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About 80 people attend the January Forum

by Margaret Emmetts

The January Forum was opened at 3 p.m. by Board President Kathy Shawver. She introduced the Board members, who were all present with the exception of Debbie May. Also present were Ray Hill, Donna Sullivan and Guy Weik.

Shawver began by advising residents how to dispose of the round antennas that were no longer necessary due to the installation of Spectrum. Residents of the Cabana section and RV South were advised that they could leave the antennas in place and they would be removed by the Maintenance Department during the summer. Village residents would be responsible for disposal.

Spectrum installed approximately 76 units in The Village in the last week. They are providing their customary \$49.99 professional installation at no cost to all 613 residential sites. Shawver pointed out that this was a bonus that was not a part of the negotiated contract with Spectrum.

Jim Weigand reported that the park is in a healthy cash position. The Board is still trying to reserve a cash cushion until the COVID threat passes. No major capital expenses are planned for the year. To everyone’s surprise, most lots are full despite COVID. People who have not returned to the park because of the virus have still paid their leases.

With regard to the COVID situation in the park, there have been two cases in the last five days. These individuals have experienced mild symptoms. Residents were reminded to stay vigilant. Shawver appreciated people letting the office know when they are not feeling well. She stated that 80% of the reported illnesses were due to colds or sinus infections.

COVID Protocol: Buildings are open and masks are optional. Masks are required in the Business Office and the Post Office, both in the foyer and inner room. Regard-



Photo by Bill Bradford

Board President Kathy Shawver opens the January Forum.

ing park activities, residents were advised to watch for schedule changes. In the instance where an activity chair has a compromised health situation, attendees at that activity should wear a mask.

Jean Cobb is the Board’s Park Health Management person. Her phone is always turned on and anyone who feels ill is free to call any time day or night. If you feel ill, please advise the Main Office. They may be able to help you determine if you have the virus or merely a cold. If in doubt, seek medical attention. If you are tested positive, you should stay home and quarantine for 10 days.

TR’s 50th Anniversary will be celebrated on Feb. 5 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. when the festivities will conclude with fireworks. The affair will be held outdoors. Plans include music, food, drinks and dancing. Residents were reminded to pick up their free tickets for the dinner.

Jim Weigand was asked to speak briefly to answer some questions about Spectrum. He advised that the contract with the company is for a term of five years. It is anticipated the cost of basic service will be included in the annual lease fee during this time.

The floor was opened to questions:

Q – Who was the primary individual responsible for negoti-

ating the Spectrum contract and did the Board plan to recognize this individual in some way.

A – The Board did recognize Mark Horowitz last year for his work in this respect.

Comment: A resident complimented the office staff on how they treated a potential guest. The resident had the opportunity to then take the potential guests for a tour of the park to point out our advantages. The couple booked a 4 month stay immediately after.

Comment: A resident noted that Ray Hill had written a good article in the paper about park recycling. The resident then admonished residents for not following Hill’s advice. The resident brought examples of large boxes that had not been flattened before being discarded. He also noted that someone had left a set of golf clubs and chairs by the dumpster.

Comment: Several residents complimented the Board for negotiating the Spectrum contract and for their handling of the COVID situation in the park.

Q – A resident noted that some new park models had not been installed with the proper skirting and asked if this matter was being pursued?

A – Due to COVID some new residents were forced to leave

before the work could be completed. The Board was following up on the situation and assured that the work would be done as soon as possible given the COVID situation.

Q – Since Spectrum is first being installed in The Village, a resident asked what the procedure would be for installation in RV South and The Cabanas.

A – Those areas will receive instructions from the Office at the appropriate time.

Q – There is a problem in the Puppy Park regarding an area near the Pavilion where traffic causes an area of bare dirt. Is it possible to put in pavers to help keep the dirt from spreading?

A – The Board’s budget allots \$1,000 per year to the Pet Lovers to use for their program. It was suggested that some of these funds might be used for this purpose.

Q – What procedure is to be followed regarding Spectrum installation for residents that have to leave before their time comes for the work to be done at their location?

A – Spectrum will do the installation next year, again for no cost.

Guy Weik, Activity Director addressed the attendees. He noted that activity schedules are constantly changing and suggested that residents use the website, the illuminated board in the Post Office lobby and *The TR Times* to keep abreast of changes.

The Activity Fair scheduled for Jan. 12 has been cancelled due to less than 10% participation.

The Karaoke activity has also been cancelled because the leader has not been able to return to TR. Also cancelled is the Jubilation Bell Choir.

Weik is working on developing a Coffee Seminar to educate residents on using the website.

The next Veranda Chat is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Jan. 17.

The February Forum will be held on Feb. 7 at 3 p.m.

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

by Margaret Emmetts

By the 1973-1974 season there were 140 sites ready for occupancy in TR. Grading mistakes had been corrected and all was in readiness. The big question was whether or not people would come.

Campers did arrive, slowly at first and eventually in a torrent. Of the 140 sites available, approximately half were occupied that first season. Rates were \$3 per day, \$18 per week, \$54 per month plus electricity. The yearly rate was \$330.

By 1974-75 with 400 sites completed, Travelers Rest was full. The rates became \$4 per day, \$25 per week with full hookups, \$65 per month and \$330 per year plus electric.

By 1975-76 there was a waiting list and two years later

there was a two year waiting list. In time the wait list went to five or more years!

Sheds began to appear in 1974 and Busch Hall interior was taking shape. Around this time the Post Office and Country Store were created. Busch Hall’s stage was built and later expanded by volunteers.



The interior of the Country Store which carried basic foods as well as some trailer parts.

File photos



Linda Gower was one the many Postmasters we have had over the years.

The volunteer attitude at TR remained alive and well with volunteers organizing and running activities and helping to further enhance the park. Other volunteers helped with projects and maintenance including laying the original tile floor in Busch Hall.

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Did you pick up your ticket



by Margaret Emmetts

By now all should know that TR will celebrate its 50th Anniversary of Feb. 5. However, did you carefully read last week’s article about the celebration?

The celebration includes food, but you must obtain a ticket to participate! Tickets are free and are available at the following times:

Post Office from 2:30 to 4 p.m. on Jan. 11, 12, 13, 18, 19 and 20.

Meal servings are scheduled for noon, 1:30 and 3 p.m. You should be prepared to request which time you prefer when picking up your ticket.

Sunday Showtime



JAYCEE DRIESEN

by Sandy Langell

Sunday, Jan. 16, JayCee Driesen brings her talents to The Grove Stage at 3:45 p.m.

JayCee is a female vocalist from Long Island, N.Y. Her bold, signature voice embraces America's rich musical past with her soulful renditions of favorite standards. With her own unique and powerful phrasing she belts out songs such as *At Last* (Etta James), *All That Jazz* (Chicago), *I Who Have Nothing* (Shirley Bassey), *Why Haven't I Heard From You* (Reba McEntire), *God Bless The Child* (Billie Holli-

day). *Empire State of Mind* (Alicia Keys), *Chain of Fools* (Aretha Franklin), *Feeling Good* (Nina Simone) and many more.

JayCee will be accompanied by her 3-piece-band and they are going to fill up The Grove Stage with their exciting sound. Bring your most comfortable lawn chair and sit up close. You won't want to miss a moment.

Announcements will start at 3:45 p.m. and will be followed by concert. Ice cream treats will be available to purchase at the north door of Busch Hall from 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.



GOTTA DANCE

by Doug Pedersen

Booking a song and dance show is almost impossible anymore. Once a favorite at TR, *The New Dawn Singers and Dancers* no longer perform. Therefore I was especially excited to book *Gotta Dance* a song and dance revue honoring legends of the Hollywood movie musicals like Judy Garland, Fred Astaire, Frank Sinatra, Rita Hayworth and Gene Kelly. Included are song and dance highlights from some of the most memorable films in history including: *Cheek to Cheek*, *Pal Joey*, *For Me and My Gal*, *Guys and Dolls*, *On the Town*, *An American in Paris* and *Singin' in the Rain*.

The production is produced by and stars Rome Saladino and a cast of other dancers. Born and raised in Miami, Saladino has a degree in theater and business management from Florida Atlantic University. He owns and operates the Saladino Dance Studio in Boca Raton, Fla., and also teaches dance and ballet at the University of Miami.

Rome sings in the style of Grammy-winning crooner Michael Bublé and his theatrical career has included such roles as *Curly in Oklahoma*, *John the Baptist in Godspell*, *Caleb in Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* and *Charles Dalrymple in Brigadoon*. He has also appeared in *Annie*,

A Chorus Line, *Camelot*, *Fiddler on the Roof* and *West Side Story* and he was one of the leads in *Encore - The American Theater* in Tokyo Disney, Japan. During his ballet career he performed with the Sacramento Ballet, Icelandic Ballet and American Ballet Theatre.

With the legendary music and dance routines in this program you will be singing and dancing all the way home and likely wishing you were as agile and talented as the dancers just seen on our Busch Hall stage. The program begins at 7 p.m. and doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is with a season reserved seat ticket or \$10 per person payable at the door in exact change please or by check payable to Travelers Rest Resort.

Music should strike fire from the heart of man, and bring tears from the eyes of woman.
~ Ludwig van Beethoven

Friday Afternoon LIVE! Golden Voices



Photo submitted by Donna Probes

Doc Probes performing his golden voices collection.

by Donna Probes

On Friday, Jan. 14 at 3:45 p.m. at The Grove Stage, Doc will perform his Golden Voices collection. The collection includes Frank Sinatra, Andrea Bocelli and Josh Groban hits along with some of his favorite international songs in Spanish and Russian.



Were you married in 1972?

If you were married in 1972 we hope you will plan on joining us for the annual Golden Anniversary Dance to be held before Valentine's Day on **Friday, Feb. 11**. Note the date change from Feb. 18.

All you have to do is fill out the form below before Jan. 21 and send it to *The TR Times* through the in-park mail or place the form in the *TR Times* box located by the Post Office door in Busch Hall. We will contact you to schedule an interview for our newspaper article about our anniversary couples.

This is a fun evening to celebrate your special event with your friends at TR. The dance honors couples celebrating their 50th anniversary in 2022 however all residents are invited to attend. Tickets to the dance are free for 50th anniversary couples. Others can purchase their tickets at the door. The dance begins at 7 p.m. and ends at 9 p.m. Light refreshments are provided. Photos of the anniversary couples will be taken at the dance.

Celebration plans are subject to change.

Attention:

All couples married in 1972

Will you celebrate your 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2022? If so, we would like to honor you as guests at the dance on **Friday, Feb. 11**. Please complete the coupon below and send it to *The TR Times* by **Friday, Jan. 21**.

