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# Ever wonder how it all came together

by Margaret Emmetts

On Saturday, Feb. 5 the TR Board threw a party for about 1,200 guests. The occasion was the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of TR. Most of us have never had occasion to throw a party of this size, so I sat down with our Board President, Kathy Shawver, to find out how this all came about.

The planning began about one and a half years ago. Linda Smith became the lead person on the Planning Committee. Other members of the Committee were Kathy Shawver, Guy Weik our Activity Director, Ray Hill our General Manager and Rose Williams. Their first consideration was to set an affordable budget based on what was thought to be a reasonable cost per person. The final figure was about \$50,000.

The next consideration was where to hold the event. It was decided that the only area large enough to accommodate the number of people anticipated was the Golf Practice Range. Its proximity, size, parking availability, etc. were the prime consideration.

With a budget and location in place it was then necessary to decide what would be included in the day's activities. Opening ceremonies, food, entertainment and facilities were just some of the items on the agenda.

The Board was fortunate enough to obtain a knowledgeable vendor who was able to walk the premises and determine what tents would be needed for the anticipated crowd. The tents were set up on Wednesday and taken down on Monday, but the Board was only charged for one day's use. The vendor also provided the tables, chairs and tablecloths. The large round tables, capable of seating 12 were set up to seat only 8 persons to allow for social distancing. Also, the tents were to have no side panels to allow for maximum ventilation. Although the tents were dismantled by the vendor, it was necessary for TR to take down the tables and chairs. At Shawver's request, Pastor Shipe announced at Sunday Church Service that volunteers would be needed to take care of this task. In their usual fashion, TR volunteers had the job done in about 15 minutes.

Could just one food vendor provide enough food to satisfy the number of people expected? It was ultimately decided that two should be selected. Papa Joe's would provide the pasta and salad and Steph's Southern Soul Restaurant

incidentally they cooked on site. In addition to the food, Papa Joe's also used their liquor license to provide the beer and wine, as well as a refrigerated truck to keep it all cold. Each attendee received coupons for two free drinks, either wine or beer. It was decided that a cake, or cakes, would be too cumbersome to handle, so delicious cupcakes were ordered from Sam's Club. Did you know that food was delivered to residents who were unable to attend the event due to medical reasons?

Food truck vendors Hungry Hangover, Light my Fire Pizza, Happy Camper Snack Shack and Howdy Doodles Ice Cream appeared in the afternoon. It was thought that diners at the first serving might be hungry again as the day progressed, a situation which proved to be true.

would provide the chicken, which and Rose & Thorne. The latter two were suggested by Ray Hill and Donna Sullivan based on people they knew or who had heard them perform. Chris Craze, with his "Mohawk" intact despite the damp, manned the sound system all day, much to the delight of the performers. Guy Weik had originally

arranged for someone to make a large artificial anniversary cake, but at the last minute the individual had a medical problem and was unable to build the cake. Bill Shortway, from Maintenance, stepped in and made the large anniversary cake from scrap materials, a total surprise to the Board. The cake currently stands in front of the Main Office.

The need for convenient restrooms was solved by positioning a large truck on site. The deluxe restrooms inside the truck



Camera Group

Ray Hill stands watch over hundreds and hundreds of delicious chocolate vanilla cupcakes ordered from Sam's Club.

she had programmed during her 20+ years as Activity Director.

Also honored was Doug Pedersen, much to his surprise. His script provided by Shawver "accidentally" omitted this portion of the program. Doug was advised that the Busch Hall stage would now be known as The Doug Pedersen Stage in recognition of his 25+ years of planning and hosting Sunday Night Busch Hall Programs and the Wednesday Night Concert Series. He was also presented with a crystal microphone to commemorate the occa-

Despite the uncooperative weather, it was a great party enjoyed by all. When Shawver was asked what was the most difficult part of the process her answer was surprising. She said that the planning went smoothly. However, about eight weeks before the date there was some real concern as to whether people would be willing to sit in a tent next to each other to eat the meal due to the COVID epidemic. Fortunately their fears were unfounded.

Kudos to all who planned and executed a great party.



Tables for 12 that were set up to seat 8 to allow for social distancing. Tents were deliberately set up with no side walls to allow for maximum air flow.

If you were wondering what happened to any leftover food you will be pleased to know that none was discarded. Extra dinners were distributed in Busch Hall on Monday. The Board and office staff had some for lunch on Monday. Whatever was left over after all this was sent to the Domestic Center in Dade City who was most happy to accept the food.

Gift bags were designed to be distributed to all attendees. Resident Mary Ellen Gedert printed all the bags which contained one raffle ticket, two drink tickets, a commemorative lanyard and a beverage cozy. The TR Wood Shop worked for over a year to produce 1,000 toast tongs imprinted with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo which were distributed by the Wood Shop workers.

No party is complete without entertainment. Our own Doc and Donna Probes performed. The other two groups were 7th Isle Band

even featured hot and cold running

The Schwends, who have the business next door to TR, provided the flatbed trailer that was used as a stage. They also attended the event as guests of honor.

Linda Smith was responsible for obtaining the various door prizes for the day. They included everything from beautiful handcrafted wooden bowls to a wheeled cart containing games.

Opening Ceremonies began at 9 a.m. with a welcome from Kathy Shawver. Chaplain Shipe gave an invocation which was followed by a Pledge to the Flag. Doug Pedersen acted as Master of Ceremonies. The ceremonies included honoring Jeri Miller our retired Activity Director. She was advised that our new activities building would henceforth be known as The Jeri Miller Activity Building. She was also presented with a quilt that listed all the various activities







Vendor workers installing the huge dining tent.



# sunday

# Showtime

### Back by popular demand - Bing Futch

#### by Sandy and Ken Langell

- -International Blues Challenge Finalist Winner for 2016.
- -"Best Guitarist (Solo/Duo)"
- -"A master of the mountain dulcimer" - Connections Maga-
- -"He plays the dulcimer like Jimi Hendrix. He has this ability to communicate a sensual energy when he's onstage." - Tom Shed, Florida Folk Festival organizer.
- -"...a high-energy solo performer and frontman..." - Music
- "Musical Tabasco!" The Orlando Weekly.

This is Bing's second appearance at Travelers Rest. His first performance here, in February 2020, delighted our audience and we received many requests to bring him back.

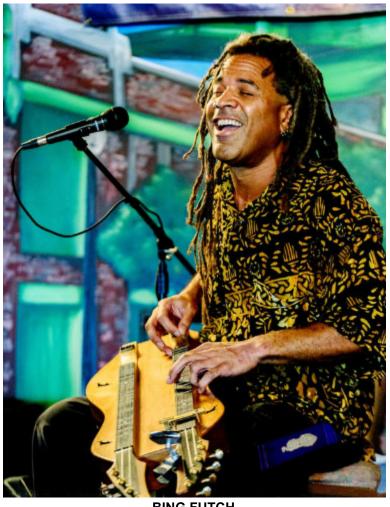
Using an Appalachian Mountain dulcimer, a Native American flute, a ukulele and a board full of stomp-boxes, Bing Futch celebrates traditional and modern Americana music with passion, humor and boundless energy. Known for his musical shapeshifting, Bing switches the channels on style and tone with every new song, from his roots-rock and blues originals to The Rocky Horror Picture Show and Disney

As a nationally touring solo performer he's headlined at such events as The Walnut Valley Festival, The Florida Folk Festival, Old Songs Festival, Indiana Fiddlers Gathering, The Big Muddy and Common Ground On The Hill.

Bing has enjoyed a career as both folkie and rocker, first with post-punk act Crazed Bunnyz in 1986 and much later in 1999 as cofounder of Mohave on mountain dulcimer. That band, with bassist Mike Burney and drummer McGyver, made their debut performance at the House of Blues at Walt Disney World and would go on to open for Molly Hatchet, St. Somewhere and The Crests.

In 2006, Bing began performing solo at festivals and music venues across the country. Since then, he has recorded a number of albums and published several music-education books including

in downtown Zephyrhills



**BING FUTCH** 

Mountain Dulcimer 101. In 2014, Bing won the Solo/Duo Artist Award in the Central Florida Blues Challenge competition, earning a coveted entry into the 2015 International Blues Challenge in Memphis, Tenn., where he advanced to the semifinals. Several months later, Bing competed in the 2015 Central Florida Blues Challenge and won his category for the second year in a row. This led him back to Memphis to compete in the 2016 International Blues Challenge. There, he advanced all the way to the finals and was given the award for "Best Guitarist" in the Solo/Duo category, despite competing solely on the mountain dulcimer.

Bing's music has been featured in film, video, on stage and in exhibits at the Orlando Museum of Art. He was composer and musical director for "The Jungle Book: A Musical Adaptation" at Stage Left Theater in Orlando, Fla. He also contributed music to the cles attraction at Give Kids The World Village in Kissimmee, Fla.

In 2008, Bing became the first endorsing artist for Folkcraft Instruments and has written a number of books for them, including the best-selling Method For Beginning Mountain Dulcimer.

Typically traveling over 35,000 miles a year in a 32 foot Jayco Greyhawk named Marahute, Bing keeps a busy schedule of performances, workshops and production that includes shooting episodes of "Dulcimerica," a video series on YouTube that's been viewed by millions of people worldwide and is currently in its 14th year. Since the spring of 2020, when coronavirus began to make its presence widely known, he's been producing music and video from his home in Orlando and spending lots of time with his wife, Jae, and a menagerie of rescued

This concert is tentatively scheduled for The Grove Stage, Sunday, Feb. 20. Bring your chairs and get a good spot early! IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER the concert could be moved to Busch Hall. Watch for last minute announcements on Facebook Residents & Friends, the Post Office bulletin board, and the Busch Hall bulletin board.

