood shop tool. Both



Cheryl Racette watches as Joe Politsky demonstrates how to hold the tool steady.

women were led through the process by experienced pen-turners. Racette was first to drill her chosen wood blank, the reddish exotic padauk species. Her instructor explained how and why the blank is drilled and after completing this step, she exclaimed, "This is the coolest thing!" Fuller was next at the drill and having a bit of prior experience, she appeared to focus more in perfecting the bore. Wood Shop members then assisted

with sanding the blanks enough to knock off the rough edges so that the women could move on to the exciting step of actually turning the wood at the lathe.

Students are responsible for turning their pens although some preparation is necessary ahead of class to ensure students can go home with a finished pen at the end of the evening. Larry Kurkowski one of the Wood Shop volunteers says, "We may help, but the students are going to make it. It is all



Kathy Fuller adds detail to her pen's shaft on the lathe.

done so they can go home with their pen. That's what's important to me."

Pen-turning classes are planned through the end of March. Depending on size, classes may take 60 to 90 minutes. The class is \$15, which pays for material and shop supplies. It does not pay for Wood Shop members' labor as their one-on-one instruction is all volunteer. Sign-up sheets for these classes are in the Post Office Lobby. Sign up early as class size is limited to six students each week.



Cheryl Racette watches as Bud Wuebker and Joe Politsky soften the edges of the pen blanks.

## TR residents volunteer at Habitat for Humanity



Submitted by Charlie Mason

Pictured left to right are Dan Watson, Charlie Mason, Craig Miller, Lewie Maurer and Tom Maragnano. Not pictured are Nan Lance and Bob Trotter.

by Charlie Mason

Several volunteers turned out last week to paint a house in Dade City for Habitat for Humanity.

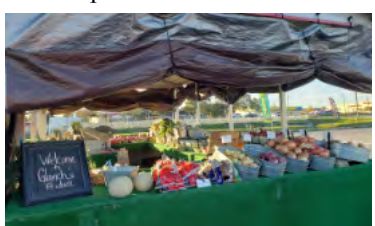
## Thank you for lunch



by Jackie Thackery, Chairperson

Thank you to Matt and the Glavich Produce Family for the donation of 15 premier tomatoes to the Habitat Workers Lunch provided by the TR family on Tuesday, Feb. 20. Matt supports us as well as providing fresh veggies.

Thank you to others who prepped food or delivered it for the Habitat for Humanity workers from TR and others at the Finnerty Avenue Site on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 20 and 21. Participants included Judy Leister, Tamara Howe, Cindy Tinkham, Donna Mason, Mary Ellen Deegan, Judy Pech, Brenda Hatchel and Ginny McPhee. Thank you one and all and to Charles Mason for communication and cooperation.



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## Model Railroad Club News



Photos by Brian Krupicka

ENGINES AND ROLLING STOCK

by Brian Krupicka

This week the TR Model Railroad Club will be reviewing new equipment such as engines and rolling stock including passenger and freight cars.

Join us on Fridays at 9:30 a.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building to learn more. If you have any questions, please contact Brian Krupicka at [TRTrains@dbcomserv.com](mailto:TRTrains@dbcomserv.com) or call 630-961-1243.

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

**BRASS ENSEMBLE**

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

**CRIBBAGE**

Mondays, 6:30-9:00 pm, in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. January-March.  
**Bob Luther**

**GAMES NIGHT**

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

**AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**

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

**BRIDGE: BEGINNERS**

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

**DIGITAL PHOTO- CAMERA**

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

**GARDEN CLUB**

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

**AQUATICS - (WATER AEROBICS)**

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

**BRIDGE: INTERMEDIATES**

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

**DIGITAL PHOTO- POST PROCESS**

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

**GENEALOGY**

Fridays, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East. December 15-March.  
**George Adamson**

**BALLROOM DANCING**

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

**BRIDGE: PARTY/PARTNERS**

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

**DINING WITH FRIENDS**

2nd Saturdays, Busch Hall, 5 to 7:00 p.m., January thru March.  
**Harold and Marlene Hughes**

**GEOCACHING**

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

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**Guy Weik**

**DOMINOES**

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

**GOLF - LADIES LEAGUE**

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

**BIBLE STUDY- CO-ED**

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

**CALLIGRAPHY**

Fridays, 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. November-April.  
**Richard Peebles**

**DULCIMER JAM**

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

**GOLF - MENS LEAGUE**

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

**BIBLE STUDY, WOMEN'S**

Tuesdays, 3:00-4:30 p.m. in Citrus West and 7-9:00 pm in Busch Hall Green Room. January 9-February 27.  
**Rosita Williams**

**CHOIR PRACTICE**

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

**DULCIMER LESSONS**

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

**GOLF - SCRAMBLES**

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

**BICYCLING**

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

**CHURCH ASSOCIATION**

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

**ENTERTAINMENT SUNDAYS**

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

**GOLF ASSOCIATION MEETINGS**

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

**BINGO**

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

**CHURCH COMMITTEE**

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

**EUCHRE**

Fridays, 7 to 9:00 p.m. in Citrus East.  
**Mary De Weerd**

**GOLF LESSONS**

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

**BIRDING**

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

**CLOGGERS OF TR**

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

**FIRE/RESCUE 33**

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

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

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

**BLOOD DRIVE AT TR**

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

**COFFEE & DONUTS - RADIO CLUB**

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

**FIVE CROWNS**

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

**HAND AND FOOT**

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

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

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

**COFFEE SEMINARS**

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

**FIVE HUNDRED - CARDS**

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

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

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

**BOCCIE**

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

**COFFEE SOCIAL**

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

**FLEA MARKET**

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

**IPHONE CLASS**

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

**BOOK BROWSERS**

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

**CORNHOLE**

Wednesdays, 7-9:00 pm, at the Shuffleboard Courts. January 17-March.  
**Dan Varner**

