

# The TR Times

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Serving the residents of Travelers Rest Resort, Dade City, Florida

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## Hi Lites



### Holiday Greetings

Submit your holiday greetings to distant friends and family. Submission deadline today. Dec. 10. See page 3.



### Friday Afternoon LIVE!

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### Resident Forum

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## More than 70 residents attend Forum

by Margaret Emmetts

The second Resident Forum of the season was opened promptly at 3 p. m. by Board President Kathy Shawver. Other Board members present were: Randy Doell, Leo Lejeune, Russell Marlowe, Debbie May, Sheila Schencke, Linda Smith and Jim Weigand.

Shawver began by advising new residents that paint and supplies were available at no cost for repainting sheds. Simply submit a request to the Office. Lawnmowers were also available to borrow at Maintenance. They should be signed out on the appropriate form above the door.

An introduction was given to our new website which may be accessed at <https://travelersrestresort.com>.

Attendees were shown how to log in to the Resident portion of the site. Those logging in will be asked to provide their user name, first and last names, email address and password. Office will confirm this information and then grant access.

Shawver reminded people that the park was born based on volunteerism. It is necessary to maintain this practice as it is what helps to keep park costs reasonable.

Spectrum is in the process of installing cables and hardware to the entire park. Once construction is complete installation will begin. The service will be turned on to the entire park simultaneously. After this occurs it will be necessary for



KATHY SHAWVER  
BOARD PRESIDENT AND  
JIM WEIGAND  
TREASURER

shareholders to call Spectrum to establish their individual accounts. This account information will be needed if users decide they need additional boxes, etc.

Spectrum will provide an initial box to each unit. The box may either be received in the mail or picked up. The homeowners may install the equipment themselves if they know how to do so. Otherwise Spectrum will send someone to do the installation. All this is at no cost.

Jim Weigand noted that the majority of stockholders had renewed their leases. Oak View is completely booked for the season and our cash flow is better than it has been for the past four to five years. Weigand also thanked all those who had sent cards and

prayers during his recent bout with COVID.

Regarding COVID, buildings are currently open. Masks and social distancing are encouraged. However, masks are required in the Main Office and both the Post Office lobby and window. All regulations regarding the virus is subject to change based on changing conditions, so everyone should watch for changes to listed activities. The park's current stance is that everyone is responsible for their own safety. If you feel ill, please stay home and be tested to determine if you have a cold, the flu or the virus. If positive, please immediately inform your social circle, Jean Cobb and the Main Office. Also Shawver reminded residents of the laws regarding HIPAA privacy. If an activity chairperson is immune compromised they may ask anyone attending their activity to wear a mask. Participants will be expected to comply with this request.

TR's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be celebrated with a full day of activities on Saturday, Feb. 5. Events will include but are not limited to food, dancing, music and opening our time capsule. More information to follow.

The question and answer period only generated a few questions:

1 – What is the schedule for the food trucks and where can it be found? This information is usually

posted on the board in the Post Office lobby.

2 – A resident noted the difference between recycling and trash. Cardboard boxes should be flattened and only cardboard and paper is to be placed in that receptacle. He noted that recycled paper produces revenue, but if trash is included in that bin, it becomes an expense.

3 – How much was spent on the new Pickleball Courts and who was responsible for any adjustments that were required after the installation. Shawver replied that the cost is proprietary to the Board. Also the cost was less than half of the estimate submitted by the Pickleboard activity group. The courts have been built to specifications with no additional cost to the Board for any adjustments required.

With no further questions Doug Pedersen asked if he could make a statement. He reminded those attending that candidates were needed for the Board. He urged interested residents to submit their names. As a past Board President he assured everyone that there was life after serving on the Board.

Shawver announced that the next Veranda Chat will be on Monday, Dec. 20 at 3 p.m.

The next Resident Forum will not take place on the first Monday of January. Due to the holiday, it is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 10 at 3 p.m.

## Fifty years is a long time Second in a series of articles to showcase TR

by Margaret Emmetts

You are probably aware that Jacob Busch was the man who came up with the idea of an Airstream park in central Florida. The interesting story is how he converted his dream into reality.

At an Airstream rally in 1972 Busch described his idea to fellow Airstreamers. In order to put his plan into action he needed capital to finance the project. He requested that interested parties contribute \$500. They were to put down \$100 initially and pay the balance of \$400 when TR stock was issued.

Amazingly at this meeting 156 shares were spoken for and \$80,000 was pledged even though the corporation had yet to be formed and the land we know today as TR had neither been found nor purchased. Remember, the park was only a dream. If the situation were to occur today, would you put up money to support another person's dream? To put this in better perspective, \$500 in 1972 was equivalent to \$3,564.29 in today's market. Wow!

Apparently no one was suspicious that this was a scam. How times have changed.

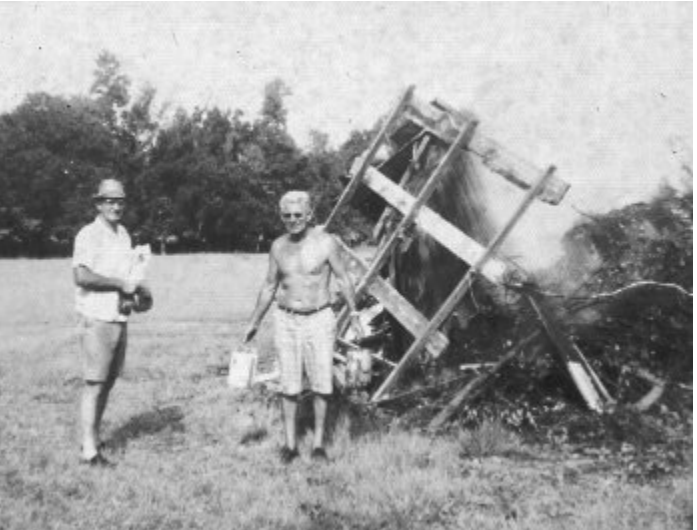
Eventually the land was purchased and the corporation was formulated as a traditional for-profit business corporation, registered in the State of Florida and operating under Florida Law.

The Corporation would be run



File photos

This sign identifies the future name of "Travelers Rest."



In August Ed Noes and Jacob Busch began to clear the land by burning brush and debris.



One of the original trees saved when TR was developed.

by a Board of Directors with the Board electing its officers including a President who would serve as the Chief Executive Officer. Stockholders would have their say in two ways: by electing the members of the Board and by attendance at a State of Florida mandated Annual Meeting of Stockholders where they could express their concerns.

In April 1972 the site we know as TR was located on a family farm of 160 acres in the "Florida Alps." The purchase price was \$1,000 per acre with the total being \$160,000.

Some of the early stockholders felt the land was "too far out in the boonies." Luckily the majority loved the rolling hills, the natural beauty, the clean air and tranquility. Read more about TR next week.

Source: *The Story of Travelers Rest Resort 1972-2012.*



Message from the President



**KATHERINE SHAWVER**  
by Katherine Shawver,  
President/CEO  
TR Board of Directors

What a beautiful sight! Volunteers have been hard at work making Travelers Rest a holiday fantasyland. Treat yourselves to a golf cart ride after dark to enjoy the many beautiful decorations and sparkling lights. Thanks to everyone who helped to decorate our

beautiful park. The Golf Course is so pretty, the lights and decorations in and around all our buildings are festive and the park entrance sparkles. While out and about, be sure to ride through the streets of our little community to view the lights and decorations on individual sites.

The Spectrum team is working hard to complete building the network of conduit and cables preparing to deliver hard-wired, high-speed Internet and cable tv services throughout the park. When challenges are put in front of the TR maintenance team, they work tirelessly to restore services and they very much appreciate all the kind words they hear from residents.

Thank you for showing them how much we value their hard work!

Fair weather encouraged folks to shop at second TR Yard Sale



Photo by Betty Gilson

Joe Colao enjoys a break from his First Responder duties to check out local wares at last week’s Yard Sale. If you missed all the goodies, mark your calendars for the next Yard Sale scheduled on Saturday, Jan. 8 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. located all around the park.

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Showstoppers return to our TR stage on Sunday



by Sandy Langell

Calling all Grandparents -now is the chance to get those Nana and Papa vibes going! Showstoppers return to our stage on Sunday, Dec. 12. The show will be in Busch Hall. Ice cream will be available at the back of the hall from 3:15 to 3:45 p.m. Announcements are at 3:45 p.m. followed immediately by the program.

Showstoppers Performing Arts has been encouraging and instructing talented young people for many years. Their three performing groups are: Showtime - kindergarten through grade 5, Showbiz - grades 5-8 and Showstoppers - grades 8-12. The oldest two groups are by audition only, and to be accepted applicants must show proficiency in vocal, dance and drama. All three groups compete in national competitions.

Their director, Alison Graham, tells me Travelers Rest is their favorite performance of the year because we have such a welcoming and attentive audience. (It’s the grandparent factor.) Come out for some Christmas cheer with the youngsters!

Gift card drive for the Sunrise Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Center



by Darold and Marilyn Long  
TR Special Ministries

The Christmas gift card deadline is today Dec.10. However, if you forgot, you can still give us cards or money for the families at Sunrise. There are women and children coming for support services all the time, especially at Christmas time. Thank you for all you have done.