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Fifty years *continued from page 1*

In 1975 \$200,000 was raised through interest-free loans from residents for the purchase of the pool. Residents purchased numbered IOUs in \$100 denominations. When park funds enabled repayment, the eligible numbers were called to the office to be paid. It should be noted that \$100 in 1975 funds would be equivalent to little more than \$516 in today's funds. Would you be willing to lend TR more than \$500 today in a no-interest loan?



The pool is funded by interest-free loans from residents.

The mobile home section was also laid out in 1975 and lots were sold for \$3,000 to \$4,000 plus a \$1,000 fee to develop this section, called The Village. Jake Busch owned the first home in this area. Village roads were still not paved and were often a sea of mud, yet about 40 units moved to The Village.



In March of 1974 the first load of sheds arrives.

Betty Ruth inherited about \$12,000 from her mother's estate and she lent it to the Board for the purchase of an office trailer which was manned by volunteers. The 24 by 30 foot double-wide was put in

place in 1976 and extended several years later. The Cabana Section was laid out in 1976 and construction began this time with a reliable contractor. By 1979 virtually all Village lots had been sold and about 100 mobile homes lots were occupied.

By the fall of 1979 roughly seven years after construction began, Travelers Rest had become a dream come true. There were 477 trailer sites and 134 mobile home lots. The park had an office and a recreation hall capable of seating more than 600 persons.



One of the Thanksgiving Feasts held in Busch Hall.

Busch Hall housed rest rooms, a laundry, store and the TR Post Office.



Our current Hobby House was the original farm house.

The original farm house had become an activity center and the newly opened Snack Shack served hot dogs and chili in season. A new Fire Station was complete with fire truck and TR even had its own tour bus, affectionately known as Ole Blue.

As you can see Busch's dream came to fruition in a matter of about six years. You will also note that most of these achievements were accomplished solely through



TR's very first fire truck is shown with the volunteers who manned it.



TR's bus used for resident tours was affectionately known as "Ole Blue."



The TR laundry housed in the rear of Busch Hall

volunteerism, both in manual labor and the lending of resident funds through no-interest loans.

Hopefully, residents today will recognize the value of volunteerism, both in monetary value and the remarkable things that can be accomplished when people pursue a dream.

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

Message from the President



KATHERINE SHAWVER

by Kathy Shawver
TR Board President

So much to celebrate!
It's not difficult to find a long list of reasons to celebrate! We welcome our Canadian neighbors and friends back to Travelers Rest, many of whom couldn't be with us last season. I enjoy observing all the traffic on our community streets, people greeting their neighbors and friends and folks busily making their way to their favorite hobby or sports interest.

Speaking of celebrations, we have a big community party quickly coming up. On Saturday, Feb. 5, we'll gather to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Travelers

Rest RV Resort and Golf Course. It's an important milestone that many businesses are unable to achieve. Economic, social and other conditions often get in the way of organizations being able to celebrate 50 years of the successful business. It hasn't been an easy path for sure. As *The TR Times* shares facts from the development of Travelers Rest, there were hard times and bumps along the way. I wonder if Jacob Busch and all the founders could have imagined how Travelers Rest would grow, adapt and thrive over the course of the first 50 years?

The 50th Anniversary planning team has been working hard for about a year to deliver a fun day for residents and our guests in Golf View and Oak View to celebrate our 50th Anniversary. There has been careful consideration given to protecting the safety for all who attend the day-long event. All activities are outdoors and the tent walls will be rolled up for maximum air circulation.

We hope everyone will join us for this momentous celebration and join in the festivities!



PAUL AND BETTY RUTH

While Jacob Busch had the original idea for the park Paul Ruth was the first paid park employee and Manager from 1973 to 1990. He was referred to as "The man who made it happen." Betty Ruth was also critical in the development of the park by lending monies from her inheritance as a no-interest loan.

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Why not start the New Year with a thank you

At TR we have much for which to be thankful but sometimes we take things for granted.

When I think of things for which I am thankful at TR, my first thoughts go to the First Responders and those individuals who volunteer at our Fire Station.

During my tenure at TR I have witnessed at least three major fires. Several years ago our Fire Chief advised that the average age of our Firefighters was 75. This is really impressive when you realize that in order to qualify as Firefighters they had to go through the full County training program. Among other things, this includes crawling through a smoke-filled building. I don’t know if I could have done that when I was 75.

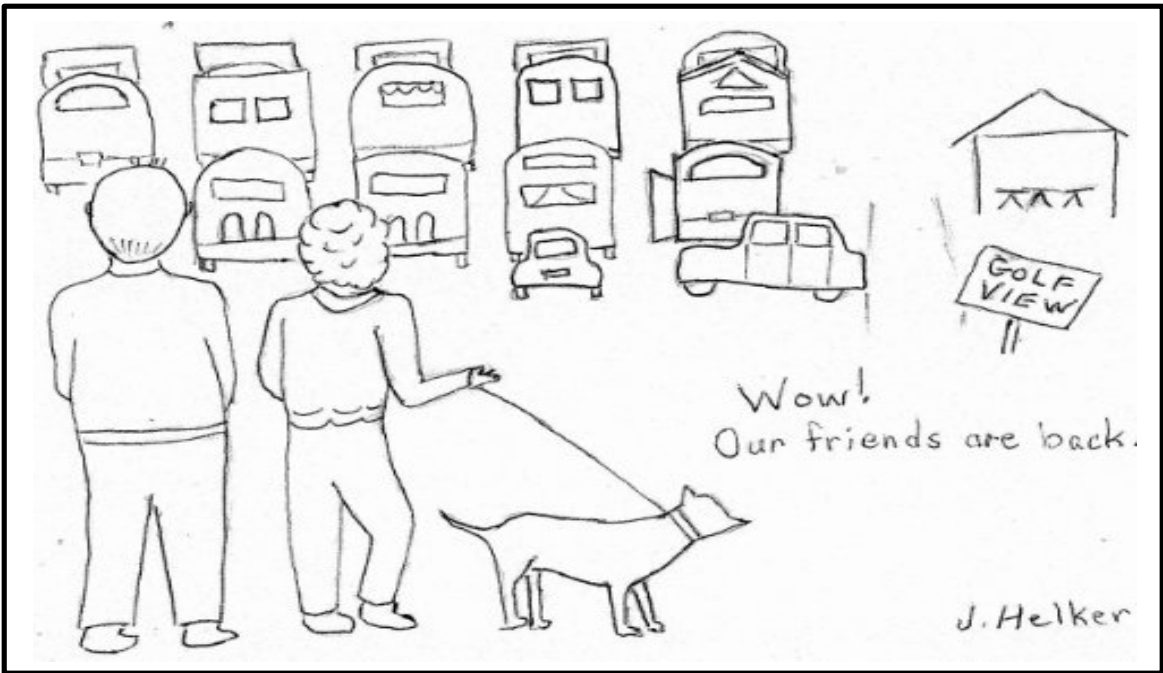
Our Firefighters have done outstanding work in fighting the few fires we have had. The most recent, which was probably the most severe, earned them a commendation from the County for the outstanding way they managed the blaze and avoided ancillary damage.

While home with my family for Christmas, we were talking about the First Responders and Firefighters. My son asked, “How often does the siren usually sound, about once a month?” My response was that the siren sometimes sounds three times in one 24-hour period. This is usually for our First Responders as opposed to the Firefighters.

The calls to which our First Responders answer do not necessarily fall between the hours of 9 and 5, normal business hours. The volunteers, who are our First Responders, like our Firefighters, are on duty 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Often they have to leave their warm beds in the middle of the night to respond to the siren.

Besides answering calls, our First Responders and Firefighters train every Tuesday morning to keep their skills up-to-date. We are fortunate to have several TR resident-instructors who are qualified to teach the necessary course.

If you should meet one of these valuable volunteers this New Year, please be sure to thank them for their service. Remember, you may need their help at some point. *mre*



The Servant’s Plow

The life and spirit of the party

by Chaplain Anthony Shipe

When we think of Jesus’ miracles, we usually think of Him helping those in desperate need—feeding the hungry, healing the blind and the lame, delivering the demon-possessed or even raising the dead. These account for most of Jesus’ miracles narrated in the Gospels; they are acts which relieve suffering, which restore life, health and wholeness.

It is perhaps a bit surprising, then, that the first miracle of Jesus’ ministry in John’s Gospel is one that seems almost frivolous. There is no desperate, life-threatening need in this story, no crisis of hunger or illness. Rather, the crisis in this story is that the wine has run out at a wedding banquet. It is a problem which threatens to cut a wedding celebration short and to cause considerable embarrassment to the hosts, but certainly poses no immediate danger to anyone’s life or health.

When Jesus’ mother tells Him about the situation, Jesus himself seems to dismiss it at first as not worthy of His concern. “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” (John 2:4). The hour of which Jesus speaks in John’s Gospel is the event of his death, resurrection, and ascension to the Father. Certainly, Jesus has more important things about which to be concerned than a shortage of wine. But His mother seems to know better, as mothers often do. “Do whatever He tells you,” Mary tells the servants (John 2:5). She seems to know that despite Jesus’ dismissive response, He will do something to resolve the problem.

What is it that Jesus’ mother knows about her son? Why does Jesus perform a miracle after all and why such an extravagant one at that? John tells us that there were six stone water jars which held 20-30 gallons each. Each of these was filled with water which Jesus then turned to wine for a total of 120-180 gallons.

Not only was this wine great in quantity, but it was also high in quality. The chief steward comments to the bridegroom, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become



ANTHONY SHIPE

drunk, but you have saved the good wine until now.” (John 2:10). The chief steward does not know that it is Jesus who is responsible for this abundant supply of good wine, but Mary knows, the servants know, and we the readers know. Still, our question remains, why such an extravagant miracle?

In fact, John does not call this act a miracle, but a sign. It is the first of seven such signs in John’s Gospel. Signs point us to something beyond themselves, as road signs alert us to something that lies ahead of or before us. The sign of Jesus changing the water into wine at the Cana wedding points us to something far more valuable than the wine itself, as fine as the wine may be. It points us to the source of all life and joy.

The image of the wedding banquet is used frequently in Scripture as a picture of the restoration of Israel, and wine is frequently used as a symbol of the joy and celebration associated with salvation. Amos, for example, speaks of the day when “the mountains shall drip sweet wine and all the hills shall flow with it.” (Amos 9:13). Isaiah speaks of the feast that God will prepare for all peoples, “a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines ... of well-aged wines strained clear.” (Isaiah 25:6). The abundance of fine wine is a symbol of the abundance of joy that awaits not only Israel, but all peoples on the day of God’s salvation.

Jesus’ extravagant miracle of changing the water into wine is a sign that in Him, life, joy, and salvation have arrived. At the beginning of John’s Gospel, the narrator told us that “in Him was

life, and that life was the light of all people.” (John 1:4). And later in the Gospel, Jesus will tell us, “I have come that they might have life, and have it abundantly.” (John 10:10).