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON LIVE!**

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

**JOKER**

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

**BOWLING**

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

**CREATIVE ART GROUP (CAG)**

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

**FRIDAY NIGHT DANCES**

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

**JUBELLATION**

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





# Bulletin Board

## Travelers Rest Resort Activities

<p><b>KARAOKE</b></p> <p>Most non-concert Wednesdays, 7 to 9: p.m. in Busch Hall. December-March. Check InTouch schedule.</p> <p><b>Glenn and Gabriella Young Alan West</b></p>	<p><b>PENNY POKER</b></p> <p>Wednesdays, 7-9:30 pm, Hobby House (January-April).</p> <p><b>Michele Wilkins</b></p>	<p><b>SHUFFLEBOARD</b></p> <p>Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Competition. Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Dime Day.</p> <p><b>Richard Von Qualen</b></p>	<p><b>VETERANS MEETING</b></p> <p>2nd Mondays, 10:03 to 11 a.m. in the Hobby House. All year.</p> <p><b>Darold Long, Commander</b></p>
<p><b>KNOTTY KNITTERS</b></p> <p>Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus West. All year.</p> <p><b>Diane Fisher</b></p>	<p><b>PET LOVERS CLUB</b></p> <p>2nd Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. January - April.</p> <p><b>Kim Roberts</b></p>	<p><b>SNACK SHACK</b></p> <p>Currently weekdays, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Additional volunteers needed to add a Saturday crew. January 8-March 22.</p> <p><b>Lee Brenn Mickey Cobb</b></p>	<p><b>VILLAGE HAPPY HOUR</b></p> <p>Thursdays, 4 to 5:30 p.m. at host residence. Meet in Hobby House if temperature is &lt;60 or if it's raining. November thru April.</p> <p><b>Mario Noll</b></p>
<p><b>LEFT, CENTER, RIGHT GAME</b></p> <p>Non-dance Fridays, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in Busch Hall (1/26, 2/9, 2/23, 3/8, 3/22)</p> <p><b>Gary Dietz</b></p>	<p><b>PICKLEBALL</b></p> <p>Over a dozen Pickleball activities from beginner to competitive play offered weekly. Check Outdoor Activities in the TR Booklet and InTouch app for current schedule.</p> <p><b>Delia and Carey Box</b></p>	<p><b>SPORTS CLUB</b></p> <p>Meet in the Jeri Miller Activity Building, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7 to 8 p.m. (October-May) All welcome.</p> <p><b>Ray LoPresti</b></p>	<p><b>WAIST WATCHERS</b></p> <p>Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. in the Hobby House porch.</p> <p><b>Jackie Thackery</b></p>
<p><b>LIBRARY</b></p> <p>Located in northwest corner of Busch Hall. Open 24/7. Honor system sign-out. Please reshelve your own books if you can. If not place in cart behind desk. Meetings: 1st Tues., 1:30 p.m. SSP.</p> <p><b>Mary Kosbab Kay Blunda</b></p>	<p><b>PINOCHLE</b></p> <p>Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.</p> <p><b>John Delaney</b></p>	<p><b>STAINED GLASS</b></p> <p>All times in Jeri Miller Activity Building, January-March: Mondays, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. Wednesdays, 4 to 6 p.m., Fridays, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Instructor - Shari Harberts</p> <p><b>Shari Harberts Laura Appar</b></p>	<p><b>WINTER WALKING AEROBICS</b></p> <p>Monday thru Friday, 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. in Citrus East. November- March.</p> <p><b>Gloria Polzin</b></p>
<p><b>LINE DANCING (IMPROVERS)</b></p> <p>Mondays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East. January 8-March 23.</p> <p><b>Alex Adair</b></p>	<p><b>POKER TEXAS HOLD'EM</b></p> <p>Tuesdays and Saturdays, 7 to 9:30 p.m. in the Hobby House.</p> <p><b>Tom Thompson</b></p>	<p><b>TAI CHI</b></p> <p>Mondays (except 2nd Mondays) and Thursdays, 10-11:00 am, Hobby House. (January 11-March 28).</p> <p><b>Kathleen Sanders</b></p>	<p><b>WATERCOLOR PAINTING</b></p> <p>Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East. November-March.</p> <p><b>Amy Grier</b></p>
<p><b>LINE DANCING (BEGINNERS)</b></p> <p>Tuesdays, 10 to 11 a.m. in Busch hall and Saturdays 3 to 4 p.m. in Citrus East. Jan. 2-March 23.</p> <p><b>Alex Adair</b></p>	<p><b>POWERBOAT RACING</b></p> <p>Mondays and Fridays, 8 a.m. to noon at Mirror Lake.</p> <p><b>Howard Best Don Meddles</b></p>	<p><b>TABLE TENNIS/PING PONG</b></p> <p>Mondays and Thursdays, set up at 2:30 p.m., play from 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus East. Extra paddles available.</p> <p><b>Charles Mason</b></p>	<p><b>WEIGHTS &amp; STRETCHING</b></p> <p>Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 8 to 9:00 a.m. in Citrus East and West. Year-round.</p> <p><b>Sheila Schencke</b></p>
<p><b>MAH JONG CHINESE</b></p> <p>Mondays and Fridays, 12 to 2 p.m. in Citrus West.</p> <p><b>Marcia Hatfield</b></p>	<p><b>PRAISE &amp; WORSHIP</b></p> <p>Contemporary Church Services - 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. December - March. CANCELED.</p> <p><b>Marty Schencke</b></p>	<p><b>TENNIS</b></p> <p>Open play, Mondays- Fridays, 9 to 11 a.m. November-April.</p> <p><b>Betty Teichert</b></p>	<p><b>WELCOMING COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>2nd and 4th Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Citrus West.</p> <p><b>Diana Hill</b></p>
<p><b>MAH JONGG - NATIONAL PLAY</b></p> <p>Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. at Hobby House. Lessons on Mondays.</p> <p><b>Bette Gorman</b></p>	<p><b>QUILLING ON A BUDGET</b></p> <p>Thursdays, 1:15-3:30 p.m. in Citrus West.</p> <p><b>Pat Daubenmier</b></p>	<p><b>STONE &amp; TIGHTEN</b></p> <p>Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus East. Strengthen your muscles. Bring mat and weights. January-March.</p> <p><b>Bev Weissinger Louise McRoberts</b></p>	<p><b>WIZARD</b></p> <p>Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. November-March.</p> <p><b>Imma Smith Gary Smith</b></p>
<p><b>MATS FOR THE HOMELESS</b></p> <p>Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Busch Hall</p> <p><b>Lorraine Gould</b></p>	<p><b>QUILTING</b></p> <p>Thursdays at 9:30 a.m to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. 2nd Thursday Guild Meeting/Show and Tell.</p> <p><b>Pat Greene Cloie Morgan</b></p>	<p><b>TR ROADRIDERS MOTORCYCLE</b></p> <p>1st Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Hobby House to plan rides. Tuesday Rides: 8 a.m.-noon. Thursday rides: 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Meet at Busch Hall parking lot. (January-April).</p> <p><b>Phil St. John</b></p>	<p><b>WOOD SHOP</b></p> <p>Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. October-May. Membership \$20.</p> <p><b>Larry Kurkowski</b></p>
<p><b>MEN &amp; WOMEN POPS CHORUS</b></p> <p>Wednesdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. January-March.</p> <p><b>Mary Beth Coldren</b></p>	<p><b>RC AIRPLANE FLYING</b></p> <p>Parlor - Thursdays, 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Outdoor - Tuesdays, 8-11:45 a.m. , at the Golf Course 9th hole.</p> <p><b>James Morrow, Sr.</b></p>	<p><b>TR SINGING MEN</b></p> <p>Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Jeri Miller Activities Building. All men are invited to sing along.</p> <p><b>Ron Reeve Gene Gough</b></p>	<p><b>WOODCARVING</b></p> <p>Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. January-March.</p> <p><b>Linda Murphy</b></p>
<p><b>MIRROR LAKE YACHT CLUB</b></p> <p>RC Powerboat and Sailboat Activities at Mirror Lake. Powerboat Races: Mondays and Fridays 8 a.m. to noon. (January 1-March 15)</p> <p><b>Jerry McRoberts, Commodore</b></p>	<p><b>RC MOTORSPORTS</b></p> <p>Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. at RC Motorsports track by the Snack Shack.</p> <p><b>John Toombs</b></p>	<p><b>TR TRAVEL</b></p> <p>Planned events advertised on Travel Board in Busch Hall. Watch for articles in TR Times.</p> <p><b>Sharon Gilbert Zile</b></p>	<p><b>YOGA</b></p> <p>Restorative Yoga (Improves flexibility): Tuesdays, 7:15-8:15 a.m. Yoga for Athletes: Thursdays, 7:15-8:15 a.m. Both in Citrus West, January thru March.</p> <p><b>Jean Renee DeTar</b></p>
<p><b>YACHT CLUB SAILBOATS</b></p> <p>Sailboat Open Practice: Tuesdays, 9 to 11 a.m. Sailboat Races: Wednesdays and Saturdays 9 to 11 a.m. (November 22-March 15)</p> <p><b>Barry Sellick</b></p>	<p><b>SOCIAL FOR NEW RESIDENTS</b></p> <p>Red Dot Social: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 8-9:00 am in Busch Hall. New residents learn about all that TR has to offer!</p> <p><b>Diana Hill</b></p>	<p><b>TR TRAVELAIRES ORCHESTRA</b></p> <p>Tuesdays, 12:30 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. New members welcome.</p> <p><b>Pat Daubenmier</b></p>	<p><b>ZUMBA</b></p> <p>Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., in Citrus West. November 30-March 28.</p> <p><b>Bev Weissinger</b></p>
<p><b>MODEL RAILROAD</b></p> <p>Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to noon in the Jeri Miller Activity Building.</p> <p><b>Brian Krupicka</b></p>	<p><b>ROCK PAINTING</b></p> <p>Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. December 6-April 15.</p> <p><b>Marcia Hatfield</b></p>	<p><b>TRAVELOGUE</b></p> <p>2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus East. January thru March.</p> <p><b>Bert Contractor</b></p>	
<p><b>OIL &amp; ACRYLIC PAINTING</b></p> <p>Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. January-March.</p> <p><b>Mary Kubinieć</b></p>	<p><b>RUG HOOKING</b></p> <p>Tuesdays, 9:30 to noon in the Green Room, Busch Hall. A small avid group. Join us and make something beautiful!</p> <p><b>Tawnya Rowden</b></p>	<p><b>TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES (TNM)</b></p> <p>Tuesdays, doors open at 6:45 p.m., movie will start at 7:00 p.m., in Citrus East. Movie Night runs January thru March.</p> <p><b>Jim and Carol Henrikson</b></p>	
<p><b>OPEN ART STUDIO</b></p> <p>Mondays, 2-5:00 p.m. in Citrus West. November-March.</p> <p><b>Sandy Langell</b></p>	<p><b>SEW SPECIAL AND EMBROIDERY</b></p> <p>Mondays, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Welcome to cut out and sew. Bring machine, projects, ideas. 3rd Mondays - Show and Tell.</p> <p><b>Rosita Williams Laura Lilawski</b></p>	<p><b>UKULELE CLUB</b></p> <p>Tuesdays, 3 to 4:00 p.m. in the Hobby House. Players share tips and tunes without weekly instruction. January thru March.</p> <p><b>Donna Probes</b></p>	