Ice Cream Social - Ice cream treats are available for purchase for \$1 at the north door of Busch Hall, from 3:15 to 3:45 p.m. Announcements are at 3:45 p.m. and the show is immediately following.



# **Friday Night Dance** rolls out the good times



#### by Pam Watkins

Mardi Gras is the theme for the next big band dance on Friday, Feb. 25. Mardi Gras, which means Fat Tuesday, is the practice of "eating richer foods before the leaner days of Lent begin," according to USA *Today*. The celebration began in the U.S. in the late 1600s to early 1700s depending on the source. It has since evolved into the carnival-like, raucous atmosphere that we know today. Colorful costumes that include vivid greens, purples and golds, in addition to ornate masks, are part of the fun. Why masks? They were originally introduced to protect the hidden identities of those societies that organized the celebrations.

The TR Travelaires have been practicing some lively party tunes. Wear your bright colors and masks, bring your friends and let's roll out the good times together next Friday in Busch Hall, 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is just \$2 at the door. Table snacks and beverages are welcome.

### TR Talent Show

#### 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, 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.

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### Message from the President



KATHERINE SHAWVER

## by Kathy Shawver

We hope everyone enjoyed the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration day! We cannot thank everyone enough for all their help to ensure we had a fun party day! TR is a great community!

In the coming weeks the Board will review the strategic plan and determine how to move the park forward in this changing



environment. There's one thing we can count on, there will be change. We will be ready to meet the challenges and protect our

The Board will develop a proposed operating budget and you'll hear more about that

process in the coming weeks. While these past two years provided their own uncertainties,

we will develop the next budget while anticipating what might be

community.

coming next.

# Looking Back

#### by Nan Lance

#### 10 Years Ago - 2012

- Pets and vacant sites are issues at Resident Forum.
- Members of the Welcome Committee take turns greeting newcomers to our park all season long. Quilt-a-Rama is arranging the 5th Annual Quilt-a-Rama this year.
- Nashville comedian Jimmy Travis appears Wednesday.

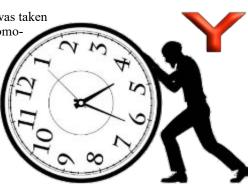
#### 20 Years Ago - 2002

- The Earl Mason Bridge was traversed by a truck and parade of golf carts and golfers.
- Another new place goes to the dogs. Check out our new exercise and pet bath on the corner of 10th and 14th Streets.
- The owner/builder of the oldest Airstream died. Dr. Norman Holman, Sr. built an Airstream in 1935 from a kit.

#### 30 Years Ago - 1992

• Did you know? In Native-American Chassahowitzka means "Hanging Pumpkin." Homosassa means "Pepper Place." Withlacoochee means "Little Big River."

 An aerial picture was taken of TR for a park promo tion. A Cessna was hired and two TR Times photographers shot five rolls of film. The photos will be used for postcards.







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# TR 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Raffle Winners

by Guy Weik	
Hand-hooked Rug donated by Barbara Cameron	Janet Baal
Handmade Purse donated by Carol Luther	Joan Ledbetter
Wine Basket with Dishcloths donated by Nicole Migna	cca MaryAnn Matkovich
Wood Top and Yoyo donated by TR Carpenter Shop	Sherrie Grissinger
Scarf donated by Rose Marie Anderson	Ann Chalk
Rummikub and Sequence games donated by Linda Smi	th Diane Stillinger
McBride painting donated by Sara Schafer	Renee Detar
Nancy Rogers painting donated by Jeri and Gene Miller	rRon Hicks
Place Mats donated by Binding Friends Quilt Guild	Ethel Polsdofer
Cutting Board donated by TR Carpenter Shop	Arline Lawrence
Cooler with kitchen tools donated by TR Party Planners	sLeo Lejeune
Bushnell GPS Range Finder donated by TRGA	Ken Johnson
Wooden Bowl with Lid donated by TR Carpenter Shop	Susan Lejeune
Cooler donated by Bob and Carol Luther	Ralph Newton
Dave and Delphine CD's donated by TR Entertainment	Dave Murphy
Various Gift Cards donated by Girls' Night Out	Deb Englert
Beach Bag donated by TR Aquatics Group	John Toombs
Afghan donated by Knotty Knitters and Crocheters	Joe Shipe
Game Bag and Cooler donated by TR Game Night	John Wilhelm
Afghan donated by Knotty Knitters and Crocheters	Gary Minnick
Step Stool donated by TR Carpenter Shop	Jackie Gage
Bowl (light) donated by Bud Wuebker	Dwight Greene
Bowl (dark) donated by Bud Wuebker	Boukje Deraaf
Framed Print donated by Burt Contractor	Mardelle St. John
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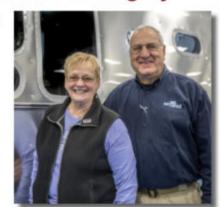
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On Saturday, Feb. 5 TR celebrated its 50th Anniversary with an allday party. The affair was a huge success, except for the weather which refused to cooperate. The program began with opening comments and

Our retired Activity Director Jeri Miller was honored by naming the new Activity Building as the Jeri Miller Activity Building. Miller was also presented with a quilt which enumerated all the various activities she had scheduled during her 20+ years in the position.

Doug Pedersen was also honored. He was presented with a Certificate and advised that the Busch Hall stage will now be known as The Doug Pedersen Stage. He was also presented with a "Golden Microphone" for more than 25 years of arranging for and hosting both the Sunday Night Busch Hall Entertainment and the Wednesday Night Concert Series.

The Board has spent about two years planning the event. What a monumental job, especially in light of the past few years when COVID dominated all decisions being made.

How many people would show up? How much delicious food would be needed? How large a tent would be needed along with tables and chairs to accommodate the diners? Restroom facilities, parking, registration, door prizes and a multitude of other factors had to be considered.

It was too bad that the weather was not cooperative. However, most of the activities were able to be enjoyed even if we did so in warm clothes and in some cases with blankets.

For all the money, time and effort put into the celebration by the Board and its Anniversary Committee, we all say a great big THANK YOU. mre

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# The Servant's Plow



### Unwavering trust

by Rev. Anthony B. Shipe

Jeremiah the prophet preached to Israel around 600 BC. It was during some of the nation's most critical times which included the destruction of Jerusalem, Judah, the Temple and the period of exile. There were many political upheavals in the Near East and the nations were in conflict with one another. Assyria was declining and Egypt and Babylon were each trying to dominate the region. There were many fierce battles and many great cities fell.

At the same time, it was a brief period of reform as Josiah tried to restore the faith. The reform removed much of the idol worship and practices that had dominated society. Unfortunately, many resisted the reform and they continued to believe in other gods. Jeremiah was the prophet of the times who warned his people against abandoning their faith and not trusting in God to be with them.

The people of Israel in that day were dependent on schemes, deals, compromises and alliances. You survived with connections, contracts, and lots of insider information. But these provided them with a false sense of security. They were all man-made arrangements in which people put their trust. Jeremiah was warning them that the deals they thought would give them life would only be for the short term.

I treasure the scripture verses from Jeremiah 17: 5-10.

Jeremiah is saying that we need to be like the tall trees near the water that have a constant supply of nourishment. Trees in that location can withstand anything nature throws against them. Those who trust in the Lord are blessed because their roots are tapped into the stream of life. "They are not anxious in the year of drought." God can sustain us through anything. We are blessed because we have confidence in God's prevailing presence and it is in that presence that we put our

The Israelites had reached a point where they put all their trust in man-made security systems. Instead of walls they made deals with other countries. Their dealings had become their god. All their energy, their loyalty and resources were directed toward the preservation of deals which were self-serving and built on fear rather than faith. Jeremiah was saying that Israel's constant obsession with playing Let's Make a Deal, would cause them to dry up and wither away. They were being misled and putting their trust in



**ANTHONY SHIPE** 

practices that would ultimately lead to their demise.

One time a parishioner told me about the time he was a soldier in World War II. During a fierce battle his unit dug in and made foxholes. Bullets were flying and many men were getting killed. They were badly outnumbered and desperately in need of back-up troops. While in his foxhole the man prayed to God and said, "If You save me this day, I will be in church the rest of my life." He survived and kept true to his word.

I believe that we are willing to worship God and have faith as long as we get results. But what about the faithful person who gets cancer and dies? What about those who die unexpectedly of a heart attack or car accident? To have roots is not to make deals with God. God is not a wheeler-dealer. To have roots is to keep our faith strong no matter what life brings us. We keep our roots strong by being in dialogue with God every day, not just in the foxholes. God needs our devotion always. When that happens, we will have lifelong security.

As we listen to the problems in Jeremiah's day, they don't seem a whole lot different than our own. Nations in the Mid-East are still in conflict. People have turned to terrorism rather than faith. Even in our own country the nation is split politically. Instead of the Temple falling, we had the World Trade Center fall. People seem to have less interest in religion and many turn to other gods.

I believe that the *other god* we turn to is FEAR. Fear causes us to withdraw, build fences and keep others out. Fear holds us back; prevents us from taking risks. When we let fear control our lives we become obsessed with ourselves instead of others.