Many of the mothers at the Center have never managed money. Sunrise teaches them how to budget their money. They provide a lot of training to help the ladies prepare for their new lives.

The gift cards you donate are divided among the women depending on how many children they have. These gift cards allow them to buy Christmas presents and food for their family.

If you would like to contribute to this worthy cause, please buy gift cards in small denominations between \$5 and \$25. Gift cards from Walmart are good because the store has both food and items to purchase as presents. Don't forget to put the amount on each card.



Photo submitted by Marilyn Long  
Darold and Marilyn Long with Luz Estrada, of the Sunrise Center, stand ready to answer questions about the gift card program.





# Volunteerism is a healthy benefit

by Donna Neer, RN

The *Merriam-Webster Dictionary* defines ‘volunteer’ as a noun, an adjective and as a verb. As a noun, a volunteer is someone who willingly “offers to do something without being forced to or without getting paid to do it.” Used as an adjective, to volunteer is to engage in an activity. As a verb, to volunteer refers to the activity of giving of one’s self to a program or function.

Isn’t it interesting that this nine-letter word can be used in so many ways? So, what prompted me to write this article discussing the health benefits of volunteering? Truly, it was quite simple. Let me explain.

According to the Corporation for National and Community Service “the first and biggest benefit people get from volunteering is the satisfaction of incorporating service into their lives and making a difference in their community and country.” The article further states that pride, satisfaction and accomplishment are worthwhile reasons to serve. When we share our time and talents, we feel a sense of satisfaction.

Stephen G. Post, PhD, professor of preventive medicine and author, states that volunteerism has lasting physical and psychological benefits. Those who volunteer regularly have healthier hearts,

less chronic pain and bolstered immune systems. Older volunteers are most likely to receive greater benefits from volunteering due to the greater sense of purpose.



A volunteer establishes a stronger relationship with others, increases functional physical abilities and can lower rates of depression. By volunteering we shift our attention to the needs of others rather than ourselves while our cortisol (stress hormone) levels decrease. A 2013 study of over 1,500 adults found that those who volunteered at least 200 hours per year (4 hours a week) were 40 percent less likely to develop high blood pressure as compared to non-volunteers.

**Here at Travelers Rest, volunteers are critical.** I look around and I truly marvel at the volunteering spirit that helps to make TR what it is. A look at the *TR Times* Bulletin Board pages speaks to the heart of the success of our park. By volunteering here at TR you will not only benefit your overall health status, but you will make new friends and continue the traditions/activities that we all enjoy.

Think about it! Make volunteering here at TR your new goal or resolution for the new year!

(Source: Web MD., Corporation for National & Community Service)

# Wednesday Concert Series



by Doug Pedersen

This Wednesday Concert Series season has a terrific lineup of past favorites and new acts sure to become part of that favorites list. Clip out the performance schedule and add it to your refrigerator. You won’t want to miss a single performance.

All programs are in Busch Hall on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. Program charge is \$10 per person payable at the door in exact change or by check made payable to Travelers Rest Resort.

We still have reserved seat, season tickets available. These tickets allow you to avoid the line and keep the same seat for each program. The cost is \$65, the same as if you had paid at the door for all six programs. To purchase a season ticket please email [concertseries@travelersrestresort.com](mailto:concertseries@travelersrestresort.com) leaving your name, site and phone number and someone will contact you to view the available seats.

**Jan. 5** - BOB MILNE is the world’s best ragtime and boogie-woogie pianist.

**Jan. 19** - GOTTA DANCE will take you on a song and dance journey through highlights of five of the most loved movie performers of all time - Judy Garland, Fred Astaire, Frank Sinatra, Rita Hayworth and Gene Kelly.

**Feb. 2** - Annual Spectacular! WE’VE ONLY JUST BEGUN: CARPENTERS REMEMBERED is a smash hit honoring the music of Karen and Richard Carpenter.

**Feb. 16** - ANOTHER WALK DOWN BROADWAY is a new program of Broadway musical favorites.

**March 2** - PAUL TODD AND PAUL TODD JR. are famous for their unique concerts that are totally different from anything you may have seen before.

**March 16** - CAHAL DUNNE, our favorite Irish entertainer, returns once more to gift us with his vocal and piano artistry and his wonderful stories.

## The TR Times publication and deadline schedule

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## Holiday greetings across the miles



Today is the deadline to submit your Holiday Greeting to your friends and neighbors to be published in *The TR Times* Christmas issue.

Your greeting may not exceed 50 words and cannot include photos or graphics. Please include your name(s) and lot number.

Email your greetings to us at [thetrimes@gmail.com](mailto:thetrimes@gmail.com).



## Join your neighbors at the TR Christmas Feast

by Pat Butler

Christmas is coming and it’s time to sign up for the TR Christmas Feast. This will be a covered dish dinner on Christmas Day at 2 p.m. in Busch Hall. Sign-up sheets are posted on the TR Activity Board in Busch Hall.

Each table will be responsible for their own menu and decorations, both of which are to be facilitated by the hosts/hostesses.

Make your plans now to attend!

Contact:

Pat Butler (863-651-1164) or Beannie Wise (770-540-4383) with any questions.



## Friday Afternoon Live! to feature music of the 60’s

by Doc Probes

As a psychiatrist I know that music has a profound effect on our emotional state. In fact, there have been studies that show that brain chemistry, blood pressure and heart rates can be positively influenced by listening to music.

Music can also be a very powerful vehicle for social change. This was particularly true in the 1960s when an entire generation of baby boomers sent a message to Washington through music. We’ll be featuring many of these songs in our show today. We’ll highlight Bob Dylan, Peter Paul & Mary and others who sang of peace, love, freedom and justice.

Without Facebook and e-mail in the 60s groups like Peter Paul & Mary were the social messengers of the decade. Their historic performance at the famous March on Washington coupled with the infamous I Have a Dream speech by Dr. Martin Luther King sent a powerful message to legislators in Washington. Many historians



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agree that the Civil Rights Act was passed in large part due to the influence of that historic gathering.

We’ll sing the famous song that was performed on the platform shared by Dr. King that legendary day, Aug. 28, 1963: *Blowin’ in the Wind*, along with *If I had a Hammer* and *Where Have All the Flowers Gone*.

Join Donna and me at The Grove today at 3:45 p.m. for a nostalgic walk down memory lane.



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# How is your driving?

When I think about driving my mind divides the activity into two parts, driving within the park and out on public roads.

We all know or we should know, that the speed limit within the park is 10 mph. We share park roads with cars, bicycles, golf carts and pedestrians. It is important to remember that the speed limit applies to all of these. We should be especially careful now while we have construction happening everywhere as new technology is being installed.

We should recognize that the same rules that apply to driving on public roads apply within the park. Would you deliberately drive down a one-way street in Dade City? If not, then why would you drive the wrong way on a one-way street in TR? Golf carts are subject to the same driving laws as autos. Yet how often do you see a golf cart driving in the wrong direction in the area around Busch Hall. Individuals who do this should realize that cars backing out of spaces in this area are traditionally looking for on-coming traffic coming from one direction. If you are “going against the flow” you put yourself at risk.

When driving outside TR I never ceased to be amazed at the crazy things drivers do. Just this week I was driving down Lake Iola Road and had my signal on to make a left turn onto Johnston Road. Would you believe a car passed me as I was about to make the turn? If the timing had been just a little different, I would have broadsided the car.

As experienced drivers it is important for us to be cognizant of the risks some younger drivers take on a regular basis. Hopefully we do not take the same risks.

Perhaps it would be a good idea to retake a Safe Driving Course. Not only does this course refresh your understanding of driving laws but it has the additional benefit of providing a discount on your car insurance. *mre*



## The Servant’s Plow



### We call it Christmas

by Rev. Anthony B. Shipe

We call it Christmas. The incarnation, the birth of Jesus, the day God became a man. But have you ever noticed that “our view” of that amazing event is always vertical? We are focused, as we should be, on God coming down to us, or perhaps more accurately God appearing among us.

This is the scene we are allowed to see and it is amazing. So amazing that it will take forever to truly grasp it. Yet there is another scene, one we have not been able to see. A scene that we can only imagine. I’d like you to picture with me the incredible moment when Jesus left His proper place in Heaven. A place only known to Him, where His glory dwells in unapproachable light. Have you ever wondered about that moment?

Let’s ponder for a moment during the start of the Christmas season. Our lives have been busy. It seems that some things never get done. We feel overwhelmed. The holidays arrive and we have to somehow incorporate the grueling tasks of decorating and gift buying and visiting with relatives. We just celebrated Thanksgiving. We have shared with others how thankful we are for what God has done in our lives. The retailers have been wasting no time promoting the commercial side of Christmas. Sometimes we just get worn out. The holidays can be stressful. Let me ask you, what is your attitude?



ANTHONY SHIPE

#### Having the attitude of Christ

Consider the message from Philippians 2: 1-11.

A decision was made in eternity past in the perfect mind of God. The Son left the side of the Father and became a man. We know what happened on earth after that, but what happened in Heaven? What was the reaction of the Father as His Son voluntarily undertook this so-called “suicide rescue mission” to earth? What emotions passed between them? What did Jesus feel as time drew near to leave Heaven and His Father’s side and arrive on earth as a “lowly human being?” This is something that we have rarely been told about.