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# Travel News

by Sharon Gilbert Zile

Few Travelers Rest year-round residents, and even fewer TR seasonal residents, are native Floridians, making Central Florida day trips perfect for TR Travel. Such was the case last Thursday when 54 TR folks boarded a Small World Tours luxury motorcoach. With Robert as our driver, we headed south to Tampa. Approaching the city, it was a relief to know that we could relax and continue conversing with our TR neighbors and friends while Robert navigated the congested interstate. Ybor City (pronounced EE-bor), northeast of downtown Tampa and the center of Tampa's historical and cultural roots, was our destination.

After a restroom stop at a McDonald's that was constructed of old red brick, paying homage to the desire to keep this district historic, our next stop was to pick up Crista, our step-on guide, at the Columbia Restaurant. It is the oldest continuously-serving restaurant in Florida as well as the oldest Spanish restaurant in the U.S.



**Traditional bakers add a freshly cut palmetto leaf to each loaf just before baking their famous Cuban bread.**

Crista, then guided us to La Segunda Bakery for a tour and pastry shopping. We organized into two groups so that each group could easily see all the pastry delights. The retail bakery was tiny and very busy with locals making quick purchases of Italian cannolis, red velvet cake, beautifully adorned carrot cake, flan cups, individual pineapple upside down cakes and Tres Leche, a three-milk sponge cake. Also available were a variety of salad and sandwich lunch items. Clearly, La Segunda Bakery was feeding the locals with



**La Segunda Bakery treats are local favorites.**



**DAN AND SHARON ZILE**

favorites from several cultures. Many TR travelers agreed and made purchases to take home, and were each given a guava turnover to enjoy later.



**Gunny Gundrum and Wilma Hardley proudly display their Cuban bread made by La Segunda Bakery.**

Since 1915, La Segunda has been baking fresh Cuban bread, pastries and more. As Bryant, head baker, shared his knowledge of this 4th generation family bakery, it was easy to see his enthusiasm and pride for both the art of baking and serving Ybor City. Recipes, many from Cuba and from 1915 in Ybor City, are still in use in the bakery today. In addition to countless pastries, each day the bakers mix, knead and bake 20,000 loaves of bread in the uniquely Cuban style, all without preservatives in order to provide the freshest bread each day. One of the time-honored customs at La Segunda Bakery is placing a freshly cut palmetto leaf across the top of each loaf to create a signature split down the middle. The bakery serves a traditional Cuban sandwich that reflects the various groups of immigrants who have inhabited Ybor City. The pork and ham reflect the heritage of the Cubans who came to Ybor as the Spaniards were attempting to takeover Cuba; salami honors the Italians who often worked in the cigar factories; and pickle and mustard honor the German

immigrants who were businessmen in the community and cigar factories. Bryant stressed that in the hot climate of Florida, with the cigar workers taking their lunch from home to the factory, no mayonnaise is included on the sandwich. However, a slice of Swiss cheese is added.

Back on the bus, Crista gave us a quick overview of Ybor City's beginnings. In the early 1800s Tampa was a small port city, with a humid climate and Henry Plant's new railroad line. In the 1880s Vicente Martinez-Ybor found a new town of Ybor City to accommodate his cigar factory. The town became inhabited by immigrants from Cuba who were experienced cigar makers. Mr. Ybor provided shotgun houses for his workers and deducted a sum from their factory pay. The houses were called shotgun houses because not only could one shoot from the front door, through the house and out the back door, the shotgun-style homes allowed breezes from the water to blow through the home, adding comfort in the hot and humid climate. In addition to the many Cuban and Spanish immigrants, Ybor City welcomed Italian, German, Jewish and Chinese immigrants. Each immigrant group contributed to the cigar making industry. For example, the Germans often served as bookkeepers or managers, and also as lithographers who created the cigar box labels. Each group of immigrants also created a dues-required social club that was part gathering space and part provider of health insurance for its mem-



*Photos by Sharon Zile*

**Mary Ellen and John Deegan made several purchases in Ybor City.**

bers. In fact, Crista stated, these social clubs in Ybor City provided the first Universal Healthcare in the U.S. The clubs and their large and lavish buildings still exist today but their role as provider of healthcare is no longer needed.

A curiosity for those visiting Ybor City is the number of free-roaming chickens. Chickens are allowed to roam freely throughout Ybor City, thanks to a City of Tampa ordinance protecting these chickens who originated from Cuba. The birds are living memorials to the founding and early days of Ybor City. Hitting a chicken with your vehicle could result in a \$1,500 fine!

Returning to the historic and beautiful Columbia Restaurant, we were treated to a delicious and plentiful buffet of Cuban bread from La Segunda Bakery, Columbia's famous 1905 salad, paella (a dish of rice and fish or chicken), plantains, roasted vegetables, Cuban pork and a beautifully iced dark chocolate cake. Following



**Phyllis Zitzer examines the beautiful tiles at the entrance to the Columbia Restaurant.**

lunch, a pair of flamenco dancers provided a performance of high energy folkloric Spanish dancing. As we walked through the various rooms of the 1905 restaurant, TR traveler Janet Gilbert remarked that the restaurant was "filled with the aroma, the décor, the foods, the music and the cultural history of Ybor." An apt description concluding our TR Travelers' visit to one of Central Florida's must-see areas!



**Flamenco dancers entertained us in the folkloric traditions of southern Spain.**



**Deb Etchill shows off the cigars she purchased at the Columbia Restaurant Gift Shop while Denise Weik looks on.**



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# Library News

## General non-fiction is interesting reading

by Loretta Whitfield

The following books are part of the nonfiction section in the TR Library. This interesting category covers various topics such as biography, geography, adventure, guidance and more. These three or four dozen books are located behind non-fiction history, to the side of the library desk. You will see a display of some of these books on the top shelf in that section in the coming weeks. These books have a happy face on the spine, having been recommended by other readers.



