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Hi Lites



TR's 50th Anniversary Celebration!

Saturday, Feb. 5, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
at the Driving Range.
See page 2.



Sunday Showtime

Sammy Lane performs
Sunday, Feb. 6 at 3:45 p.m.
See page 2.



Tuesday Night Movies

TNM opens Feb. 8. doors open
at 6:45 p.m. in Citrus East.



Happy Girls Fashion Show

Thursday, Feb. 10, in
Busch Hall. See page 7.



Golden Anniversary Dance

Friday, Feb. 11, 7 p.m. in
Busch Hall. See page 2.

Activity Reminders

Habitat needs You

Need 10 to 15 people for build
on Feb. 15-17 in Dade City.
See page 6.

TRGA Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Save the date - Feb. 17. Get
your tickets soon. See page 14.

Talent Show

Sign up by Feb. 20, and share
your talent.
See page 10.

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

by Margaret Emmetts

In 2016 after 14 years of service to the park Randy and Billie Doell retired as managers. They were replaced by Ray Hill who is well known to all residents. Hill has worked at TR for many, many years in a variety of positions including Head of Maintenance and certainly has a thorough knowledge of all park operations. In the past few years it has been Hill working with the TR Board who has overseen the changes necessary to keep TR growing.



Ray Hill has not changed a bit since he first began his career at TR.

A full park with its many activities again created a need for more meeting space. To accommodate this need another activity building was added. The yet to be officially named building is situated between the Fire Station and the Citrus Center.



NEW ACTIVITY BUILDING

For many years the Woodshop had occupied a less than suitable location near the Maintenance Yard. Recently a brand new building was installed to house the Woodshop. The new location to the left of the Fire Station includes sufficient space for the many pieces of equipment, climate control and the many bells and whistles lacking in the old shop.



Bill Bigelow working in the new Woodshop.



1978 TR POOL

File photos



NEW POOL HANDICAP READY



FIRE RESCUE MEDICAL CART



NEW WOODSHOP

Other improvements include a complete renovation of the pool and the addition of a handicap lift for the Busch Hall stage.

Also, Pasco County has provided TR with a new fire truck and Fire Rescue Medical Cart. The new gasoline-powered cart offers a great deal more space for the TR First Responders growing inventory of new modern equipment.

As you can see, TR is still a dynamic organization which strives to keep up with new resident needs. When TR's history was last written in 2012 the question was whether or not TR would continue to prosper. Obviously the progress over the last ten years illustrates that TR is in good hands as it continues to grow and thrive.

But, will the park be successful in meeting future challenges? The COVID epidemic has placed new stresses on businesses everywhere. The border closing

between Canada and the U.S. has blocked many of our Canadian residents from returning to TR. Activities and entertainment schedules have had to be revised, yet the 2020 and 2021 seasons were still a success.

With good management, foresight and our continuing volunteer philosophy we can look forward to celebrating TR's 60th Anniversary.



A note on the Fifty years is a long time series



DOUG PEDERSEN

In writing the articles to showcase TR's 50th Anniversary, I took information from *The Story of Travelers Rest Resort 1972-2012* which was originally written by Doug Pedersen. Almost everyone in the park knows Doug, but I suspect there are some things about Doug that you do not know.

Douglas Pederson PhD has a Doctorate in Speech Communication. He taught Speech Communication at Penn State University until his retirement in the late 1990s.

Pedersen used this education background for many years as host of Sunday Night Busch Hall programs.

A sweet spot in TR celebrations



This large, wooden cake was placed in front of the Main Office on the occasion of the park's 20th Anniversary.

Sunday

Showtime

Pianist Sammy Lane plays our requests



Sammy Lane at the piano.

by Sandy and Ken Langell

Sammy Lane has not graced our stage since 2020 and it's long past time to have him back. He is one of TR's favorite performers for good reason - not only is he a skilled pianist, he will play your requested selections from memory. You'll find it absolutely amazing!

Blind since birth, Sammy started playing the piano at age 2-1/2, mimicking his mother who was a church pianist. While growing up in Brooklyn, N.Y., he told me he often was asked to play piano when attending nursery school and that he began formal lessons when he was 7. At age 12 he learned to read music in Braille when he began attending a Catholic school for the blind in the Bronx. In the late 60s, his family moved to Sarasota, Fla. A graduate of Sarasota High School he then went on to Oberlin College in Ohio as a music major with a specialty in piano performance, graduating in 1976.

Following graduation he returned to Florida and for many years served as the house pianist at Longboat Key. Sammy married his wife Anita in 1983 and has since served as church organist and pianist, maintained a frequent performance schedule and had a piano tuning business. In fact, he will have tuned our Yamaha grand piano on the Busch Hall stage immediately prior to this performance.

You'll surely enjoy the musical magic of Sammy Lane as you listen to the music the audience requests. Sammy rarely turns down a request - he seems to know every song ever written! The procedure for making on-the-spot requests will be explained for you at the start of the program.

The show is Sunday, Feb. 6, in Busch Hall. Ice cream treats are available from 3:15-3:45 p.m. Announcements start at 3:45 p.m. with the program immediately following.

Meet the Candidates

by Margaret Emmetts

On Thursday, Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. in Busch Hall *The TR Times* will conduct a Meet the Candidates program. This is an opportunity for all residents to meet the candidates, listen to them express their views and ask them questions.

The program will begin with an opening statement from each candidate, to be followed by questions from residents. As is the custom, residents will not address the candidates directly. Please use the coupon on this page to submit your questions to *The TR Times* prior to the program. Coupons will also be available at the meeting and may be submitted there to a *TR Times* representative. Questions may be addressed to a specific candidate or to the entire slate. However, regardless to whom questions are addressed, all will have the opportunity to respond.

Since not all of the candidates have had prior experience as Board members, it would be unreasonable to ask questions regarding interpretation of specific Board Policies and Procedures.

Following the Q and A period, each candidate will give a closing statement.

Please plan to attend to become an informed voter. The election of new Board Members is Tuesday, March 8.

Do you have a question for the candidates?

Meet the candidates on Feb. 17

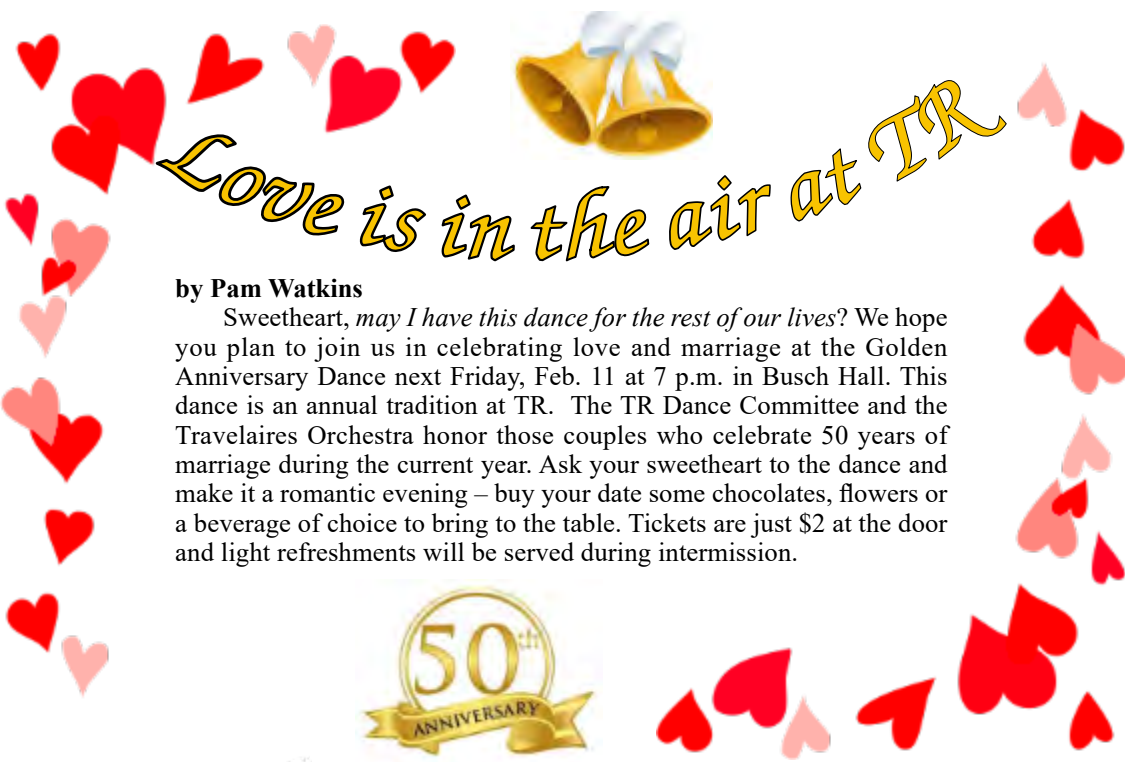
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by Pam Watkins

Sweetheart, *may I have this dance for the rest of our lives?* We hope you plan to join us in celebrating love and marriage at the Golden Anniversary Dance next Friday, Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall. This dance is an annual tradition at TR. The TR Dance Committee and the Travaillaires Orchestra honor those couples who celebrate 50 years of marriage during the current year. Ask your sweetheart to the dance and make it a romantic evening – buy your date some chocolates, flowers or a beverage of choice to bring to the table. Tickets are just \$2 at the door and light refreshments will be served during intermission.



Season ticket holders to receive credit for concert cancellation

by Doug Pedersen

Unfortunately the Carpenters Remembered Annual Spectacular scheduled this past Wednesday, Feb. 2, was canceled as the lead singer had contracted COVID and was unable to perform. This is another example of how schedules continue to be adjusted due to the pandemic.

Persons with season-reserved seats will be given a \$15 credit per ticket toward the 2023 season. Ticket renewals are scheduled to occur in early March 2022.

Thank you for the support

by Ken and Sandy Langell

We would like to give a great big thank you to everyone who so willingly gave their time and labor to make our Talent Showcase on Jan. 26 a success. Events like this require a lot of hands, and even though most of those are invisible to the audience, the event would never happen without them.

Bill Wise and his wonderful parking crew worked outside in the cold temps and pouring rain to get everyone where they needed to be. Our inside crew set up chairs, moved tables, greeted people at the doors and helped us in so many ways. Our TR Maintenance Crew set up tables so we didn't have to. Jan in the TR office did some last-minute printing for us. In the sound booth we had Rick Yoder manning the cameras and Chris DiRoma doing his usual superb job with sound even throughout the heckling received from the stage! Probably the most invisible helper of all was Jeri Miller, who most of

you probably don't realize is upstairs for every Sunday show running the spotlight.