Verse 6 and 7 says: “that He who being the very nature of God...made Himself nothing.” Nothing? How could God make Himself nothing? Instead of creating everything out of nothing, He who holds everything together, would pour everything into nothing. With every inch He

descended to earth, allowed His glory to leak away, and His arrival on earth found Him empty. Jesus’ relationship with His Father would never be the same.

Was there silence in Heaven when the Son left? Did all of Heaven mourn His departure? Or was there confident praise and adoration among the hosts of Heaven while angels sang His praises on earth? What was the mood? Human wisdom cannot answer. Humanity would now be able to touch and see God in human flesh. What was the attitude of Jesus towards man?

What is your attitude? The real Christmas spirit is a deep-seated lingering joy in knowing that the story is true. Do you have the attitude of Christ? Are you as concerned about those around us who do not believe and want nothing to do with it? Remove the trees, the lights, the poinsettias, the candles and the decorations and the story is still there.

Have you accepted the gift God sent to earth wrapped and placed in a manager? If you have not, I hope that you will consider taking a walk down to the manager and seeing what unconditional love looks like. Reach out and touch the fingers of the one who gave His life for yours. This gift is especially for you...something that you never have to return.



## Church News



### Christmas Eve Service

Friday, Dec. 24, at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall.

### Sunday Service

Sunday, Dec. 26 at 10 a.m. in Busch Hall.

### Praise and Worship

Saturday, Dec. 18, cancelled.  
Saturday, Dec. 24, cancelled.



### Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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The Siren



by Jean Cobb

RN and First Responder

The Firemen and First Responders of Station 33 again welcome everyone back to TR for the winter season. I’m sure we all have great expectations that we will renew old friendships, make new friends, participate in a ton of activities and enjoy the entertainment, as well as bask in the warm temperatures and glorious Florida sunshine, even as we take personal precautions to avoid COVID-19!

**What can you expect of your TR Firemen and First Responders?** We pledge to the residents of TR that we are ready when emergencies happen. We train every Tuesday morning, offer emergency support to large park functions and provide first response to all 911 calls while units from Pasco County Fire/Rescue are enroute. We are all certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and use of an automated external defibrillator (AED). We also have members who can assist with changing batteries in smoke or carbon monoxide detectors. Also, we keep a small inventory of donated medical equipment (walkers, wheelchairs, crutches, canes) that we can loan to park residents when they need it. We will also provide blood pressure and blood sugar screening this season unless COVID makes it too difficult to accomplish.

**What do TR Firemen and First Responders expect of TR residents?** The Firemen and First Responders have great expectations that we will all avoid injury

Great Expectations

and illness while we have fun. But when a fire, injury, or severe illness occurs, dial 911 immediately to summon help. Give your 4-digit lot number to the 911 dispatcher. At your site be sure your lot number is clearly evident so responders can reach you quickly. Valuable time is also saved when you complete the health information page in the TR Vial of Life for each person in your residence and store it in your refrigerator door. Also, be extra cautious to avoid a major source of injury for our residents - slips, trips and falls in and around your residence. Please practice safe driving when operating your bicycle, golf cart or auto, including observance of the TR 10 mph speed limit.

**Tell me about the TR siren, please...**

**Tuesdays at 9 a.m.** we have a weekly SIREN TEST lasting 5-15 seconds. This is a locally triggered test to be sure the siren is functioning as expected.

A **911 Siren** is a 1-minute STEADY BLAST which is triggered by Pasco County Dispatch any time of the day or night when Emergency or Fire Services are on the way to Travelers Rest in response to a call to 911 services.

The **red siren button** on the front of the TR Fire Station triggers

a one minute, WARBLING BLAST that alerts First Responders in the park, but does NOT alert Pasco County 911 Dispatch services. We recommend that you do not use this button to summon emergency help; phoning 911 by cellphone or landline is a much better option.

[Rarely used] **Hurricane or Tornado warning** is 3 LONG blasts, a 15-second pause and repeats. This warning is locally triggered after a direction from the Pasco County Emergency Operations Center is received. It will be rare for a tornado warning to sound because of the abrupt onset and relatively short life of a tornado. Please, when weather is bad, turn on your TV or radio and listen for tornado alerts issued by the weather service.

**What should TR residents do when they hear the siren?**

Please be understanding; when you are disturbed by a siren, someone else at TR is in crisis with a medical event or a fire and needs help. When you hear the siren, watch carefully for quickly moving cars and golf carts of our Fire Fighters and First Responders who are going to the Fire Station and/or the location of the emergency. Move safely to the side of the road and allow them to pass.



Fire Rescue Annual Fundraiser scheduled for January

by Jean Cobb

Look for another delicious drive-thru take out Fire/Rescue Dinner on Saturday, Jan. 22. In the past we have had Pancake Breakfasts, but COVID made us rethink our Annual Fundraiser. Please plan to support your TR Firemen and First Responders! More information on ticket sales and the menu is coming soon.

Memorial bricks honor veterans

by Pam Watkins

The TR Veterans Group orders new bricks for the Veterans Memorial each season. These bricks honor veterans who served or are serving in any branch of the military in the U.S. or Canada. Residents may choose to recognize a family member or any other veteran.

To request a new brick for the Memorial complete the form and return it to Bill Wise as directed. Cost for the first brick is \$100. Each additional brick is \$50. Checks can be made payable to TR Veterans Memorial.

For further information contact: Bill Wise at lot 4-09 or call 770-833-4807.



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Brick Order Form

Please use one letter, symbol or space per square. Each brick may have up to 20 letters, symbols and or spaces per line.

You may use up to three lines on the brick. Veteran's name and branch of service are required. You do not have to use all three lines. The branch of service will be on the third line.

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Purchaser's name

Veteran's relationship to purchaser

TR lot  Phone

Email

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Bill Wise lot 14-09

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# Activity Affairs

## Updates as TR season begins

by Guy Weik  
Activities Director  
Holiday Decorations:

Many thanks to my small cadre of helpers for their assistance in getting at least some of our decorations up for the holidays. Since the resident who headed up the decorating of Busch Hall and other buildings two years ago was not yet in the park, we made a valiant effort to sort through the treasure trove of decorations and decide what might be used this season.

I quickly realized that additional helpers would be standing around while we figured things out so decorating with a small group worked best for this year. Meanwhile groups decorating the entrance to TR, the Garden and the Golf Course were able to proceed as in past years so those areas are as spectacular as always. Your patience with me is greatly appreciated as I navigate through special events like decorating TR for the holidays.

Online Activities Calendar:

I mentioned at the end of my tutorial article two weeks ago that my current Google calendars/schedules on the TR website



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would eventually be changing over to a new WordPress calendar. Marc Horowitz has been volunteering many hours in order to complete this transition and if all goes well the new calendar may be active on the TR website as soon as this week.

This new calendar has many features not available on the previous calendars such as allowing residents to be able to search for activities by categories or key words. For example searching "Food Trucks" would tell you exactly which trucks are scheduled on a specific day, week or month.

The same is true if you want to know which "Fitness" or "Arts and Crafts" activities are offered or which "Entertainment" activities

are scheduled. Once everything is in place we will offer instructional seminars to help residents and activity chairpersons feel confident in utilizing all the features of this new online Activities Calendar.

Activity Updates:

At last count, TR has 136 activities! If you are involved in an activity that is listed incorrectly online or in the upcoming Telephone Directory (chairperson, date, time, location, etc.) or are unable to meet this season, please let me know. These changes will appear in the previously discussed online calendar. The Activity phone number is 352-584-6377 and the email is [activities@travelersrestresort.com](mailto:activities@travelersrestresort.com).

Bulletin Boards:

Since Busch Hall is open every day, activity chairpersons and Betsy Behler have been updating the bulletin boards there with current activity information. I will continue to highlight special events on the illuminated board in the Post Office, but sign up sheets such as the one for the upcoming **Christmas Dinner** will be posted on the **Activities Bulletin Board** in Busch Hall.

# Tuesday Night Movie - 2022 news

by Carol and Jim Henrikson

Carol and I will continue as your hosts for the Tuesday Night Movies (TNM) and will be following the TR COVID health protocols that govern the use of Citrus East. We plan to leave Canada the first week of December following our granddaughter's ballet performance.

On March 15 we left TR due to rising COVID concerns. In fact the movie we had selected for March 17 was *Ford vs. Ferrari* about the American car designer Carroll Shelby challenging Italy's Enzo Ferrari in an epic race.

Following this on March 23 was to be *The Aeronauts* featuring

balloon pilot Amelia Wren and scientist James Glaisher in an 1860's fight for survival while on a gas balloon scientific mission flight.

For those keen to see these shows, we may start the TNM season with them. All of our movie choices are a result of TR audience recommendations. We hope you will continue to help us make great movie choices.

For those of you not familiar with our program or who are new to TR, TNM show times are: Short Media at 6:45 p.m. with the Main Feature starting at 7:15 p.m. We have reserved use of Citrus East

starting on Tuesday, Jan. 4. There are COVID limits currently for all indoor activities so our start date potentially may be delayed. However once underway TR standard chairs will be set up ahead of time to meet COVID protocol requirements set for Citrus East.

Eventually we will accommodate everyone based on our audience size and floor space. Use of preferred seating like lawn chairs placed in a way consistent with COVID rules will be permitted.