Abundant life is more than mere existence or survival, and certainly more than an abundance of material things. Abundant life is to know and be known by the One through whom all life came into being (John 1:3, see also John 17:3). It is to have an intimate relationship with the One who loves us so much that He does not know how to stop giving. It is the kind of life depicted by the abundance of fine wine in this story.

Of course, abundant life does not mean a life of ease, comfort, and luxury or an absence of sorrow and suffering. But it does mean that in Jesus we have an abundant, extravagant source of grace to sustain us, grace that is more than sufficient to provide where we fall short and to give us joy even amid sorrow and struggle. Abundant life means that in Christ we are joined to the source of true life, life that is rich, full and eternal; life that neither sorrow, nor suffering, nor death itself can destroy.

The Gospel of John does not use the synoptic expression “reign of God” very often, but it certainly shows us what the reign of God is like. It is like a village called Cana where a wedding celebration is held to which everyone is invited and at which the guests are surprised by the abundance and quality of the wine. This first of Jesus’ signs in John’s Gospel shows us that the true bridegroom has arrived (John 1:29), and He is truly the life and spirit of the party!

May you be richly blessed in the year ahead.

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by Jean Cobb
RN and First Responder

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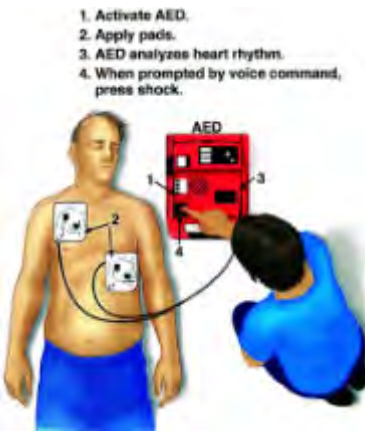
AEDs are located in many places that you go: shopping malls, airports, gyms, restaurants and schools to name a few. There are several different manufacturers but they all work the same way. Turn on the AED and follow the verbal directions.

TR has four AEDs available 24 hours a day for residents and guests in the park. Two are in white boxes with red lights on top (one on the outside wall of Citrus East and one on the outside wall of Busch Hall near the pool); one is at the Snack Shack; one is on the front seat of the TR First Responder Cart. If you open the door of

Get the AED!

the white boxes an alarm sounds and the red light begins to flash as an emergency alert. Don't worry about the alarm. It will quit on its own and will be reset later by Fire/Rescue personnel. **Important: Opening the AED box does NOT notify 911.**

If you see someone suddenly lose consciousness, dial 911 and send someone to get an AED and bring it to the patient. If you or a bystander knows CPR, begin CPR on the patient. Once the AED arrives, turn it on and follow the verbal commands. In TR the First Responders will take over as soon as they arrive.



To use the AED open the cover and turn on the AED. It will begin to talk to you telling you exactly what to do. Simply follow the directions. It will tell you to remove clothing from the upper body of the patient and place sticky electrode pads on the upper right and lower left of the chest. There are diagrams on the pads to show you where to place them. Then the AED will ask you to not touch the patient while it is detecting and analyzing heart rhythm. If the AED determines that a shock is indicated to restore heart rhythm, it will say "shock advised" and give instructions for everyone to stand back and for the rescuer to press the shock button. If it determines that a shock is not necessary, or that it will not restore heart rhythm,

it will say "No shock advised. Continue CPR."

Your Assignment? Take a few minutes this week and find the AEDs at Travelers Rest.

Don't forget the Fire/Rescue Fundraiser, a drive-thru, take home pulled-pork dinner, on Saturday, Jan. 22 starting at 5 p.m. The last opportunity to purchase tickets is Sunday, Jan. 16 following afternoon entertainment. Please help us by supporting our fundraiser so that we can help you as Firefighter and First Responders!

How does the TR Fire/Rescue Association use the money it raises from the pulled-pork dinner? Our purchases always have a direct connection to the health, welfare and safety of TR residents. The proceeds from the fundraiser support our TR Fire/Rescue Training Programs as well as provides supplies and equipment for use within TR. Training supplies support the Certification Class we teach within TR for our new First Responders as well as training sessions for all Firefighters and First Responders every Tuesday morning, the CPR/AED course we teach for TR residents annually and the First Aid Course we teach to park employees.

Previous purchases have included four fire hydrants for the park and the related installation cost, a new siren on top of the Fire Station, an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and first aid supplies in several locations throughout the park. Other purchased items include first aid supply/equipment packs for our First Responders, replacement battery packs for our AEDs when they are used on a call to one of our residents, a desk in the Fire Station for storage of radios and files, a life-sized manikin for Fire/Rescue training, renovation of our supply cabinets at the station and medical supplies that are necessary but not provided by Pasco County.

Healthy tips

by Donna Neer, RN (retired)

Years ago, I contributed *Healthy Tips* articles to *The TR Times*. Recently I was asked, "What happened to those articles that you used to write?" This made me consider submitting some of the articles that I had written. I hope you enjoy these periodic articles and find them informative and helpful.

Medications: Side effects versus allergies / Part 1

All medications have risks as well as benefits. The benefits of medicines are that they can improve your health and well-being by doing what they were designed for (treating a disease, curing infection or relieving pain). The risks are the chances that something unwanted or unexpected will happen when you use a medication be it prescribed or purchased as an over-the-counter item.

Side effects are unwanted/unexpected symptoms or feelings that can occur when you use medications. According to *Web MD*, even the most commonly used over the counter medications such as acetaminophen, ibuprofen, aspirin and naproxen sodium have side effects. Perhaps the most common set of side effects of medications taken orally involve our stomach (nausea, diarrhea or constipation, headaches, dry mouth). Life threatening side effects such as severe bleeding, liver or kidney damage can result if excessive

amounts of certain medications are taken.

Allergic reactions can happen with any drug and can range from itching and rash to a life-threatening (anaphylactic) reaction. An allergic reaction can be localized when swelling, redness and warmth result from an injection of a prescribed medication. Rash, with itching can also occur as a result from some medications. Swelling of the tongue, difficulty breathing, and rapid heart rate are more serious responses (anaphylaxis) to medications and are medical emergencies.

Many of us take herbal remedies and/or vitamins. Herbal remedies do not have FDA approval. These medications also have side effects and may even cause allergic reactions. When taken along with prescribed medications, the potential for adverse side effects and/or an allergic reaction may increase and many of these do not mix well with the medications that our physician may prescribe for us.

It is *so important that you inform your healthcare provider* of all the medications you are taking; its name, dose, and how often you take this medication. We all should be proactive with our health!

In addition to allergies to medications, there are numerous other types of allergies that I will discuss next time.

I accidentally had ketchup on my hands and rubbed my eyes and it gave me Heinz-sight. - Sandy Sasuta

Blood Pressure Clinics held on Tuesdays



Photo by Pam Watkins

Bill Watkins gets his blood pressure checked by Jim Doggett. Blood pressure clinics are free for residents and are held weekly on Tuesdays from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Another health service offered by our TR First Responders. Thank you.



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Activity Affairs

by Guy Weik

I had planned to be writing this update back at TR but our Tuesday morning flight on Jan. 4 was canceled at the last minute because of the snow fiasco in Baltimore. So Laura and I are still here in Connecticut. We are currently booked on a direct flight on Friday, Jan. 7, so hopefully we'll be enjoying your company and much warmer temperatures by the time you are reading this!

I have several activity updates to share with you as of Jan. 7. Please check the Activities Calendar on the TR website for the most recent updates. As soon as I am back at TR to see how we can best accommodate residents with Internet access for their devices, I plan to start Coffee Seminars to assist people who want help with navigating both the website and that online calendar.

Continuing activities for all residents

Bingo: Saturdays, 7 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East.

Tuesday Night Movies: Short: 6:45 p.m., Movie: 7:15 p.m. in Citrus East. As of this time, chairs will be set in small groups, and seating will most likely be limited.

Friday Night Dances: New start date: Friday, Jan. 28, 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall, (50's and 60's theme).

Irish Coffee House: Jan. 21, 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall with Doc and Donna!



GUY WEIK

Pulled Pork Dinner: Jan. 22 (Benefit TR Fire/Rescue 33).

Fundraiser for Sunrise Women's Shelter: Saturday, Jan. 22, 1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Please bring disposable diapers and/or feminine hygiene supplies. See posted notice on Activity Bulletin Board in Busch Hall.

Entertainment Showcase: Jan. 26, 1 to 4 p.m. in Busch Hall, **Friday Night Dance:** Originally planned for Jan. 14 will now be held on Friday, Jan. 28. 50's and 60's will be the theme

TR 50th Anniversary Celebration: Saturday, Feb. 5: You'll need a free meal ticket for one of three seatings. Tickets will be available at the Post Office. See Linda Smith's 50th Anniversary article in last week's paper or information in the Post Office for meal ticket pickup times. We are also looking for volunteers to help for short time periods throughout the day. You can offer to volunteer when you pick up your tickets.

Fashion Show: Still being planned for Thursday, Feb. 10.

February Parkwide Tag Sale: Because the 50th Anniversary celebration takes place on the first Saturday, February's sale will be held on the second Saturday, Feb. 12, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Donuts and coffee may be available at Busch Hall... watch for the coffee/donut signs.

Canceled or Postponed Activities:

Basketweaving: Canceled for this season.

Coffee Socials: Canceled for this season.

Genealogy: Canceled for this season.

Learning Your iPhone: Canceled for this season.

Friday Night Dance: New start date: Jan. 28!

Travelogue Slide Show: Canceled for this season.

Woodcarving: Canceled for this season or postponed until a temporary chairperson wants to take charge for the remainder of this season.

Continuing Classes Updates:

Line Dancing: Day Classes: Weekly on Mondays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East;

Night Classes: Monthly on the first Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m. in the Activity Center.

Yoga: Pickleball Yoga only this season Tuesdays and Thursdays 8 to 9 a.m. on the upper courts.

TR Amateur Radio Club moving into high gear

by Bill Howard, N4MU

Not a great deal of news items this week but a positive element is that the club has welcomed several members back into the fold. We now have all four of our club officers in the park with Stan Patterson, KK4PF, having arrived shortly after the New Year.

By the time you read this, we will have had our first meeting of 2022 (on Jan. 13) and at the time of writing, I am hoping to have seen all of our recently arrived members.

In addition, we also have had our January Yard Sale donut and coffee sale. I am hoping it went well. If it were similar to the December sale, we're in very good shape. A special thank you goes out to all the members who volunteer to provide this event, especially under the difficult constraints we are experiencing these days.

Looking forward, plans are still underway for our participation with the TR 50th Anniversary Celebration on Feb. 5. Many thanks go to Dave Baur, W0UXB, for chairing this event.