The icing on the cake was the Pickleball Club's fundraiser! Carey and Delia Box headed this effort to make terrific lunches, popcorn, snacks and drinks available for all of us.

They were also outdoors in the cold all afternoon, and Delia must have walked a hundred miles serving as the runner back and forth to the kitchen! They made some money for the Club and helped make our Showcase the best it could be.

Our final nod goes to all of you who came to see the show, and particularly those who gave us input on the performers they liked and would like to have back again. We heard you and we are checking their schedules.

All of this just goes to say that we love and appreciate our TR community.

Thank you for everything!

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Policy changes approved by the Board

POLICY CHANGE 1/3/22

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 >If the Corporate Attorney’s review is challenged, a second legal opinion must be obtained.
 >A written copy of the attorney’s opinion must be available to Stockholders upon request.
(Revised 1-23-18)

POLICY CHANGE 1/3/22

C1010 ABUSE OF RESIDENTS OR EMPLOYEES: ~~Incidents of verbal or physical abuse or threats directed at residents, staff, or management will not be tolerated and will result in an immediate review by the Park Manager who will determine if the incident should be submitted to the Compliance Committee for further action, which may lead to cancellation of the lease and/or suspension of all resort privileges and/or termination of employment.~~ (Revised 1-22-19)

C1010: ABUSE OF RESIDENTS OR EMPLOYEES
All Park guests, residents, and employees are strictly prohibited from verbally or physically abusing, harassing, or threatening any Park guests, residents, staff, employees, or members of management. Examples of conduct that are prohibited by this policy include racial slurs and epithets; negative stereotyping; threatening, intimidating, or hostile acts; denigrating jokes; distribution, display, or discussion of racially-offensive symbols or written or graphic material that ridicules, denigrates, insults, belittles, or shows hostility, aversion, or disrespect toward another person; and offensive or derogatory remarks based on a person’s race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, marital status, citizenship, national origin, genetic information, pregnancy, appearance, or any other characteristic protected by law.

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Peace and friendship with all mankind is our wisest policy, and I wish we may be permitted to pursue it. ~ Thomas Jefferson

Message from the President

by Katherine Shawver

By now residents have received the Annual General Meeting packet and ballot. The Board reviewed 13 Stockholder Bylaw changes, prepared for the election of 3 Board Directors, and planned the 2022 Annual General Meeting of Stockholders. For each of the 13 Bylaw changes the Board sought a legal opinion from the Corporate Attorney and prepared the Board response for each Bylaw change. Some of the proposed Bylaw changes were approved by the Board and the remaining were put on the ballot for Stockholders to approve or reject. The Board spent an extraordinary amount of time on the Bylaw changes work. Any Stockholder can submit Bylaw changes on an annual basis.



KATHERINE SHAWVER

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8 at 2 p.m. in The Grove again this year. Watch for more details in the next couple of weeks.
The season is moving along. TR is buzzing with activity. It’s all good!
Have fun and stay safe!



Another opportunity for your voice to be heard is during your attendance at Resident Forum Meetings.
The next Resident Forum Meeting is on Monday, Feb. 7 at 3 p.m. in Busch Hall.
Your input is valued.

Golf Cart Safety

by TR Office Staff

Hello TR !
Wow what a start to a great season. Welcome back everyone. We hope you had a very safe and happy trip back to us.
Golf Cart Safety
We love riding around in our golf carts. It's just fun. At times though it can be dangerous if we don't follow the rules. Let us refresh.
- Please do not hang out of your golf cart like a teenager.
- No drinking and driving, it's all fun and games until someone goes flying off the golf cart.
- No racing. Golf carts are LSV (Low Speed Vehicles) and should be driven like one.
Now that the fun stuff is covered, let's get serious.
- Where golf cart paths are provided drive only on them and not the grass. We work hard on our golf course, garden, etc. Please care for them as much as we do.
- Keep off the sidewalk. The sidewalk is for walking. There is no reason to drive or park your golf cart on it.
- Watch your speed. The speed limit is 10 mph for automobiles and golf carts.

- Please secure all loose items to avoid anything from flying out like garbage, mail, keys, etc.
- Please use extreme caution in inclement weather. Even though your golf cart may shield you from the rain, it will not shield you from lightning strikes.
- Be alert and mind your surroundings. There is so much going on around you. There are others on the road as well.
- Watch out for automobiles. They are much bigger and can squash you.
- Please be careful of pedestrians walking or crossing the road like golfers, etc.
- Follow all traffic laws. They are put there for everyone’s safety.
- Avoid distractions while operating the golf cart just as you would in an automobile. Be safe and attentive. Avoid talking, texting or reading while driving, also reaching for objects, applying makeup or eating.
- Avoid sharp turns at max speed. This can cause injury to you and your golf cart.
- Avoid excessive speed, sudden starts, stops and fast turns.
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How long have you been married?

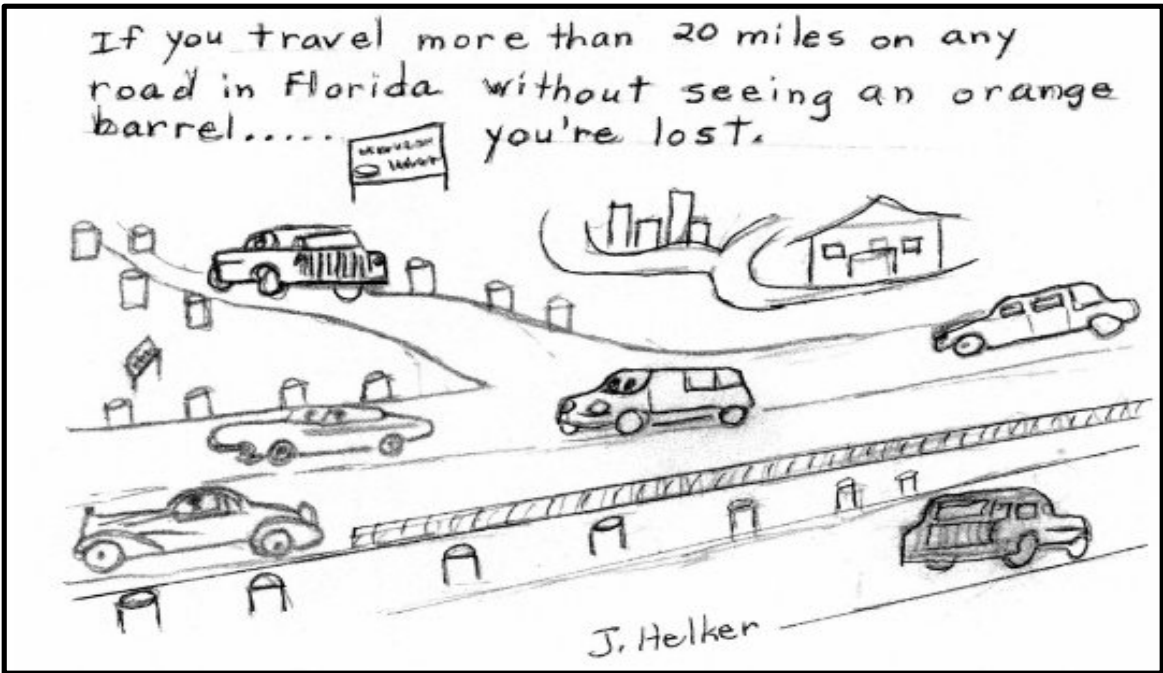
TV news recently celebrated the wedding anniversary of a couple who have been married for 80 years! The husband is 97 and the wife is 98. This is an impressive number of years to be married.

This brought to mind a Sunday Night Busch Hall entertainment many years ago. Apparently the entertainer had never been to TR before. In an effort to warm up the audience before the show, he asked how many in the audience had been married for 25 years. The audience hooted and almost all hands went up. The entertainer’s jaw dropped, but undaunted he continued. How about 30 years, 35 years, 40 years, 45 years and finally 50 years. With each question the audience laughed and few hands went down. At the time we had a couple that had been married over 60 years. If memory serves, the couple treated each other to new golf clubs for their 60th. They jokingly said that they planned to get matching skate boards for their 70th.

Long marriages at TR seem to be based on two factors. The first, of course, is having a good basic relationship. The second, in my opinion, is keeping busy. Folks joke about the name Travelers Rest. They say it should be Travelers No Rest!

If you look about the park you will not find many couch potatoes. We are not the stereotypical old folks who sit in a chair and watch TV all day. Instead we take advantage of the many activities that are available to us each and every week. We are busy. Keeping active helps keep one healthy, ergo, if you have a good relationship you are more likely to have a long marriage.

TR tradition recognizes couples married 50 years each February. So, if you were married in 1972 this is your year. Here’s to many more long and happy marriages. *mre*



The Servant’s Plow

Throw your nets into the deep



by Rev. Anthony B. Shipe

How many of us fear the unknown or refuse to consider repeating the same course of action when situations seem like complete failures?

That is exactly what some poor fishermen felt like after a long strenuous night of waiting and no success bringing in the catch of fish which would have been a business loss in a tough economy. Things dramatically change when Jesus steps aboard the boat the next day.

The story opens in the book of Luke 5: 1-11 with Jesus beside Lake Gennesaret, which is another name for the Sea of Galilee. He borrows a boat on the lakeshore that belongs to a fisherman named Simon. From there he teaches crowds of people. They will not leave him alone, for they want to hear the word of God. As the story unfolds, Jesus asks Simon to go out again to the deep water and to put down the nets for a catch. Simon does so, but with great reluctance.

Clearly the main figure on the scene, apart from Jesus himself, is Simon Peter. It is his boat that Jesus uses. It is he to whom Jesus speaks first, asking him to go into the deep water. Conversely, Simon Peter is the only person who speaks to Jesus. Peter addresses Jesus as *master* in verse 5. But after the miraculous catch, he addresses Jesus as *Lord* in verse 8. Likewise, Simon Peter is the only one whom Jesus addresses directly, both when he tells him to go into the deep water and let down *your* nets (5:4). and, interestingly, even at the end of the story when Jesus says, “Do not be afraid; from now on *you* will be fishing for people” (5:10). In Greek both verbs are second person singular. This is one example of many where the Bible can still be relevant to *us* today.