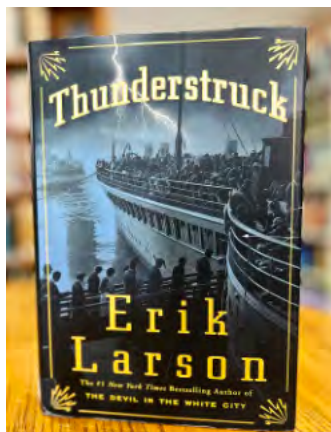
Photos by Pam Watkins

**“Life at The Marmont”** by Raymond Sarlot and Fred Basten

Raymond Sarlot bought the Chateau Marmont in 1975 as a business purchase. As he discovered the hotel's incredible history, it became a love affair. Overlook-

ing the Sunset Strip, the glamorous Marmont was for many years, the spot for artists, writers, musicians, and actors of every type. It still remains a home-away-from-home for stars like Scarlett Johansson and Johnny Depp.

Sarlot and co-author Fred E. Basten recall scandalous and intriguing tales about them all. They cover stars of Hollywood's Golden Era like Jean Harlow and Grace Kelly to idols of the 60s and 70s like Jim Morrison and John Belushi, who tragically died there in 1982. Life at the Marmont has plenty of juicy stories.



**“Thunderstruck”** by Erik Larsen

This book involves a host of forgotten characters including spirit mediums, ghost-hunting physicists, Jack the Ripper, Scotland Yard inspectors and

Marconi, the inventor of the wireless and one of the great pioneers of forensic science. It is the saga of how the lives of the inventor of the wireless and of Britain's second most famous murderer weave together. The climax occurs during a trans-Atlantic chase which thanks to the miracle of Marconi's invention, was followed by millions of people around the world with Crippen (Jack the Ripper) and his mistress completely unaware.

**“Strength in What Remains”** by Tracy Kidder

Kidder has the remarkable ability to show us what it means to be fully human and to tell the story of a life based on hope. This book is a testament to the power of will and friendship. Deo grew up in the mountains of Burundi and survived a civil war and genocide before seeking a new life in America. In New York City he lived homeless in Central Park before finding his way to Columbia University. Deo's story however, really begins with his will to turn his life into something truly remarkable; he returns to his native country to help people there as well as people in the United States.

It has been my privilege to be part of the TR Library team and an honor to have contributed to the TR Times. Thanks to library volunteers, Kay and Mary, for their support.

## Looking Back

by Nan Lance

30 Years Ago - 1994

- The 21st Annual Florida State Rally, held Feb. 23 to 27 in Sarasota, was dedicated to the late Bill Sharpe of Travelers Rest, founder of the State Rally.
- Do Not Resuscitate order was outlined for Travelers Rest First Responders.
- When was the Airstream born? How much do more recent owners know about Wally Byam and the origin of their favorite RV? After several innovations, models and years, the Clipper came in 1936. It had the first all-aluminum trailer body. See The TR Times, March 4, 1994 for more.

20 Years Ago - 2004

- How safe is our water at Travelers Rest? According to manager Randy Doell, it is as safe as it can be. It is tested twice daily by a company which is certified by the State of Florida.
- Dancers Hula the night away. Brightly colored attire, decorations, good snacks and great music by The Travelaires made for an enjoyable evening of good dancing and good listening. A Grand March through the hall gave everyone a chance to see the beautiful Hawaiian outfits worn by many who attended.
- Garden News: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow takes a lot of fuss to grow. These pansy-like 2-inch wide plants called Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow are pleasantly fragrant.
- Meet the TR Golf Association Committee candidates: Robert Goodman, Dave Grant, Sally Magalski and Ken Williams.

10 Years Ago - 2014

- Fire and Rescue Squads responded quickly when Dave and Jen Furman's fifth wheel on lot 15-24 was engulfed in flames. The TR Firemen were commended for doing a great job in knocking down the fire and bringing it under control.
- Little Theatre tickets are on sale for "Over the Rainbow" with Walt Gilson as the Wizard. Gloria Polzin has been working hard designing and making costumes.
- The Travelettes host the Root Beer Float Sale for the 14th year. The \$2 charge will enable the Travelettes to purchase music for their performances and help fund projects and activities within Travelers Rest.

HISTORY



# Garden News



Photos by Nancy McDowell

**LOQUOT**

by Nancy McDowell

We all eat plants, salads, fruits and eggplant parmigiana. Is there anything grown that is edible in the TR Garden? A very few things, yes, but you would not be able to forage a meal out of what is there.

The Griers discussed with me growing vegetables in the TR Garden. They proffered that the garden does not have the right light-to-plant ratio required to sustain a viable vegetable garden, much to my disappointment. I have been trying to successfully grow garlic and tomatoes here in Florida, but to no avail.



**PINEAPPLE SAGE**

Herbs like parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme are ones we are familiar with; you are welcome for that ear-worm! The garden has Pineapple Sage which emits aromas of both when rubbed.



**BANANA TREE**

The garden has a couple of fruit varieties. We have banana trees, maybe not the most delectable fruit produced and Dole may not be pressuring us to sell them any fruit these trees provide, but the fruit is ripening now. I may sneak a few to see how they work in a banana bread. We also have loquat, more on those another time.

Alas, tomatoes, technically a fruit, are not in our garden. In my mind, unless you live in Ruskin, the Tomato Capital of Florida, successfully growing tomatoes is a losing battle. Who does Florida think it is anyway, New Jersey?

Some flowers are edible and some flowers with food names, like milkweed, should not be eaten. Marigold petals can be added to salads or puddings or your morning scrambled eggs. My grandmother had me pick dandelion leaves for our dinner salads. To my young palate this was the most bitter salad. It does make me snicker when I see a dandelion leaf bunch selling for around \$7 in grocery stores.

As you amble along the boardwalk, perhaps during our upcoming Garden Walk, and do find yourself getting a bit peckish, do not let the fish in the fishpond tempt you. They are there solely for aesthetics. Did I say Garden Walk? Yes, Sunday, March 10, 2 to 4 p.m.

The University of Florida/Institute of Food and Agricultural Science's website offers a plethora of information on which vegetables, herbs and fruits to grow and when and how, by seed, transplant or clippings. They provide month-by-month growing guides. To taunt me they do include information on growing tomatoes.

Wherever you are enjoying your summer, consider adding a few flowers or new herbs to your seasonal dishes. Look for recipes to add nasturtium to or saute zucchini with some flowers or stir up a lavender cream. "Flowers in the Kitchen" by Susan Belsinger is a great resource for recipes.

**Upcoming Lake Margaret Garden Event**

The Garden Walk, open to everyone, Sunday, March 10, 2 to 4 p.m. Refreshments and music provided!



## Did you know . . .

### When is a tree not a tree?

by Margaret Emmetts

The plant in question is the palm. Most people refer to palms as trees. But are they really? It all depends on to whom you talk.

According to botanical definition, palms are not trees but large, woody herbs. They are close relatives to grasses, bamboos, bananas and sedges. Botanists define trees as large woody plants with secondary growth, having a single main stem or trunk.

Palms lack secondary growth and wood. They create their tough, wood-like epidermis through primary thickening and lignification.

Foresters on the other hand define a tree as a plant that is above a certain height and can be used



for lumber. By this definition, a thatch palm is a tree because it can be used as timber.

Ecologists define palms as trees.

Are you confused yet? Whatever they are, tall, short or somewhere in between, palms enhance the Florida landscape.

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## Pets on Parade



by Judy Leister

Diann and Sean Neer have owned and bred Labrador Retrievers for more than 20 years. In those years, they have brought 11 litters of puppies into this world. They specialized in black and brown labs. Many of these dogs went on to be great hunting and field dogs. Their wonderful dispositions created a much sought after family pet too.