From the looks of the station logbook, it appears that Dan Zile, WB0YMQ, and Russ Thackery, W9RUS, have been burning up the atmosphere with their activity on the HF bands from the club's communications center. Way to go guys! We need more of that kind of involvement from the members. Not only does it help with



operating skills, it also allows us to know that the equipment is in proper working order.

Well, that's it for this edition – short and hopefully sweet. If you're new to the park, or have just arrived, don't forget to check in to the 2 meter morning simplex net at 8 a.m., Monday through Saturday on 146.430 Mhz. Hope to hear you!

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, Jan. 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center behind the Hobby House. Whether you are a member or just curious, you are most welcome to visit and see what's going on. Oh yes – members or prospective members – please bring some pocket change to pay dues. I'm sure Treasurer Dan will appreciate it!

You are invited to an orientation to Five Crowns



by Jackie Thackery

Anyone available for the game Five Crowns on Wednesday at 6 p.m., meet at Citrus West. This game is similar to Gin Rummy. The game has FIVE suits and plays 3 to 13 cards. The catch phrase "Count Your Cards" is often heard as a reminder of which card, in addition to the Jokers, are Wild. When there is a Wednesday Night Busch Hall Program our game takes a night off. Masks are encouraged but not required. However, please do not come if you are sick or exposed to someone who is. Thank you.

Waist Watchers are alive and well



by Jackie Thackery

Three of us met on the Hobby House Porch Thursday, Jan. 6, 2022 from 8:30 to 9 a.m. This was a good time to remotivate. We have room for many more people with goals of encouraging each other in weight control. Men and women are welcome. Not all need to lose weight. No particular plan is taught, although several have been discussed.

Getting acquainted, encouraging, finding joy and fellowship are all goals of our sessions. Have an extra 30 minutes? Try sitting, visiting and exchanging ideas with us after weighing in.

Travelettes Women's Chorus 2022 Season



by Mary Beth Coldren

Travelettes is a women's chorus that has been a part of TR for many years and we are currently recruiting new members.

If you enjoy singing and would like to be a part of a choral group, join us this Wednesday, Jan. 12 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Activity Center. It is a great way to develop new friendships, challenge your musical skills and fill your soul with music!

Our main focus is secular music with 3-part harmonies that challenge us to prepare for opportunities to entertain inside and outside of TR.

We are on the Sunday Night Entertainment schedule for March 27 and will use some of our Wednesday rehearsals to perform at local senior facilities as COVID conditions allow.

Andrea Patterson will be serving as our guest director for the season. If you have any questions call Mary Beth Coldren at 570-351-2497.



TR ROCKS



Photos by Kathleen Kushman

Diane Duguay and Tia Paquette creating painted rocks for residents to find at TR.

by Diana Hill

Maybe you have noticed there are some colorful, painted rocks around Travelers Rest. In March 2020 with COVID keeping us all homebound, I started painting rocks to spread some joy to those here at TR. Never having painted before I ended up painting 197 rocks. Now others are painting rocks, too. We invite you to join the fun and put a smile on someone's face. Look for us on Facebook under TR Rocks and ask to join.

There was enough interest in this activity that I decided to create a class for potential rock painters.

- When? Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Where? The Activity Center
- Cost/Supplies: To do a test drive, I have rocks, paint, brushes, palettes and other supplies for you to use. I also keep a tip jar if you want to contribute to the cost of materials.

There will be a different project for each week but you can work on your own thing while we share camaraderie. So far, we've

painted a ladybug and Nemo is next, but I can help you catch up on anything that you missed.

I have a notebook for you with rock painting basics and tips, as well as info on books and websites that will be useful. You don't have to be an artist. We're starting with basic projects and hope to move along to dotting, photo transfers and resin. This is a COVID-safe class; masks are required please.

Come join us and be a TR rockstar.



Some of the beauties to look for while exploring the park.



Diana Hill leading her class down a charming rocky road.

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LINDA SPENCER
by Linda Spencer



Saturday, Jan. 15, 81 Bay Brewing will host the **Gasparilla Bash** from 7 to 11 p.m. at 4465 West Gandy Blvd, #600, in Tampa. Proceeds from the event benefit local nonprofits via the Rotary Club of Tampa Foundation Grant

process. Last year over \$85,000 in grants to local nonprofits were awarded. Additional information can be found at gasparilla-bash.org.



TAMPA

Sunday, Jan. 16 the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, 5223 Orient Road, Tampa will host **Keith Sweat's Playing for Keeps Tour**. R&B singer and songwriter Keith Sweat is coming to Tampa with this brand new show. Additional information can be found at ticket-network.com.



Saturday, Jan. 29, The Tampa Aquarium will host **The Gasparilla Invasion Cruise**.

Join the Florida Aquarium on a swashbuckling adventure as part of the Gasparilla Pirate Flotilla Invasion. The Bay Spirit II, their 72 ft. Catamaran, will travel across the waters of Hillsborough Bay to meet the Pirate Ship Jose Gasparilla at Ballast Point and join the flotilla in this annual re-enactment of Tampa's historic pirate invasion. All mates will be expected to be at the Aquarium at 9:30 a.m. Additional information can be found at flaquarium.org.

Due to COVID-19 many activities have been cancelled. Please check with event organizers. Hope to have more for you next week. Stay safe.



DAN AND SHARON ZILE

by Sharon and Dan Zile
TR Tour Directors

Starr Mackey, Vice President of Business Development at Small World Tours and Cruises, has a heart for senior travel groups. In fact she still leads tours herself! As she introduced her company to 45 TR residents at the Travel Seminar last Thursday, it was apparent that this family-owned business has retained its "family feel" throughout its 36 years of providing bus trips and senior travel to more than 200 parks.



Photo by Sharon Zile
STARR MACKEY

As a Florida licensed seller of travel her company does not consider payment for a trip to be "theirs" until they have "earned it," maintaining an escrow account to hold the funds until the trip has occurred. Starr also described the company's cancellation policy, \$5M per bus insurance policy, trip activity levels and COVID/illness prevention measures. She welcomed questions from the audience and addressed concerns about trip activity levels and scooter suitability as well as indoor/outdoor dining for our three scheduled day trips.

TR volunteer travel directors Sharon and Dan Zile have scheduled three different day trips with Small World Tours. The Jan. 21 Gadabout Tour is sure to be an epicurean delight with visits to the Russell Stover Candy Distribution Center, an authentic German bakery, a farm-to-table restaurant and ending with a tour and tasting at the Lakeridge Winery.

On Feb. 15 TR travelers will spend the day at Kennedy Space Center and the March 8 trip is Tampa By Land and Sea. All trips are dependent on a minimum of

32 participants. Detailed information about each trip is located on the Travel Bulletin Board near the north drinking fountain in Busch Hall. Registration requires payment and a signed COVID Waiver. Call Sharon or Dan (740-360-3819) to register.

The Cancellation Policy of Small World Tours includes an established cut-off date when refunds are no longer possible, usually about two weeks before a scheduled day trip. However the trip registration is transferable by making the change with Sharon or Dan who will ensure that the bus manifest is accurate at the time of departure.

Ms. Mackey outlined Small World Tours COVID/illness prevention effort, stressing that "it takes a village." Each traveler is responsible for "being well" when entering the bus. The bus will have been sanitized by an electrostatic sprayer that maintains a sanitized surface for seven days.

Additionally the company has installed a Hispacold ECO3 Air Purification System, providing "brand new air" on board the bus every four minutes. More information about the Hispacold ECO3 system can be found on the Small World Tours and Cruises website. Masks are required to enter or exit the bus as well as anytime you are standing. They may be removed five minutes after the door has closed.

Small World Tours has developed Activity Levels to help potential travelers determine the suitability of each trip for their mobility.

Activity Level 1: Anyone can go on this trip regardless of mobility. Scooters and walkers will always be welcome on the bus. Please let Sharon or Dan know when you register.

Activity Level 2: Some walking involved, perhaps some steps, maybe some periods of time standing. The Gadabout Trip is a Level 2 because the winery tour includes one flight of stairs. The Kennedy Space Center trip is also a Level 2.

Activity Level 3: Walking two blocks or more, hopping on and off trolleys, stairs, standing longer periods of time. This Level trip is for people who are mobile.

Adding a bit of light-heartedness to the conclusion of her presentation, Starr Mackey held a drawing and presented a company umbrella to winner Sue Bracken, asking her to bring it along on each trip so that there would never be rain. May it be so!

TR Book Browsers

by Nan Lance

The TR Book Browsers meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month from 2 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West. All are welcome to join us to talk about books on the 2022 reading list:

- Jan. 12 - *American Dirt*
- Jan. 26 - *Sisters-in-law*
- Feb. 9 - *The Library Book*
- Feb. 23 - *Four Winds*
- March 9 - *Sold on Monday*
- March 23 - *Artemis*

OH-IO! Luncheon is scheduled

by Barb Swartz

Calling all Buckeyes! Our annual Ohio Day Get Together is scheduled on Sunday, Jan. 23 at 12:30 p.m. in Citrus East.

The event's sign-up sheet is posted on the Park Activities Bulletin Board in Busch Hall. Please bring a side dish and your own table service. Meat and drinks will be provided. A \$2 donation per person is appreciated.



Contact Barb Swartz at 740-225-1402, Lisa Baker at 740-360-9982 or Jeannie Evans at 614-580-4191 with any questions.

The Friday Night Dance Committee announces dance schedule

by Pam Watkins

The Friday Night Dance Committee announces four dances for this season where our very own Travelaires Orchestra will present their big band sound of music.



Friends can gather on Jan. 28 to roll back time with music from the 50s and 60s.



The ever-popular Golden Anniversary Dance is scheduled on Feb. 11 where couples who celebrate their 50th anniversary in

2022 will be honored. Look for sign-up information on this celebration on page 2 of this paper.



On Feb. 25, we'll let the good times roll with a Mardi Gras theme.



Leprechauns may be seen searching for their missing pots of gold at the dance on Friday, March 11.

Whether you dress for the theme or come as you are, we hope you will join in the fun and support our own Travelaires Orchestra on stage in Busch Hall.

Don't miss these evenings where there is always great music and fun with friends.

Dances are 7 to 9 p.m. and tickets are just \$2 at the door.



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* These activities have not yet started

Activity schedules are subject to change. Always refer to the Activities tab at travelersrestresort.com for the latest information. Contact information for activity chairs can be found in the TR Directory.

ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION
PICKIN’ & GRINNIN’ - 1st, 3rd and 4th Monday of month, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 2nd Monday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Hobby House.

Rob Werner
Harold Keefer

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
Stan Patterson

AQUATICS - POOL (WATER AEROBICS)
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. at the pool.

Linda Smith

***BALLROOM DANCING**
Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Jeffrey Duquette

BASKET WEAVING
Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in 

Nancy Polito

BEADAHOLICS
Mondays, 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Citrus East.