Jesus directed Simon to put down the nets in the deep water. Simon’s response begins with an age-old point of view: they had fished all night and caught nothing, so why should they expect anything different? Yet they do what Jesus says to do. In the midst of an unpromising situation, the fishermen let down their nets. When they do so, they catch an abundance of



ANTHONY SHIPE

fish. Their nets — made of age-old materials — cannot handle the catch and begin to break.

This event helps establish apostolic authority and model what the apostles, the church and we as Christians are to do. The fishermen indicate their willingness to follow Jesus by doing what He said to do even in the face of unpromising circumstances.

There are features to this story that resonate with other significant biblical themes. When Simon is called, he resists, as do Moses, Isaiah and Jeremiah, to name three (Exodus 3:11; Isaiah 6:1-11; Jeremiah 1:6). Simon objects to Jesus’ command to go out to the deep water, but then he agrees reluctantly (5:5).

The first four apostles were in the fishing business. With their own boats, they were similar to middle class business owners today. They were typical representatives of the broken system of living under Roman oppression, including taxes, and beset by other forms of social conflict and economic distress. Many Christians today can identify with the situation of the apostles.

Luke spells out the ongoing mission of the church in the image: “from now on you will be fishing for people.” This image of fishing recalls earlier instructions from God to prophets to bring people together (to catch them) and save them from judgment (Jeremiah 16:16; Amos 4:2; Habakkuk 1:14-15). The paradigmatic instance of such fishing is in Acts 2:38 where Peter invites the Jewish converts to repent, be baptized and to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Luke affirms this style of fishing for gentiles in Acts 10:1-11:18;

15:1-29. The ministry of the apostles becomes the model for the disciples and the church: as the apostles pulled their nets from the sea teeming with fish in Luke 5:1-11, so the church in Acts fills its nets (so to speak) with both Jews and gentiles and follows Christ.

There is a subtle aspect to this narrative connected to the *deep water*. This theme occurs several times in the translation of the Torah, Prophets and Writings in connection with the primordial sea, or deep bodies of water often a powerful Jewish illustration of chaos. Luke perceives his world as chaotic with hostility between the traditional Jewish faithful and the followers of Jesus, the repressive behavior of the Roman Empire and conflict within the growing church.

In this case in Luke’s gospel, the deep water represents troubles in life, often never-ending situations in which we often feel trapped. Places where we see failure and no success. These are breeding grounds to watch God’s power overcome the impossible and unrelenting circumstances in which we find ourselves.

Jesus instructs us to cast our nets into the abyss of the unknown or chaotic situations that beset us. “Throw your nets into the deep,” He says. Only when we agree to do so, our circumstances begin to change. This is a step in faith. The reality begins to dawn that Jesus has the power to conquer stormy seas, overcome death and bring order to all of His creation. May you find strength to endure the tough times and the ability to rest in safe harbor, under His watchful care.

Never argue with an artist

A kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom as the children drew pictures. The teacher would occasionally walk around and see each child’s artwork. As she approached one little girl who was working especially hard, she asked what the drawing was. The little girl told her: “I’m drawing God!” “But sweetie,” the teacher replied, “no one actually knows what God looks like.” Automatically, the little girl continued drawing and said: “Well, they certainly will in a minute!”

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The Siren



by Jean Cobb
RN and First Responder

Typical medical conditions at TR that prompt 911 calls – what you need to know and do before the First Responders and the ambulance arrive.

“Injury from a Fall”... that is the description that Pasco Fire/Rescue uses when they respond. A scary situation with multiple causes, the effects can range from a few bruises to a life threatening injury. A host of medical conditions can trigger a fall, including heart issues, very high or low blood pressure, stroke, or low blood sugar to name a few. Slips and trips, as well as tumbles from ladders and even roofs can also be the culprit. In general, as the distance to the floor or ground increases,

Injury from a fall

likelihood of severe injury increases as well. However, even a simple trip and fall can cause life threatening injury.

Trauma from falls is the leading cause of injury death among older adults. Weaker bones, more fragile skin, and loss of blood vessel flexibility all combine to make injuries more severe. Medications, particularly blood thinners that many older adults take, can slow clotting and make bleeding difficult to control. There may also be an unstable medical condition that caused the fall which could be overlooked without a complete assessment of the patient.

The most important rule to remember after a fall is DON'T MOVE THE PATIENT, and don't allow them to move on their own. Don't even put a pillow under their head! The patient should remain exactly as they fell until it can be determined that there is no major injury. Falls can cause an immediate head injury or one that may not be apparent until later. Neck and back fractures may not be obvious initially but can cause paralysis if

the bones become displaced by movement. Fractured bones may be concealed but can have jagged ends that can severely injure blood vessels, nerves or organs. There may also be external (obvious) or internal (concealed) bleeding from damaged blood vessels.

CALL 911. Answer the dispatcher's questions, follow the dispatcher's instructions and stay with the patient. Once you tell the Pasco Dispatcher the address and lot number, the TR First Responders and the Pasco ambulance will be notified and help will be on the way.

•When you tell Pasco 911 Dispatch your address ALWAYS INCLUDE THE LOT NUMBER with the address. Example: Traveler's Rest, Lot number 02-16.

•Always give your lot number as a four (4) digit number to avoid confusion. Example 02-16, 10-09. If the First Responders get "Lot 212" on their notification, it could be 02-12 or 21-02, and we may be delayed finding you.

•Be sure your Vial of Life is up to date.

Steps to prevent falls

If you take care of your overall health, you may be able to lower your chances of falling. Most of the time, falls and accidents don't just happen. Here are a few tips to help you avoid falls and broken bones:

Stay physically active. Regular exercise improves muscles and makes you stronger. Mild weight-bearing activities, such as walking or climbing stairs, may slow bone loss from osteoporosis.

Have your eyes and hearing tested. Even small changes in sight and hearing may cause you to fall. If you have a hearing aid, be sure it fits well and wear it.

Find out about the side effects of any medicine you take. If a drug makes you sleepy or dizzy, tell

your doctor or pharmacist.

Get enough sleep. If you are sleepy, you are more likely to fall.

Limit the amount of alcohol you drink. Even a small amount of alcohol can affect your balance and reflexes. Stand up slowly. Getting up too quickly can cause your blood pressure to drop. That can make you feel wobbly. Get your blood pressure checked when lying and standing.

Use an assistive device if you need help feeling steady when you walk. Appropriate use of canes and walkers can prevent falls. If your doctor tells you to use a cane or walker, make sure it is the right size for you and the wheels roll smoothly. This is important when you're walking in areas you don't

know well or where the walkways are uneven. A physical or occupational therapist can help you decide which devices might be helpful and teach you how to use them safely.

Wear non-skid, rubber-soled, low-heeled shoes, or lace-up shoes with non-skid soles that fully support your feet. It is important that the soles are not too thin or too thick.

Always tell your doctor if you have fallen since your last checkup, even if you aren't hurt when you fall. A fall can alert your doctor to a new medical problem or problems with your medications or eyesight that can be corrected.

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Healthy Tips
Cold Sores...an ugly nuisance

by Donna Neer, RN (retired)

Recently I felt it...it felt like a mountain was growing on my upper lip. There it was; a red, ugly, blistered eruption that was slowly developing and looking awful. A cold sore found a home on my lip! Also known as a fever blister, I knew that this unsightly and painful growth was going to be there for at least 10 days or two weeks.

Cold sores are groups of small blisters on the lip and around the mouth. The skin around the blister or blisters (yep, meaning there may be many of them) are often red, swollen and very sore. The blisters may break open and ooze a clear liquid followed by scab formation after a few days.

What causes cold sores (fever blisters)? Cold sores around the mouth are caused by the Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV). The HSV usually enters the body through a break in the skin in or around the mouth. This is spread when a person touches a cold sore or touches infected fluid, such as sharing eating utensils or razors, kissing an infected person, sharing a toothbrush, or touching that person's saliva. Just because a cold sore is scabbed over does not mean that it is no longer contagious.

Additionally stress, sunburn, fever and illness can also trigger an outbreak of one or more fever blisters. Unfortunately, once a person is infected with the Herpes Simplex Virus it stays in your body for the rest of your life.

We humans usually touch our faces hundreds of times every day. If infected with a cold sore, we could easily touch it and possibly spread the virus to whatever you touch next: a telephone handle, keyboard, doorknob, shopping cart handles, etc. I take advantage of using the dispenser of wipes that many stores have available to cleanse the handles of shopping carts. I also carry a small bottle of hand sanitizer in my purse to use at restaurants before I receive my meal.

Cold sores will usually start to heal on their own within a few days. Over-the-counter creams can speed healing. These products should be applied with a cotton-tipped applicator which will lessen the chance that the virus could spread to other parts of your body. If the over-the-counter medication does not help, your healthcare provider can prescribe medication which may shorten the time it takes for the cold sores to heal.



by Gloria Polzin

As most of you know we had a very successful pulled pork dinner last week, and a very big part of that was, of course, ticket sales. Every year that we do a fund raiser continues to blow us away with contributions from people who do not partake of the breakfasts or in this case dinners. There are so many kind and generous people who just want to show their support to TR Station 33.

To all those people we send a heartfelt thank you from your Chief and Fire Rescue Team.



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Activity Affairs

by Guy Weik,
Activities Director

As I meet with chairpersons concerning activities throughout our park, I continue to be very impressed with how careful they and their participants are being in trying to keep our activities going in the safest way possible. They encourage wearing masks, distancing whenever possible, and they are often willing to move the activity to an outside venue if necessary. Even in the midst of this pandemic, we are lucky to have so many activities still active at this time. Everyone's cooperation is greatly appreciated!

The following updates reflect what I have received as of Jan. 28. I am still getting cancellations, postponements and updates daily, so please remember that there's a week's delay between the submission date and publication date for the newspaper. Check the Activities Calendar on the TR website for the most up to date information. Just hit that Activities button and the calendar appears.

Continuing Activities for all Residents...

Veterans' Walk Dedication: TODAY, Feb. 4, 11 a.m., in front of Busch Hall.

TR 50th Anniversary Celebration: Saturday, Feb. 5. **Rain date is Sunday, Feb. 6:** Opening ceremony starts at 9 a.m. Doc and Donna kick off the entertainment at 10 a.m. There are 2 meal times, 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Over 900 residents have picked up their free dinner tickets so far! *Each resident will receive 2 free wine or beer tickets!* 50th Anniversary t-shirts and special mugs are available for sale. These items can be seen in the display case in the Post Office. You can participate in cornhole and golfing competitions starting in the late morning. Tickets for some wonderful door prizes donated by several TR Activities will be sold all day and winners will be announced at 6 p.m. Monies raised will benefit our Activities Fund. The celebration finishes up with dancing and a DJ. See Linda Smith's 50th Anniversary articles in *The TR Times* for further information on the day's planned activities.