Scheduled movies will be announced in *The TR Times* Jan. 7 issue. See you at the movies!

# Amateur Radio Club getting ready for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary



The TR Amateur Radio Club contact certificate (work in progress) specially designed for the TR 50<sup>th</sup> celebration. Amateurs the world over will try to receive this by contacting W50 during the event.

by Bill Howard, N4MU

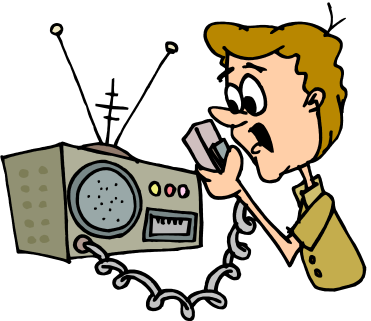
The TR Amateur Radio Club is making plans to participate in the Traveler's Rest 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in February.

Plans include an operating station during the event, weather permitting. The Special Event Callsign of W50 (Whiskey Five Oscar in hamspeak), or as it will be displayed: W50 (for the fiftieth) has been officially permitted to use on the air. Other amateur stations throughout the U.S. and Canada, as well as around the globe, as conditions permit, will attempt to make contact with our station and if they are successful may request a special certificate to confirm the contact. Since this is a once in a lifetime occurrence these type certificates are very popular and much sought after.

In other club events, the donut and coffee sales at Busch Hall on Flea Market/Yard Sale Saturdays during the season will continue unless additional restrictions are imposed due to COVID. If you are

out and about looking at driveway treasures please make a note to stop by Busch Hall and help support us with your purchase.

Other plans are also in the works for various club meeting activities. Speaking of meetings; the next will be on Thursday, Dec. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Building behind the Hobby House. Visitors are always welcomed whether or not you have a ham license. Just being a bit curious is reason enough to stop by and say hi.



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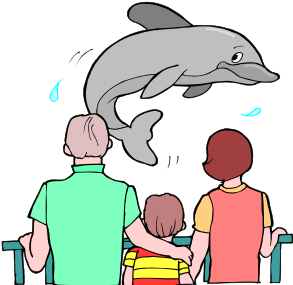


Beyond the Resort

by Linda Spencer  
Friday, Dec. 17 through Sunday, Dec. 19, **Tampa Bay Balloon Festival** will take place at the Little Everglades Ranch, 17951 Hamilton Road, Dade City. Join in for an evening of fun presented by the Balloon Glow Tour. The ranch is approximately 22 minutes from TR. You can contact the ranch at (352) 521-0134 for additional information



Through Jan. 31, 2022, **From The Deep** will take place at Clearwater Marine Aquarium, daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Location is 249 Windward Passage, Clearwater. The aquarium proudly presents the exhibition that will thrill and chill while educating us on the creators that lurk beneath the ocean surfaces. This exhibition is included in the general admis-

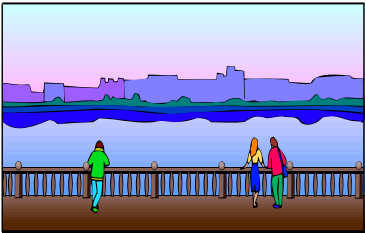


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sion price of the aquarium, \$34 for seniors, but there are many variations, visit the website for detailed information [www.cmaqarium.org](http://www.cmaqarium.org).

Saturday, Dec. 11 and Sunday Dec.12, **Tampa Riverwalk Holiday Fest**, 1710 N. Highland Ave., Tampa. noon to 7 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Approx. 34 miles from TR. Join in the open-air festival which showcases gifts, home décor, plants, local artwork, chef-prepared foods, baked goods and so much more.

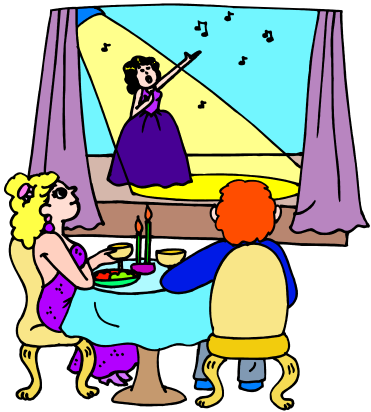
Visit [www.tampriverwalk.com](https://www.tampriverwalk.com) for additional information.



Sunday, Dec.12, **Second Sunday Art Walk** presented by The Armature Works, 1910 North Ola Ave., Tampa, approx. 32 miles from TR. Second Sunday is an art walk and vendor fair taking place every second Sunday of the month from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Armature Works. This event will feature a rotating cast of artisanal artists and makers selling handmade goods, jewelry, art, wood-work, gifts plus so much more. For additional information please email [Second-Sunday@armatureworks.com](mailto:Second-Sunday@armatureworks.com).



Now through Dec. 26, **A Christmas Story** presented by Suncoast Broadway Dinner Theater as part of their Broadway Series. 16128 U.S. Hwy. 19, Hudson. For additional information please see <https://www.suncoastbroadway.com/broadway-shows>.



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Travel News

# Yes Sharon, there is a Santa



DAN AND SHARON ZILE

by Sharon Gilbert Zile and Dan Zile, TR Tour Directors

In last week's travel article, TR Tour Directors Sharon and Dan Zile, who are also True-Believers, submitted their letter of travel wishes to Santa. Sharon and Dan requested a well-established travel agency with its own very nice buses and a willingness to arrange day trips, multi-day excursions and group cruises for the fine people of TR. This week, Santa has delivered!

Small World Tours & Cruises, a second-generation family-owned travel agency specializing in day trips and bus tours for approximately 250 Central Florida communities, has agreed to arrange day trips and provide transportation for TR travelers. Located in Haines City, Small World Tours & Cruises arranges as many as 300 different day trips as well as conducting longer tours to destinations such as Branson, St. Augustine, The Biltmore Mansion, Memphis and Grapevine, Tex. The company is a licensed registered seller of travel in Florida and has a fleet of a dozen Prevost air conditioned motor coaches operated by courteous professional drivers and equipped with large panoramic windows, public address systems, restrooms, WiFi, electrical plugs, reclining seats and DVD with monitors. The company systematically replaces two older buses per year to provide the latest in comfort and safety. When the travel industry was paralyzed by the onslaught of the COVID pandemic, Small World Tours & Cruises researched and committed to the safest possible air purification system for each of their buses and were able to resume bus transportation tours as early as October 2020. We'll be sharing more information about that in a future article. Even more impressive, this company repaid all trip payments for trips that could not occur during the early months of the pandemic.

While safe and beautiful buses and good business practices are important for a travel agency in order to make day trips for seniors possible, perhaps their greatest resource is their enthusiastic and creative tour director Holly Griggs. Holly develops new tours each year to add to the repertoire of experiences for her tour guests. Some of Holly's tours are familiar venues and performances that TR travelers have already experienced: the St. John River Cruise on the *Barbara Lee*, the winter home of the Lipizzaner stallions and the nearby Weeki Wachee Mermaid Gallery. Other tours include restaurants and venues that will be new to many of our group and are developed with a varied combination of experiences to delight everyone!

Because each company is organized differently, TR travelers will be asked to adjust to the new "rules" of the road! You will likely find several of the changes to be very positive for your travel planning. Here's what you need to know:

- This year, in the time of COVID, TR Tour Directors have scheduled 3 one-day trips for TR travelers.

- There will not be a need to pay for next year's day trips now! Money paid for each trip will be held in escrow until it is necessary for Small World to purchase tickets or pay deposits.

- A minimum number of travelers usually 32 will assure that each trip is a "Go."

- If the trip does not reach its minimum number of travelers one week prior to the scheduled event, your payment will be returned to you in full.

- Payment must be made by check and must be made with American funds.

- All checks will be payable to Small World Tours and given to Sharon Gilbert Zile or Dan Zile, lot 2540. Each check will be for a single trip but may include payment for more than one person.

- Each reservation must have full payment before you are on the "list." Also, this year, a COVID Waiver Form is required for each trip.

- Reservations are transferable, but TR Tour Directors must know before you get on the bus.

- All passengers will wear a mask when loading the bus until 5 minutes after the bus door closes. Also, anytime you are leaving the bus or walking in the aisle, you must wear a mask. (This will all make sense after we share details of the bus's air purification system.) Also, certain venues may require masks – please be prepared.

- Activity levels will guide your choices. Activity Level 1 will be appropriate for most TR travelers. Activity Level 2 will include light walking and possibly a flight of stairs. For reference, the Activity Level for the St. John River Cruise is Level 1.

- As each day trip is announced, a colorful promotional flyer will be posted on the Travel Bulletin Board in Busch Hall and on Facebook Residents and Friends. Also, check for travel information in the display case in the Post Office Lobby in December and January.

Mark your calendars:

Jan. 6 – **Coffee Seminar** in Busch Hall, 7 a.m. *TR Travel in the Age of COVID*. Dan and Sharon Zile.

Jan. 6 - Citrus West, 4 p.m. **Presentation** by Holly Griggs of Small World Tours & Cruises. Bring your checkbooks and calendars!

Jan. 21 – **Gadabout** – TR day trip, 9 a.m. departure. Return at 5:30 p.m. Details are coming soon.