When we let fear consume our lives it affects the lives of others. Our roots have become selfserving instead of other serving. To trust in God is not just a passive belief. Trust is acted out by our actions and deeds.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is in the Lord," said Jeremiah. Listen closer to the words, "Whose trust is in the Lord." Trust means to have confidence in, have hope in or believe in. But trust also means to depend on God and not have to fear the outcome.

When Jeremiah said, "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord," he wasn't talking about looking out for number one. Jeremiah was concerned with the whole community. Their survival depended on their ability to work together, maintain strong roots and live in faith, not fear. We are blessed by trust when our lives are constantly tapped into the life-giving nourishment of God's love. When that happens, our leaves are "green," as Jeremiah proclaimed. We never have to worry about drying up. Faith in God will sustain us. No matter what happens, "when the heat comes," we have nothing to

Jeremiah was preaching to anyone who would listen. Those who took his words to heart made sure their lives had well-watered roots. Those of you who come to worship and are willing to listen to the prophet's message are watering your roots. Consequently, you will be like that tree near the water that can withstand the storms of life. To be blessed by God doesn't mean that there won't be any storms. There will and some of them will be almost too much to bear.

Jeremiah isn't asking us to be superhuman. He is asking us to be ourselves. When we pretend and build our world with a shaky root system, we are setting ourselves up for disillusionment and failure. When we trust God above all manmade systems our lives will be blessed.

"Blessed are those who trust in the Lord."



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### The Siren



by Jean Cobb RN and First Responder

Imagine this scenario: A week after Andrew returns home from the hospital following a heart attack his wife finds him sitting and leaning forward in his recliner in the middle of the night. Struggling to breathe and able to speak only a few words at a time, he relates that he has no pain but cannot 'catch his breath.' He seemed to be recovering so well from his heart attack. What could be wrong now? It is possible that the damage to Andrew's heart from his heart attack (myocardial infarction) has decreased the efficiency of his heart and caused excessive fluid to build up in his lung tissue, causing his severe shortness of breath. He is likely experiencing ACUTE heart failure, which can be life-threatening – it is time to call 911 and get Andrew to the hospital!

Or this scenario: During the holidays Elizabeth, who has been experiencing chronic heart failure for several years, has been eating many more high-salt foods than usual and has forgotten to take her medications a few times. Suddenly at night she awakens and finds that she is acutely short of breath. She sits upright on the side of the bed to try to breathe better and feels weak and anxious. After a bout of coughing, she notes frothy, pinktinged mucous in the tissue she used. Elizabeth, too, is likely

### **Acute and Chronic** (Congestive) Heart Failure

experiencing ACUTE heart failure and needs to seek medical attention immediately.

Heart failure, which can be mild or moderate (CHRONIC) or sudden and severe (ACUTE), occurs when the heart muscle doesn't pump blood to the lungs and the body as well as it should. The result of decreased pumping effectiveness by the heart is a backup (congestion) of blood in the lungs and/or other areas of the body. In addition, impaired pumping effectiveness of the heart deprives tissues of necessary oxygen and nutrients, and frequently triggers a response by the kidneys to save fluid rather than filtering and eliminating it. Unfortunately, extra fluid saved by the kidneys increases the problem rather than solving it.

Acute heart failure may occur without a previous diagnosis of chronic heart failure, or as a complication of chronic heart failure. It is characterized by a sudden onset of acute respiratory distress caused by accumulation of fluid in pulmonary (lung) tissue.

Typical respiratory symptoms include sudden, severe shortness of breath making it impossible to tolerate lying flat and a cough that may include pink, foamy mucus. Oxygen levels in the blood drop, pulse and respiration rates increase markedly and the person generally feels restless and anxious. Talking is reduced to a few words at a time between breaths. Most often there has been a rapid weight gain of several pounds over a day or two caused by fluid retention, although swelling (edema) in the feet and legs may or may not occur.

Chronic heart failure can result from certain conditions such as a previous heart attack, coronary artery disease, high blood pressure or heart valve abnormalities, which gradually leave the heart too weak or stiff to fill and pump efficiently. Symptoms include shortness of breath with exertion or when one lies down, swelling in ankles, feet, and lower legs that increases during the day, persistent cough or wheezing, increased need to urinate at night or general fatigue or weakness. It is estimated that over 5 million people in the U.S. have been diagnosed with chronic heart failure and that chronic heart failure affects 6% to 10% of all people over 65 years of

In many cases chronic heart failure can be managed with medications that control high blood pressure, improve circulation, reduce workload on the heart, strengthen heart contractions and/or reduce excess fluid in the body. Most healthcare providers will prescribe a diet that is limited in salt to avoid fluid retention which can aggravate heart failure.

It is very important to work closely with a healthcare provider to effectively diagnose and manage chronic heart failure because there are a wide variety of medications and treatments that can be individualized for each patient. It is also critical to take medications and follow instructions as prescribed to help avoid life-threatening episodes of acute heart failure. Left untreated, acute heart failure can progress to loss of consciousness and death.

Acute heart failure requires prompt action - Dial 911. Do not attempt to drive the person to medical care because they may get worse quickly and an ambulance is better equipped to provide emergency care enroute. If the person is short of breath, help them to sit in an upright position. Stay calm and keep them calm – help is on

# Oh, those sore, aching feet.....

by Donna Neer, RN (retired)

Have you ever experienced sharp, severe pain in the heel of your foot (or feet) when you first get out of bed in the morning? Do you find that after sitting for long periods of time your heel (or heels) are painful when you start to walk? A condition called PLAN-TAR FASCIITIS may be the cause of your foot/heel pain.

Plantar Fasciitis is one of the most common causes of heel pain. It involves pain and inflammation of a thick band of tissue, called the Plantar Fascia that runs across the bottom of your foot. This tough and fibrous band of tissue connects your heel bone to your toes. The plantar fascia acts like a shockabsorbing bowstring, supporting the arch of your foot. If tension becomes too great to the bowstring, small tears can result in the fascia. Repetitive tearing and/or stretching can cause irritation or inflammation, which in turn causes

Plantar Fasciitis is particularly common in runners. Activities that place a lot of stress on your heels and attached tissue such as ballet dancing, dance aerobics, working on hard surfaces for long periods of time, etc. are some of the factors that can increase your risk of developing Plantar Fasciitis. Additionally, being flatfooted, having a high arch or having an abnormal walking pattern that adversely affects the manner by which your weight is distributed. Being overweight can very well lead to developing Plantar Fasciitis.

Your doctor will obtain an activity history and perform a physical exam of your foot by checking for points of tenderness.



The exact location of your pain can assist him/her to determine the cause of your pain. An X-Ray may be ordered to determine if a heel spur may be the cause of your foot pain.

Generally, conservative treatment is ordered to help reduce or eliminate the pain. Over-thecounter pain relievers, as well as stretching and strengthening exercises are helpful. Heel cups, cushions or custom-fitted arch supports (orthotics) may be prescribed. More aggressive treatments such as steroid injections (i.e., cortisone) into the painful area of your foot, shock wave treatment or surgical intervention detaching the plantar fascia from the heel bone may be needed.

To avoid this painful condition, it is recommended that you maintain a healthy weight and wear good supportive shoes that have good arch supports and shock absorbency. If you are a runner or a power-walker, it is recommended that you purchase new running shoes after 500 miles of use.

Always, listen to your body and see your healthcare professional if you are having foot/heel

REFERENCES: www.WebM-D.org, www.aofas.org, www.mayoclinic.org.

### **Daystar Food Pantry** is the Souper Bowl of Caring winner



Photo by Bill Watkins

The final tally for the Souper Bowl was 659 cans of soup: 121 for I don't care; 124 for the Rams; and 414 for the Bengals.

# by Richard Hunt

A simple prayer from 1990 started a nation-wide movement to help feed the hungry: Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat.

In response to that prayer, 22 church youth groups came together to harness the energy and enthusiasm of Super Bowl weekend, a time when people come together for football, food and fun, to create the Souper Bowl of Car-

The first year they collected \$5,700 with 100% of donations distributed to local-area charities. Since then, Souper Bowl of Caring has become a national movement. Over \$150 million in dollars and food has been generated benefiting thousands of hunger-relief charities in local communities.

Travelers Rest recently joined this wonderful endeavor and began collecting cans of soup on Super Bowl Sunday for Day Star Hope Food Pantry in Dade City. We vote for our favored football team by placing cans, or dollars, in team-labeled boxes. It continues to be an annual giving opportunity. We've since outgrown the boxes and now use tables to stack our

On Sunday, Feb. 13, Travelers Rest collected 659 cans of soup that will soon be delivered to Day Star Hope Food Pantry in Dade

# Changes are inevitable



How many times have you returned to TR after a period of time away to find yourself saying, "Boy, this sure looks different." Or have you thought, "Wow! I'm sure glad they put a traffic light up

One big change we recall from a ride down Bellamy Brothers Boulevard was the disappearance of The Neon Cowboy Bar which was at the corner of Bellamy Brothers Boulevard and Route 52. When we first came to TR it was a unique landmark. That spot is now a big retaining pool and Route 52 is now a divided road at that corner all the way to I-75. With the recent announcement that Amazon is going to build a new 517,220 square foot distribution center at that corner, we will certainly see more traffic and, I am sure, more

road construction and more development in that area. I liked Richard Hunt's comment on Facebook that we will probably now get even faster Amazon deliveries. Instead of looking at the negatives of more traffic and some future inconvenient road construction, it is good to look at the positive. Change is inevitable.

Older residents here have seen many changes. As Florida grows and Tampa spreads northward, we will see more and more. We can only control the land on which TR sits, with the assistance of our Board, management team and maintenance staff. The voluntarism and the spirit of TR that began 50 years ago continues today and will keep our park an oasis of fun and goodwill no matter what outside changes happen.