Tuesday Night Movies: *Now starting Feb. 8!* Citrus East. Doors open: 6:45 p.m., Movie: 7:15 p.m. *Don't forget to bring your mask.*

February Parkwide Tag Sale: Because the 50th Anniver-



GUY WEIK

sary celebration takes place on the first Saturday, February's Tag Sale will be held on the 2nd Saturday, **Feb. 12, 8:30-11:30 a.m.** Donuts and coffee *may* be available at Busch Hall... watch for the coffee/donut signs.

Habitat Build: Feb. 15-17, 8:30 a.m. To 3 p.m., Dade City. Contact Barb Colson.

TRGA Spaghetti Dinner: Thursday, Feb. 17, Drive thru pickup, Busch Hall, 5 to 6 p.m.

Canceled or Postponed Activities:

Basketweaving: Canceled for this season.

Bingo: Saturdays, 7 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East. **Postponed until Saturday, Feb. 12.**

Chair Yoga: Canceled for this season.

Charter Oak (CT) Soup Day: Canceled.

Coffee Socials: Canceled for this season.

Dulcimer Jam: On Thursdays (6:30 to 9 p.m.) in Citrus East is postponed until further.

Notice: *Dulcimer classes on Mondays are still on.*

Fundraiser for Sunrise Women's Shelter: Postponed until further notice.

Garden Walk: Canceled for March 6. *Watch for a new format in future updates.*

JuBELLation: Postponed until further notice.

Learning Your iPhone: Canceled for this season.

Poker Ladies Night Out: Canceled for this season.

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 Activities Updates:

Ballroom Dancing: Mondays, Busch Hall, 7 to 8 p.m.

Bridge: For beginning and intermediate players. Tuesdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m., Activity Center.

Dulcimer: Mondays: Beginners (9 to 10:15 a.m.) Citrus West, Experienced (10:30 a.m. to noon). *Dulcimer Jam on Thursdays (6:30 to 9:00 p.m.) in Citrus East is postponed.*

Genealogy: Not being taught, but *open for individual research*, Fridays, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Citrus East.

Joker: Mondays, Citrus West, 6:30 p.m. and Fridays, Activity Center, 6:30 p.m.

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

Night Classes: *Every* Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m. in the Activity Center.

Mahjong Chinese: Moved to **Citrus West** (Mondays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m.).

RC Motorsports:

Airplanes: Busch Hall: Thursdays 3 to 5 p.m.; Saturdays 1 to 3 p.m. (unless there's an event scheduled in Busch Hall). Check the online schedule.

Powerboats: Race Mondays and Fridays, 9 a.m. on Mirror Lake.

Sailboats: Race Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9 a.m., on Mirror Lake.

Truck Racing: Race Wednesday and Saturday, 9:30 a.m., at their track near the Snack Shack.

Stained Glass: Monday, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. (Beginners); Wednesday, 4 to 7 p.m., Activity Center. (Experienced); Friday, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Table Tennis: Starting up again! Mondays and Thursdays, 3 to 5 p.m., Citrus East.

TR Road Riders: Monthly meeting (First Monday, 7 to 8 p.m.) moved to **Hobby House.**

Watercolor Painting: *Back on!* Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Citrus East.

Wizard: Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Yoga: Pickleball Yoga only this season (Tuesday, Thursday, 8 to 9 a.m., Upper courts).

Snack Shack off to a great start



by Jack Carey

Since we opened several weeks ago, things are going well. In addition to the cheeseburgers or hot dogs, we are offering chili on Monday, soup on Tuesday and chowder on Thursday. All soups and chowders are homemade and made the day before or the day we offer them. Since the soup container does not fit well in the bag, we will give it to you separate with a top on it.

We are having a very difficult time in getting some of the things we need to stay open. One is the to-go boxes. Since we cannot get them, we are going to wrap the

burger with condiments on the non-cheese side of the burger in an aluminum foil sheet.

It will be placed in a bag along with the coleslaw, chips and water. This should be easier to handle than getting a box with a bag on top and along with that, a soup container.

We are so sorry we cannot offer any special items since it will take too much time and hold up the line.

Many people are asking about the burgers since they are so good. We are using the quarter-pound all-beef patty with NO additives as we have offered in years past. We get them frozen from Sysco Company and they stay frozen until we cook them. All produce is cut up the day of use and not days before. The bun is toasted just before the cook puts the burger on it. I hope that answers why the burgers are so good.

Hope to see you down at the Snack Shack.

First Friday Night Dance



Photo by Pam Watkins

The Travelaires Orchestra led by Director Phil St. John.

by Pam Watkins

Nearly 60 people came out to remember the 50s and 60s in the first Friday Night Dance of the season. Several couples danced all evening to a variety of great music from the Travelaires Orchestra. Thank you Dot Brenn and the Dance Committee for a great evening.



Needs you

by Barbara Colson

We are looking for people who are interested in putting on their work gloves, picking up a hammer, wearing a mask and joining in this year's TR Memorial Habitat for Humanity Build for Jennifer Baldini in Dade City.

The build will take place on Church Street in Dade City on Feb. 15-17. There is a need for 10 to 15 people each day. TR has done it before; let's do it again.

Contact me for further information at 352-206-3210 or email at RVfly48@gmail.com. No prior experience needed.

Thank you so much. Stay safe, healthy and have a marvelous day.



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FASHION SHOW

Happy Girls is theme for Fashion Show

by Elaine Risher

Please join us for the annual Travelers Rest Fashion Show on Thursday, Feb. 10, 2 p.m., in Busch Hall. The theme for this year's show is "Happy Girls." Admission is \$1 payable at the door. Delicious homemade refreshments will be served. The Fashion Show is always a fun and entertaining adventure.

We will practice social distancing and face masks are encouraged. We will do our best to keep everyone safe. Please come!



File photo
Bernadine Gutridge would fit right in with this year's Fashion Show theme.



by Donna Neer

Do you have a talent you would like to share with your TR family? The 2022 TR Talent Show is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, March 6 at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall. This event attracts a huge audience and is a lot of fun. Our last TR Talent Show was pre-COVID (March 2019) and what a show it was! Believe it or not, there were more than 75 people involved in this event including performers on stage, stage crew, sound technicians, production assistants, announcer, lighting technicians, make-up and costume assistants. This is a huge undertaking but, one that I totally enjoy. Performers will be given a maximum of five minutes to present their talent with a maximum of 15 individual acts due to time constraints. Contact Donna Neer, lot 10-71, 419-366-0471.

Mirror Lake Yacht Club annual general meeting

by Dean Peters

Twenty Captains of the sailboats and power boats met on Saturday, Jan. 22 to review the progress of their activity and share experiences on the lake. The financial report was presented by Treasurer Charlie Gardner. Two new members were welcomed, one sailboat Captain Jay Starbody and one power boat Captain Mike Brodeur.

RC Motorsports has now been designated as a major activity group and details of each sport, including sailboats, powerboats, planes and trucks, are now on the TR website. These include costs, race schedule and contact information. A two-page flyer is also being printed that will be available throughout the resort and will be included in each welcome package. The photos and contact information will help prospects identify one or more activities of interest.



Photo by Dean Peters
Jerry McRoberts, Jay Matthews and Barry Sellick hold the Commodore's Gavel.

During wind speed, a pom-pom for determining wind direction, a whistle to stop unruly behavior, and an abacus for complex mathematical calculations. Former Commodores Barry Sellick (on the right) and Jay Matthews (in the center) made the presentation, providing much guidance and encouragement.

The final event was the sale of several boats and miscellaneous model parts/controllers/accessories, all part of Jack Carey's model building career. Commodore McRoberts acknowledged

this gift with sincere thanks. The proceeds of the sale went to the Club treasurer and the successful bidders were very appreciative. There were running models of the famous PT 109 power torpedo boat, several air-boats, and a work-in-progress model of an 1898 coal fired Hudson River tug boat.

All the Captains are looking forward to a continued fun-filled season on the lake and welcome visitors and new members. See the TR website under Things to Do, RC Motorsports for schedule, contact and other details.

2022 TR TALENT SHOW ENTRY FORM

Your Name _____

Lot# _____ Phone: _____

Name of Performing Act: _____

Title of Music: _____
(required so there are no duplicates)

Type of performance (please check):

VOCAL _____ How many performers? _____

INSTRUMENTAL _____ How many performers? _____

SKIT _____ DANCE _____ How many performers? _____

NOTE: EACH ACT LIMITED TO MAXIMUM OF 5 MINUTES.

Audio requirements:

Stage microphone (suspended ceiling) _____

Floor microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____

Stand microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____

Hand microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____

Headset microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____

CD _____ (you must provide 2 CDs)

Other _____

Other Assistance Needed:

Music stands _____ (how many) _____

Chairs _____ (how many) _____

Other _____

(please be specific)

Return entry form to Donna Neer
Lot 10-71 419-366-0471
No later than Friday, Feb. 20, 2022

Amateur Radio Club ready for the 50th

by Bill Howard, N4MU

Well, as this is being written the ham radio club has been preparing the final details for the 50th Celebration at TR.

In fact, as you read this we are setting up our stations at the Driving Range so that they will be ready to go on air early Saturday morning. Two stations will be up and running all day and it is hoped that we make many contacts.

The operators will be tracking how many states and countries we contact. With even nominal signal conditions it isn't unreasonable that we could talk to all 50 states and a number of European and South American stations. Hams the world over have been advised of our endeavors so we are prepared for maximum exposure.

Stations who are contacted may request a "50th Anniversary Certificate" that the club has designed to keep in their collection of other special event stations. For many hams collecting these "QSL Certificates" is a hobby within itself. TR is proud to spread the word about our 50th year.

RV organizations everywhere recognize TR as a premier RV location and, as you might expect, many of these clubs have several members who are ham operators. We'll even have contact with past (and present) hams who have visited TR in the past. For many it will be a thrill to relive past times, great times, at TR.

Since we will be outside we are certainly hoping for favorable weather. Early low temperatures can be tolerated but that nasty rain cannot. Here's hoping for a nice warm day without precipitation. We'll see.

As you're out and about the venue please stop by our station set ups and see who we're talking to. Most importantly, everyone, club members and residents alike, have a fun day. Remember, it took 50 years for us to do this! Don't miss out.