Prospective owners visit the puppies many times before they are ready to be weaned. Once they have selected which puppy is going to be theirs, it gets a name and a colored collar to identify it while it is still with its mother.

Diann ran a daycare center out of their home. The kids and the puppies had a lot of playtime together. Not only did this help the puppies be comfortable around the lively kids but it helped the kids learn how to be around equally lively puppies. By the time the puppies are ready to go off to their



Photo by Diann Neer  
**MAE MAE**

new homes, they know their name and have learned how to go out to play and come back into the kennel. This is a great beginning to that all important potty-training lesson our dogs all have to master.

Every dog Diann and Sean have owned was named after a Dukes of Hazzard character. Mae Belle Grace or her everyday name, Mae Mae, is seven years old and 85 pounds of snuggly, waggy dog.

When they are not here at TR, the Neers can be found in northern Ohio on 11 acres complete with a pond which of course Mae Mae absolutely loves. Every weekend they are at a campground along the Huron River where Mae Mae gets to go for boat rides. Gliding along on the water is fun but any mode of travel is right up her alley. "Let's go" is all she needs to hear and she's ready to get in the car or truck. One giant leap is all it takes for her to land in the back of the golf cart and she's ready to roll.

Mae Mae gets lots of exercise with walks around TR four times a day but her favorite place is the TR South Paw Puppy Park; oh boy, freedom to run around, sniff the grass and of course do her duties.

## Pet Lovers Club



Photo by Kim Roberts

Joe Colao will demonstrate canine first aid.

by Kim Roberts

The Pet Lovers Club is pleased to announce that we have raised enough funds to put in a new shade pavilion and shed at the North Paw Dog Park. A BIG, BIG thanks to everyone who has supported our efforts with donations. These additions should be completed by the beginning of the next season. There are no set dates as of today.

As a walker and a dog owner, I feel I would like to mention the speed and lack of attention by those driving around the park in all vehicles whether cars, trucks, bikes or golf carts. I personally have experienced two instances when my safety was put at risk due to speed and just not paying attention; one with a golf cart and one with a car.

When I was taught to drive, I was taught that no matter what the situation, the pedestrian has the RIGHT OF WAY particularly at a crosswalk. Only twice in my everyday walks, have I been

allowed to cross while the vehicle waited.

This is a resort and most are retired so I don't understand the rush to get everywhere. Please slow down and pay attention. Stop at stop signs and crosswalks. Thank you for your cooperation!

Mark your calendars for the Ripley K9 presentation on Saturday, March 9 at 10 a.m. in Citrus West. The next Pet Lovers meeting will be on Monday, March 11 at 3 p.m. in Jeri Miller Activity Building. Following at 4p.m., First Responder, Joe Colao, will join the Pet Lovers Club to do an informative presentation. Joe will be demonstrating canine first aid, CPR and Heimlich maneuvers.



## Birding Activity



### Birds with beards

by Tom Butler

Are we talking about old birds? No. Are we talking about birds that forgot to shave? No! We are going to explore the world of Wild Turkeys. According to Audubon all turkeys in the U.S. are the same species. What? They all happen to be sub-species differentiated by variations in size, regional location and coloration of feathers, and of course, displaying modified feathers on the breast of the male known as a beard. The sub-species include the Eastern Turkey, the Osceola Turkey, the Merriman Turkey, the Rio Grande Turkey and the Gould Turkey. The Eastern and the Osceola are common to Florida with the Eastern being the most abundant turkey in the U.S. While we now enjoy millions of turkeys nationwide, they experienced near extinction in the early 1900s. Changes in regulations, restored habitats and transplanting birds back into depleted environments has triggered a rebound in population of monumental proportions. Let's not make that mistake again.

Groups of turkeys are referred to by several names. These terms include crop, dole, gang, posse and raffle. Most bird groups are simply referred to as a flock, but I guess if a group of Crows can be called a murder – turkeys should get their own special reference. Turkeys can be found in very diverse habitats but the one thing common to those areas will be oak trees. If acorns are one of your favorite foods then oak trees make sense. Turkeys will also eat seeds, berries, insects, frogs and lizards, which defines them as omnivores.

The males are referred to as "Toms" or "Gobblers" while the females are "Hens." During breeding season, the Gobbler will spread its tail and strut about to impress a female. If success is achieved, a shallow depression will be sparsely lined with grass and leaves where 10 to 15 eggs are deposited. The hen will deposit one egg per day until completion, followed by 25 to 31 days of incubation. When the chicks hatch, they will be out of the nest and feeding themselves within the first 24 hours. The hen will keep the brood together at night for another week or so at the base of a tree or under a bush.



Photo by Tom Butler

**WILD TURKEY**

Have you seen the posse of turkeys moving around our park? These birds are generally going to be the Eastern species which is the most abundant species in North America. Found in every state east of Missouri, they are hunted for food and in some cases, domesticated for commercial sale. Sounds much better than Sandhill Crane meat which is also sold commercially. The Eastern Turkey will also have the longest beard of all five sub-species. The general belief is that a healthier bird will have a longer beard which can reach 7 inches or more. Turkey hunters collect these beards and seem to compete for bragging rights when comparing the length of each beard. (It's a man thing).

Our other Florida sub-species is the Osceola Turkey. It is believed to have been named after a Seminole Chief. Originally, this bird was found only in the panhandle of the state but has been distributed through natural expansion as well as through transplanting. The Osceola is smaller and darker in coloration than the Eastern which can make for easier identification. Like all turkeys these birds are arboreal which means they sleep (roost) in trees. They are speedy fliers at 55 miles per hour but spend the bulk of their time running on the ground and can reach 25 mph. That is fast enough to compete in sprints.

Ben Franklin suggested that the turkey was a more respectable choice for our national bird than the Bald Eagle. Some U.S. Presidents have issued pardons for turkeys but for about 10 years those birds were sent to Virginia to live in a place named "Frying Pan Farm Park." Seriously? We can do better than that! Let's maintain our efforts for all birds in our beautiful world.

  
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# A brief history of the Snack Shack



The Snack Shack exterior has remained relatively unchanged for many years.

by Amy Peeples

Days start early at the TR Snack Shack, according to new chairman Jim Walsh, who has been in his current position for about five weeks. Although he is not new to working at the Snack Shack, having spent a decade there as a member of the 60+ volunteer group. Volunteers work behind the scenes throughout the season or as the approximately 10-member kitchen crew who are prepared to start serving lunches when the doors open at 11:30 a.m., from early January to mid-March.

Preparations begin about 7:30 a.m., and Jim said “Everyone has a job to do and it’s my job to keep things running. Everything is run military-style where everyone has a job to do and they know what needs to be done. It’s great teamwork.” Each day there is a different crew chief who oversees the kitchen volunteers, ready to step in as needed for any task or troubleshooting which may occur that day. There are also many volunteers behind the scenes throughout the day doing chores such as preparing coleslaw, slicing tomatoes and onions or making an errand run if necessary.

Jim said the kitchen crew includes an order taker, cashier, beverage server, bun preparer, grill person, condiment server, servers who bring out the food for customers and dishwashers. Jim places the food orders with the various food suppliers and meets the drivers at the Snack Shack when the orders are delivered.

He noted the most popular items on the menu are the daily burgers, cheeseburgers and salads, especially during warm weather. Special menu items include pulled pork and chicken sandwiches. Also very popular are the soup selections, which change each Tuesday, as well as the chowders which change on Thursdays. He calls Bob Parigini the soup aficionado for his popular soups, especially Italian Wedding Soup. You have to come early on soup day because Jim said they are always sold out by 12:15 p.m. Also popular is Neil Moore’s weekly chowder.