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### **Activity Affairs**

by Guy Weik **Activity Director** 

Hobby and Art Show: Wednesday, March 9, from 10 a.m. to noon, Busch Hall. In spite of the challenges we've all faced dealing with COVID, we have many activities meeting this season. I have scheduled our Hobby and Art Show so that everyone has a chance to share and view the amazing projects that have been created at TR over the past couple of years. Since the buildings were closed last season this had to be canceled. Committee chairs will be contacted soon with setup

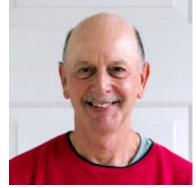
Bridge: All lovers of bridge are invited to join the Tuesday and Thursday sessions at 6:30 p.m. in Citrus West. You no longer need a partner! This group is setting up a partner schedule, so please come and enjoy a fun activity!

Learning our Online Activities Calendar: Go to YouTube, search Busch Hall Travelers Rest and scroll down until you see the Calendar Seminar. Features of the calendar were shown on the screens during Marc Horowitz's seminar in Busch Hall and participants practiced using those features on their phones and tablets. You can do the same thing as you watch the presentation on YouTube. If you're like me and need to hear things more than once, you can back Marc up and have him repeat things over and over until you get it right! So please check the Activities Calendar on the TR website for the most up-todate information. From the Travelers Rest homepage, the calendar can be accessed by clicking on "Things to Do," then "Activities," then "All" (or another specific menu item that interests you). You can also scroll down on the website homepage, hit the Activities button, and the Calendar will open to the day's activities.

The following updates reflect what I've received as of Feb. 11. Continuing Activities for all **Residents:** 

Irish Coffee House: Tonight at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall. A group of talented TR musicians will take you to the Pubs of Ireland for a toetapping good time. Celtic tunes, humorous Irish ditties, sea shanties and beautiful ballads will fill the air. This is a rare chance to hear the REAL thing with lush harmonies backed up with guitar, mandolin, fiddle, concertina, bouzouki and Celtic rhythms. There is a \$5 charge at the door for this event, which includes coffee, drinks and cookies. BYOB.

Bingo: Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East. Restarted Feb. 12.



**GUY WEIK** 

Tuesday Night Movies: Feb. 22, The Father, starring Anthony Hopkins in Citrus East. Doors open: 6:45 p.m. Movie starts: 7:15 p.m. Don't forget to bring your mask.

Party Planners' Drive-thru Steak Dinner: Thursday, Feb. 24, 5 to 6 p.m., Golf View Pavilion. Friday Night Dances: The next dance has a Mardi Gras theme and is scheduled for Feb. 25, 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Quilt-a-Rama: Tuesday, March 1, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Garden Scavenger Hunt: March 6 to 13. See Garden Club articles

in The TR Times. Talent Show: Sunday, March 6, 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Hobby and Art Show: Being planned for Wednesday, March 9, 10 a.m. to noon in Busch Hall. Committee chairs will be contacted shortly about the details.

**Canceled or Postponed Activities:** Basketweaving: Canceled for this season.

Chair Yoga: Canceled for this

Coffee Socials: Canceled for this

**Dulcimer Jam:** Thursday, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East is postponed until further notice. Dulcimer classes on Monday are still on.

Garden Walk: Changing format to a week-long Garden Scavenger Hunt, March 6 to 13.

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:** Monday, 7 to 8 p.m. in Busch Hall.

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

**Dulcimer:** Beginners on Monday, 9 to 10:15 a.m. in Citrus West. Experienced on Monday, 10:30 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. Dulcimer Jam postponed.

Genealogy: Not being taught, but open for individual research, Friday, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus

Geocaching: Tuesday, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Please note a venue change over the next few weeks to accommodate Board meetings when they are held in the Hobby House. Geocaching will meet at the Golf View Pavilion on Feb. 15, Feb. 22 and March 1.

Joker: Monday, 6:30 p.m. in Citrus West and Friday, 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.

Line Dancing: Daytime classes Mondays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East; Nighttime classes Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m. in the Activity Center.

Mahjong Chinese: Moved to Citrus West, Monday and Friday, 1 to 3 p.m.

Model Railroad Club: Friday, 10 a.m. to noon in the Activity Center.

#### **RC Motorsports:**

- Airplanes: Thursday, 3 to 5 p.m. in Busch Hall. Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall unless there is an event scheduled in Busch Hall. Check the online schedule.

- Powerboats: Race Monday and Friday, 9 a.m. on Mirror Lake.

- Sailboats: Race Wednesday and Saturday, 9 a.m. on Mirror Lake.

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

Stained Glass: Monday, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. in the Activity Center. Beginners on Wednesday, 4 to 7 p.m. in the Activity Center. Experienced on Friday, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.

Table Tennis: Starting up again! Monday and Thursday, 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus East.

TR Road Riders: First Monday, 7 to 8 p.m., moved to Hobby

Watercolor Painting: Wednesday, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East. Wizard: Tuesday, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Yoga: Pickleball Yoga only this season on Tuesday and Thursday, 8 to 9 a.m. at the Upper Courts.

### New England's **Potluck** Luncheon



#### by Kathy Fuller

It's been two LONG years but it's back! Hurray!

Our annual Potluck Luncheon is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 27 at 12:30 p.m. in Citrus East. Bring your favorite potluck dish to share and enjoy the fun and fellowship. Everyone is welcome to bring a friend or two to add to the fun!

You will need to bring a beverage, place settings and a serving utensil (if needed). Serving gloves and hand sanitizer will be provided.

We encourage you to sign up in Busch Hall. For information contact Kathy Fuller 860-302-1367.

# 50th Celebration was great



by Bill Howard, N4MU

Whew! It's over. After weeks of preparation, the TR Amateur Radio Club had a great time putting our very own Special Event Station, W5O, on the air during the 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration.

The stations were set up on Friday, Feb. 4 and by 8 a.m. Saturday we were on the air connecting with other ham stations in many locations. While we didn't have super propagation conditions (they were about average), we were able to contact over 50 stations from Florida to

The operators and loggers had fun and it appeared that all who participated enjoyed the event. It was great to be able to have the Club work together to pull this off so successfully. Members were also motivated by the activity and suspense of what station might be contacted next. It has been a long time since we have been able to perform such an event due to COVID restrictions.

What makes this event even more special is that it was very similar to an annual event called Winter Field Day that the Club may like to take part in next January. Winter Field Day is similar since our Club operators contact as many other hams as possible during the 24-hour period of the contest. We will see what happens next year but our 50th Celebration will surely have helped us plan for WFD.

Everyone was bummed out by the rain that happened at about 1 p.m. and it was thought best to just shut down as we didn't know whether the rain would last 30 minutes or all afternoon. Forecasts had no reports of rain so much for forecasts. We had a good time anyway and now everyone is thinking tent for next

I would like to especially thank Club member Dave Baur, W0UXB, for his assistance as Chairman of the 50th event. He deserves several pats on the back for a job very well done. Thank

Coming up in March will be the nomination and election of officers for the 2022-23 season. Full members, start thinking now about how you might help the Club with your guidance.

# **Boxcar winners** announced



Photo submitted by Larry Babbitt

#### **TRAIN BOXCAR**

by Larry Babbitt

Hey rail fans, thank you for stopping to see our model railroad exhibit at the TR 50th Anniversary Celebration. We are so glad you showed interest in the work of our group.

Forty-three of you entered your names and/or lot numbers in the drawing for the 50th Anniversary model railroad boxcars. The winners are Lloyd Marsh, lot 01-07, Louise Powers, lot 03-17, Kelly Newbury, lot 06-05 and Russell Thackery, lot 28-07. Please contact either Brian or Larry and we will make sure you get your rail car.

Contact Brian Krupicka at trains@dbcomserv.com or Larry Babbitt at trainnut1942@gmail.com.





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# TR Sports Club begins the new season with a bang

#### by Penny Lo Presti

The TR Sport Club now enjoys a membership of over 100 TR residents, of which there are 28 ladies, who enjoy the sports of handgun, rifle, shotgun shooting and fishing. Due to the pandemic, we have had to cancel indoor safety instruction and the speaker from the Florida State Crime Prevention Task Force. It is our hope these will resume next season but our outdoor activity has not been held back.

On Wednesdays and Thursdays many of us go to Tampa Bay Sporting Clays. Here is where we have great fun with a variety of options. Sporting clay is a form of clay pigeon shooting. Described as "golf with a shotgun," the sport differs from trap and skeet shooting in that it is often considered to be more difficult than trap or skeet. It involves shooting clay targets at multiple locations called stations. Unlike trap and skeet sporting clay targets are thrown from clay throwing machines in a variety of trajectories, angles, speeds, elevations and distances. Some of our members have taken part in competitions at Tampa Bay Sporting Clays and have done the TR Sports Club proud.

The skeet range has eight shooting stations and two trap houses. Seven of the eight stations are arranged in a half-moon between the two trap houses and the eighth station is positioned directly between them. The high house throws its targets from a trap 10 feet above the ground. The target travels to the center of the field and rises to a height of 15 feet. The low house throws its targets



Photos submitted by Ray Lo Presti

#### Andy Mashack is learning a new technique from instructor Ray Lo Presti.

from only 3½ feet but they also rise to 15 feet by the time they reach the center of the field. Each skeet round contains 25 targets.