Kathy Lemke
Kathy Kushman

BEADAHOLICS, TOO
Tuesdays, 2 to 4 p.m. at Hobby House Porch.

Dot Brenn

BIBLE STUDY - LADIES AFTERNOON
Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Activity Center.

Rosita Williams

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

BINGO
Saturdays, 7 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East.

Linda Smith

BIRDING
Tuesdays 8 a.m. at Post Office Veranda. Bring binoculars and cameras.

Tom Butler
Norm Eden

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

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

BONFIRE/MONTHLY
Dates and times will be posted in *The TR Times* as they are scheduled.

Phyllis Zitzer

BOOK BROWSERS
2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 2 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West.


Nan Lance

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

BRASS ENSEMBLE
Wednesdays, 2:30 to 4 p.m. in Activity Center. We can always use more brass players.

Bill Watkins
Steve Bowman

BRIDGE CLUB
Beginners lessons - Mondays, 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon in Citrus West. 

Jim Weigand

Intermediate lessons
Tuesdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. in Activity Center.

Connie Bradley

Party Bridge with partners - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. In Citrus West. Partner required.

Connie Bradley

BULLETIN BOARDS IN BUSCH HALL
For information or help with a notice or ad contact:

Betsy Behler
Guy Weik

CHAIR YOGA
Wednesdays, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. in Citrus East.

Donna Smith

CHRISTMAS FEAST
Saturday, December 25, TBD in Busch Hall. More information will be in *The TR Times*.

Pat Butler
Beannie Wise

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
Choir Practice
Fridays, 9:30 to 11 a.m. and Sundays 8:30 a.m. in Busch Hall. Join us.

Bernie Gutridge

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
Barb Swartz

CHURCH COMMITTEE
3rd Fridays, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in Activity Center.


Chairperson needed

CLOGGERS OF TR
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 9 a.m. for beginners and 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for continuing students in Citrus East.


Donna Smith
Donna Neer

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

COFFEE SEMINARS
Thursdays, 8 to 9 a.m. in Paul Rife Room. Watch *The TR Times* for updates. 

Guy Weik

COFFEE SOCIAL
Monday thru Friday, 7:30 - 9 a.m. in Paul Rife Room. Please bring your own mug. 

Jim Matkovich

CREATIVE ART GROUP (CAG)
Mondays, 3 to 5:15 p.m. in Hobby House.

Linda Spencer

CRIBBAGE
Monday, 7 to 9 p.m. in Activities Center.

Chairperson needed

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY - CAMERA
Mondays, 9 a.m. to noon in Golf View Pavilion.

Carey Box

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY - POST PROCESSING
Tuesdays, 1 - 3 p.m. in Citrus East.

Carey Box

DINE-A-ROUND

Sandy Poast

DINING WITH FRIENDS
2nd Saturday, 5 - 7 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Dave /Mary Beth Baur

DISPLAY CASE IN POST OFFICE

Diana Hill

DOMINOES
Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Linda Gough

DRAWING HUMAN FIGURES
Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West.

John Hice

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.

Lois Showers

ENTERTAINMENT SUNDAYS
3:45 p.m. announcements with program following. Performances will be at The Grove Stage or Busch Hall per weather.

Ken and Sandy Langell

EUCHRE
Fridays, 7 to 9:15 p.m. in Citrus West.

Jan Werner

EUCHRE/BID
Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Barb Nelson

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

FIRE RING SCHEDULING

Guy Weik

FIVE CROWNS
Wednesdays (non concert nights only), 6 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West.

Jackie Thackery

FIVE HUNDRED - CARDS
Saturdays, 6:45 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. 

Pat McCallum

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 and Walt Gilson

FRIDAY AFTERNOON LIVE!
Fridays, 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. at The Grove Stage.

Donna Probes

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE
Fridays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. The dance schedule and themes will be listed in *The TR Times*.


Dot Brenn

GAMES NIGHT
Mondays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Snack Shack Pavilion. Non-contact games.

Linda Smith

GARDEN CLUB
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11 a.m. at Lake Margaret.

Richard Fischer

GENEALOGY
Fridays, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East. 

Denise Anderson

GEOCACHING
Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. in the Hobby House.

Bill Bradford

GOLF ASSOCIATION MEETINGS
Monthly meeting 2nd Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. in Hobby House. All members/golfers are welcome.

Vicki Brooks

GOLF ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Contact Office

GOLF - LADIES LEAGUE
Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m. at Starter Shack.

Laurie Gardner

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

Lynn Meyers

GOLF - MENS LEAGUE
Thursdays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. at Starter Shack.

Bill Harkins

GOLF - SCRAMBLES
2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday mornings at Starter Shack.

Tom and Pat Butler

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
Fund raiser only.

Vince Smith

HAND AND FOOT
Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. Come learn this easy game.

Deborah May

HARMONAIRES
Bring your harmonica and play with us. Beginners welcome. Thursdays 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Paul Rife Room. Fridays 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Hobby House.

Don Sides

Bulletin Board

ICE CREAM SOCIAL
Sundays, 3:15 to 3:45 p.m. at Oak View Pavilion weather permitting or in Busch Hall.
Rosita Williams

IPHONE CLASS
Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Susan Stahley

JOKER
Mondays, 6 to 8:30 p.m. in Citrus West
Fridays, 6 to 9 p.m. in Activity Center.
**Vicky Howard (Mon.)
Deborah May (Fri.)**

JUBELLATION HAND BELL CHOIR
Mondays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Jean Cobb

KARAOKE
Non-concert Wednesdays, 7 to 10 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Glenn and Gabriella Young

KITCHEN USAGE
Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Guy Weik

KNOTTY KNITTERS
Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus West.
Jackie Gage

LIBRARY
Southwest corner of Busch Hall. Place donations on bottom shelf of cart behind desk. Magazines to laundry.
**Mary Kosbab
Kay Blunda**

LINE DANCING
Mondays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East
also 1st and 3rd Tuesday 7-9 p.m. Activity Center.
Alex Asair

LOCATOR BOARD
Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Kit and Dick Wheatley

MAH JONG CHINESE
Mondays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Paul Rife Room.
Marcia Hatfield

MAH JONGG - NATIONAL MAH JONGG LEAGUE PLAY
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 1 to 3:30 p.m. at Hobby House. Lessons on Mondays.
Bette Gorman

MATS FOR THE HOMELESS
Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus West.
Pat Dellamuth

MIRROR LAKE YACHT CLUB
Radio Controlled Sailboat Racing -
Practice, Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to noon at Mirror Lake.
Racing, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9 to 11:30 a.m. at Mirror Lake.
Barry Sellick
Powerboat Racing - Mondays and Fridays, 8 to 11 a.m. at Mirror Lake.
Dean Peters

MODEL RAILROAD
Fridays, 10 a.m. to noon in Activity Center.
Brian Krupicka

OIL & ACRYLIC PAINTING
Fridays , 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West.
**Pat Gallagher
Nancy Rogers**

PARTY PLANNERS FOR TR
Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Busch Hall.
**Mary Hunter
Linda Smith**

PET LOVERS OF TR
3rd Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus West.
Judy Leister

PICKLEBALL CLUB
Over a dozen Pickleball activities from beginner to competitive play offered weekly. Check the TR website under Activities > Pickleball for current schedule.
Delia and Carey Box

PINOCHLE
Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.
John Delaney

POKER LADIES NIGHT OUT
Mondays, 7 - 9:30 p.m. , Hobby House.
Gina DiPinto

POKER TEXAS HOLD’EM MEN AND WOMEN
Tuesdays and Saturdays, 7 - 9:30 p.m. in Hobby House.
Jack Davis

POM-POM DRILL TEAM
Tuesdays, 3 to 4 p.m. and Fridays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus East.
Donna Neer

PRODUCE STAND
Mondays and Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the **Oak View Pavilion near Busch Hall.**
Dade City location is in Walmart parking lot.

QUILTING
Thursdays at 9:30 a.m to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall.
2nd Thursday Guild Meeting/Show and Tell.
Ethel Polsdofer

RC AIRPLANE FLYING
Parlor - Thursdays, 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Fly indoor-rated, radio-controlled model airplane, helicopter or drone.
Outdoor - Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m. to noon, at the Golf Course 9th hole. Fly electric only, radio-controlled model airplane, helicopter or drone.
James Morrow

RC MOTORSPORTS
Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. at RC Motorsports track by Snack Shack.
Scott Tartaglia

RESIDENT FORUM
First Mondays, 3 to 4 p.m. in Busch Hall. Open to everyone to ask questions and discuss issues with the Board.

ROCK PAINTING
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Activity Center.
Diana Hill

RUG HOOKING
Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Hobby House Porch. A small avid group. Join us and make something beautiful.
Tawnya Rowden

SCRABBLE
Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Jeffrey Duquette

SCRAPBOOKING/CARD MAKING
Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Busch Hall stage area.
Denise Matthews

SEW SPECIAL AND MACHINE EMBROIDERY
Mondays, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. Welcome to cut out and sew. Bring machine, projects, ideas.
3rd Mondays - Show and Tell.
Rosita Williams

SHUFFLEBOARD
Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Competition.
Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Dimes Day.
Richard Von Qualen

SNACK SHACK
Monday thru Friday, 11:30 a.m. To 1:30 p.m.
Jack Carey

SNACK SHACK PAVILION USAGE
Requests to use after hours contact:
Guy Weik

SPORTS CLUB
Charter Boat Fishing, Indoor Target, Outdoor Sporting Clay, Skeet and Trap, Archery, Kayaking and Canoeing.
Wednesdays, 12 to 1 p.m. in Citrus West.
All are welcome. Competitions and classes.
Ray LoPresti

STAINED GLASS
Mondays, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. in Activity Center.
Wednesdays, 4 to 7 p.m. in Activity Center.
Fridays, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Activity Center.
**Laura Apgar
Laverne Dennison
Instructor - Sherry Harbert**

TABLE TENNIS/PING PONG
Mondays and Thursdays, set up at 2:30 p.m., play from 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus East. Extra paddles available.
Chairperson needed

TALENT DISPLAY CASE
The works of talented TR residents are featured in the Post Office Display Case.
Contact Office

TENNIS
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 11:00 a.m.
Guy Weik

TONE & TIGHTEN
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus East. Strengthen your muscles. Bring mat and weights.
Betty Clark

TR ROADRIDERS (MOTORCYCLE CLUB)
1st Mondays, 7 to 9:00 p.m. in Paul Rife Room.
Gene Cribbs

* These activities have not yet started

TR SINGING MEN
Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in Activity Center. All men are invited to sing along.
Steve Gorden

TR TRAVEL
Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Activity Center.
Sharon Gilbert Zile

TR TRAVELAIRES OCHESTRA
Tuesdays, 12:45 to 3:00 p.m. in Busch Hall. New members welcome.
Gene Cribbs