Your TR Tour Directors look forward to a very healthy and successful season with TR Travel and Small World Tours & Cruises. This will require a commitment from each of us to willingly care for ourselves and others, making travel possible even in the age of COVID. A greeting card quote reminds me of life and our pandemic travel experiences: *Difficult roads often lead to beautiful destinations*. Indeed.

Thank you, Santa!





Bulletin Board

ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION

1st Monday of month, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Hobby House.  
PICKIN’ & GRINNIN’ - 2nd, 3rd & 4th Mondays,  
10 a.m. to noon in Hobby House.  
**Rob Werner 10-01 906-322-2243**  
**Harold Keefer 2704 402-630-3577**

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (HAM RADIO)

2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.  
The club invites all amateurs to check in to the 8 a.m.  
Two Meter Net on 146.430 Mhz Monday thru Saturday.  
**Bill Howard 09-03 803-629-3920**  
**Stan Patterson 13-16 256-503-3057**

AQUATICS - POOL (WATER AEROBICS)

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. at the pool.  
**Linda Smith 14-15 517-662-9233**

\*BALLROOM DANCING

Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Busch Hall.  
**Jeffrey Duquette 13-24 413-564-1386**

\*BASKET WEAVING

Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West.  
**Nancy Polito 09-15 603-234-4483**

BEADAHOLICS

Mondays, 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Citrus East.  
**Kathy Lemke 04-42 847-456-5824**  
**Kathy Kushman 2622 860-608-8668**

BEADAHOLICS, TOO

Tuesdays, 2 to 4 p.m. at Hobby House Porch.  
**Dot Brenn 2556 813-293-4205**

\*BIBLE STUDY - LADIES AFTERNOON

Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Activity Center.  
**Rosita Williams 10-72 352-206-1664**

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 17-33 231-215-035**

BINGO

Saturdays, 7 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East.  
**Chairperson Needed**

BIRDING

Tuesdays 8 a.m. at Post Office Veranda. Bring binoculars and cameras.  
**Tom Butler 14-07 863-651-1164**  
**Norm Eden 06-14 317-457-4904**

\*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 10-71 419-366-0203**

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

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

BOCCE BALL

Scheduled games and competitions, Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays, 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 7 p.m. All games are played at the Bocce Ball Courts located on Snack Shack Road.  
**Laverne Dennison 16-23 440-477-4451**

\*BONFIRE/MONTHLY

Dates and times will be posted in *The TRTimes* as they are scheduled.  
**Phyllis Zitzer 21-14 717-379-3054**

\*BOOK BROWSERS

2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 2 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West.  
**Nan Lance 04-21 518-813-7873**

BOWLING

Fridays at 2:15 p.m. at Pin Chasers Bowling Lanes, Zephyrhills. Sign up on Bulletin Board if you plan to go.  
**Lin Buczek 2815 920-470-7269**

\*BRASS ENSEMBLE

Wednesdays, 2:30 to 4 p.m. in Activity Center. We can always use more brass players.  
**Bill Watkins 11-10 740-361-4511**  
**Steve Bowman 15-35 717-495-9336**

\*BRIDGE CLUB

**\*Beginners lessons** - Mondays, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus West.  
**Jim Weigand 2534 231-947-5649**  
**\*Intermediate lessons**  
Tuesdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. in Activity Center.  
**Connie Bradley 07-12 352-588-0373**  
**\*Party Bridge with partners** - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. In Citrus West. Partner required.  
**Linda Glover 01-19 905-541-639**

BULLETIN BOARDS IN BUSCH HALL

For information or help with a notice or ad contact:  
**Betsy Behler 06-65 302-730-8333**  
**Guy Weik 10-37 352-584-6377**

\*CHAIR YOGA

Wednesdays, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. in Citrus East.  
**Donna Smith 2514 317-408-1805**

CHRISTMAS FEAST

Saturday, December 25, TBD in Busch Hall. More information will be in *The TRTimes*.  
**Pat Butler 14-07 863-651-1164**  
**Beannie Wise 14-09 770-540-4383**

CHURCH ASSOCIATION

**Sunday Activities:** All events in Busch Hall  
8:30 a.m. - Choir Practice  
9:15 a.m. - Bible Study  
9:45 a.m. - Hymn Sing  
10 a.m. - Worship service: Rev. Anthony Shipe  
Holy Communion 1st Sunday of month.  
**Rev. Anthony Shipe 2707 239-233-0988**  
**Choir Practice**  
Fridays, 9:30 to 11a.m. and Sundays 8:30 a.m. in Busch Hall. Join us.  
**Bernie Gutridge 2502 740-453-5623**  
**Praise & Worship**  
Services - Saturdays, 4 p.m. in The Grove.  
No services on Dec. 18, Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.  
Practice sessions determined by Praise Team Leaders.  
To become a member of the Praise Team Contemporary Music Leadership team contact Barb Swartz or Marty Schencke.  
**Marty Schencke 425-590-7905**  
**Barb Swartz 740-225-1402**

CHURCH COMMITTEE

3rd Fridays, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in Activity Center.  
**Chairperson needed**

CLOGGERS OF TR

Thursdays and Saturdays, 9 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus East.  
**Donna Smith 2514 315-408-1805**  
**Donna Neer 10-71 419-366-0471**

COFFEE AND DONUTS - AMATEUR RADIO

1st Saturday (during yard sale), 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. or until sold out. Donuts and coffee will be in Busch Hall.  
**Bill Howard 09-03 803-629-3920**

\*COFFEE SEMINARS

Thursdays, 8 to 9 a.m. in Busch Hall.  
Watch *The TRTimes* for updates.  
**Guy Weik 10-37 352-584-6377**

\*COFFEE SOCIAL

Monday thru Friday, 7:30 - 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. Please bring your own mug.  
**Jim Matkovich 2617 708-567-4686**

CREATIVE ART GROUP (CAG)

Mondays, 3 to 5:15 p.m. in Hobby House.  
**Linda Spencer 16-35 352-424-9604**

CRIBBAGE

Monday, 7 to 9 p.m. in Activities Center.  
**Chairperson needed**

\*DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY - CAMERA

Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to noon in Activity Center.  
**Bill Bradford 13-29 352-588-3766**

\*DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY - POST PROCESSING

Tuesdays, 1 - 3 p.m. in Citrus East.  
**Chairperson needed**

DINE-A-ROUND

**Sandy Poast 2641 937-609-5143**

DINING WITH FRIENDS

2nd Saturday, 5 - 7 p.m. in Busch Hall.  
**Dave /Mary Beth Baur 11-29 207-650-6287**

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**Diana Hill 21-24 512-988-1407**

\*DOMINOES

Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.  
**Linda Gough 11-14 615-400-3332**

\*DRAWING PEOPLE

Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West.  
**Chairperson needed**

DULCIMER DUMDIDDIES

Beginners practice - Mondays 9 to 10:15 a.m. in Citrus West.  
Advanced Practice - 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon in Citrus West.  
Dulcimer Jam - 7 to 9 p.m, in Citrus East.  
**Lois Allen 06-04 207-240-4201**  
**Lois Showers 2513 570-939-2077**

**\* These activities have not yet started**

ENTERTAINMENT SUNDAYS

3:45 p.m. announcements with program following.  
Performances will be at the Grove Stage or Busch Hall per weather.  
**Ken Langell 11-28 317-408-6799**  
**Sandy Langell 11-28 317-408-6798**

EUCHRE

Fridays, 7 to 9:15 p.m. in Citrus West.  
**Jan Werner 2634 443-421-2857**

\*EUCHRE/BID

Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.  
**Barb Nelson 11-05 816-699-3835**

FIRE/RESCUE 33

**Firemen** -Tuesdays, 8 to 11 a.m. in Paul Rife Room.  
**First Responders** - Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Activity Center.  
Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Paul Rife Room.  
**Business Meeting** - 3rd Tuesdays, 9 a.m. in Paul Rife Room.  
**Larry Polzin 04-29 810-247-2361**

FIRE RING SCHEDULING

**Guy Weik 10-37 352-584-6377**

FIVE CROWNS

Wednesdays (non concert nights only), 6 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West.  
**Jackie Thackery 2807 812-371-7243**

\*FIVE HUNDRED - CARDS

Saturdays, 6:45 to 9 p.m., In Citrus West.  
**Pat McCallum 13-04 267-506-5049**

FLEA MARKET/YARD SALE

1st Saturday of each month, November thru March, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Due to COVID we are having a yard sales. Participants will present their items for sale at their own lots.  
**Betty & Walt Gilson 2501 870-615-1668**

FRIDAY AFTERNOON LIVE!

Fridays, 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. at the Grove Stage.  
**Donna Probes 14-23 231-357-5713**

\*FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE

Fridays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. The dance schedule and themes will be listed in *The TRTimes*.  
**Marie Lupien 2627 603-781-3681**

GAMES NIGHT

Mondays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Snack Shack Pavilion. Non-contact games.  
**Linda Smith 14-15 517-662-9233**

GARDEN CLUB

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**Chairperson needed**

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Library News

by Mary Kosbab

'Tis the season to read a good Christmas book. Our Christmas books have been put out for you to enjoy. These books are put away for the rest of the season to make more room for other books on our shelves. If you are in the mood for a good Christmas story, or music or DVD please check the top of the bookcases in the alcove to the right as you go into the library.

Every season I like to go over our library tenets and procedures - both for our new residents and guests and as a reminder for our returning residents and guests.