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Bulletin Board

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ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION
PICKIN’ & GRINNIN’ - 1st, 3rd and 4th Monday of month, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 2nd Monday, 11a.m. to 1p.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 - WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY
Tuesdays, 2 to 3:30 p.m. in Citrus West.
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
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.
Doug Hatfield

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 Busch Hall.
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 11a.m. and Sundays 8:30 a.m. in Busch Hall. Join us.
Bernie Gutridge


Praise & Worship
Contemporary Church Services - Saturdays, 4 p.m. in The Grove, weather permitting.
To join a leadership team and to recommend songs or other ideas 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 Busch Hall.
Watch *The TR Times* for updates.

Guy Weik

COFFEE SOCIAL
Monday thru Friday, 7:30 - 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. 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.
Chairperson needed

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
Open for individual research, Fridays, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East.
No chairperson

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.
Hazel English, Bill Harkins, Joan McLean
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

ICE CREAM SOCIAL
Sundays, 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.Busch Hall.
Rosita Williams

IPHONE CLASS
Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Activity Center.

Susan Stahley

Bulletin Board

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

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

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

KITCHEN USAGE
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 and Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m. Activity Center.
Alex Adair

LOCATOR BOARD
Kit and Dick Wheatley

MAH JONG CHINESE
Mondays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West.
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, 9 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
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.
CANCELED
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, Thursdays and Fridays,11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Oak View Pavilion near Busch Hall. Everyday at their Dade City location in Walmart parking lot.
Rosita Williams

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 8 p.m. in Hobby House.
Gene Cribbs

TR SINGING MEN
Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Snack Shack Pavilion. All men are invited to sing along.
Steve Gorden

TR TRAVEL
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.
CANCELED
Bert Contractor

TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES (TNM)
Jim and Carol Henrikson

UKULELE STRUMMING
Small groups will be held on select Tuesdays. Contact Donna by email only.
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.
POSTPONED
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 Busch Hall.
Debra May

WOOD SHOP
Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Membership \$20. Volunteers needed for small projects in the park.
Larry Kurkowski

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

YOGA
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 -9 a.m., Upper Pickleball Courts.
Jean Renee DeTar

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

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Memories of *The TR Times*



by Mary Kosbab

Last year I found out that I am one of the current volunteers whose name has been on *The TR Times* Masthead more than 20 years. Only Bob Freeland has been volunteering with the newspaper longer. As part of our 50th Anniversary Celebration the following is a little history of the newspaper since I became involved with our "weekly miracle."

Some of us know about the mass exodus of workers when Ruth Howes retired as editor in 2003. The paper production method changed from paste up to computer and Larry Halliday took over as editor. Larry's wife Jeannette, Marilyn Pender and I struggled to put the paper together through the following year with very limited knowledge of what we were doing. Then Bill and Jane Harrold former computer teachers entered the picture and saved the paper when they simplified the process for making pages. I can remember Marilyn Pender saying,

"Bless you" to them time and time again.

Marilyn Collins became editor soon after the computer age started and she and her husband Jerry put in countless hours for many years, along with Bill and Jane Harrold and a growing number of volunteers. When Jerry and Marilyn Collins left the park, the future of the paper's leadership was in question. Jane Harrold was the obvious answer for editor; however, she felt she could best serve the paper as production manager, a job equally as important as editor in the day-to-day operation. Who would become editor?

Margaret Emmetts at the time was a pagemaker. Jane wisely saw the potential of Margaret as editor and Margaret agreed to form the Emmetts/Harrold partnership which led the paper for many years.

Filling the pages of the paper is not difficult if there is enough news coming in. What do you do when there are huge spaces that are empty and the deadline time is coming for the paper to go to the publisher? In all the years I worked in the office, we would turn to Margaret who would then sit down and begin writing a "filler" article for the empty space. This would be done in a matter of minutes and it

was always really well done and interesting. That is when we dubbed her with the title of Blah-Blah Queen. It is truly a term of respect. As I read *The TR Times* this year and see her name as byline, and the great articles she writes, I know she continues to earn this very affectionate title.

In this article I also want to mention Penny Revell for the outstanding work she did in both production and advertising during the years she was involved.

Now the new workforce has arrived to continue *The TR Times* tradition. Pam Watkins, Karen Waldo and other volunteers have stepped forward. Richard Kushman has led the pagemakers in using a new computer program. Margaret Emmetts and Jane Harrold are still working alongside the new people.

As you can see the paper has somehow attracted exactly the right people at the right time to keep the newspaper coming out every season since it was started by Ruth Howes 37 years ago.

There are many others who could be mentioned in this article. Just take a look at the masthead on page four of the paper and you will find that there are about 80 *TR Times* volunteers. A big thank you to everyone involved in making our "weekly miracle" happen.

Travel News Successful Gadabout



DAN AND SHARON ZILE

by Sharon Gilbert Zile
TR Tour Director

It's been a delight to hear so many positive comments about the Jan. 21 Gadabout trip. TR friends love spending time together, exploring new places, laughing and leaving the driving to a professional. Small World Tours provided a very nice bus, a fun itinerary and a courteous and helpful driver. Everyone wore masks to begin the tour and then, after the air purification system had totally exchanged the air in the bus, masks were considered a personal choice while the air continued to be exchanged every five minutes. The trip, with no real hiccups, was a successful return to TR group travel. We look forward to the next day trip – a Feb. 15 outing to Kennedy Space Center.

Since Kennedy Space Center was one of the most requested day trip destinations on a TR travel survey in 2019, I was eager to schedule the trip. The 100-mile distance from TR makes it desirable as a daylong bus trip. I've noticed that many TR travelers have an abundant interest in the space events that are occurring during this season. Though I have watched a couple of space launches, I do not consider myself to be knowledgeable about the space program. I do remember that it seemed that the 1957 Russian Sputnik had launched my elementary teachers into talk of the Space Race and the science curriculum, and I watched as Ohioan Neil Armstrong made "one giant leap for mankind" and later as the first teacher astronaut died during the Space Challenger launch in 1986. I know that the rocket transport crawler at KSC was built in my hometown, Marion, Ohio, in the 1960s. But ask me about the space events in between or since, well let's just say that Space Events would not be a Jeopardy category choice for me! Definitely, a bit of preparation is needed in order for me to fully

appreciate a trip to Kennedy Space Center.

With a lot of help from Dan, I've reviewed some of the space event highlights. So many project initiatives have occurred in the U.S. space program since the Space Race began. First there was Mercury, followed by Gemini which was followed by Apollo. Then came the Skylab program and also the Space Shuttle. Today there is the International Space Station and still more initiatives. Somewhere in that history a man walked on the moon and a few other really dramatic moments happened. Dan's brother-in-law told me about the experience of being one of the engineers giving moon-rover instructions to Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldren. Yikes! No wonder I'm confused, and yet our nation's space program belongs to our shared history.

Two things give my confusion comfort: the Internet, that huge resource for all things space, and the TR rocket scientists who will accompany us on our journey to Kennedy Space Center! They may need to explain it all to me like I'm a third grader, but trust me, I won't take offense! KSC offers new learning for all of us, whether we're like third graders or have significant professional knowledge of the U.S. space program and the KSC hub of technology.

Our day trip includes a KSC entry ticket, a bus tour, all exhibits, U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame, the Imax Theater, interactive simulators, live shows, jaw-dropping encounters with massive rockets and driver gratuity. It will involve lots of walking. Our itinerary will allow plenty of time for you to explore your own interests, and we will not ask you to all stay together for the entire day. Lunch is on your own at one of several food areas on premises. The Small World Tour bus will leave from Busch Hall at 7:45 a.m. and return at approximately 6:30 p.m. Masks are required for KSC indoor exhibits and are also required to board the bus.

Though I will have mailed all payments to Small World Tours by the time you are reading this, I MAY be able to add persons to the trip until several days prior to Feb. 15. Call me at 740-360-3819 to see what's available!

During my career I hoped that my teaching of children and teachers inspired each of them to become lifelong learners. Kennedy Space Center offers a great opportunity for us all to be lifelong learners!

Wait - is that a donkey?



Photo submitted by Laurie Zentmyer

BARB SWARTZ, GABY AND LAURIE ZENTMYER WITH RED

by Laurie Taylor Zentmyer

Have you been out and about in the park and thought, I think I hear a donkey? Barb Swartz and I were sure we heard a donkey braying and wandered to our neighbor across the street to see if we could see one. Red the donkey lives there and we were invited to meet him. But first, a few facts about donkeys.

I found out that about 5,000 years ago, 10 donkeys were laid to rest in painstakingly-constructed brick grave chambers at a site connected with one of the earliest Egyptian kings. They were buried in this place of importance because of the super high status assigned to them as a result of their value in trade across the Sahara.

History teaches us that donkeys are the ultimate beasts of burden. They were among the earliest. The donkey, not the camel, was used to open up the Sahara, enabling trade between Egypt and Mesopotamia. That is why those 10 were buried with a king. Camel caravans did not appear until about 3,000 years ago. The first donkeys were probably domesticated about 6,000 years ago, and their importance was evident in those 5,000-year-old burials.

In addition to their value as beasts of burden, donkeys are also kept to protect sheep, goats and other animals. There has been at least one report of a donkey attacking a mountain lion. That's right. Guard donkeys. Google them.

Now let's get to know OUR donkey. Red lives across the street with his human parents, Anna and Johnny, and their daughter Gaby. Anna thinks Red is about 12 years old. Anna was looking at Facebook and came across a post about three donkeys in Texas that were being sent to Mexico to a kill pen. What's a kill pen? It's a place where masses of horses and donkeys are held in cramped, unhealthy and under-kept conditions until they can be auctioned for slaugh-

ter. She immediately contacted the owners and had the three donkeys shipped to Dade City. Two went to live with other folks and Red stayed with them.

Red loves people and would rather be in their company than in the company of other animals that live on his farm: eight horses, two guest horses, 2 fowls, Zuko the cat and Lilly the dog. Red is so friendly and loves having us visit and pet him, but he's not really a fan of dogs. Red loves peppermints, carrots and apples. Barb and I asked Anna what Red was saying when he was braying. She indicated he was either saying, "Hey, I see you and you didn't come and pet me," or "Intruder!" Yes, Red is a guard donkey. The family doesn't need a guard dog, they have Red!



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Library News

by Mary Kosbab

Those who have used the notepads Tom Pender made for so many years know how handy they are. They are great to set beside the computer as you work and they are so handy for reminder notes or grocery lists. The library has taken over making these pads from the dummy *TR Times* pages. Please visit the table outside the library on the Feb. Parkwide Tag Sale Day, on Feb. 12 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. If it is a nice day we will leave the table out longer because many people pass that corner during the day.