TRAVELETTES/WOMEN’S CHORUS
Wednesdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Activity Center.
Mary Beth Coldren

TRAVELOGUE SLIDE SHOW
2nd and 4th Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus West.
Bert Contractor

TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES (TNM)
Thursdays, 7:30 to 10 p.m. in Activity Center.
Jim and Carol Henrikson

UKULELE
1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 1 to 2 p.m. in Citrus West.
Donna Probes

VETERANS MEETING
2nd Mondays, 10:03 to 11 a.m. in Hobby House.
**Vince Smith
Darold Long**

VILLAGE HAPPY HOUR
Thursdays, 4 to 5:30 p.m. In the event of inclement weather in Hobby House.
Chairperson unknown

WAIST WATCHERS
Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. in Hobby House.
Jackie Thackery

WALKING AEROBICS
Monday thru Friday, 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. in Citrus East.
Gloria Polzin

WATERCOLOR PAINTING
Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East.
Pat Miller

WEIGHTS & STRETCHING
Mondays,Wednesdays and Fridays, 7:50 to 8:30 a.m. in Citrus East.
Sheila Schencke

WIZARD
Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Citrus West.
Debra May

WOOD SHOP
Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Citrus East. Membership \$20. Volunteers needed for projects in the park.
Larry Kurkowski

WOODCARVING
Wednesdays in Citrus West
Beginners - 8:45 to 10 a.m.
Advanced - 10 a.m. to noon
Linda Murphy

YOGA
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 a.m., Pickleball Courts.
Jean Renee DeTar

ZUMBA
Thursdays 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in Activity Center.
Bev Weissinger

PLEASE NOTE:

Activity Chairs - corrections to the Bulletin Board cannot be made unless first submitted to *The TR Times*. Deadline for submissions is always the Friday one week prior to publication. Email your corrections to *thetrimes@gmail.com*



Library News

by Mary Kosbab

One of the reasons we need to re-access our use of library space is the DVD collection which grows every year. DVDs are very popular here at TR and we are happy to have them as part of the library. However they take up quite a bit of space. We have decided to give the DVDs the total wall between Busch Hall and the Library. Doing this means we have to do some moving of books. Your response to the survey will help us determine which categories are being used and need the limited shelf space we have.

Speaking of DVDs I would like to acknowledge the people responsible for the organization of our DVD collection. Bert Contractor, Nan Lance Feeney and Kathy Fuller have taken on the monumental job of maintaining this collection. This is no small



endeavor. We get bags full of new DVDs every year. We do not have room for them all. Bert, Nan and Kathy select those we keep and also take care of this section for us. We very much appreciate the time and effort they give to this collection.

Since we are celebrating our 50th Anniversary I would like to give a little history of our audio-visual collection. It was begun back in the time of VHS and Beta tapes. Casey and Kitty Fisher took care of this collection which at the time was located in the main room of the Hobby House.

Ceil Proust takes care of the audiobook collection which is

especially popular when people get ready to leave the park and want something to help pass the time on the long rides home.

All of these people deserve many thanks from all of us for the job they do and have done.

We hope those who use the Large Print Books and enjoy Biographies have noticed that the two collections have been reversed. The Biography shelves were very full and these moves will give us room to carry the collection around to the back of those bookcases and spread the books out.

Please take some time to stop in the library and browse through the TR Scrapbooks which Peggy Lewis redid for us a few year ago. They are on the bookcases to the right as you go into the library. They will give you an idea of what has happened at TR for the past 50 years. For new people the TR History Books which are also on those bookcases are fascinating reads. We ask that you be sure to return the books to the library after reading.

We have a good number of new volunteers this year. There is a saying “Many hands make light work.” This is definitely true of the library. We welcome all and appreciate the help volunteers give us.

As always, if you have any concerns or questions please contact a member of the library staff. We always welcome your input.

Answers to bird puzzle page 12



- A - Pine Warbler
B - Tricolored Heron
C - Male Painted Bunting
D - Female Cardinal
E - Barred Owl
F - Female Painted Bunting
G - Great Blue Heron

Harrold Cinnamon Buns

Put ingredients into bread maker at room temperature and in the following order.

- 1 cup of milk
1 beaten egg
1/4 cup melted butter
1/4 cup water
1/2 package of instant vanilla pudding (4 Tbsp.)
4 cups all purpose flour
1 Tbsp. of white sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
2 1/4 tsp. yeast

Use dough cycle remove and knead by hand for 3-5 minutes roll into 17 by 10 inch rectangle.

In a microwavable bowl put 1/2 cup soft butter, 1 cup packed brown sugar, 2 tsp. cinnamon. Put in microwave for 10 seconds. Add some chopped walnuts and/or raisins if you like.

Spread mixture over rectangular rolled dough (save some of the mixture for the bottom of baking dish or make more). Roll from wider edge and pinch to make seam.

Cut into ½ to 1 inch slices using a sharp knife or piece of thread.

Butter a 9x13 baking dish and sprinkle in any leftover brown sugar and cinnamon mixture. Lay slices down to fill the pan. Cover with a tea towel, set in warm place, let rise to double. Bake at 350 degrees for 15-20 minutes until golden brown. Enjoy!

Garden News

Lake Margaret Garden and beyond



Photos by Leslie Ewing

Diane Fisher’s Milkweed plant.

by Leslie Ewing

Things in the garden are buzzing. The Christmas lights and decorations are coming down. Garden Club members are preparing the gazebo for Bud Wuebker to hang the stained glass panels again.

More of our members from Canada have returned. We are happy to be back together again. Robert Mignacca is busy caring for the banana plants. Pruning these plants is a huge task. Recently, Alan West used rope to steady the plants while Robert did the cutting.

Kelly Person is working to provide more leaf mulch. The potato vine beetles will spend the winter under the leaf mulch. When the beetles come out in the summer, they eat up the potato vines making the cleanup at the beginning of the season much easier for the volunteers.

Outside of Lake Margaret Garden, TR residents have their own gardens. Diane Fisher grows milkweed plants in pots. These nectar plants provide food and shelter for Monarch butterflies and their caterpillars. Diane has caterpillars as well as Monarch butterfly

chrysalises on her plants. Club member and Florida Master Gardener Phyllis Zitzer has been helping Diane to protect the caterpillars from predation by birds.

The Lake Margaret Garden contains two registered Monarch



Milkweed plant protection.

Butterfly Waystations. There are several different types of nectar plants for residents and guests to view. We hope some residents will be inspired to grow attractive milkweeds to bring butterflies into the park. As always, residents are encouraged to ask questions of our volunteers in the garden. We are learning what works, and also, what doesn't work in Florida weather.

See you in the garden!

Looking Back

by Nan Feeney Lance
10 Years Ago -2012

- Shower singers, lend us your voices. Don Cain invites you to join the TR Men's Singing Chorus. Do not bring soap.
•Phil St. John is the new director of the Travelaires.
•Coffee Socials are going green. Customers are asked to provide their own cup for free beverages or bring \$.25 for a styrofoam cup.

20 Years Ago - 2002

- Fire-Rescue Parade honors Matty Collinane.
•TR's Polar Bear Crazies take an icy dip after two whole trays of ice cubes were flung into the water. There were 20 brave folks.
•Blue barrel update: The Blue barrel shortage was corrected when TR bought barrels for \$1 and volunteers cut them in two, washed them out and added PVC and rope handles.

30 Years Ago - 1992

- 71 TR residents embarked on a seven night cruise into the Caribbean Sea.
•A new golf numbering system began at the Starters' Palace to try to make getting onto the first tee a fairer and more efficient experience. Otherwise, a spinner will still be used!



by Jane Harrold

For more than 15 years our family tradition has been to have homemade cinnamon buns for breakfast on Christmas morning. As usual I was making the buns the day before. Since our daughter was home for the holidays she was working with me assisted by her two very curious, constantly-trying-to-help-by-leaping-up-on-the-kitchen-island cats.

I checked the recipe very carefully since I only make these at Christmas. From previous experience I know the importance of having the ingredients at room temperature so I got everything out an hour before we started making the dough. I spread the yeast on a plate to help it get warm and cracked the egg into a small bowl. Mainly because my daughter was watching I used a real tablespoon from my measuring spoon set instead of a big spoon from the cutlery drawer to get exactly four tablespoons of instant vanilla pudding power. Everything was premeasured and ready. Of course we had it well protected from the four-legged helpers who were determined to get their noses not

Cinnamon buns

to mention their tails into the baking activity.

Working together we put the ingredients into the bread maker bucket in the order listed in the recipe. All went fine until we were dropping the bucket into the bread making machine and spotted a small object on the counter. It was the metal paddle which sits in the bottom of the dough bucket and mixes the ingredients together. Perhaps the cats had moved it out of sight but I suspect a senior citizen was responsible since earlier she had removed the paddle to make sure that the bucket was clean. Oops.

Due to my Scottish heritage throwing the dough out to start over was not an option so we gently poured out everything; wiped the area where the paddle should attach; put it in place and quickly returned the ingredients. Our theory was if the paddle got mixing things together right away the dough would not notice that the wet and dry items were not nicely separated. In the end the cinnamon buns turned out tasty if a little denser than usual, and we laughed about how two cooks and two cats in the kitchen was not an ideal baking plan.

I am attaching the recipe so that readers can try these for a January treat.

Pet Lovers Club

It’s so worth it

by Judy Leister

It was 10:30 p.m. and I took our little dog Fendi out for her last potty break of the night. At first I thought how easy a non-pet person has it. No late night potty walks. No trying to pick the perfect pet food. No cleaning muddy paws and the list goes on and on. After Fendi did her business we came in. I told her she was a good girl and sat down on the edge of the chair to pet her head. That led to her jumping in my lap for cuddles. Then she raced down the hall and returned with her favorite toy which she offered to me. I threw it and off she went to retrieve it. Next she wanted to play tug of war with that toy. After a lot of smiles from me she jumped in my lap and gave me a big wet kiss. Yep I had to clean my glasses after that slurp but it was so worth it. There is extra work in having a pet but oh, the benefits far outweigh the negatives.

Remember all you went through when you brought a puppy home. You had to make a zillion trips outside to prevent accidents in the house. You had to have good chew toys around at all times to keep the corner of your coffee table from being gnawed on. Hide the shoes if you want to have a matching pair without tooth marks and keep your socks out of the puppy’s reach.

How about those times when you wondered if your four-legged youngster was ever going to walk on a leash like a domesticated animal? There were times you



Photo by Jonie Birkinbine

The look says it is all worth it.

wrapped the leash around your hand so many times to prevent a runaway only to have two of your fingers totally jammed and needing a trip to the doctor.

We eventually worked through all those difficult situations and after a few times when you were almost ready to throw in the towel you saw light at the end of the tunnel. Your puppy sat when you said “Sit.” It pulled its head out of the wastebasket when you said “No” and it ran so fast towards you when you said “Come” that you thought he was going to take you out at the knees. So we add great memories to all those loving cuddles and life with our pets gets better and better.