First, we are an honor system library. There is no sign-out sheet. We do ask you to limit yourself to no more than three books at a time.

Second, we encourage people to re-shelve their own books and audio visual materials. If you are not able to do so, place any returning articles in the top shelf of the library cart behind the desk. Use the bottom shelf for any books you are donating to the library. Please do not leave a large number of books at one time. Contact one of the Library volunteers and we

will come to your location and select ones we can use.

Third, we only accept fiction books that are published within the past five years, UNLESS it is a book you want to write a recommendation for or if it is a book that is part of a series. For non-fiction books, we check that the information is up to date. We wish we could keep all donations but we do not have the room.

Throughout the season I like to mention what a great group of volunteers we have who keep our library functioning and looking so good. Constant attention has to be paid to the collection or it would overrun our space. These volunteers work hard to keep our library

viable and current. As the old saying goes, *Many hands make light work* and that is true of our library. If you are interested in joining the library staff please leave a note on the library desk, watch for notices of meetings and come join us. For all current and interested staff members, *our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 14, in the Golf View Pavilion.* After the first meeting we will hold all meetings on the first Tuesday of the month in the Golf View Pavilion.

As always if you have any concerns or suggestions please leave a note or tell a library volunteer. We always welcome your input.



Things that go beep in the night

by Jane Harrold

I would really rather be writing about things that go beep in the daytime but in Jane's World this rarely happens. Our devices seem to prefer 2 a.m. as their official time to notify us that a battery needs changing. Recently after a long day of packing for our move Bill and I were sound asleep when I heard the very unwelcome beep...beep...beep. Since Bill was busy snoring he was blissfully unaware of the sound so I went to see which one of our many smoke and/or carbon monoxide detectors wanted attention. The beep was not in the bedroom area, the kitchen or the living room. It was not the pesky alarm on the high ceiling in the stairway so at least a ladder would not be necessary. Beep...beep...beep was definitely coming from the family room. I stood under each of the alarms there and while the sound continued it was none of these. I was baffled and needed advice. Bill keeps telling me that for solving household problems it is a man's world, so I walked back upstairs to the bedroom to wake up my man. Of course his immediate response was "what beep?" However he was willing to help me investigate.



After careful checking we determined that the sound was coming from the middle of the floor in the family room where the sealed up boxes for moving were stacked. Which one shall we open first? Hmmm.

Somehow one of us (probably the taller one) had packed a carbon monoxide detector which is usually plugged into an electrical outlet. The battery backup was running low so our device was warning us in the middle of the night. Bill plugged the alarm into an outlet upstairs where we would see it easily and not forget to take it with us when we moved in two more days. Problem solved.

The following night at 2 a.m. again beep...beep...beep... This time it was the house alarm with a message to check the phone line. Since our telephone service was

being moved to our new address the next day, the phone company canceled our current service in the middle of the night, of course.

In the morning we put a few special items in the car that we wanted to take over to the condo with us and we were ready for the moving van. Later when the house was empty we made a last check and realised that we had forgotten the carbon monoxide detector. One of us (I suspect the tall one again) tossed the detector into a box with the final cleaning items we had been using and we carried it out as we said goodbye to our house.

Beep...beep...beep... in the middle of our first night at the condo. Now a battery here needs attention. This is definitely a Bill problem so I wake him up and we both investigate ... seems like the sound is coming from a box on top of the kitchen island ... a box of cleaning supplies...Hmmm. If you are experiencing a problem with things that go beep in the night you can call us for help. We are *where's the beep* professionals.

P.S. Since we are still in Canada long distance charges and travel fees will apply.

Garden News

Lights, camera, action!

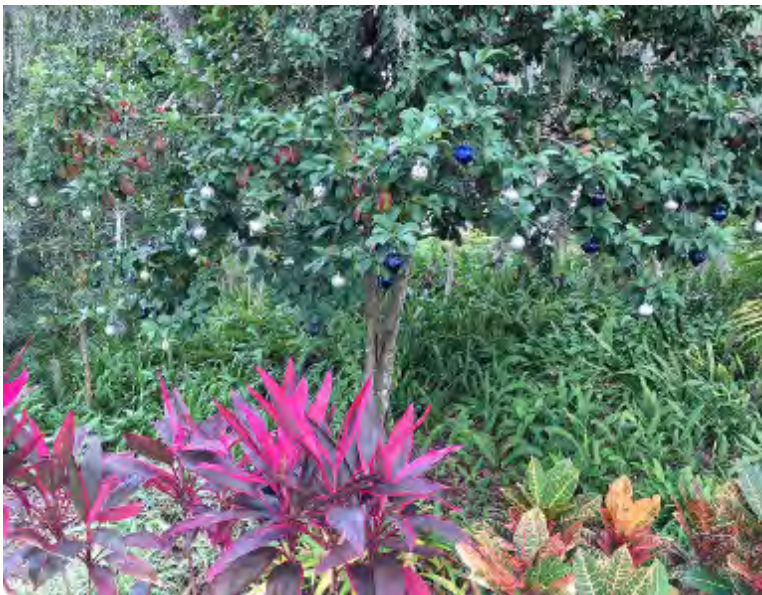


Photo by Pam Watkins

Take a stroll and enjoy the Christmas lights.

by Leslie Ewing

For the Garden Club, we don't officially get going until everyone is back in January. Early birds have been busy anyhow.

Christmas lights and decorations were installed this week by a crew of Pam Forsyth, Mary DeWeerd, Laura Weik, Cathy Holley, Donna West, Barbara Myles and Mike and Laura Lilawski. TR residents are invited to take a stroll along the boardwalk after dark.

We really enjoy the disco ball hanging in the gazebo. We took a moment to reflect on the men who built and painted the gazebo: Ralph Wilcox, Charlie Davis, Charlie Hall, Art Nielsen and Mike Lilawski, among others.

We are getting ready for the Snack Shack to have drive-through lunches. Ken and Pam Forsyth moved the potted plants away from where people will be picking up their lunches. Also, Laura Weik and Donna West spruced up the

Snack Shack area in preparation for the Christmas Golf Cart Parade and the hot dog drive-through dinner planned by the Party Planners.

During the summer months Stacy Grier cleared away debris and fallen leaves from the boardwalk. He also chased away little critters so his wife Amy could weed the garden. Good guy Stacy!

We are thankful that our Canadian friends are back with us. Donna West and Mary DeWeerd have been really busy in the garden.

Now that the lights are lit and residents can get their cameras to take pictures, it is time for action. There are a lot of little jobs to be done. We always need more volunteers in the garden. New volunteers are paired with someone already working in the garden. If you have some time on a Tuesday or Thursday morning come lend a hand, and make a new friend.

Looking Back

by Nan Feeley

10 Years Ago - 2011

- Horseshoe pitching is great fun. Come one, come all. Skill, age and gender is not a factor.
- Horse Lovers Club is organizing. Horse activities can be fun, educational, and believe it or not help with personal growth.
- Acclaimed pianist, Lorne Mathews, and his King of Kings Christmas Tour program will visit TR.

20 Years Ago - 2001

- Residents learn that all TR lots have been leased.
- To keep up with the Christmas decor of park activities Fire-Rescue has new, white knit shirts.
- The golf course irrigation system's leak was fixed by Ray Hill, Bob Hooker and Bill Alvarez.

30 Years Ago - 1991

- A turtle makes a hole in one. A large turtle at the edge of the #5 fairway dug a neat round hole and deposited a ball shaped object directly into the hole. Three times!
- Cutting through lots is forbidden. The privacy of residents' sites must be observed by not cutting through or driving over another person's lot without prior permission.

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## Pet Lovers Club

# TR Puppy Park

by Judy Leister

If you have a small dog here at TR does he/she get all excited at about 1:45 in the afternoon? If so, you must be a regular at the 2 p.m doggie play sessions at the TR Puppy Park. I’m sure there are other popular play times at the park but our little pooches have always enjoyed that p.m. time slot. They love it so much I receive reminders when 2 p.m. is approaching. Mom get the leash. Mom hurry up. Mom it’s time to go. NOW!

Many people mention they have been to other dog parks with their small dog but there was no designated time slot for the little guys, so they had to play with the big dogs. If 2 p.m. doesn’t work into your schedule here and your smaller dog isn’t comfortable romping with the bigger dogs, you can still go to the park and use the separate section.

Many of our residents are starting to return to TR. We humans are happily greeting our friends but it is especially fun watching a dog get a glimpse of its best friend from the previous season come through the gate at the park. Oh boy, lots of wagging tails as they greet each other.

For those bringing their dog to the Puppy Park for the first time you will find you have to pass through two gates to get into the main part of the play area. Many of the dogs will rush to the gate to say hi. It is best to get into the “buffer” area between the two gates and remove your dog’s leash. Then let him go up to the gate and



Photo by Judy Leister

Puppies having fun at play.

sniff noses through the chain link. Once everyone looks happy then open the gate and walk in. There will be lots of sniffing of both ends but that is natural. Bringing your dog into the play area while still on the leash can sometimes make your dog a bit defensive.

Our mini poodle Fendi had never been to a dog park before coming to TR. She was so scared that first time. She hid behind the benches and trembled. The next time she came out from behind the bench and watched the other dogs play. After a few more trips she was racing in circles with her tail wagging and barking with happiness.