There are individual pads and some packaged with ribbon which would make great gifts for people you know who are associated with TR. Take some home with you for past TR residents. They would be a really good gift for a birthday, bringing back memories from days they were here.

They will also be available in the library. One shelf under the



"Pet Book" shelves and above the jigsaw puzzle shelves will have them prominently displayed.

The notepads say "Turn me over and tear me off" so the colorful cover can be displayed when not using and you can still easily tear a page off as you use.

The library would appreciate any donation you leave. This money will all go to purchase supplies the library needs. When we have extra money we look for very popular secondhand books that are in good condition. We also like to add missing books from a series.

We often find that some of our "Recommended Books" disappear when we take an inventory of Recommended Books at the end of the season. We know it is common to pass along a really good book to a friend or neighbor and that person often passes it on to someone else and so on. Sometimes the book never makes it back to the library. Those are the books we like to replace.

We ask people to not take the Recommended Books home with you when you leave TR. They are ones we really want to keep in the library.

At our February Library meeting we discussed the results of the survey on Non-fiction books. I will write more about this later.

As always if you have any concerns or recommendations, please speak with a library volunteer or leave a note on the desk. We always welcome your input.

Winter Olympics
Part II



Writing about the colors reminded me that the TR Cloggers wear white shirts with red scarves. They would make excellent cheerleaders and they already have Canadian outfits. Besides they will keep themselves warm on the slopes by clogging. Can you clog in winter boots? Details, details.

We will need a bobsled run at TR for practicing. Perhaps the Puppy Park could be converted. I'm sure some dogs would like to chase after the sled and that would really get us moving.

In order to be in top form we will need a training plan. Bill and I are hoping that Sit and Fit will have some ideas about how we can get fit enough to sit in the bobsled. Tone and Tighten is only for ladies but I can probably teach Bill a few of their exercises. I already go to Water Aerobics and we do cross-country and mogul skiing moves so if the bobsled thing doesn't work out . . . Of course, we will be calling on Huff and Puff for advice because I am thinking that a lot of huffing and puffing will be required to get the bobsled off to a good start.

This reminds me about the practical details of who will drive and who will push us off. Bill would probably prefer to drive but then I will have to make a running leap into the sled which might involve personal injury to one or both of us. Then again if I drive Bill will jump in and be terrified as we careen down the course. Does the AARP Defensive Driving Course cover these kinds of winter driving conditions? What to do?

I have an inspiration. Let's forget about a two-man bobsled and go for a four-man team. We can invite Dick and Mary Kosbab to join us. Bill can drive, Mary and I can sit in the middle and Dick can be the pusher. In between practice runs we can play bridge. I'll make a note to ask the Bridge Club to sponsor some playing cards. This has potential. But Dick and Mary will want to represent the U.S. Stop everything!

Get a bigger Airstream. We need a much bigger budget so ramp up the fund raising. The color scheme will need to add some blue - good thing the clogger/cheerleaders have blue shorts.

After I outlined my plan to Bill and Dick and Mary, they expressed some concerns for their personal safety so I have asked the members of the TR Church Association to include us in their prayers. The First Responders generously offered to accompany us and did express confidence in their ability to handle any injuries. Because of all the cooperation we have decided to name the bobsled, The Spirit of TR.

P.S.

-To the Horseshoe Club: Yes, we would love to have a lucky horseshoe for the sled.

-To the TR Road Riders and Motorcycle Club: Yes, we will be needing helmets. Please provide extras because training incidents may damage a few.

-And finally to the Digital Images class: Yes, we want photos and a video. Doug Pedersen may want to use the video at the Sunday Evening Program.

Garden News

Garden Scavenger Hunt

by Leslie Ewing

Garden Club members are planning for a Garden Scavenger Hunt to start on Sunday, March 6 and end on Sunday, March 13. There will be prizes! There will be maps! Residents will be able to participate on their own schedules and even take more than one day to complete the Hunt!

Our plan is for residents to have fun as they become better acquainted with the plants in the garden. There are some very creative minds working out the details. As we finalize our plans, keep checking this column for updates.

Something the garden needs right now is 10-10-10 fertilizer. The club is asking for donations of bags that can be dropped off at the eastern entrance to the boardwalk or the bags can be brought to lot 13-08.

The garden is constantly changing. The stained glass panels are now hanging in the gazebo for the season. Thanks to Bud Wuebker and Joseph Politsky for installing the glass. The club appreciates the repair to the eastern section of the boardwalk by the Maintenance Crew.



Photo by Leslie Ewing
Laura Weik, Donna West and Betty Van Winkle covering plants.

There was only slight damage to the garden plants from the first cold snap of this winter. Several members worked in the garden to protect the plants for the second cold snap. Donna West, Kelly Person, Cindy Watson, Phyllis Zitzer, Laura Weick, Pam Forsyth and Laura Lilawski spent a cold Friday afternoon with sheets, blankets and clothespins.

Dave Harder has been working with the azaleas in The Grove. The first blossoms are appearing.

Some dead trees have been removed by Maintenance. The club is planning to open up a new area for seating. There is always something getting ready to bloom. See you in The Garden!

Looking Back

by Nan Lance

10 Years Ago - 2012

The *TR Times* announces the selection of a new managing editor: Margaret Emmetts, who replaces Marilyn Collins.

The World Famous Platters, one of the most famous and influential music groups from the 50s and 60s, will bring their musical memories to our Busch Hall stage. The TR Fashion Show ramps up with lovely TR models wearing clothing purchased at Goodwill, Salvation Army, Solutions and several other thrift stores.

20 Years Ago - 2002

Travelers Rest raised \$20,000 for a new organ: a massive undertaking for a little community.

Ray Hill was recognized at the Saturday Scramble. Our Chief Greenskeeper, Ray Hill, was recognized and a poem was recited in his honor.

The Friday Night Dance was the night the Hobos dined and danced at TR.

30 Years Ago - 1992

Those TR men and their flying machines! A small group of residents meet in the field behind the water purification plant and fly radio-controlled miniature aircraft.

Storm does considerable damage at TR. The worst damage was at Lot 10-19 where estimated damage was \$2500 when the awning flipped over the roof damaging the front, back and roof of the trailer.



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Pets on Parade



Savannah

by Judy Leister

There are people here at TR that are 90+ years old yet they play golf, go to exercise class and many other activities. Oh what an inspiration these folks are to me. My husband and I had black labs for years. We were thrilled when they lived to be 13 to 14 years old. This season I was seeing a beautiful lab mix happily walking down our street with her human many times a day. Of course I had to go out and meet them. As it turned out Sue Froyd and Savannah were living right around the corner from us. Wow was I surprised when I learned this waggy pooch was 17 ½ years old. What? A lab acting as if she was 6 or 7 was actually 17 ½ years old. Savannah and Sue have been together ever since Savannah was a tiny puppy.

Years ago Sue’s husband became physically disabled and could no longer get out and about. She had to be gone all day for work but knew Bob wouldn’t be alone because they had Lola a three year old retired greyhound (It is very unusual to have a young grey, but that's another story!). Unfortunately he was still a bit depressed. Sue got to thinking how much fun it would be if they added another dog to the family. Friends suggested a nearby Pennsylvania rescue group called The Puppy Connection. Jeannie Sexauer was the founder and did a great job matching people with a dog. Sue went to visit. She wanted a young dog but it didn’t necessarily have to be a puppy.

The puppies were brought out in a big fenced in area. They all ran and ran EXCEPT one, a little ten week old lab mix who ran straight to Sue and sat down on her foot. Sue picked her up and got lots of puppy kisses. Well that was an easy decision! This little puppy



Photo by Judy Leister

SAVANNAH

was coming home with her. Her name was going to be Savannah because originally she had been brought to the Puppy Connection from a group in Savannah, Ga.

When Sue got home she set Savannah on the floor and the puppy made a beeline for Bob, jumped in his lap and within a short time it was easy to see Savannah had declared that was the best seat in the house. That was until she got down to romp with Lola. Bob use to joke and ask Sue if she was trying to kill him with having two playful pooches in the house. It was so much fun watching the two dogs race around side by side.

Sadly a number of years later both Bob and Lola passed away within a few months of each other. This left Sue and Savannah heartbroken. As Sue wandered around the house in her sorrow Savannah joined her. They were a comfort and a blessing for each other. Eventually Sue had to return to work. She was concerned that Savannah would be lonely so she enrolled her in doggy daycare which worked out well. Later Sue and Savannah moved to another

part of Pennsylvania to be closer to family.

Savannah is a great traveler and loves the nights they spend in a hotel during their long drive down to TR each year. She loves to visit everyone in the hotel lobby giving wags and wiggles to all. Remember she is 17 ½ years old and still loves to entertain.

While at TR she enjoys multiple walks plus trips to the Puppy Park. She might not be out there racing with the other dogs but she greets every human and she sniffs every blade of grass all along the fence. Once she has finished her full examination she gives Sue “that look” which means she has completed her official perimeter check and it’s okay to go home.

Savannah I am so glad I have had the opportunity to meet you and your mom. You are quite the inspiration to get me up and out the door to walk our dog.



Birding Activity



Mimids and a new binocular?

by Norm Eden

It is worth noting that my comments on bird presence and likely sightings are, as far as possible, for birds that we see, or may see, here at TR although many additional species are to be found on the nearby Gulf Coast and other habitats. Therefore when thinking of the thrush family the first thought was that there are many of that family here for us to find and a quick look at the guide book showed 14 species. The big surprise was that there are only two common members of the thrush family here at TR and only one of them, the Eastern Bluebird, actually breeds in Florida, the other species being the American Robin which breeds all over the country but for some reason only winters in Florida. Other thrushes are seen in Florida but are very rare or occasional.

You may well say “What about the Catbird and Northern Mockingbird?” Not Thrushes, they are officially Mimids. We have three birds from the Mimid family to see here, and we understandably may think of them as thrushes because they look like long-tailed thrushes. The Northern Mockingbird is here year-round to be seen and heard everywhere, then the secretive ground foraging

Gray Catbird is here every winter, and the third is the secretive Brown Thrasher, which has been seen in past years but is normally very uncommon at TR. Like the Catbird it is a ground feeder and they both will frequently choose to run away rather than fly away when seeing you around.

Don’t let strange family names like Mimid put you off, there are new species to be seen and identified. Are you keeping your winter TR list?