My human friends might come and go but my dog loves me no matter what. Well, maybe Fendi gave me a bit of an evil eye the

other day when she had to miss two days at the TR Puppy Park, but that sad look was quickly changed to a happy wagging tail and lots of cuddles.

This whole COVID thing has brought us closer to our pets than ever before. We can’t hang out at all of our favorite places or do some of our favorite things with our human friends but our pets are right there for us. We are getting more exercise because our dog needs a walk or the frisbee thrown. We might not be going to as many parties but a trip to a dog beach is always great fun. Wrap up that trip with a stop at the local DQ and set outside with your dog and each enjoy a sundae.....yours topped with chocolate and nuts and his topped with a dog biscuit.

Go cuddle with your pet. It’s SO worth it!



Photo by Judy Leister
SMUDGE

play with the toys he shares with his kitty brother Sam. Sometimes they might challenge each other over a favorite toy but in the end they work things out peacefully. When playtime is over and it’s time for bed, Smudge snuggles up with Jodie in his favorite spot under the covers.

His meals are usually regular cat food but look out if you happen to leave a bowl unattended while preparing yourself a salad, especially if you are putting mushrooms in that salad. Smudge might have something to do with their disappearance. Of course he will have the look of total innocence on his face. He also loves anything that comes in a crinkly bag such as crackers.

Many of our pets have nicknames and so does Smudge. He is also known as Gooby. That comes from all the times they have cleaned off his eye goobers. Whether you are calling him Gooby or Smudge you can’t help but smile when you see that face.

Birding Activity



Some woodpecker group notes

by Norm Eden

This week’s article will include a few notes on the Woodpecker. First, however, last week I missed two important wading friends of the heron and egret group that we do see from time to time. Both of these rated as *best birds* for most of us.

The **Wood Stork** is only found in Florida where it is relatively common year round and may be seen solo or in a small flock wading in shallow water. It feeds by walking very slowly with its lower bill just below the water and then snaps its beak shut, lightning fast, when a small fish swims in. A large bird, generally the size of a Great Blue Heron, it is almost twice as heavy at nearly 6 lbs. and is an odd looking, somewhat ugly white bird with a heavy bill and black bald head and black flight feathers. It flies with feet and neck straight out and soars gracefully. Regularly seen at TR they usually only stay for a day or so.

The other missing bird is also fairly large and lives year round in southern Florida where it is uncommon as it certainly is at TR. However, we have seen one or more several times in the last three winters, sometimes flying overhead where the pink colors are clear and several times a small flock came to roost for a few days. It is the very attractive **Roseate Spoonbill** which feeds by wading in the shallows, swishing its built-in spoon from side to side to catch small fish and invertebrates. A *best bird* worth seeing.

How much wood would a woodpecker peck? The answer has to be “a lot” in relation to the

bird’s size. They all dig in tree bark for food as well as excavating for nesting and for sheltering. This is done mostly in rotting wood which is usually in a tree that is still healthy overall so there will be foliage to make it more difficult for you to spot them. They are almost always solitary and one of the easiest ways to see them is their pronounced undulating flight as they make short trips to the next tree in search of food. Be sure to watch carefully as they do not like being too close to humans and they frequently nip around to the other side of the tree and you have lost sight of it.

There are 19 species of Woodpecker to be found over the whole of the U.S. Eight can be seen in Florida and of these the TR group has four common species living here year round and four more that are in this part of Florida but are uncommon for us.



Photos by Tom Butler
DOWNY WOODPECKER

The common ones are the sparrow-sized **Downy** which is mainly black and white and the **Hairy** which looks just like the Downy but is bigger and is uncommon in the area although

occasionally seen around TR. Probably our most common Woodpecker sighting is the **Red-bellied Woodpecker**, easily identified with a dark barred back and an orange-red head.



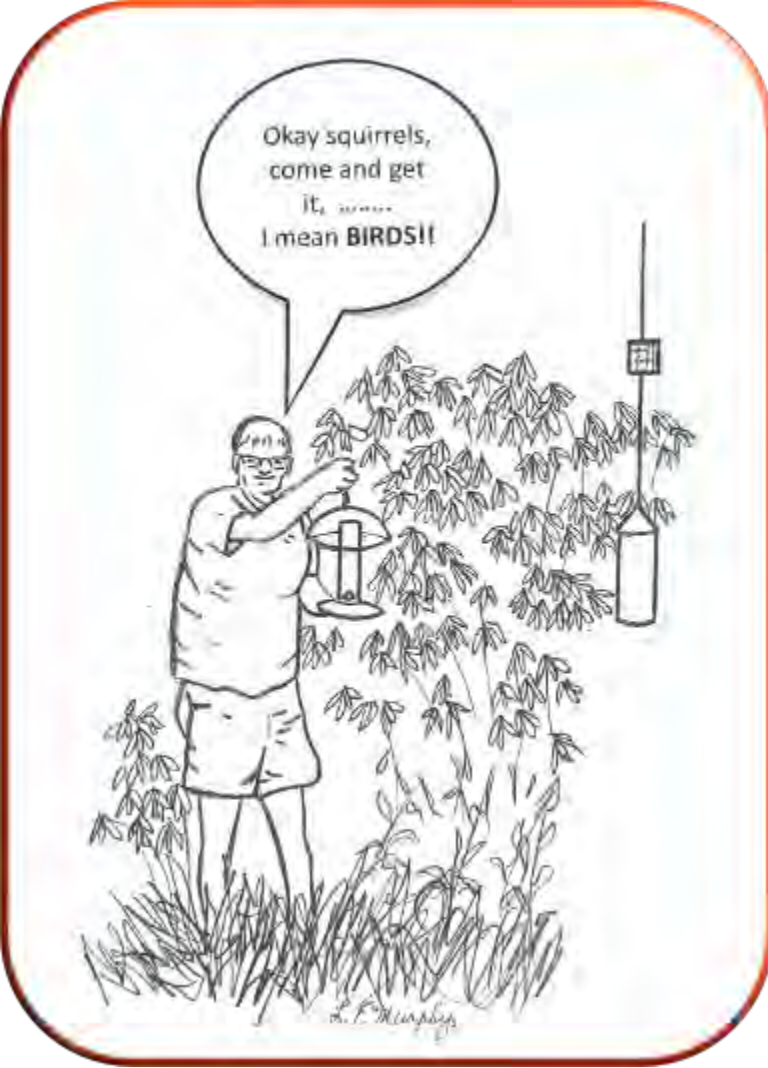
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER

Rarely is there any Red-belly to be seen. Almost twice the size of a Downy, it is about the same size as a Robin. The last of our regular four is the unmistakable **Pileated Woodpecker**, the size of a crow and mostly black with white cheeks and a bright red crest.

There are more we might see locally this winter including the **Northern Flicker**, a large distinctive speckled-brown woodpecker with a black bib and a white rump patch. It appears some years as do the **Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** and the **Red-headed Woodpecker** which does have an all red head.

The final Florida bird is the **Red-cockaded Woodpecker**, an officially endangered species which only lives in a few mature pine forests such as Withlacoochee.

Keep checking to see ‘what’s about?’



Cartoon by Linda Murphy

This wonderful little cartoon of Tom Butler filling his bird feeders is by Linda Murphy, one of our resident artists. Thank you both for sharing your passions.



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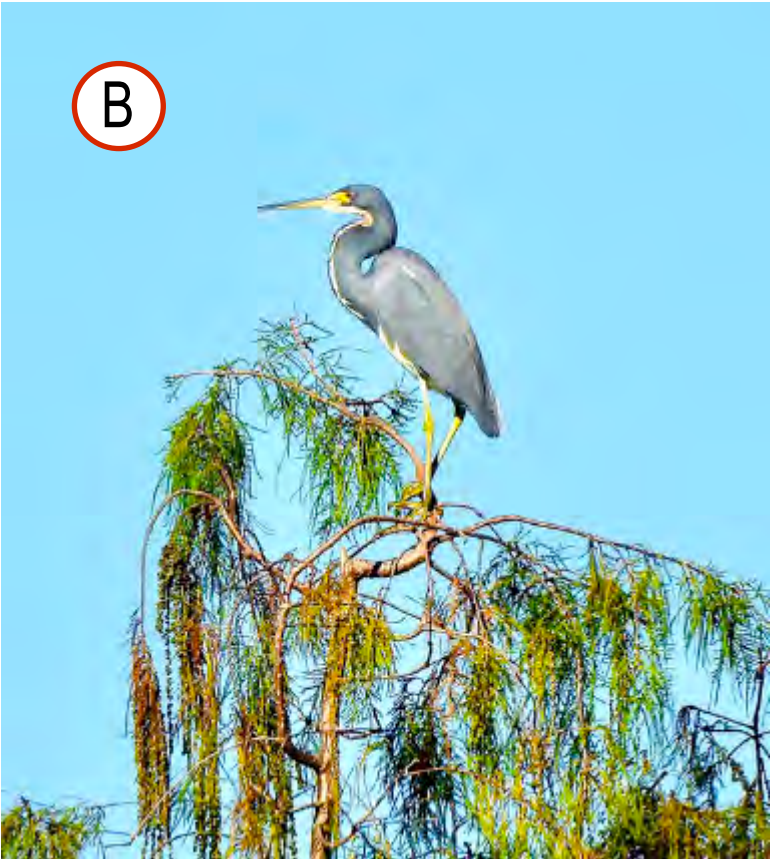
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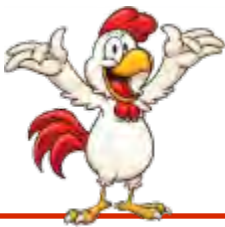
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Some more of the birds
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Can you identify them?



- Great Blue Heron _____

Female Painted Bunting _____

Pine Warbler _____

Barred Owl _____

Male Painted Bunting _____

Female Cardinal _____

Tricolored Heron _____

Photos by Bert Contractor

Answers on page 10





Snack Shack opens Monday



The opening day crew are: Bob Waldo, Crew Chief Fred McGoldrick, Anthony Shipe, Ken Zoanetti, Charlie McGee, Ken Hankinson, Alan West, Dave Baur and Tom Maragnano.



Bob Waldo works to keep up with the lunch crowd.



Ken Hankinson, in the window, takes the orders of Donna West and Brian Whitfield.



Good to see the Snack Shack open again.



Charlie Gardner looks happy to be picking up his lunch.

Photos by Bill and Pam Watkins



Hungry people line up in their carts to pick up their fresh first day lunch.



Clyde Wagner with some Yankee ingenuity, using a broom to ring the bell whose clapper is missing.



Diners wait patiently in line at the pickup window.