All volunteers take pride in how clean the Snack Shack is at the end of the day. Jim said it takes a couple of hours to clean the floor, grill, counter-tops, outside pavilion and to tag and date food for storage. “It’s spotless when we leave,” Jim said.

Although under the direction of the Board of Directors, Jim said the Snack Shack is its own entity and throughout the years has monetarily supported various activities and groups in the park including the Garden Club, Library and Veterans to name just a few. To be considered for a donation Jim said a request should be made in writing to the Snack Shack and then the crew chiefs will meet and decide who will receive

a donation and in what amount.

Jim praised all volunteers both past and present for their hard work and dedication. He said there are volunteers who have been there 15 to 20 years as well as younger retirees who have joined the group. “I am amazed at how dedicated the volunteers are,” Jim said. “They work harder than paid people, are top notch and they love coming to work here. They stay because they enjoy it and we also have fun.” However, he said more volunteers are needed. There is a new volunteer sign up sheet in Busch Hall or anyone interested can call Jim Walsh.

The Snack Shack has a long history with a humble beginning at TR. According to the book “The Story of Travelers Rest Resort 1972-2012,” 15 to 20 years before



It is a tradition. The daily opening of the Snack Shack is signaled by the ringing of the bell.

the purchase of the TR property, a group of neighborhood farm men met once a month at the future Snack Shack site. A few dozen of the men decided to build a shack for their get togethers down by the pond. It was open-sided and had a dirt floor, a roof and picnic benches were added. Their wives were invited once a year for barbecue, steak and a chicken and rice dish known as purloo.

When the property was purchased for the park, the shelter had a roof supported by rough wooden poles, half sides and a dirt floor. Later as patios were being poured, leftover concrete was used to pave sections of the floor. Early volunteer workers used it as shelter for hamburger and hot dog cookouts and it also served as an equipment storage building and informal Sunday evening gatherings before those were moved to Busch Hall in the fall of 1973. In

1976, with a vision in mind, eight original workers donated \$20 each for supplies to start the Snack Shack. As the Snack Shack gained popularity, screening and a 10’ x 12’ shed was added to give more kitchen space and picnic tables were purchased. Initially some wives helped, but it eventually returned to its historic roots as an all-male operation. According to one early worker, that was to avoid any possibility of an argument caused by someone insulting someone else’s wife.

Continuing the progress made by those early volunteers, June Slater notes in her book “The Story Of Travelers Rest Volume II,” in 1989 volunteers built tables, counters and shelves. When termites were discovered, volunteers practically rebuilt the Snack Shack from the ground up. At that time paneling was added inside and vinyl siding was added outside. In 1987 the cement floor was replaced in the kitchen, the ceiling was raised and the entire Snack Shack was rewired and a circuit breaker was added. Roof drains were installed and an outside sink was added, 150 bushes were planted around the trees in The Grove in 1988 which made for a very pleasant view as customers enjoyed their lunches and the beauty of TR.

Over the years the Snack Shack has been through a lot of changes and improvements since its simple beginnings. But with so many dedicated volunteers to steer its course through the decades one thing that hasn’t changed is you will always get a good meal and a friendly welcome when you enter through the door.



Who are those masked men? During COVID the crews were required to wear masks.



The photos above and below show the crew working in the kitchen of Busch Hall. The occasion is the annual Showcase Program. On these days the Shack brings their services to Busch Hall to provide lunches to the many folks enjoying the Showcase.



You cannot run a food service without food. The crew is shown stocking up on food and supplies.



Ken Hankinson and Gene Gough discuss ordering.



File photos



Most people do not know that Clyde Wagner has done the maintenance work on the Shack for 24 years.



At least once a year you will find members of our musical groups entertaining the diners in the Snack Shack Shelter.



Snack Shack visitor showing off the Canadian flag.

# TR Sports

## Ladies' Golf League

by Sandy Nelson  
**Wednesday, Feb. 21**  
**Low Handicap 0-12**  
**Low Gross**  
 Maureen Peet ..... 35  
 Shirley-Ann Appleby,  
 Jean Bjorgen ..... 38  
 Sylvia Cole, Trish Horney ..... 41  
**Low Net**  
 Eleanor Buchser, Lorraine Gould,  
 Sandy Nelson, Vicki Prasch ..... 34  
 Pat Daubemier,  
 Mary DeWeerd ..... 35  
 Kelly Person ..... 36  
**Fewest Putts:**  
 Shirley-Ann Appleby ..... 13  
**Closest to #5**  
 Pat Gallagher ..... 24'8"

**High Handicap +13**  
**Low Gross**  
 Laurie Zentmyer ..... 44  
 Stella Loisel ..... 47  
 Jen Furman, Kathy Reimann,  
 Val Smith, Susan Stahley,  
 Barb Watson ..... 48  
**Low Net**  
 Barb Larose ..... 32  
 Kathy Ellison ..... 34  
 Sherrie Grissinger ..... 35  
**Closest to #3**  
 Val Smith ..... 23'1"  
**Birdies**  
 Shirley-Ann Appleby ..... 2  
 Eleanor Buchser, Maureen Peet,  
 Vicki Prasch ..... 1  
**Chip-Ins**  
 Shirley-Ann Appleby,  
 Eleanor Buchser,  
 Kathy Reimann ..... 1



## Tips on how to make golf practice FUN

by George Paquette

Been out to the Practice Range lately? Most of us probably don't go enough. I think the main reason we often skip the range is that we get bored mindlessly hitting balls. When practicing you need to quantify your practice to really improve. How do you turn a session of mindlessly hitting balls into a practice that will pay dividends on the course? Here are some suggestions I have picked up from instructors, fellow golfers and articles I have read.

One practice lesson I have used and enjoy is you play a round of golf on the range. You use the TRGA scorecard for our course and play through it. Playing the round on the range causes you to change clubs after every shot, which allows you to spend more time with each one. After hitting an approach shot you can ballpark the remaining distance to the fictitious pin. One article I read suggested if it's within 10 feet from your mark in the allotted amount of strokes on the scorecard you score a par, 5 feet a birdie, 10-20 feet a bogey and 30+ feet a double bogey. If nine holes are too much, play as many as you can in 30 minutes. Simulating a game on the range has helped my performance on the course.

A number of years ago Joan MacLean had a PGA instructor come in and offer training to residents and guests. One of the things he told us was to not over practice. Many golfers have a tendency to get out on the range and hit one or two baskets of balls.

A basket of balls contains about 70 balls. If you hit two baskets, well you do the math. The result is we walk away tired and a little later on in pain. It's like we get out there and punish ourselves for all the times we should have gone to the range. When you're hitting 70 to 140 balls, after a while you just want to get it done and that is not the result you're looking for. The PGA instructor suggested it would be better to go out every day and just hit half a basket of balls. The limited number of balls will slow you down and allow you to focus more clearly on the results you're trying to achieve.

What about the short game? I'm sure many of you have heard this before, but on average 50% of your shots are approach shots and putting, so it just makes sense to spend 50% of your time on and around the Practice Green. I often look to see who is practicing on the green. Most of the time I see experienced golfers who know that's where you'll make the difference on the course. One game I like to play is I will chip 10 balls from 20 yards and the ones that get on the green I will attempt to two-putt them in the cup. If I miss one I start the two-putt over again. I will do this exercise from 30 yards and then 40 yards. I was surprised how this helped to improve my score around the green. You can also go on YouTube and there are a number of practice routines they suggest to improve and enjoy the session. The bottom line is get out there and enjoy!

Cheers!



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That One Jerk Spot - Monday, March 4 4 to 7 p.m.