The exercise our dogs get there is absolutely wonderful. One of the regulars is 12 years old and runs like he’s a puppy. A new youngster that’s less than a year old paired up with an adult dog and together they ran

zoomies so fast they made me out of breath. One of the tiniest dogs that comes at 2 p.m. loves to chase a frisbee the size a lab would retrieve but that little one makes it look easy.

So whether you have a big dog or a little dog there are fun times to be had at the TR Puppy Park. We hope you and your dog explore ours. It’s located at the corner of 10th and 14th Streets and there are benches for we humans. We may not be chasing frisbees or fetching balls, but I think most of us look forward to the fun chats we have with the other pet parents as much as our dogs look forward to seeing their four-legged buddies.

Gotta quit writing. It’s 1:45 p.m. and I have a furry little poodle reminding me it’s time to get ready to go to the park.

## Pets on Parade



Photo by Judy Leister

AMBER

by Judy Leister

If we hear the words “Amber Alert” on TV most of us get a worried look on our face and immediately become very concerned for the child in danger. Only at TR do those words bring a smile to our face. The Amber is an adorable 9 lb. bundle of energy belonging to Mary and Craig Kubiniec. She is a Schnoodle, a fluffy cross between a poodle and a schnauzer.

While visiting family in Kansas Mary and Craig heard about a veterinarian with a healthy well-cared-for litter of puppies. Just imagine cuteness overload to the max when a wiggly 2-1/2 lb. ball of fur is placed in your hands. Then add a daughter and grand-kids to the mix. They were there too, oohing and aahing over the puppies. It was love at first sight and it was absolutely impossible to say “no.”

Mary and Craig had recently lost their other dog Chloe to old age. Charlie, their 8 year old Shih Tzu was use to Chloe’s mild-mannered personality and now he had a new little sister whose battery was charged to the max at all times. He was not as impressed with this new arrangement as

everyone else but little by little he is adapting. Mary and Craig had something new to learn themselves and that was how to not step on Amber as she happily scampered underfoot.

Those of us that see Amber doing zoomies at the Puppy Park and wrestling with her boyfriend Dudley seldom see the other side of her. In the evening she plays with her toys and is quite the cuddler. She loves to be held and snuggled.

Amber has a great appetite. She will eat anything offered to her and quickly turns into a four-legged vacuum cleaner if a crumb should happen to fall. This food motivation has made her basic training go well. She performs a sit, stay, down and come wonderfully which gives her a great start to many performance events if they should happen to give them a try. She is just 9 months old now but as she matures I see some agility training in her future and I am sure she will be fantastic at it.

If you are at the Puppy Park and hear someone shout out the words “Amber Alert” do not worry. No child is being abducted or in danger. Instead everyone is grinning as Amber entertains us.

## Birding Activity



# Birding is always underway

by Norm Eden

Our own TR birding trail: The continuing good birding news is that the new nature trail developed by Tom Butler over the past 18 months is working in attracting a wide range of perching/songbird species to the feeders, although some of the stations are seeing much more action than others. This is mostly because apart from liking the food the birds are really choosy about the surrounding habitats and there is no real shortage of food in Florida.

Some of the positions do not pull many birds but time will tell and the plan is off to a very good start. Feedback from the humans is that providing adjacent bench seats at the feeding stations is appreciated and enables folks to sit quietly for a few minutes which is the best way to see more birds.

Let us know what you see, particularly if you spot a first time, lifer or an interesting bird you cannot identify. Tom Butler leads the Tuesday morning Bird Walk from the Post Office Veranda at 8 a.m. This is a a good way to see ‘what’s about’ on the trail.

TR bird groups: In recent years well over 100 species have been seen here over the January through March winter season and in some weeks during the 2021-2022 season. Notes will be included covering bird groups that are in our overall listing.

These birds are very specifically referred to as being a ‘group’ rather than ‘families’ as most groups include birds from different families. The ‘family’ is part of the official taxonomic scientific designation that includes the Latin

names and genus, etc; taxonomy being the formal science of species classification that can be quite complex and is best left to the scientists.

The first group is the divers:

Seven species may be seen at TR, though three of them are relatively uncommon. The common ones include:

—The Osprey which with patience can be seen hovering then diving and catching fish.

—The Belted Kingfisher which does the same but is usually too quick for the fish to be seen.

—Two more fish eaters who dive before swimming underwater quickly enough to catch a fish.

—The Double-crested Cormorant grabs fish prey with a beak having a sharp hook at the end.

—The Anhinga spears its fish with a dagger sharpened beak.

The uncommon ones include:

—The Pied-billed Grebe looks like a very small duck but is not in a duck ‘family.’ It swims very quickly and frequently seems to not surface at all after a dive because it swims a long way and surfaces in undergrowth at the ends of a pond. Like the other two swimmers the grebe has its legs set well back in the body for swimming efficiency so they waddle a lot on land just like the two diving ducks we have seen at TR.

—The Bufflehead and the Hooded Merganser are both great birds to see in their breeding plumage but they are uncommon at TR only occasionally stopping here during migration and,

unfortunately, there is a huge number of lakes and ponds for them to settle on in Pasco County.

Best bird: My current best bird is nothing really special or uncommon this week but it could just be an old friend at Vanishing Lake. One lonely little Spotted Sandpiper has steadily been making its way around the water’s edge. Staying for weeks it could well be the same single bird we have had wintering here for two maybe three years now in a period when very few other sandpipers have been seen at TR. It is a small bird about 7.5 inches long which is not much larger than a a big warbler or sparrow and the winter plumage has no spots. Look for the white breast and patch on the neck as the sandpipers’ back is a sandy color making it difficult to see at the water’s edge. Once you find the white patch it is diagnostic to note that the bird is constantly teetering or dipping its tail.

But how about your best bird?

What are you seeing? Let me know. Has everyone seen the Painted Bunting? Do not forget the Tuesday Bird Walk at 8 a.m. starting at the Post Office Veranda with Tom Butler.

Good birding.



Painted Bunting

First meeting of the Pet Lovers Club is Monday Dec. 20 at 3 p.m. at the Puppy Park.





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# Something new coming to TR



A worker checks for underground utilities.

by Margaret Emmetts

Something new is coming to TR. Perhaps you have noticed all the work taking place around the park.

If you have been a resident of TR for any length of time you will know that TV and Internet have been an ongoing problem.

How many Forum sessions have we sat through where Internet discussions took up most of the meeting? Hopefully a solution is in sight.

The TR Board of Directors has contracted with Spectrum to provide TV and Internet service to the park. Hence the work that you see occurring around the neighborhood.

I'm sure that miles of cable is needed to accommodate our entire facility. You have probably seen the large reels of red cable on trucks waiting to be installed.

Despite some delays, which occur in every project, we are told work is going along on schedule.

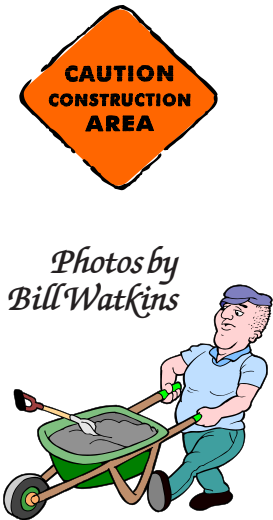
Perhaps the Board will have more information for us at the next Forum meeting.



Where do you think we should put this part of the system?



Looks like a big tangle but we're sure the workers know what they are doing.



Electrical work in progress.

## Deck the TR halls



Garden Club members, Laura Weik, Pam Forsyth, Mary DeWeerd, Donna West, Cathy Holley and Barbara Myles, bring Christmas to the TR Garden.



The finishing touches bring joy and merriment all around the park.



Photos by Bill Watkins



Harold Hughes and Gene Miller wrap the lights on the first tree on The Grove Stage.



Gene Miller and Ken Langell fluff the branches on the second tree.



These soldiers watch over the set now laden with colorful tinsel and beautiful ornaments.



TR Sports

Ladies Golf League Results

Wednesday, Dec. 1  
by Laurie Gardner

We had a wonderful day golfing. Many players shaved off considerable points from last week. The delayed start time was a wonderful idea as it warmed up nicely by 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 1

Low Handicap

Gross

Linda Beausoleil and Sylvia Cole.....40

Shirley-Ann Appleby and Del Duplessis .....43

Jean Bjorgen.....45

Net

Loraine Gould .....35

Laurie Gardner and Dawn Pulleyn.....37

Mary DeWeerd.....38

High Handicap

Gross

Pat Butler .....44

Sandy Pemberton and Phyllis Simmers .....45

Val Mills-Smith.....47

Net

Beannie Wise .....34

Patsy Gordon and Sara Schafer .....35

Pat Daubenmier.....36

Birdies

Shirley-Ann Appleby

Jean Bjorgen

Laurie Gardner

Chip-Ins

Shirley-Ann Appleby

Closest to the Pin

Janet Stevens #3

Sylvia Cole #5

Fewest Putts

Shirley-Ann Appleby ..... 11

Men’s Golf League Results

Thursday, Dec. 2  
by Bill Harkins

Today was our 2nd round of the Men’s League. I would like to welcome all those who have returned to Travelers Rest. These results will count towards our season for average scores. Please let your friends know that the Men’s League has started. I want to thank Barry English who has agreed to help out with the Men’s League until my return Dec. 28. Please remember to count all putts and circle all birdies. If you hand in an incomplete card, I can’t enter accurate scores. I would like to make a correction from last week. Ralph Smith shot 35 not 36 as entered.