A day at the races with RC Motorsports



Two spectators watch as John Toombs, seated, works on driver Susan Zimmerman's race car.



Shelba Tucker's car is the only pink car on the track.



Mark Leister checks out Howard Best's adjustments.

Photos by Carey Box



Rich Kuharick, Bob Kenyon and Mike King are on the driver's stand ready to race.



It was the first day of racing for the season on the new track.



RC Motorsports President Scott Tartaglia gives the drivers their instructions at the start of the race.

TR Sports

Ladies Golf League
results from Wednesday, Jan. 5

by Laurie Gardner

We had 36 golfers join us today at Ladies League golf. There was some great golfing today with a high number of birdies and three chip-ins. Great playing ladies!

If you are interested in serving on a committee to plan the Ladies Luncheon on March 16, please email lgardner30005@me.com or text Laurie Gardner at 678-643-8006.

| Low Handicap (0-12) | High Handicap (+13) |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Gross | Gross |
| Hazel English.....35 | Betty Colborne.....42 |
| Linda Beausoleil.....40 | Phyllis Simmers, |
| Shirley-Ann Appleby, | Barb Swartz.....43 |
| Sylvia Cole.....41 | Sandy Pemberton, Val Smith |
| Net | and Laurie Zentmyer.....46 |
| Laurie Gardner.....32 | Net |
| Joan McLean.....33 | Susan Stahley.....31 |
| Lorraine Gould.....35 | Shannon Harkins.....34 |
| Closest to #5: | Janet Stevens.....35 |
| Hazel English | Closest to #3: |
| Fewest Putts: | Betty Colborne |
| Sylvia Cole.....13 | Birdies: |
| Chip-Ins: | Linda Beausoleil, Vicki Brooks, |
| Linda Beausoleil | Betty Colborne, Hazel English, |
| Vicki Brooks | Joan McLean, Nancy Scime |
| Kathy Carlig | |

Big turnout for golf scramble

by Pat Butler
Saturday, Jan. 8

Nearly 90 golfers came out last Saturday to participate in the “Free String” scramble. The weather was beautiful and fun was had by all.

Winners:

1st Place:
John DeWeerd
Neil Jillson
Don Leech
Sandy Pemberton

2nd Place:
Ken Person
Jim Colbourne
Val Mills-Smith
Dan Varner

3rd Place:
Roy French
Lawrence DeRaaf
Jan Beisel
John Piper

Golfers who haven’t picked up the prize TR golf balls may do so at the Starter Shack.

Come out and join us on Jan. 15 for the “Kick and Throw” scramble! Everyone is welcome and the cost is \$3 per person. Sign up on the clipboard at the Starter Shack.

Plan to meet at 8:30 a.m. and tee off at 9 a.m.

Bowling results

by Lin Buczek
Friday, Jan. 7

Men’s Scratch High Game

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Don Markle..... | 183 |
| Steve Niles..... | 182 |
| Bill Buczek..... | 175 |

Men’s Scratch High Series

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Don Markle..... | 501 |
| Steve Niles..... | 498 |
| Bill Buczek..... | 470 |

Men’s Handicap High Game

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Dave Couture..... | 243 |
| Bill Buczek..... | 227 |
| Steve Niles..... | 196 |

Men’s Handicap High Series

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Dave Couture..... | 667 |
| Bill Buczek..... | 626 |
| Steve Niles..... | 540 |

Men’s High Average

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Steve Niles..... | 199 |
|------------------|-----|

Women’s Scratch High Game

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Pat Markle..... | 187 |
| Leslie Price..... | 179 |
| Lin Buczek..... | 163 |

Women’s Scratch High Series

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Leslie Price..... | 473 |
| Lin Buczek..... | 447 |
| Pat Markle..... | 406 |

Women’s Handicap High Game

| | |
|--------------------|-----|
| Leslie Price..... | 258 |
| Grace Couture..... | 241 |
| Lin Buczek..... | 237 |

Women’s Handicap High Series

| | |
|--------------------|-----|
| Leslie Price..... | 710 |
| Grace Couture..... | 693 |
| Lin Buczek..... | 669 |

Women’s High Average

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Lin Buczek..... | 150 |
|-----------------|-----|

Men’s Golf League
results from Thursday, Jan. 6

by Bill Harkins

Today was our 7th round of the Men’s League and 40 players showed up to play. Please count all putts and circle all birdies. If you hand in an incomplete card, I can’t enter accurate scores. It’s good to be back!

Low Handicap (0-8)

| | |
|---------------------------|----|
| Gross | |
| Dan Varner..... | 33 |
| Gary Carter, Lynn Meyers, | |
| R. Smith..... | 34 |
| John Dennison..... | 35 |

Net

| | |
|-------------------------------|----|
| B. Gould, B. Pemberton, | |
| B. Holley..... | 30 |
| Steve Niles, Ken Person, | |
| J. Delaney, Rob Mathews..... | 31 |
| Tom Butler, Casey Fisher..... | 32 |

Birdies:

| | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Dan Varner, Lynn Meyers, Gary | |
| Carter, Bill Harkins..... | 2 |
| 11 (others)..... | 1 |

Chip-ins:

| | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Bill Gould, Steve Niles, Ken | |
| Person, John Goodger, Stavert | |
| Huestis, Rich Beisel..... | 1 |

High Handicap (9+)

Gross

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| John Deweerd..... | 40 |
| Bill Apgar, Neil Jillson..... | 42 |
| Stavert Huestis, Rick Yoder..... | 43 |

Net

| | |
|---------------------------|----|
| John Piper | |
| Ken Zoanetti, Mark Cable, | |
| Jim Doggett..... | 36 |
| Mark Cable..... | 41 |

Closest to #3:

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Paul Carr (4’4”)..... | |
|-----------------------|--|

Fewest Putts:

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Steve Niles..... | 12 |
| 7 (others)..... | 13 |

Closest to #

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Steve Niles..... | |
|------------------|--|



RC
Motorsports

by Douglas Hatfield
Wednesday, Jan. 5

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| Rich Kuharick..... | 28 |
| Bud Weubker..... | 28 |
| James Chambers..... | 28 |

Saturday, Jan. 8

| | |
|----------------------|----|
| Steve Laymon..... | 30 |
| Scott Tartaglia..... | 30 |
| Harold Best..... | 30 |



Dominoes

Thursday, Jan. 6
by Linda Gough
Table 1

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Linda Gough..... | 196 |
|------------------|-----|

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2551 Phil Simmers
330-533-3820

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Luella Wilson
352-206-8662
tzxdonebyme@aol.com

iPhone 11 Pro used two years. Incudes magnetic wallet case. Sell for **\$400**.
Sharon Cook
813-956-7977

Solution for crossword located on this page.



Thank you

Did you know that we have saints that live right here in TR all year round? They are named Tom and Pat Butler and they are the saints who picked me up at the airport after midnight and brought me here to TR by 3 a.m. Wednesday. We are so lucky to have them here, but please don't embarrass them by genuflecting when they are near.
Thank you, both!
Nan Feeney Lance

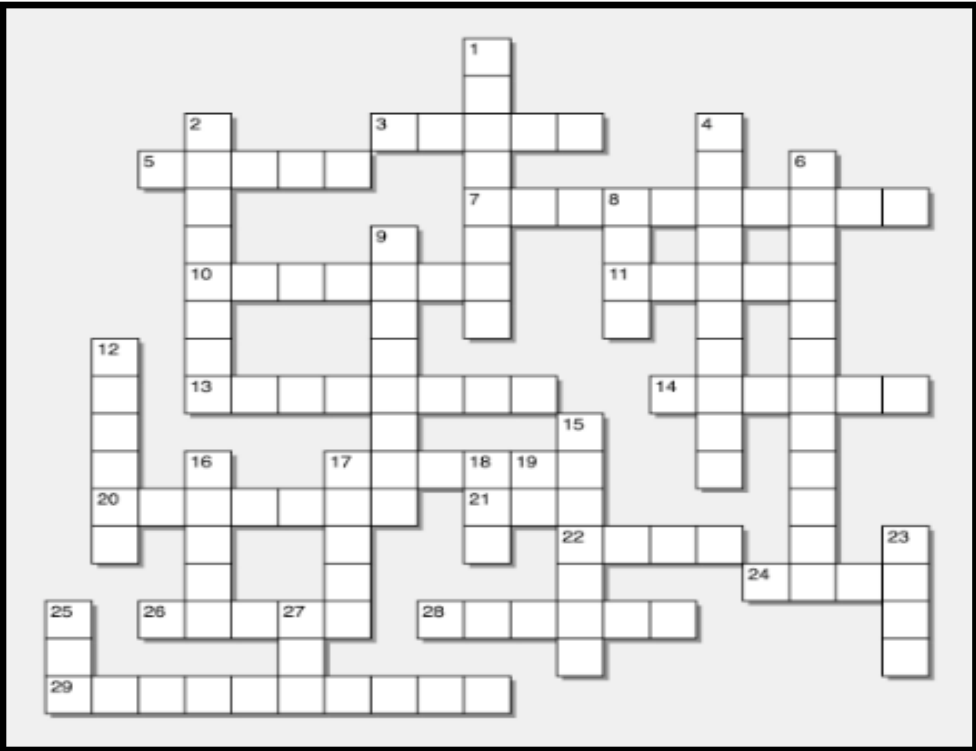


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TR Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 3. Dylan’s “The _____ they are a changin’”
- 5. Italian lawn sport
- 7. Nosh house
- 10. It takes a _____
- 11. Music venue
- 13. Carpenter’s place
- 14. Florida crop
- 17. Poolside hut
- 20. Sudsy environment
- 21. Cove or inlet
- 22. Opposite of low
- 24. Hearty dish
- 26. Ripe for a sermon
- 28. Porcupine cover
- 29. Reflects image

Down

- 1. Trash bin
- 2. Hacker’s vista
- 4. Tracy’s domain
- 6. Elizabeth’s sister’s swimming hole
- 8. Parakeets home
- 9. Jacob’s path
- 12. Round preserved cucumber
- 15. Light beam on a mound
- 16. A beer
- 17. Heron’s cousin
- 18. Sit-ups may improve these
- 19. Chemical symbol for sodium
- 23. Who gives a hoot?
- 25. Emeril says
- 27. Golfer’s goal

Tasty TR

Banana Chocolate Chip Muffins



by Sylvia Cole
3-4 ripe bananas mashed well
¾ C white sugar
½ C soft butter
1 egg lightly beaten
1 ½ C flour
1 tsp. baking soda
½ tsp. salt
1 tsp. vanilla
1 Tblsp. milk
1 ½ C mixed semisweet and white chocolate chips
Cream in mixer bananas, butter, egg and sugar.
Mix flour, baking soda and salt then add to creamed mixture.
Add vanilla and milk then fold in chips.
Bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes.

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