Sporting Clays is a multitarget section that contains colorcoded courses spread out over many acres. Each course is operated as a station. Each course is color coded for difficulty and they have multiple targets to travel to. There is also a 5-stand elevated platform and up to five shooters may participate at a time. Clays will be thrown at random from the various traps. From one of five positions, a shooter aims at targets presented by three pre-programmed throwers, left, right and center. When that round is completed the shooter will move to the next position. This continues until all five positions have been completed and 25 rounds shot by all shooters.

At West Armory each practice stand is separated and is the perfect place to practice and perfect your skills of either or both handgun and rifle shooting. When new to West Armory you will receive instruction on range safety and handgun safety. Instruction is always available with Ray Lo Presti who is a certified NRA instructor and the Club's Chairman.

Shooters can also use their Simulator Room. In that location we can practice with the simulations of the Wild West, test target skills in a variety of timed and untimed targets or practice with the real-life scenarios of car-jacking and live shooter incidents.



Barb Swartz and Kim Roberts at Stand 5.



Chuck Bocchino takes aim.

# The 50th Anniversary Quilt



#### by Ethel Polsdofer

During the summer as planning began for the 50th Anniversary Celebration, Rosita (Rose) Williams wondered how to highlight the many activities, past and present, that make Travelers Rest such a unique and special place. Rose thought a quilt would be an enduring reminder of what TR offers.

Rose spent time researching quilt patterns and found one she thought would work perfectly - the snowball block. She used her AccuQuilt fabric cutter to cut over 100 squares and over 400 corners to be sewn together. Then it became a typical TR moment with many volunteers asking, "How can I help?" Almost every member of the TR Binding Friends Quilt Guild and the Sew Special Sewers worked on the 50th Anniversary Quilt. They sewed the corners on the blocks so that Rose could embroider them. Others cut out stabilizer for the embroidery. Those with an artistic eye helped organize blocks in a pleasing pattern, and then the blocks were squared and sewn together. Many thanks to: Margaret Melville, Jean Martin, Michelle Wilkins, Cloie



Photo by Bill Watkins

#### **50TH ANNIVERSARY QUILT**

Morgan, Laurie Zentmyer, Lynne Lewis, Floyd Bell, Pat Greene, Sheila Schenke, Mary Ellen Gedert, Rosemary Summers, Joan Ledbetter, Kathy Bocchino, Cathy Stuart, Diane Krupicka, Carol Luther, Shala Wilson and Laura Lilawski for their help. Edith Huestis volunteered to quilt it and Pat King sewed on the binding.

When I look at the quilt hanging in Busch Hall I think of all the work, fun and laughter of new and old friends who worked on the quilt now proudly hanging in Busch Hall.



# **Spread the Love**



Photo by Rich Kushman

Kit and Dick Wheatley are distributing food boxes to be filled for the needy.

#### by Pam Watkins

Spread the Love is a short, simple and sweet idea that Jean and Mickey Cobb along with Kit and Dick Wheatley, felt would meet the growing need of our local food pantry at Daystar Hope Center. TR residents can help spread the love by filling up boxes with food items that are in short supply.

Boxes can be filled by individuals, friends, or maybe some of our TR activity groups. Boxes may be picked up at 2619 in the Village. A list of items is in each box to make filling them a short and simple task. Simply visit 2619, record your lot #, name and phone # on the clip board, take a box (please use only the supplied boxes), fill it up and return it to 2610 by Feb. 28. Everything you need to know is on the note attached to the box. As filled boxes are returned, they will be delivered to the Daystar Hope Center in Dade City. Sweet.

### **Bulletin Board**

Bulletin Board information appears as submitted to *The TR Times*. Activity schedules are subject to change. Always refer to the Activities tab at travelers restresort.com for the latest information. Contact information for activity chairs can be found in the TR Directory.

#### **ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION**

PICKIN' & GRINNIN' - 1st, 3rd and 4th Monday of month, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 2nd Monday, 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 Citrus Cancella



#### **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** 

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 Translated 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.

#### 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**



#### **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** 

**Guy Weik** 

#### **COFFEE SEMINARS**

Thursdays, 8 to 9 a.m. in Busch Watch *The TR Times* for updates



### bring your own mug.

**COFFEE SOCIAL** 

**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** 

Carey Box

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

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

Chairperson needed

### **DISPLAY CASE IN POST OFFICE**

**DOMINOES** 

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

DRAWING HUMAN FIGURES

Linda Gough

### Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citru 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**

**EUCHRE/BID** 

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

### Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall.

**Barb Nelson** 

Jan Werner

#### **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

**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

**Dot Brenn GAMES NIGHT** Mondays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Snack Shack Pavilion. Non-

schedule and themes will be listed in The TR Times.

**Linda Smith** 

### **GARDEN CLUB**

contact games.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11 a.m. at Lake Margaret. **Richard Fischer** 

Open for individual research, Fridays, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

No chairperson

#### **GEOCACHING**

**GENEALOGY** 

in Citrus East.

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.

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**

**GOLF - SCRAMBLES** 

Thursdays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.at Starter Shack. **Bill Harkins** 

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

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 Mav** 

**Don Sides** 

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

**HARMONAIRES** 

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

Fridays 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Hobby House.

**Rosita Williams** 

#### **IPHONE CLASS**

Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Activ



### **Bulletin Board**

Bulletin Board information appears as submitted to *The TR Times*. Activity schedules are subject to change. Always refer to the Activities tab at *travelersrestresort.com* for the latest information. Contact information for activity chairs can be found in the TR Directory.

#### **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 postponed Hall. 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 to 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 Gallager **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 Delanev

Gina DiPinto

#### **POKER LADIES NIGHT OUT**

Mondays, 7 - 9:30 p.m., Hobi

#### 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**

the Oak View Pavilion near Busch Hall. Everyday at their Dade City location in Walmart parking

**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 TRAVEL**

Sharon Gilbert Zile

#### TR TRAVELAIRES OCHESTRA

Tuesdays, 12:45 to 3:00 p.m. in Busch Hall. New members welcome.

#### TRAVELETTES/WOMEN'S CHORUS

Wednesdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Activity Center.

Mary Beth Coldren

**TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES (TNM)** Tuesdays, doors open at 6:45 p.m., movie will start at

Jim and Carol Henrikson

**UKULELE STRUMMING** Small groups will be held on select Tuesdays. Contact Donna by email only.

**Donna Probes** 

**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

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

Gloria Polzin

Pat Miller

### Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 7:50 to 8:30 a.m. in Citrus East.

#### **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.

Beginners - 8:45 to 10 a.m. Advanced - 10 a.m. to noon



Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 -9 a.m., Upper Pickleball

Jean Renee DeTar

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



**Gene Cribbs** 

### TRAVELOGUE SLIDE SHOW

2nd and 4th Mondays, 3 to 4:3

**Bert Contractor** 

7:15 p.m., in Citrus East. Masks required.

#### **VETERANS MEETING**

2nd Mondays, 10:03 to 11 a.m. in Hobby House.

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

Jackie Thackery

#### WATERCOLOR PAINTING

**WEIGHTS & STRETCHING** 

Sheila Schencke

Larry Kurkowski

**WOODCARVING** Wednesdays in Citrus West.



#### Courts.

**ZUMBA** Thursdays 8 to 9 a.m., upper Pickleball courts.

**Bev Weissinger** 

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

thetrtimes@gmail.com



Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at

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** 

### Beyond the Resort



#### by Linda Spencer

On Friday, Feb.18 thru Sunday, Feb. 20, the West Pasco County Historical Society Quilt Show will take place at 6431 Circle Blvd., New Port Richey. The threeday event will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb.18 and 19 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 20. There will be food trucks on site each day for lunch. Call 727-847-0680 for additional information. Location is approximately 50 minutes or 35 miles from Travelers Rest.



On Wednesday, Feb. 23 thru Sunday, Feb. 27, the Orange Blossom Special Star Party Event will take place at Withlacoochee River Park, 12449 Withlacoochee Blvd., Dade City. It starts at noon on Feb. 23 and ends at 5 p.m. on Feb. 27. This is a group camping event. For additional information go to happeningnext.com. This event is approximately 17 miles or 26 minutes from Travelers Rest.



On Monday, Feb. 21 thru Monday, Feb. 27. enjoy the 75th Pasco County Fair. This fair is held annually with midway rides, fair food, free entertainment and live-



**LINDA SPENCER** 

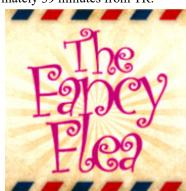
stock shows. Bluegrass Music is performed on Wednesday, Gospel Music is on Thursday, and a Demolition Derby is on Saturday. Parking is free and hours vary. Located at 36722 SR 52, Dade City. Please visit pascocountyfair .com for additional information.



On Thursday, Feb. 24 thru Saturday, Feb. 26, noon to 10 p.m., the Florida Classic Music Festival and Car Show will be held at Weeki Wachee, 5360 Lockhart Road, Brooksville. Stage shows, camping, family activities, craft and food vendors and much more. Please call 386-385-3500 or www.floridasadventurecoast.com for additional information. Event is approximately 35 minutes from Travelers Rest.



On Friday, Feb. 25, thru Sunday, Feb. 27 the Sun West Crab and Shrimp Festival will take place at 17362 Old Dixie Highway, Hudson. Hours are 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. There will be carnival rides, shows, bands and tons of seafood. Also, this year you can participate in the Hermit Crab Races, attend the Wolves of the World Show and The Bird Encounter. No parking fees will be charged. Admission tickets cover everything but food. Early bird tickets are \$20. Visit either https://go.evnt.com/972344-0 or eventbrite.com for information and tickets. The event is approximately 39 minutes from TR.