Binoculars - are you thinking of buying? Some general observations, but please note I am not a formal authority on optics.

The price range is huge from around \$60 to well over \$2,000 - so what do you get for the money? Magnification, image quality, light gathering and precision focusing are all important and the more you pay the more you get.

Magnification for birding is normally shown as either 8 x 42 or 10 x 42. That is magnification x the millimeter diameter of the larger or objective lens. The size generally chosen for all-round birding is 8 x 42, for birds in adjacent trees, thick undergrowth or by waters edge. For shore birds and more distance 10 x 42 is helpful but anything more powerful than ten times magnification is

a heavy instrument and very difficult to hold steady, in fact a tripod may be needed. Also the higher power means the area in view at the greater distances is reduced and that can make a bird difficult to find when it’s 100 yards away.

Light gathering and image resolution are a function of the manufacturing quality of the lenses that requires extensive machinery and more production time. Good optics is the most important quality by far as it is the ability to focus with very fine adjustment. This means being able to see a sparrow-sized bird in perfect focus when 25 feet away in deep undergrowth with another bird just six inches behind it being out of focus, then a focus adjustment gives you the second bird. That precision is impressive but has to be paid for.

Last year a reviewer summarized that a binocular over \$100 was a good value. The best value for the money, however, was an 8 x 42 for around \$450, unless you are going for optics in the four figure cost categories. This is when a visit should be made to a specialist optical dealer. My best advice overall is to find a dealer to test and compare the available options.

For the Love of Louie

by Margaret Melville

We all love our pets, after all they are family. When our son Scott’s two-year-old German short-haired pointer became ill the local vet tried to diagnose the illness several times. Try as he might, he was not able to cure the symptoms. It was clear when Brownie continued to have periods of illness that something had to be done or the family was going to lose its dog. The local vet recommended Michigan State University Veterinary School. Taking her there was a major decision since they had no idea how much time or investment it would take. She was taken with hopes the college would determine the illness and know a cure.

When Brownie was about to be released, the diagnosis came, Blastomycosis. In plain language this is a fungus infection in the lungs caused by inhaling Blastomyces dermatitidis spores. Brownie was a hunting dog, and of course sniffing the ground was part of her makeup. After 10 days in the vet hospital, Brownie came home feeling better but not cured. There could be no promise that flair-ups would not occur.

This loved pet was very special to the family and especially to Scott. Following her illness, Brownie spent her days on the front seat of Scott’s pickup truck as he managed his construction business. When Scott’s family decided to take a road trip to the western U.S., my husband and I agreed to take care of Brownie. She was well behaved, and we knew we would enjoy the time with her.

When she asked to go out one evening, we let her out into the yard. We live in a wooded rural area where homes are separated by acreage. After just a few minutes we went out to bring her in. Walking around the yard calling her name did not bring her. We checked the driveway and then the road, no Brownie. I got in the car and drove our private road, asking neighbors if they had seen her, no Brownie. I went to the paved main road and looked but no Brownie could be found. I called our daughter who lived nearby. As she joined in the search her comment

was, “Oh no, you can’t lose that dog.”

Our daughter’s mother-in-law Linda is a faithful volunteer with an organization known as *For the Love of Louie*. This is an organization that helps people find lost pets. Tracy called her and explained Brownie was nowhere to be found. She said she would go online as she did nightly to help families. When our bedtime came, we stopped searching for Brownie, hoping we would be surprised in the morning to find her back in the yard.

Of course, I didn’t sleep, thinking of where Brownie might be and how we were going to explain her disappearance to our son and family. It was about 2 a.m. when the phone rang. Our daughter had gotten a call from Linda. She believed Brownie was found. I was given a phone number to call in the morning.

When I called, I was told Brownie was at a home about two miles away, as the crow flies. Late that night the owner of the home, Pat, knew her dog was barking at something in a wooded area at the edge of the yard. Using a light, she could see a dog after something in the fence row. Offering the dog food, she was able to get it onto her porch. She made a bed for the dog and for herself on the wooden porch floor. She could tell this dog was a sweet dog, and she knew a family would be looking for her. Pat was familiar with *For the Love of Louie*. She went online about 2 a.m. to let Linda know she probably had found a lost dog. After the call to Linda, Pat knew Brownie’s name.

When I arrived at Pat’s home early in the morning Brownie was happy to see me. I was so grateful this kind animal lover took such good care of our Brownie and that she was familiar with *For the Love of Louie*. I could not thank her enough. Later we learned Pat’s daughter was a friend of our granddaughter. What a small world. Every person in Brownie’s search had a connection to the others involved. Every person went out of their way because they cared. For interested readers *For the Love of Louie* may be found on Facebook.

The first chick is here!



Photos by John Goodger

The first chick has hatched. Happy Birthday to this sweet little Sandhill Crane with a very loving parent.



Linda Murphy’s gifts of art continue to touch residents

A gift to Carolyn Place

by Pam Watkins

Linda Murphy and her husband, Dave, were good friends with Doug Shields for many years. Linda spent time with Doug while woodworking and Dave enjoyed time with Doug while they played in the Travelaires Orchestra. Like many here at TR, they have missed him.

Last year Linda and Dave attended one of the TR events in The Grove and saw Carolyn Place arrive with Doug’s dog Katie, who she adopted after his death. Immediately their hearts were touched. Twice. First, with good memories of Doug, who rarely traveled around the park without Katie by his side, and secondly, seeing that Katie had found a good home with Carolyn and knowing that Doug would be so pleased. It was obvious to Linda and Dave that Katie was happy. She was so absorbed in Carolyn’s every move, alert when she stepped away and obviously waiting longingly for her return. Linda said it was pure devotion, and she jokingly shared that she should know because she speaks fluent dog.

Linda created this wonderful portrait of Carolyn and Katie this year to thank Carolyn for what she did in adopting Katie and in memory of their friend Doug Shields.

Carolyn has a special rapport with dogs. For many years she trained dogs for special needs people. Her dogs were always well behaved and she took them everywhere. It was not unusual to see Place in the choir loft of a Sunday morning with her current dog sitting quietly at her feet.

You might notice that Katie is wearing a “service dog” vest. When dogs are wearing these vests the dog considers itself to be working. It is not appropriate to pet dogs under these circumstances. Somehow dogs know the difference between when they are and are not wearing the vest. When not wearing the vest they welcome petting and in general behave like any other dog.

Thanks to Carolyn Place for the many years she has devoted to loving and training dogs.



Carolyn and her devoted dog, Katie, share a moment.

Photos by Bill Watkins



Gifts to Kit and Dick Wheatley

Linda’s passion to honor others at TR is now in its fifth year. She has gifted a TR First Responder every year with a magnificent portrait of themselves sharing her artistic talents in appreciation for all that they have done. This year Linda is honoring Dick and Kit Wheatley, who are serving in their third season as TR First Responders. Dick is also completing his training to his Fire Fighter 1 certification.

Dick and Kit, along with all of our First Responders, volunteer many hours of their time each week and we all thank them for their sacrifice. Our first thought, of course, when we think of the men and women who wear the TR Fire/Rescue uniform is the time spent in response to emergencies when they are providing assistance and comfort to those in need. However, they spend so many more hours in the park and behind the scenes that we rarely consider.

A great deal of time on Tuesdays is dedicated to training in an effort to hone their skills and remain abreast of all the changes in their fields of expertise. In addition they conduct inventories, order supplies, maintain equipment, clean the vehicles, organize lockers and manage records. They help out with traffic control. They manage the Vial-of-Life program. They answer medical questions from their neighbors and friends. They help us monitor our blood pressure and glucose readings. They remain on call from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. for one week out of every four, staying alert and ready to respond to the siren at a moment’s notice. They are busy and we, along with Linda, appreciate them.

Thank you to all of our First Responders, and thank you, Linda for sharing such amazing talent that comes from the heart.



KATIE AND CAROLYN



Kit and Dick Wheatley are all smiles as they display their new portraits.



KIT WHEATLEY



DICK WHEATLEY

Mirror Lake Yacht Club

by Bill Wise

Saturday, Jan. 22
DragonFlite 95 Class

- 1. Jay Matthews
- 2. Jerry McRoberts
- 3. Chuck Lemke

Soling 1M Class

- 1. Barry Sellick
- 2. Chuck Lemke
- 3. Jay Matthews

Wednesday, Jan. 26
DragonFlite 95 Class

- 1. Jay Matthews
- 2. Barry Sellick
- 3. Rick Yoder

Powerboat Scores

Monday, Jan. 24

Power Vee Class

- 1. Dean Peters
- 2. Jerry McRoberts
- 3. Bob Troyer

Stealthwake Class

- 1. Jerry McRoberts
- 2. Dean Peters
- 3. Howard Best

Friday, Jan. 28

Power Vee Class

- 1. Dean Peters
- 2. Bob Troyer
- 3. Paul Harberts

Stealth Wake Class

- 1. Dean Peters/Howard Best
- 2. Bob Troyer

TRGA Monthly Meeting

by Shirley-Ann Appleby

The TRGA Monthly Meeting will be held at the Snack Shack Pavilion on Thursday, Feb. 10 at 2 p.m. Please note the time change. All members are welcome.

Bowling results

by Lin Buczek

Friday, Jan. 28

Men's Scratch High Game

Bill Buczek.....	235
Steve Niles	228
Don Markle	180
Men's Scratch High Series	
Bill Buczek.....	662
Steve Niles	654
Don Markle	474
Men's Handicap High Game	
Bill Buczek.....	284
Bill Bunning.....	258
Tom Maragnano	256
Men's Handicap High Series	
Bill Buczek.....	809
Tom Maragnano	751
Steve Niles	729

Men's High Average

Steve Niles	202
Women's Scratch High Game	
Lin Buczek.....	202
Pat Markle.....	178
Leslie Price.....	169

Women's Scratch High Series

Lin Buczek.....	532
Pat Markle.....	515
Leslie Price.....	490
Women's Handicap High Game	
Lin Buczek.....	272
Pat Markle.....	268
Donna Neer	251

Women's Handicap High Series

Pat Markle.....	785
Lin Buczek.....	742
Leslie Price.....	709
Women's High Average	
Lin Buczek.....	158

TRGA says thank you

by Vicki Brooks

A big shout out to the folks that worked another day on our beautiful golf course to make it lovely for all of you. It takes a lot of hands to get these jobs done and I for one am very thankful. So a big thank you to Sylvia Cole, Lorraine Gould, Kelly and Ken Person, Barb Larose, Sandy

Pemberton, Barbara Myles, Janet Beisel, Mary DeWeed, Gina DiPinto, Bruce Cole and Gary Carter. Enjoy our gardens they are beautiful.