All handicaps are based on last known stats, dated March 2020.

Thursday, Dec. 2

Low Handicap (0-8)

Gross

Roy French.....32

Ron Duplessis .....34

Gary Wintle.....36

Low Net

Bill Holley.....30

Bruce Cole .....32

Steve Niles .....33

High Handicap (9-25)

Gross

John DeWeerd, Stacy Grier and Dave Kat .....42

Wayne Branchaud, Mark Cable, Ron Lewis and Duncan McCallum.....43

Ron Haas.....45

Low Net

Neil Jillson .....36

Stan Motycka .....39

Birdies

Roy French.....3

7 players.....1

Chip-ins

Bruce Cole .....1

Putts

Bill Holley, Roy French, Wayne Branchaud and Barry English .....13

Closest to pin

None



Bowling

by Lin Buczek

Friday, Dec. 3

Men’s Scratch High Game

Bill Buczek.....233

Marc Horowitz .....223

Steve Niles .....210

Men’s Scratch High Series

Steve Niles .....593

Marc Horowitz .....580

Bill Buczek.....552

Men’s High Average

Steve Niles .....197

Women’s Scratch High Game

Lin Buczek.....194

Leslie Price.....166

Deb Niles .....157

Women’s Scratch High Series

Leslie Price.....463

Lin Buczek .....452

Deb Niles .....423

Women’s High Average

Leslie Price.....154

Students enjoy the sunshine during TR Golf Lessons



Photos by Bill Watkins

Cristi Watson and her fellow classmates carefully practice their chip shots under the tutelage of Instructor Lynn Myers. Golf instruction is offered every Tuesday from 9 to 11 a.m. for a \$5 fee. The money goes toward beautification of the golf course.





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Obituaries

**EILEEN HONORA DEMLING PESCH**  
Just after midnight on the morning of July 18, 2021, at her home in Travelers Rest and with family by her side, Eileen Pesch passed away peacefully in her sleep. She was 88 years old.

Eileen’s journey began on Jan. 22, 1933 in the Bronx, N.Y. as the second of five children born to the union of her parents, Honora Maddox Demling and Henry Hugh Demling, Sr.

In her early years Eileen enjoyed growing up in the Bronx and often recounted how beautiful it was there. Then one year during a Christmas party, Eileen met Arthur Pesch. As soon as he met Eileen Art knew that she was the one. Their first date was at the Christmas Midnight Mass.

Once Art received permission from Eileen’s father to take her hand in marriage, the couple were married Sept. 18, 1954. They found the perfect house on Long Island, N.Y. to start a family of their own and soon they were blessed with four children: Donna, Mark, Scott and Maura.

All of their children were raised on Long Island and as soon as they could hold a pole Art had them out fishing, teaching them how to bait the hook, cast into the best spots and catch the “big ones.”

Eileen enjoyed working in the business office of the Telephone Company in New York City. She also drove a school bus for special needs children which was a job she loved with LOTS of fun stories shared of her bus driving adventures over the years.

She was an excellent vacation planner even on very little money in the early days. She would research the best places to go, then get the whole family packed up for another adventure to many destinations, including Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire and the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Art and Eileen were snow-birds at TR for many years. In the 90s they both fell in love with a house there which became their beloved home on lot 2521 in The Village.

Eileen was definitely well known among family and friends for her glamorous style. It did not matter where she was going or what she was doing, she had her jewelry on and looked smashing, even in the pool.

Both of them enjoyed the outdoors and loved to go camping. They have camped all throughout the U.S. for decades. It started with a pop up camper then upgraded to an Airstream and they belonged to WBCCI for many years.

Those who enjoyed Eileen’s friendship knew her to be honest, straight forward and loyal. Her family and friends could count on Eileen to have an encouraging word whenever it was needed most. A few of her famous sayings included:

~”If not now, then when?” In other words don’t put off doing the desires of your heart.

~ “One day at a time.”

~”Don’t worry, things will get better.”

~”Let go and let God.”

Eileen is preceded in death by her sister Jean, brother Henry and husband of 65 years and 11 months Arthur Christopher Pesch.

Survivors include 4 children Donna (Steve), Mark (Amy), Scott (Kim) and Maura (John); 4 grandchildren and 2 sisters.

**ROBERTA “BOBBIE” LEE MATKOVICH**  
Roberta Matkovich died Sept. 24, 2021 at the age of 75 after a lengthy battle with cancer. She was born April 5, 1946 to Ben and Georgina Bigos in Chicago, Ill. She grew up in Berwyn, Ill. and took ballet lessons and learned clarinet as a youngster and in high school she enjoyed working part time at the Brookfield Zoo.

She attended Morton Junior College in Berwyn and worked at Jewel Food Store where she was assistant manager. Bobbie met the love of her life, Jim, and they were married Jan. 14, 1967 enjoying a wonderful 54 years of marriage.

Bobbie loved traveling with their three sons throughout the U.S. until they grew up. After Jim’s retirement in 1996 they traveled with WBCCI and their local club at times. They have been to all 50 states, all 11 provinces in Canada and through all of Central America from Texas to Panama by RV. Extended trips included 13 European countries, 14 islands, three times to South America and the Baja twice. They did 44 caravans with Airstream and were national caravan leaders with the Airstream Club.

Bobbie loved TR because it is like one big family. Quilting was a favorite pastime as well as games on “game night.” One of her projects was making hats for Snug Hugs that is associated with a children’s home.

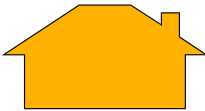
Residents of TR for 20 years Bobbie and Jim started in RV South, moved to the Cabana Section and recently moved into their home on lot 2617 in The Village.

Bobbie was a wonderful mother to her three sons, a wonderful grandmother to her 11 grandchildren and a loving and caring wife to Jim. She is missed by all who knew her.



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**PATSY WOTTLE**  
Patsy Wottle, 78, of East Canton, Ohio passed away Tuesday, July 13, 2021. She was born Oct. 13, 1942 in Lathrop, Ohio to the late Sherman and Thelma (Lonas) North. She is preceded in death by one brother, Edward North. Patsy is survived by her husband of 58 years Jack Wottle. For several years she and Jack resided in TR on Lot 7-11. She was very active in the Crimson Chapeaux Red Hats and enjoyed participating in the TR bowling group.


Thank You!

Dear TR friends,

You gave me a fabulous birthday gift — your friendship. I am so very thrilled to have received cards, phone calls and greetings from so many of you. God is so good to have placed me here with you.

Thank you so much for your friendship.

Jean Helker



**STANLEY PHILLIP BARROWS**  
Stanley Barrows, 82, of South Zanesville, Ohio, passed away Aug. 3, 2021. He was born Jan. 14, 1939 in Athens County, Ohio, a son of the late Kenneth and Ruth (Stanley) Barrows.

Stanley served as a combat medic in the 695th Medical Company of the U.S. Army in Hanau, Germany. Following his military service he worked at Big Bear/Hart’s for 41 years.

After retirement he and wife Wilma enjoyed wintering at Travelers Rest in RV South on lot 17-28. They made many friends as they participated in the numerous activities that were available.

He was a proud member of the American Union Lodge #0001 for 60 years and a long time member of Fair Oaks Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of 62 years Wilma (Powell) Barrows, one son Shayne (Roberta) Barrows, four grandchildren and one step-grandson.



**GORDEN HENLEY MOOERS**  
Gorden Henley Mooers passed away suddenly in the hospital on June 14, 2021 in St. John’s, Newfoundland. He grew up in Woodstock, New Brunswick and joined the Navy when he was 18 years old. After 14 years he left the Navy to study at Carleton University in Ottawa and eventually became a well-respected businessman and owner of Affiliated Real Estate Group of Ottawa.

After he retired Gordon met and married his wife Lorna, whom he dearly loved. They moved to Newfoundland in 2002 and enjoyed getting away from the northern winters at Travelers Rest where they resided on Lot 4-34.

It was at TR that he taught golf, which he enjoyed immensely and made everlasting friends. With his infectious smile and that twinkle in his eye, Gordon had a love of life that came across the moment you met him. His deep love of family was always foremost in his mind and he will be sadly missed by his large family and many friends in Newfoundland and Florida.

He is survived by his wife Lorna and daughters Deborah and Erin (Jeff) Monaghan as well as daughter-in-law Eva (son Michael deceased).

Personal Obituary Form  
(Return to Sharon Cook, TR Box 17-35)

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Date of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

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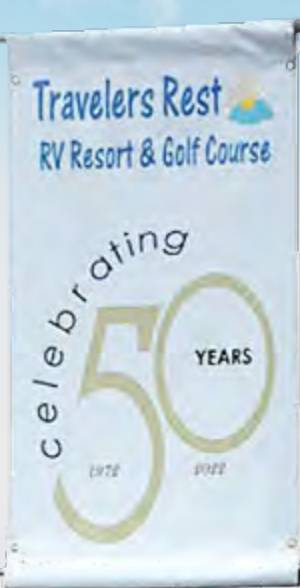
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