Mo'Rock'In Mediterranean - Tuesday, March 5 4 to 7 p.m.

Yummy Thai - Wednesday, March 6 4 to 7 p.m.

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## Bowling

by Lin Buczek  
**Friday, Feb. 23**

**Men's Scratch High Game**  
 Bill Buczek ..... 212  
 Steve Niles ..... 209  
 Ken Neer ..... 170  
**Men's Scratch High Series**  
 Bill Buczek ..... 515  
 Ken Neer ..... 476  
 Don Markle ..... 431  
**Men's Handicap High Game**  
 Bill Bunning ..... 272  
 Bill Buczek ..... 250  
 John Schell ..... 244  
**Men's Handicap High Series**  
 Bill Bunning ..... 704  
 John Schell ..... 700  
 Don Markle ..... 677  
**Men's High Average**  
 Steve Niles ..... 194  
**Women's Scratch High Game**  
 Leslie Price ..... 170  
 Pat Markle ..... 166  
 Lin Buczek ..... 164  
**Women's Scratch High Series**  
 Leslie Price ..... 479  
 Debi Niles ..... 437  
 Lin Buczek ..... 420  
**Women's Handicap High Game**  
 Carol Schell ..... 265  
 Pat Markle ..... 263  
 Donna Neer ..... 242  
**Women's Handicap High Series**  
 Carol Schell ..... 768  
 Donna Neer ..... 691  
**Women's High Average**  
 Leslie Price ..... 157

## Pickleball Jam

by Laurie Gardner  
**Tuesday, Feb. 20**

We had all seven courts filled on Tuesday with our weekly Pickleball Jam Round Robins. Congratulations to the following winners.

### Advanced Bracket

1. Ron Reeve
2. Rob Grissinger
3. Mike Clark

### Varied Skill Bracket

1. Sue Troyer
2. Susan Craig
3. Towner Kennard

### Novice-Beginner Bracket

1. Neil Moore
2. Shelba Tucker
3. Marguerite Glaser

## Wizard

by Imma Smith  
**Tuesday, Feb. 20**

### Table 1

- Game 1**  
 1. Gary Smith ..... 270  
 2. Sue MacPhee ..... 230

### Game 2

1. Kevin Weik ..... 340  
 2. Imma Smith ..... 230

### Table 2

- Game 1**  
 1. Brenda Hatchel ..... 390  
 2. Jackie Thackery ..... 360

## 500 Cards

by Pat McCallum  
**Saturday, Feb. 24**

1. Barb Watson ..... 1810  
 2. Bob Luther ..... 1590  
 3. Gary Anderson ..... 1430

## Bridge

by Jen Furman  
**Tuesday, Feb. 20**

- Harold and Janet Baal ..... 3610  
 Connie Bradley, Ron Hicks ..... 3030  
 Mike Clark, John Cyr ..... 2150  
 Kitty Fisher, Jen Furman ..... 1370  
**Thursday, Feb. 22**  
 Connie Bradley, Ron Hicks ..... 3230  
 Harold and Janet Baal ..... 2700  
 Kitty Fisher, Doug Hatfield ..... 1640  
 Jen Furman, Barry Sellick ..... 1490  
 Tawnya Rowden, Jim Weigand ..... 1070  
 Mike Clark, John Cyr ..... 790

## Men's Golf League

by Barry English  
**Thursday, Feb. 22**

**Low Handicap (0-8)**  
**Low Gross**  
 Ralph Smith ..... 33  
 Bill Harkins ..... 34  
 Ron Duplessis ..... 35  
**Low Net**  
 John Peet, Al Horney ..... 31  
 Roy French, Don Buchser,  
 Mark Fedus, Steve Niles,  
 Wayne Branchaud ..... 32  
**Closest to #5**  
 Bruce Cole ..... 20'4"



## RC Car Race

by Doug Hatfield  
**Wednesday, Feb. 21**

1. Howard Best ..... 34  
 2. Charlie Gardner ..... 32  
 3. Kevin Cahill ..... 30

## National Mah Jongg League

by Bette Gorman  
**Monday, Feb. 19**

- Diane Phillips ..... 210  
 Bette Gorman ..... 100  
 Kathy Ellison ..... 90  
 Arlene Wykoff ..... 75  
 Melanie Low, Sue Guffy ..... 50  
 Pat McCallum ..... 25

### Wednesday, Feb. 21

- Kathy Ellison ..... 150  
 Melanie Low ..... 100  
 Judy Pech, Mary Thole,  
 Bette Gorman ..... 25

### Friday, Feb. 23

- Pat Butler ..... 100  
 Judy Pech ..... 75  
 Arlene Wykoff ..... 55  
 Sue Guffy ..... 25



## Cribbage

by Bob Luther  
**Monday, Feb. 19**

1. Nan Lance ..... 605  
 2. Randy Smith ..... 590  
 3. Bob King ..... 577

## Dominoes

by Linda Gough  
**Thursday, Feb. 22**

- Table 1 Winner**  
 Gene Gough ..... 172  
**Table 2 Winner**  
 Carol Luther ..... 174  
**Table 3 Winner**  
 Linda Murphy ..... 156

## Bingo

by Linda Smith  
**Saturday, Feb. 24**

- Pam Summers  
 Jan Beisel  
 Betsy Behler (2)  
 Pat Daboll  
 Linda Gavin  
 Gayle Sunde (2)  
 Stella Loisel  
 Karen Stiritz (2)  
 Debi Newbury  
 Pat Long  
 Jerry McRoberts  
 Linda Smith  
 Kelly Newbury  
 Linda Beausoleil  
 Neil Jillson  
 Sharon Cook  
 Judy Carter  
 Rich Beisel



### High Handicap (9+)

- Low Gross**  
 John Delaney ..... 38  
 Stan MacPhee ..... 39  
 Casey Fisher, Nick VanSwol ..... 40  
**Low Net**  
 Bob Luther ..... 29  
 Norbert Jansen,  
 Doug Waymouth ..... 31  
**Closest to #3:**  
 Casey Fisher ..... 7'2"  
**Birdies:**  
 Ralph Smith ..... 3  
 Bill Harkins, Bob Luther,  
 Casey Fisher, Charles Bouchard,  
 Dave Kat, Don Buchser,  
 John Delaney, Ken Person,  
 Lloyd Marsh, Mark Fedus ..... 1



## Chinese Mah Jong

by Marcia Hatfield  
**Monday, Feb. 19**

- Janet Baal, Connie Bradley,  
 Betty Brown ..... 3  
 Jen Furman, Susan Doubleday,  
 Elaine Morgan, Rachel Brooks ..... 2  
 Nancy Moschler ..... 1

### Friday, Feb. 23

- Deb May, Betty Brown ..... 5  
 Marcia Hatfield ..... 4  
 Elaine Morgan, Anne Amico ..... 3  
 Janet Baal, Pat Politsky ..... 2  
 Rachel Brooks ..... 1



## Mirror Lake Yacht Club

by Bill Wise  
**Sailboats**

**Wednesday, Feb. 21**  
**Dragon Flite 95 Class**

1. Jerry McRoberts  
 2. Jay Matthews

**Soling 1M Class**

1. Barry Sellick  
 2. Jay Matthews

**Saturday, Feb. 24**  
**Dragon Flite 95 Match Race**

**Power Boats**  
**Monday Feb. 19**  
**Spartan Class**

1. Bob Troyer  
 2. Jerry McRoberts

**Power Vee Class**

1. Howard Best  
 2. Don Meddles

**Traxis Blast Class**

1. Jay Starbody  
 2. Doug Smith

**Friday Feb. 23**  
**Spartan Class**

1. Howard Best  
 2. Jerry McRoberts

**Power Vee Class**

1. Don Meddles  
 2. Howard Best

**Traxis Blast Class**

1. Jay Starbody  
 2. Doug Smith



# Obituaries

## LYNDA TAFT PIKE

Lynda Taft Pike, 82, passed away Monday, Jan. 29, 2024, peacefully with her family by her side in the River Oaks Health Care Center, Clarksburg, W. Va.