If you would like to offer a little of your time to help please let me, Vicki Brooks (14-35) or Sylvia Cole (7-1), know and it would be gratefully appreciated.



Photo submitted by Vicki Brooks

Ladies making our golf course beautiful.

Men's Golf League results from Jan. 27

by Bill Harkins

Today was our 10th round of the Men's League. We had 34 players show up to play. Weather was windy and chilly. We had two groups today. Please remember to count all putts and circle all birdies. If you hand in an incomplete card I can't enter accurate scores. Don't forget to get tickets for the Spaghetti Dinner. The Bake-less Bake Sale will be taking donations. See Laurie Gardner or Diane Doggett.

Low Handicap (0-8)

Low Gross

- 1. Gary Carter..... 33
- 2. Roy French..... 35
- 3. Ralph Smith

Low Net

- 1. Steve Niles
- 2. Casey Fisher..... 32
- 3. John Scime, Rob Mathews, Ken Person, Dick Wheatley..... 33

Closest to #5

- Gary Carter..... 11'9"

Birdies

- Gary Carter, Ron Duplessis 2
- Bruce Anderson, Bill Harkins, Gary Wintle, Sam Wykoff..... 1

High Handicap (9+)

Low Gross

- 1. Lynn Walker..... 37
- 2. John DeWeerd..... 40
- 3. Sam Wykoff, Serge Loiselle..... 41

Low Net

- 1. Bill Apgar..... 32
- 2. Norbert Jansen, Neil Jillson

- Duncan McCallum..... 36

Closest to #3

- Sam Wykoff..... 7'11"

Putts

- Casey Fisher..... 12
- John Scime, Sam Wykoff..... 13

Chinese Mah Jong

by Marsha Hatfield

Monday, Jan. 24 Winners

- Lou Smith
- Kathy Bocchino
- Doris Lewis..... 2
- Nancy Moschler..... 1
- Jen Furman..... 1
- Sharon Miller
- Margaret Melville

Friday, Jan. 28 Winners

- Sharon Miller
- Doris Lewis..... 3
- Deb May..... 3
- Marcia Hatfield
- Lou Smith
- Jen Furman..... 1
- Emogene Weller..... 1



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TRGA Spaghetti Dinner

by LaVerne Dennison

Thursday, Feb. 17 is the date for the annual Travelers Rest Golf Association Spaghetti Dinner. Because of COVID it will be take-out only and served between 5 and 6 p.m. Your meal includes spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad with Italian dressing, a roll and carrot cake for dessert.

All proceeds go to the beautification of the Golf Course. Tickets will be sold on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Post Office Lobby. You may also purchase your tickets on Sundays at The Grove. Just watch for the signs.

The TRGA dinner is still only \$10. We hope to see you all there.

Table Tennis

by Ann Chalk

Newcomers always welcome for friendly and not too competitive play. We play Mondays and Thursdays, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus East.

Monday, Jan. 24

Wins

- Carey Box, Gerritt Box, Bill Tucker
- Ron Hicks..... 4
- Andrea Patterson..... 3
- Ann Chalk, Rick Yoder..... 2
- Tom Etchell, Barry Sellick..... 1

Thursday, Jan. 27

Wins

- Carey Box
- Ron Hicks..... 5
- Tom Etchell, Mark Fedus..... 4
- Ann Chalk
- Joe Colao, Barry Sellick
- Jim Wagner



Five Crowns card game reminder

by Jackie Thackery

The next play will be on Wednesday, Feb. 9, from 6 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West due to the Carpenter Spectacular Wed., Feb. 2, in Busch Hall.

There were 12 players on Jan. 26, 2 tables of 6. We still have a deck of cards for the 3rd table and can borrow more. Bring your spouse or a friend and play with us on Feb. 9. Guys and Gals all are participating here. Masks are encouraged.

Pickleball Round Robin

by Carey Box
Friday, Jan. 28

Our first TR Pickleball Round Robin was Friday, Jan. 28. We had 24 players in three different brackets come out and enjoy seven games played against opponents of equal skill level. Each player got the opportunity to play with every player in their flight. Our next Round Robin will be on Friday, Feb. 18 from 1 to 5 p.m. with a cookout following play. We will be announcing sign-ups in early February.

Bracket A Winners

We had a four-way tie. The tie was broken by looking at which player had the fewest points scored against them when they won a game.

- 1 Carey Box 4 wins/4 points
- 2 David Schafer, Brian Curtis ...4 wins/11 points
- 3 Rich Pagliaro. 4 wins/14 points

Bracket B Winners

- 1 Denny O'Rourke..... 6 wins
- 2 Chris Pondy..... 5 wins
- 3 Rich Kucharick 4 wins

Bracket C Winners

- 1 Carol Pondy 7 wins
- 2 Shirley-Ann Appleby .. 5 wins
- 3 Connie Hurst..... 4 wins



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Obituaries

CAROL NORMA MEYERS

Carol Norma Meyers passed away on Jan. 11, 2022 at the age of 79. She grew up in Sarnia, Ontario and attended Central United Church and belonged to the Explorers and GGIT.

She graduated in 1962 from the Sarnia General Hospital School of Nursing and worked as a Registered Nurse on the Children's Ward at Sarnia General, General Nursing and Surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital T.O., IV Nursing at Victoria Hospital and in Nursing Homes In Komora and Goderich.

Carol and husband Lynn raised three children in Goderich. She became a member of the Salvation Army Church and worked in Victoria School for several years as a Teacher Aide.

She played brass instruments in the Salvation Army Church Senior Salvation Army London Band as well as the Goderich and Sarnia Community Concert Bands. For many years she taught Sunday School and Beginner's Band.

Lynn and Carol have been "snowbird residents" of Travelers Rest on lot 6-9 for several years. As a very active member of the community, Carol will be deeply missed by all those whose lives she touched.

Carol was predeceased by her parents Clarence and Dorothy Fralick and a son John Meyers. Survivors include husband Lynn, 2 children Julia (Brad) of London and Leslie (Marvin) of Guelph, 5 grandchildren and two sisters.

DORIS B. (DOT) LESH

Dot Lesh, 91 of York, Pa., entered into rest Jan. 5, 2022. Affectionately known as "Dot" she was the wife of the late John F. Lesh for 63 wonderful years.

Dot was born Nov. 2, 1930 in Meyersdale, Pa. and was the youngest of seven children born to the late Richard V. and Mamie E. (Brown) Breig.

She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in York and was active in the community. For 25 years she volunteered with the Penn Laurel Girl Scouts as well as the Catholic Harvest Food Pantry and supported any activities her children were involved in.

Dot and John were founding members of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of WBCCI and she served as a past president. This International Airstream Club is where they made lifelong friends and joined the "snowbird community."

For 25 years they spent their winters in Travelers Rest on lot 9-9. Family, community, fellowship, love of travel and a zest for life are the legacies Dot leaves behind.

Survivors include three children, J. Michael (Lorrie) Lesh, M. Susan Lesh and partner Patricia Boluk and Cynthia L. (John) Kemmerly; five grandchildren, Shawn, Kyle, Elizabeth, Rebekah and Sarrah; 4 great grandchildren and sister Elaine White.

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Facts about Florida

submitted by Rich Kushman
Florida is the 3rd most populous, the 22nd largest and the 8th most densely populated of the 50 states of the U.S.
It is the southernmost contiguous state in the United States. Florida attained statehood on March 3, 1845 becoming the 27th state to join the union.
Its two bordering states are Georgia and Alabama. Florida's nicknames are the Everglade State and the Orange State.
It is made up of 67 counties and the state capital is Tallahassee. The postal abbreviation for Florida is FL.

TR Times delivered on the Hill



Photo by Richard Kushman
KATHLEEN KUSHMAN
by Richard Kushman
A long time ago Waterbury Conn. paper girl brings her skill and dedication to the TR Times.
After folding and securing each paper with a rubber band and filling her homemade satchel, Kathleen delivers the latest news to all the guests on Golf View.



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Tasty TR Pecan Cheescake Bars



by Sandy Sasuta

CRUMB MIXTURE:

1 C flour
1/3 C firmly packed brown sugar
1/3 C softened butter
1/2 C chopped pecans
Combine flour, brown sugar, and butter in bowl. Beat at low speed until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in pecans. Reserve 3/4 cup crumb mixture, set aside. Press remaining crumbs onto bottom of ungreased 8" square baking pan. Bake 12-15 minutes or until lightly browned.

FILLING:

1 8 ounce pkg. cream cheese, softened
1/4 C sugar
1/4 C milk
1 tsp. vanilla
Combine all ingredients in bowl and beat at low speed until well mixed. Spread over hot, partially baked crust. Sprinkle with reserved crumb mixture; press lightly into filling.

Continue baking 30-40 minutes or until filling is set. Cool completely; cut into bars. Store refrigerated.

2022 Winter Olympics

by Karen Waldo

The 2022 Winter Olympics will not be canceled due to COVID. Safety measures have been put in place to protect all involved. To date only three Winter Olympics have been canceled the 1916, 1940 and 1944 all due to war.

This year's host is Beijing. The general public will not be able to purchase tickets to attend the events. The Beijing Organizing Committee will invite groups of spectators to be on-site during the Games.

The official starting date is Wednesday, Feb. 2 and the opening ceremony will be held on Friday, Feb. 4 at 6:30 a.m., Eastern Time. The NBC network and the Peacock network will be broadcasting the Olympics live in the U.S. The website for both networks is located at <https://olympics.nbcsports.com/2022/01/28/how-to-watch-the-opening-ceremony-for-the-2022-winter-olympics/> and offers good information on viewing the

games. Canadians have more opportunities to watch via the following networks, CBC, Radio Canada, Bell Media (TSN and RDS), Rogers Media (Sportsnet), Telelation Network and all are scheduled to broadcast the games live.

A good schedule of the events and results can be found at <https://olympics.com/beijing-2022/olympic-games/en/results/all-sports/olympic-schedule.htm>. Keep in mind that the time difference between Beijing and the Eastern Time Zone is 13 hours. The previously mentioned website lists the events in Beijing time but there is a drop down menu to change to your time zone.

Seven new events have been added this year to provide a more gender-balance Olympics.

This year's Winter Games will occur during the Chinese New Year. Media coverage of the celebrations and Olympics will certainly be memorable this year.



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