On Saturday, Feb. 26 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. the Fancy Flea Brooksville Street Fair will take place at 15 Main and Broad Streets, Brooksville. Experience the best vintage shopping in the southeast. This is an outdoor street show with free admission and free parking. Please visit www.fancyflea.net for more information. This venue is approximately 22 miles from Travelers Rest.

Please check with any event before attending, as I do not always get notified of a cancellation. Covid-19 cancellations are still occurring at a high number.



### **Travel News**



**DAN AND SHARON ZILE** 

#### by Sharon Gilbert Zile, **TR Tour Director**

I truly enjoy people who travel, whether those travels take them to the exploration of far-away continents or to the discovery of unique venues right within their home state or province. Like readers who always have a list of next books to read, travelers usually have a list of places for their next trip. The anticipation of that next trip contributes to a life that is forward-thinking and emotionally healthy.



Each trip requires a specific preparation. Where do we want to go? What or who do we want to see? Is a passport needed? Are flights and ground transportation necessary? Will we do our own trip planning or travel with an experienced travel group? Is it a road trip that involves mapping the route? Do we need reservations for lodging or attractions? What do we already know about the region we will be visiting? What resources will prepare us for the journey travel guides, a travel agent, paper maps, Google Earth, or an Internet search for travelogues by people who have traveled to our destination recently?

As frequent leisure travelers, Dan and I always have our next trip in mind. We each are involved in different aspects of the trip planning, and we bring together our individual familiarity with the proposed destination. Currently we are planning a summer trip to Atlantic Canada. Dan does the campground reservations, while I do the ferry reservations and tickets for numerous tours and entertainment events. Dan does the road mapping. Together we watch movies that will add to our understanding of life in Newfoundland. Historical fiction is also shedding light on life of early inhabitants of the island. Hopefully our trip plans allow time for scheduled events and spontaneous discovery. The planning is time consuming and yet we have chosen for the planning to be part of our anticipation of the journey.



TR travelers who have chosen one or more of the group bus trips have many trip details prearranged. A tour developer who is both creative and organized establishes the itinerary and makes all the reservations, a bus provides the transportation and a professional driver determines the route. Each TR traveler gets all the benefits of forward-thinking trip anticipation. The only traveler responsibilities are a timely signup, payment and good health for the journey. We hope this makes TR trips a stress-free form of travel with friends!



Rocket Launch: March 1, 2022 4:38 PM EST | ULA Atlas V GOES-T.

As I write this article, we are preparing for the Feb. 15 Kennedy Space Center (KSC) trip. I'm especially looking forward to the stories of our TR rocket scientists as we journey to KSC! Then on March 8, the Tampa By Land and By Sea day trip will offer 40 participants two different tours of Tampa with lunch at Armature Works, a fully restored waterfront building that once housed the storage and maintenance facility for Tampa Electric's streetcars. These are two wonderful day trips which are easy on preparation for each of us. I can feel the joyous anticipation building and that's good for health!







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### Library News

#### by Mary Kosbab

The library began keeping copies of The TR Times in 2007-2008 and we continue to do so to this day. Marilyn Collins, one of the former editors of The TR Times, felt strongly that our library should house past TR Times as a record of our park. She initiated making copies of the paper each week and this practice has been continued ever since.

These older copies are kept on the tall bookcase directly behind the library desk and also on the back side of the tall bookshelf facing you when you enter the library. They are in white binders and the years are marked. If you are one of the old-timers and want to have fun reminiscing about some of your earlier years, stop in and spend some time reading through the old papers. If you are one of the newcomers, I think you will find some interesting history of the activities you are enjoying at our park. We do ask that you look at The TR Times notebooks in the library. They are rather bulky and our large round table makes a perfect place on which to open the binders and browse the pages.

Besides The TR Times, there are some booklets on the history of our park located on the windowsill facing the Shuffleboard

Court and also on the back shelf of the tall bookcase in the center of the room. Feel free to borrow these. We do ask that you return them to their location when you are finished.

A number of years ago Jan Werner gave us her collection of old TR directories. These are great for people to look up names of people who lived on a certain street or look up an old telephone number with hopes they can contact an old friend. I have known several peo-

ple who have used them and I have used them myself. They are a valuable resource to have in the library. We are currently missing the past four years. If you have any of these directories and could donate them to the library, it would be appreciated.

As always, if you have any concerns or suggestions for the library, please contact me or any library volunteer.

We welcome your input.



Photo by Pam Watkins

In addition to the histories, you can also take a trip through the years in pictures on display.

### TR Library DVD section missing discs

by Nan Feeney Lance

Several movies were taken out of the TR Library and faithfully returned, missing the inside discs! Please check your DVD player to see if you inadvertently left one in there: Closer, Seven, While You Were Sleeping, Jersey Boys, Saving Grace and War Horse.



Adjusting to condo life



by Jane Harrold

Here it is the middle of February and Bill and I are still north of the border enjoying the snowiest winter Niagara Falls has seen in many years. Mainly we are viewing this wintery scene from our condo's third-floor windows. We are amazed at how much nicer mounds of snow look when you are not going to be doing the shovelling and your car does not need to be dug out because it is parked underground. So far the underground parking area is getting a four-star rating. I would give it five stars but when I am the driver I find those pesky cement posts that hold up the roof quite annoying. Bill says that luckily our van is about the same colour of grey just in case I get too close to the two posts which guard our

We had been adjusting quite well to our condo until we developed water issues. Actually it was more that I had a problem with the hot water in the shower and Bill did not. We spent several days wondering why when I was in the shower the water would suddenly turn cold. This did not happen every day and only once when Bill showered. How could the shower detect which of us was there?

We analyzed step-by-step what each of us did. Did I like hotter water and turn the handle

farther? Did I take longer showers? We had no solutions although Bill was quite convinced that it was something I was doing. The condo unit has its own hot water on demand system so there should always be plenty of hot water. In my opinion our hot water on demand was more like hot water whenever the system felt like it and it liked Bill better.

Finally I called a repairman who arrived promptly the next day. Great service and he did not roll his eyes when I explained what was happening. He checked the hot water on demand and it passed with flying colors. Of course it did because I was not in the shower. The repairman wondered if Bill was trying to use hot water at the same time I was showering. Good idea but usually Bill is still sleeping. I was beginning to think that I was stuck with the seemingly random cold water attacks but the repairman asked about whether the furnace was running when the shower water turned cold. Apparently the hot water on demand also supplies our unit's forced air hot water furnace. If the furnace and the shower both want hot water

simultaneously the hot water on demand chooses to give each some. Not only does the system like Bill better it also prefers to respond to the furnace rather than to my shower. Hmmmm...

So I changed my morning routine. Now when I get up and head to the shower, instead of turning the thermostat up higher to make the house warmer for Bill when he gets up later, I lower the temperature two or three degrees so that the furnace will not come on and call for hot water. My shower is perfect. My water is hot. This problem is solved. As for Bill, if he is lucky, I will remember after my shower to turn the heat back





Lake Margaret Garden **Scavenger Hunt** 



Photo and drawing by Amy Grier

#### **STAGHORN FERN**

by Leslie Ewing

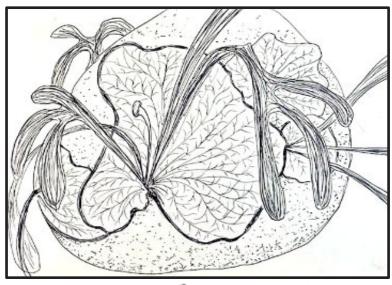
The week of Sunday, March 6 to Sunday, March 13 residents can search the Garden at their leisure for our first Lake Margaret Garden Scavenger Hunt. Garden Club packets will be available at the Post Office at Busch Hall following Church on Sunday, March 6, as well as during the week of the Scavenger Hunt. To participate, bring the packet and a pen or pencil to the Garden.

The packet will have a map created by Amy Grier on the cover. Inside the packet will be a list of plants for residents to find in the Garden. Each plant listing will have a sketch drawn by Amy, such as the sketch of the Staghorn Fern pictured here, along with clues to help find the plant. The map on the cover can be used for reference. The photograph of the Staghorn Fern is here for comparison, but it won't be included in the packet.

Each plant listed will have a numbered flag by it in the Garden. Write down the number that belongs to that particular plant. Residents can do this at any time for the week of the Scavenger Hunt. There is no need to rush. There won't be a prize for finishing first. The Club hopes to avoid crowding in the Garden by spreading the event out for a week.

The Scavenger Hunt concludes on Sunday, March 13 by returning the completed packets to the side of the Bocce Ball Courts facing The Grove between 3 and 6 p.m. Club volunteers are preparing a little prize for each packet returned. The Club hopes that everyone will have fun and enjoy the challenge.

See you in the Garden!









### Pets on Parade



# Cavalier King Charles rule

by Judy Leister

Cindy and Denny McMahan live in central Ohio's farm country. Their kids live next door, so the grand dogs spend a lot of time with them. Cindy was seldom without a dog around. When the last of the grand dogs passed from old age Cindy was very lonely. Her own health issues kept her from getting out much, so without the dogs around she felt rather iso-

Cindy wanted a dog of her own and gave thought to what breed to get. She decided on a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. She researched breeders and found one in which she had confidence. As it turned out, that breeder happened to have two puppies available. Before getting a puppy, Cindy had been thinking about names. She thought Sophie would be a fitting name for a cuddly Cavalier puppy. To her surprise, that is the exact name the breeder had been calling one of the puppies. It was meant to be. Sophie was certainly going to be the puppy for Cindy. Their daughter chose the litter mate, so Sophie's brother was coming with her.