Lynda was born Dec. 22, 1941 in Erie, Pa., a daughter of the late Joseph and Vera (Pattan) Taft. She graduated from Academy High School and went on to Grove City College where she received her Bachelor of Art degree in Education. She met Edward J. King, also of Erie, in college. They married and welcomed their only child, Barbara Lynn, in Charleston, W. Va.

Lynda enjoyed a long career in public education from 1963 to 2002. She was an elementary school teacher in the North Hills Township of Pittsburgh, Pa., as well as Charleston and Summerville, W. Va. After receiving her Masters Degree in Education she then held elementary school principal positions in Frametown and Flatwoods, W. Va. and finally Erie, Pa.

She was a best friend to many and treasured the friendships she made throughout her life. Her laugh and smile were amazing! It is hard to think of Lynda and not think of her knitting. Many friends are lucky enough to have an afghan, socks, baby sweater or dish cloth crafted by her. Although she participated in numerous activities, by far her most treasured moments were those with her family, especially time spent with her grandchildren. She was truly their greatest cheerleader.

Lynda married her beloved husband, Rev. Winston Pike Sr. in 2005. They resided at Travelers Rest in The Village where Winston served as Minister of the TR Church.

They enjoyed traveling together, most notably a three and a half month trip to Alaska. Lynda was always very active in her church, where training to be a Stephen Minister was a highlight. She enjoyed handbells, choir and many summers with her husband

and family at Camp Sychar. She served several years on the Board of Summersville Memorial Hospital and participated in Women's Clubs and Garden Clubs.

Lynda is survived by her devoted husband of 18 years, Winston Pike Sr, of Lancaster, Ky., and his four children, Winston Pike Jr (Teresa), Brad Pike (Teri), Alan Pike (Kyla), Angel Pike Herdus (Matt), 13 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter Barbara King Wilfong (Dr. J. Byron Wilfong, II) and two grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to: [www.campsychar.org/finances.html](http://www.campsychar.org/finances.html) or write to CAMP SYCHAR, P. O. Box 241326, Lyndhurst, OH 44124.



## CHRISTINE "KIT" BURNS WHEATLEY

Christine "Kit" Wheatley passed away peacefully on Feb. 5, 2024, in Freeport, Maine surrounded by her family after an 18-month struggle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).

She was born on Oct. 12, 1949 in Lockport, N.Y. to Leo and Gertrude (McGreevy) Burns, the youngest of five children. Kit graduated from DeSales High School and Catherine McCauley School of Practical Nursing. She began working at Lockport Memorial Hospital in pediatrics.

In 1971 she married her DeSales Catholic High School classmate, Dick Wheatley, and shortly thereafter they moved to Vermont where they raised their family. In Vermont Kit worked at Fanny Allen Hospital and in the intensive care nursery at the Medical Center Hospital of Vermont. In addition she helped Dick in his office and later worked in elder-care.

After retirement Kit and Dick spent winters at Travelers Rest and traveled the U.S. and Canada during the warmer months.

Kit was always excited to share details from the latest book

she had read and had a special interest in Irish history, Celtic music and genealogy. She was a prolific organizer and volunteer supporting initiatives ranging from the St. Thomas Parish Social Concerns Group and Yard Sale, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, the Bill Koch Youth Ski League, Food Drives in Vermont and Florida, the Vermont Classic Car Club and more.

In later years she and Dick volunteered through RV Care-A-Vanners for Habitat for Humanity and were active members of the Airstream Owners Club, fulfilling a lifelong dream to travel to faraway places together in their RV. Her final trip was to spend a summer exploring Newfoundland. But above all, Kit was a mother and grandmother. That was her one career goal and she excelled at it.

Kit was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Cecily and brother Daniel. She is survived by husband Dick, sister Judy Darlow and brother Dick Burns, and children Rick Wheatley of Oslo, Norway, Dan and Kate (Wheatley) Bacon of Freeport, Maine and Jon (Chrissy) Wheatley of South Portland, Maine; grandchildren Malou Wheatley, Hannah Bacon, Zack Wheatley, Mattias Wheatley and Charlie Bacon. Kit is also remembered by many nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Contributions in Kit's name may be made to:

Hospice of Southern Maine: <https://www.hospiceofsouthernmaine.org>.

The ALS Association, [NortheastTerritorywww.als.org](http://NortheastTerritorywww.als.org).

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## Snack Shack Update

Check out the new prices on the Snack Shack menu which has been updated.

# Classifieds

**2007 Breckenridge, all electric with A/C.** New price of \$79,000. approximately six years old, roof-over, new flooring thru out. New large screen room & concrete added. New fans & curtains. Storage shed with washer & dryer. All furniture inside & out, TV & some kitchen supplies included. Share of Stock and remainder of yearly lease included.

**02-11 Jeannie Evans**  
614-580-4191

**2016 StarCraft Travel Galaxy Model 314, \$45,000.** 3 slides, island kitchen, electric fireplace, on-demand hot water, two TVs, radio/DVD, skylights in kitchen and bath, loveseat/bed, two massage recliners, king bed, good storage, gardens, nice shade. Price includes elec. EZ Go 4 person golf cart w/bag rack, curtains, new batteries Dec. 2023, share of TR stock and lot rent thru Aug. 2024.

**07-09 Pam Brooks**  
207-341-0002

**2005 Sunnybrook 5<sup>th</sup> Wheel 34 ft \$30,000.** 3 slides, built in generator, rubber coated roof, new queen mattress in bedroom, comfortable queen size sofa bed, washer, dryer, fridge in shed. Includes contents of trailer and shed. Park share electric EZ-GO golf cart with cover. Dog friendly street. Closing date April 2.

**04-27 Elaine Scarrow**  
902-791-5149

**One metre soling sailboat with cradle.** Custom windjammer sails, carrying case with Spectrum DX6i radio controller, four rechargeable life batteries with charger and reader, one main sail servo, two rudder servos and many extras. Asking \$550. Can be seen at lot 03-34.

**03-34 Bruce Pemberton**  
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**1999 Franklin, new price of \$45,000. 38' 6"** with two slideouts and two entry doors on premium concrete pad and patio. Roof-over on entire unit. 30' x 9' insulated roof, awning with gutter and two downspouts. New bedroom flooring. Flush toilet, refrigerator, gas stove, microwave and some furnishings. Washer and small appliances in shed. Price includes remainder of 2023-24 lease. This unit is well cared for and move-in ready. Share of stock not included. Contact Diane Phillips for a private showing.

**06-10 Diane Phillips**  
419-506-0129

**2008 Fifth wheel 33 ft.** with 3 slides. Includes share of stock. Many extras. Golf cart with new batteries and charger. New awnings and slide-out toppers. Move in ready. Fully furnished.

**03-28 Ron Stillinger**  
716-946-1672



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Hot Dog ..... 2.25	Coffee - Reg. & Decaf ... .75
Italian Sausage..... 4.00	Potato Chips..... .75
Chicken Breast ..... 4.50	
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Turkey..... 4.00	Tue. - Soup ..... 3.25
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Ham ..... 5.75	Thu. - Chowder..... 3.25
Turkey..... 5.75	Fri. - Tuna Salad..... 5.75
Veggie (no meat)..... 4.50	Fri. - Tuna Sandwich .... 3.75
<b>New:</b>	Fri. - Grilled Cheese ..... 2.25
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