Denny wasn't so sure about getting another dog at this point, so you can imagine his surprise when Sophie appeared. The moment Sophie saw Denny she wanted to bond with him. Two weeks later he was starting to give in to Sophie's loving ways.

While at their vet, little Sophie was attacked by an aggressive dog that got loose. She was so scared but luckily not hurt. Shortly after that, they were on their trip to TR and stopped at a rest stop. Denny took Sophie out to potty and an off-

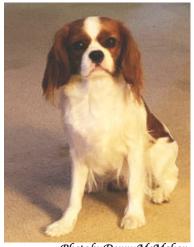


Photo by Denny McMahan SOPHIE

leash dog that looked just like the one that came after her at the vet office tried to attack her. Unbelievably, this happened a second time at yet another rest stop. This time Sophie go so scared she pulled right out of her collar and started to take off. Denny dropped to his knees and called her. She ran right at him, launched her little body up in the air and wrapped herself around Denny's neck. That was it. Denny was ready to bond with this cute little puppy that loved him

Sophie loves all people. She knows no strangers. If TR neighbors walk by she happily greets everyone. She gets along great with other dogs but it's the human she really wants to meet.

They have their bedtime routine all figured out. Cindy goes to bed first. Sophie escorts her into the bedroom and hangs out for a while until she knows Cindy is settled in. Then Sophie hurries back out to the living room where Denny is still watching TV. She jumps up onto the back of the chair and gets in her favorite position wrapped around her daddy's neck. When Denny gets up to go to bed, Sophie knows it's play time. Denny puts his hand under the blankets on the bed and bounces it around. Sophie goes into full out pounce mode going after that "boinging" blanket. When she's done, it's time to go to bed and she curls up for

Little by little Sophie is learning about Florida wildlife. They haven't actually seen any armadillos but the telltale sign of those critters has caught Sophie's attention. She has had an encounter with a Sandhill Crane though. One happened to walk by. Sophie froze in her steps and couldn't quit staring at it. She was not going to take her eye off of it until it wandered off on its own.

I had to smile when I asked Denny if Sophie had any funny habits. He said, "Yes, she has bashful bowels and bashful bladder." For a second I asked myself what he meant, but all of a sudden I realized that Sophie does the same thing our dog does. Now I have a name for it. These young dogs that are raised in the country are used to total privacy when they go out in their own quiet backyards to do their business. Then we bring them to happy, friendly TR where neighbors are outside riding bikes and taking walks. Sophie sniffs looking for just the right spot but then, oops, someone might be watching. Better look for a new spot just in case. Thank you Denny for giving this habit a name. Being at TR is such a wonderful place for these little farm dogs to learn all kinds of valuable social skills.

# The poopy salute



Cartoon by Judy Leister

by Judy Leister

Yesterday I heard a friendly reminder of a long standing TR tradition. Let's wave hello to everyone we happen to pass while at TR. That brought back memories of when Mark and I first started coming to TR. We noticed everyone waving at each other whether they were walking, riding a bike, in a golf cart or even in their car. It didn't take us long to catch on to the waving. It was fun.

One time a visitor asked me if waving was a requirement here. I explained that while it isn't mandatory here, we just do it. It's

Every day I take our dog for a walk and many times along the way, she makes a deposit. Of course I pick it up in a poopy bag and off we go. As we continue on our way, I find myself waving at all the smiling TR faces. With a leash in one hand, that leaves me with the baggy in the other hand. I can't wave with the leash hand, so YIKES, I find myself waving a full poopy bag at everyone I pass. Oops! It's the Poopy Salute!



# **Blessing of the Pets** is on Monday

by Judy Leister

Don't forget the Blessing of the Pets on Monday, Feb. 21 at 3 p.m. at the Puppy Park. We just wanted to let you know that Pastor Anthony Shipe is going to be doing the blessing along with Rose Williams. Also, if someone has a pet that they would like to have blessed but are unable to bring it to the Puppy Park, just let us know and Rose or Anthony can come to your home to perform the blessing.



Photo by Judy Leister **VERY BLESSED** 

### **Birding Activity**







### More on sandhills and our pigeon/dove group



Photos by Tom Butler

Sandhill family growing.

by Norm Eden

The Sandhill Crane family ith just one chick from Thr Island Pond has been very visible in recent days and hopefully some folk have been able to see the young one floating back across the pond to roost at night.

"When does the little one stop crossing the water?" was a question during the week and I don't know even though we have spent years with our trailer on Row 70. However as the young grow so quickly I guess that the chick will have lost its downy flotation jacket in two weeks or so and it will not have the night security of the Island and the parents on guard. The parents will then find the next best thing which could well be a small peninsula which would give some

Although they don't eat fish Sandhills are actually waders and the adults will frequently roost on one leg in shallow water. Of course our juveniles will not have long enough legs for this but when they

have grown the careful parents will teach the young yet another habit for safety and family roosting in the shallows of Vanishing Lake. You should be able to witness this at dusk around the end of March when the water level has dropped and the juvenile's legs are near adult size. A possible concern for the family is that twice in recent days the chick has been seen on the golf course with only one parent. This is somewhat unusual as the family normally stays closely



**GROUND DOVE** 

together until the juvenile is fledged, as the juvenile is a possible target for predators. Keep a lookout.

Doves are a sort of ordinary bird group frequently overlooked. There are 13 Dove and Pigeon species in the U.S. Here at TR Pigeons and Doves are another of our family groups with five species present. Of these, the Rock Dove or Feral Pigeon is rarely seen here, although we all know it as it is the common city pigeon that struts around in town. They come in a very wide variety of plumage

variations but are easily identified. The variations do not include the sandy/beige colors of the other Doves, the largest of which is the Eurasian Collared-Dove, identified by the dark half collar on the neck. They are usually seen in pairs but the most common of the group here, the sandy/brown Mourning Dove, is frequently in small flocks. With its slender shape and long tail it has the confusing ability to look like other species when in flight. Also, new birders may well not notice the differences between the Mourning and Collared varieties and when first seeing the uncommon White-winged Dove - which looks like the other two when perched, although prominent white-wing bands are seen in

That then leaves the smallest of all and certainly the pretty one, the Common Ground-Dove which is half the size of the others and about the same size as a House Sparrow. With pinkish patches on the breast and belly plus very pink feet, it is easily missed as it feeds and nests on the ground.

Finally, dark and delicious meat pigeon is still to be found on the menu of some gourmet restaurants. However with prices that can be ten times that of chicken can vou afford it?

Tuesday Bird Walks are going well, 8 a.m. at the Post Office Veranda with Tom Butler. Why not see 'what's about.'





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Sandy Nelson's dress and cost a whopping shoes \$4.50.

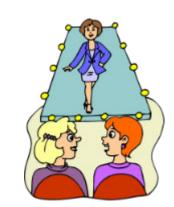
# TR Happy Girls strut their stuff



Our thrift shop glamarous models are: Jean Martin, Karen Freed, Linda Gough, Luann Gatewood, Chairperson Elaine Risher, Mardelle St. John, Sharon Zile, Leslie Price and Laurie Zentmyer in front row. Back row: Sandy Nelson, Emily Fly, Vicki Brooks, Narrator Patsy Gordon, Patty Fry, Jo Wagnon, Bernie Gutridge, Barbara Swartz and Val



Laurie Zentmyer, Sandy's sister, splurged \$17 for her outfit. The dress cost \$7.50, her hat \$6.50 and necklace





### **Fashion Show**

The theme of the show was to illustrate the beautiful outfits that could be purchased at local thrift shops or consignment shops at bargain prices. The total cost for most outfits fell below \$10. Often this included not only the price of the outfit, but shoes and/or jewelry.

The models were helped down the steps by the spiffily dressed gentlemen pictured at right. Shown are Phil Gordon, Phil St. John and Don Gordon.

The Hospitality Committee, shown on the left provided delicious refreshments at the close of the program.

Photos by Floyd Bell



# Sweetheart Dance honors couples married 50 years



Phil St. John plays trumpet and is Director of The Travelaires.



Folks at TR know how to "shake their booties."



Travelaire clarinetists are: Lise Minnick, Peggy Sander and Cheryl Porter.





Dot Brenn Kathy and Shawver serve punch and refreshments.



Lorraine and Lynn Walker were one of the couples celebrating their 50th Anniversary. Pat and Tom Butler were unable to attend

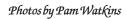


Attendees included Pat and Dwight Greene and Deb and Tom Etchill.





**PATSY AND DON GORDON** 



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### TR Sports



### **Table Tennis**

by Ann Chalk

New players welcome. Mondays and Thursdays at 3 p.m., in Citrus East.

Monday, Feb. 7

Dave Bass, Carey Box, Joe Colao, Tom Etchell, Ron Hicks and Bob Troyer ......4 Gerri Beachy and Gary Minnick.....2 Sue Troyer......1 Thursday, Feb. 10

No official results but a small group had some excellent play. Come along and join the fun!



<i>O</i> 1
by Linda Smith
Saturday, Feb. 12
42 people in attendance
Terry Sander
Jennifer Croteau2
Marie Lupien
Sue Staley2
Mary Doubleday
Lynn Walker
Kelly Newbury
Pat Long
Peg Lacy
Bob Englert2
Neil Jillson
Janet Dusko
Bill Croteau
Rosa Bird
Mary Veenstra
Debi Newbury
Bill Weissinger

### **Party Bridge**

by Douglas Hatfield Thursday, Feb. 10 1. Ron Hicks and Connie Bradley ...... 2860 Pts 2. Jim Weigand Tawnya Rowden...... 2550 Pts 3. Doug and Marcia Hatfield......2330 Pts

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



### **Motorsports**

by Douglas Hatfield	
Saturday, Feb. 12	
1 Dave Watson	36
2 Charlie Gardner	35
3 Steve Laymon	
Shawn Liaguno	34
3	



### **TRGA** Thank you

by LaVerne Dennison

The TRGA would like to thank everyone who bought tickets to the Spaghetti Dinner. It's your support that helps keep the golf course beautiful

A special thank you to Roy and Diane French for their generous donation. Also, we couldn't do this without the help of all the volunteers who worked so hard behind the scenes.

Thank you to our chef, Bruce Pemberton for another outstanding meal and to John Dennison who kept everything grounded.

A list of the prize winners will be posted at the Post Office and in next week's paper.

Thanks again!

### Men's Golf League results from Feb. 10



Today was our 12th round of Men's League. We had 36 players and two groups. The weather was very nice. Please remember to count all putts and circle all birdies. If you hand in an incomplete card I can't enter accurate scores. Bake-less Bake Sale will be taking donations. See Laurie Gardner or Diane Doggett.

Low Handicap (0-8)	Hi
Low Gross	Lo
Gary Carter32	Pa
J. Dennison, R. Duplessis,	Jo
K. Person, R. Smith36	Dι
B. Anderson, Gary Wintle37	Lo
Low Net	Bi
Bill Holley, Rob Mathews31	Νe
W. Branchaud, B. Pemberton,	Sa
S. Niles32	Cl
Roy French33	Di
Closest to pin #5	Pι
Lynn Meyers16'8"	Pa
Birdies	Κe
Gary Carter3	Cl
Ken Person2	Jo

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Bill Apgar32
Neil Jillson34
Sam Wykoff3
Closest to #3
Dick Wheatley14'7'
Putts
Paul Carr1
Ken Person 12
Chip-ins
John Dennison, Ken Person

### **Ladies Golf League** results for Feb. 9

by Laurie Gardner

The sun was shining today as our 33 golfers teed off at 9:45 a.m. I'm so glad that the rain FINALLY stopped!

Extra copies of the Ladies League Golf Tournament registration form were left at the Starter Shack and sent in an email. They are due back to Dee Branchaud by 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 23.

Next week we will return to our two golfing groups (weather permitting) with the same groups. Handicaps 14 to 17 will go out at 7:45 a.m. and Handicaps 0-13 will go out at 9:45 a.m..

Low Handicap 0-12
Low Gross
Del Duplessis35
Sylvia Cole37
Vicki Brooks38
Low Net
Shirley-Ann Appleby32
Jean Bjorgen35
Pat Daubenmier, Mary DeWeerd
Sandy Nelson36
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Sandy Nelson36
Sandy Nelson36 Closest to pin #5:
Sandy Nelson
Sandy Nelson
Sandy Nelson

High Handicap +13
Low Gross
Barbara Swartz41
Kelly Person42
Joan McLean, Dawn Pulleyn 43
Low Net
Val Smith30
Loraine Gould, Shannon Harkins,
Nan Lance31
Sandy Pemberton32
Closest to pin #3:
Janet Stevens7'2"
Chip-Ins:
Betty Colborne

## Chinese Mah Jong

Chinese
by Marcia Hatfield
Monday, Jan. 31
Sharon Miller4
Deb May3
Betty Brown3
Mary Beth Coldren3
Kathy Bocchino2
Doris Lewis1
Jackie Gage1
Emogene Weller1
Friday, Feb. 4
Jackie Gage3
Kathy Bocchino3
Margaret Melville3
Nancy Moschler2
Deb May2
Doris Lewis1
Marcia Hatfield1
Mary Beth Coldren1
Anne Amico1

Tuesday, Feb. 8
Marcia Hatfield5
Jackie Gage3
Kathy Bocchino3
Sharon Miller3
Betty Brown 1
Jen Furman1
Lou Smith1
Mary Beth Coldren 1
Nancy Moschler1
Friday, Feb. 11
Lou Smith2
Marcia Hatfield1
Betty Brown 1
Jen Furman1
Nancy Moschler1
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### Mirror Lake Yacht Club

by Bill Wise Sailing Saturday, Feb. 5 **Dragon Flite 95 Class** 1 Barry Sellick **Soling Class** 1 Shawn Liaguno Wednesday, Feb. 9 Dragon Flite 95 Class A Fleet 1 Barry Sellick **Dragon Flite 95 Class B Fleet** 1 Jamie Hyde **Soling Class** 1 Charlie Gardner



Monday, Feb. 7 **Stealth Wake Class** 1 Howard Best **Power Vee Class A Fleet** 1 Jerry McRoberts **Power Vee Class B Fleet** 1 Denny McMann Friday, Feb. 11 **Stealth Wake Class** 1 Dean Peters **Power Vee Class A Fleet** 1 Jerry McRoberts Power Vee Class B Fleet 1 Bob Troyer **Traxxis Blast Class** 1 Jerry McRoberts



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### **Obituaries**

#### THOMAS F. SIMPSON

Thomas F. Simpson, age 100, died on Nov. 10, 2021 at the Edwinola Retirement Home in Dade City, Fla. He was born on Jan. 2, 1921 to the late Edward and Louise Simpson in Detroit,

At the age of 20 he married the love of his life, Margaret Jamieson, on July 3, 1941.

They had two daughters, Tamara and Michelle (who predeceased her parents in 1973).

In 1942 he enlisted in the U.S. Army and rose to the rank of

Following his Army service he worked in construction for several years before moving the family to Cheboygan, Mich. where he helped his father run the Cheboygan Dairy. In the mid 50s they moved to Detroit where he joined his brother working at Chrysler in Highland Park, Mich. until he retired.

Traveling, especially in an Airstream, became a big part of their lives. When they discovered Travelers Rest they fell in love with it and the people. As snowbirds they spent every winter in RV South on 4th Street for many years before purchasing their house in The Village in 1988 on Lot 2806.

Tom became known at TR as "the fellow that could fix anything." His specialty was replaceing deadbolt locks on the Airstreams. Keep in mind that back then ALL the trailers were Airstreams so he was kept busy. His stories about crawling through Airstream windows when deadbolt locks malfunctioned were legendary.

He was very creative, making custom chandeliers out of scraps he got from the Airstream factory. His beautiful Joker Game Boards made out of fine wood are treasured remembrances of him.

He was always available to help people who needed any type of home or trailer repair and he and his "buddy" Larry Kurkowski enjoyed working together to help residents while entertaining everyone with their hilarious banter.

Tom is survived by his daughter Tamara and husband Bill Howe, who have been winter residents of TR for many years, and grandchildren, great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.





### Thanks for the great issue

Keeping busy and having fun the two of us have just enjoyed reading the 50th Anniversary Issue of The TR Times. What a joy it is for us to remember the friends, the fun, the activities, and the beauty of the place that is Travelers Rest Resort.

In 1995, as a newly retired couple, we pulled our Airstream into TR to give the place a try. We were there 20 wonderful years. We will never forget the friendships, the hobbies, the wildlife, the beauty, and the spirit of volunteerism that defines Travelers Rest Resort.

Thank you to all who helped prepare the articles. And thank you for keeping the spirit of Travelers Rest alive all these years. Best wishes to you all!

~ Barb and Mike McBride

### Thank you for the support

Remembrances - Sometimes a resident or family of a resident thoughtfully requests that donations be made in their memory to a Travelers Rest activity that is particularly dear to them.

The Entertainment Fund has received several donations recently in memory of long time resident Ruth Wilson. On behalf of the entire park, we want to say thank you to Ruth's family and loved ones for

~ Ken and Sandy Langell



### **Classifieds**

38' 2006 Jayco Designer 5th Wheel Trailer, Lot 04-15, RV South. On premium large lot with cement pad under trailer, large patio and drive strips, 4 slide outs, king bed, fireplace, hardwood floors some carpet, hardwood cabinets throughout, gas stove and oven, dryer and washer hook ups, completely furnished (decor items not included) \$35,000. Includes share. To view this

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# Random facts about **Dade City**

#### by Mary Kosbab

Dade City is the county seat of Pasco County. It is a popular destination for tourists with its antique stores, restaurants and historic buildings including the Pasco County Courthouse, Hugh Embry Library and Edwinola, a former large hotel now an assisted living facility. The annual Kumquat Festival is hosted downtown in January as the surrounding area is a large producer of kumquats, a tart citrus

An earlier community known as Fort Dade existed nearby in the 1870s and 1880s, but with the arrival of the railroad, the businesses chose to relocate a few miles to the east to be near the railroad. The newer town became known as Dade City. The name

became official when the Hatton Post Office was changed to Dade City on Dec.18, 1884.

When Pasco County was formed from the southern section of Hernando County in 1887, Dade City became the county seat of the new county, first temporarily and later permanently, by a popular vote. Its nickname is Tree City, U.S.A. Dade City is home to the 16-acre Pioneer Florida Museum that examines and illustrates the state's history. Also here, the annual Pioneer Days Festival brings the Civil War era back to life. The 1990 film Edward Scissorhands was filmed in Dade City during the spring of 1990. Currently the Hugh Embry Library is closed for remodeling. Many TR residents are eagerly awaiting the reopening of this popular nearby resource.



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