



Hi Lites



Friday Night Dance featuring the Travelaires

Feb. 3, Busch Hall, 7 p.m.
Western theme, bring your own refreshments. No admission fee. Donations are welcome to help support the Travelaires.

Dining with friends

Our next dinner is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 4, at 5:30 p.m.

Ohio Day Lunch

Sunday, Feb. 5, 1 to 3 p.m., Citrus East.



Souper Bowl of caring

The Church Association will again be collecting cans of soup or monetary donations Feb. 5 and Feb. 12.
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TNM presents



The Eyes of Tammy Faye,
Tuesday, Feb. 7 in Citrus East.
Doors open at 6:45 p.m.
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Indiana Day

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 11 a.m. at Papa Joe's, Brooksville.

Annual Spectacular Shades of Buble

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 7 p.m. in Busch Hall. Season ticket or \$15 at door.
See pg. 3.

New floating dock celebration

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held to celebrate the installation of the new floating dock on Thursday, Feb. 9 at 10 a.m. at Mirror Lake.
See pg. 6.

Activity Reminders

Golden Anniversary Dance

Celebrate your 50th Wedding Anniversary as honored guests at the dance on Friday, Feb. 17.

Calling Michiganders

March 4, noon, Citrus East.

TR Talent Show

Sunday, March 12, 7 p.m., Busch Hall.
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The TR Times comes to your mailbox courtesy of many volunteers

by Pam Watkins

Although you may only see four to five people in *The TR Times'* office on a daily basis, there are more than 30 others behind the scenes volunteering their time preparing write-ups, editing articles, proofing pages, picking up papers, designing pages, delivering papers, photographing events, talking with potential advertisers, recycling our discarded pages, keeping our books, maintaining our *TR Times* library of past issues, and we must not forget all of our regular columnists who labor over producing multiple articles each season. Without every one of these folks, who volunteer between 2 and 25 hours every single week, *The TR Times* "weekly miracle" would not happen.

Beginning in September while most snowbirds are still at their summer homes, our advertising representatives are hard at work contacting every advertiser who contracted with the paper in previous seasons to win their continued business in order to pay this season's bills, which include phone, Internet, technology services and the big one – printing those issues you so enjoy holding in your hands and reading. Without our advertisers, we would not be able to produce *The TR Times*. That is why it is so important to support them and say thank you when you patronize their businesses.

As October rolls around, advertising artwork, ad proofs, contracts, invoices and payments are issued and received. In mid-October, our computer operations manager opens each workstation in the office, checks out the equipment, replaces outdated or non-functioning parts and updates software. By the end of the month, a determination is made as to the number of pages (16-20) per issue and the number of issues (12-14) for the upcoming season that will be published. Broad plans are made for each issue and the content of the front and photo pages are discussed.

Work begins in earnest by the first of November. Pages for the first issue are prepared by our lead production team. They add the folio to the top of the page, change dates and issue numbers, place confirmed ads on the pages, add different headers to the columns and set the weekly columnists' "mugs" and titles in place. Weekly contributors and production volunteers are contacted to share plans for the season. Schedules are printed and all is ready by Thanksgiving to start the first week of production for the new season.

The TR Times is produced the week ahead of each issue. Our work week begins early Friday and ends on Tuesday at noon when our publication file must be sent to our newspaper printer in Tampa. Wednesday and Thursday are the official days "off" for production and that is when our librarian

arrives to clean up behind us. Pages and folders are gathered, emptied, filed or added to the archives. Our bookkeeper also uses Wednesday to work in a quiet environment. Our recycling manager comes in every other week to pick up all of our saved, discarded drafts. She and her team use the paper to make the scratch pads that so many of us use at home. Although Wednesday and Thursday are days off from production, often there are still events that need to be covered, administrative items to be addressed and emails that need immediate response. So in actuality, there is someone from *The TR Times* working all the time!

By the start of production on Friday, we have already received several articles and photos from our weekly contributors, activity chairs and TR residents. The submissions continue throughout the day. The deadline for all submissions to be published the following week is 5 p.m. on Friday, so there is usually a flurry of emails around 4 p.m. While most submissions are via email, others may be received in our mailbox or in *The TR Times'* box in Busch Hall, so those spots need to be checked periodically throughout the day to ensure we receive all articles by the deadline.

When an article and/or photo is received, it is dropped into *The TR Times* workflow stream beginning with the acknowledgment of its receipt, if it was submitted via email and ending with its final placement on the page. In between the beginning and end each submission is logged by topic, title, author, expected page placement and assigned to an editor or the photo processor. Our photo processor works on Friday morning to crop and enhance each photo that will be published. Friday's associate editors review and possibly modify their assigned articles and return them to the front desk where they are "married" to any accompanying photos. By Friday at 5 p.m. there is a stack of folders, one for each page of the paper, filled with items ready for placement on pages the next day.



Pagemaker Carole Young asks Associate Editor Chris Marsh about an article she is formatting for the page.

The issue is planned on Saturday morning. Our Saturday associate editor continues any work leftover from Friday, and our Saturday pagemakers begin the initial page layout manipulating articles and photos to fit format and column-inch parameters. The goal is to fill the pages. By mid-afternoon, we are looking for holes. If

we do not have enough words to fill the page, we look to our fillers, which may be stories of interest contributed by TR residents or by one of our staff. We also check for any activity in the park that can be quickly covered and photographed. By close of business on Saturday, initial layout is complete and the pages are ready for wrap-up on Sunday.

Sunday afternoon our page-makers continue any work leftover from Saturday and begin wrapping up the layout. Next, clipart or artwork is added to enhance the pages or fill any small, open spaces. Then as they review each page for aesthetics, an article may get moved from page to page to find an exact fit before it lands in its final resting place. Next, if an article refers to an upcoming event, a brief highlight will be added to the front page and our table of contents is updated. Finally, each page is printed on tabloid-size 11x17 paper. All should be complete by late afternoon.



Marge Cantu and Judy Pech are ready to proof the pages.

Proofreaders come in on Monday morning. They are assigned two to four pages to proof and given a folder for each of their pages that contains every article, both original and edited versions and each photo that appears on that page. They proof for content and format. Using specific guidelines for how articles should be written, they check for day, date, time and location of each activity, they ensure names are spelled correctly comparing each to that published in the TR directory, they check grammar and punctuation and they make sure that the words make sense. When they return their pages, production staff is ready to make the recommended corrections and polish the paper.

Our chief proofreader comes in on Tuesday morning. She reads the paper from front to back looking for everything from errors a proofreader might have missed to the balance of lines in each column. Again, production staff makes corrections.



Chief Proofer Sharon Cook performs final review prior to publication.

Every ad is then counted to ensure that all contracts are fulfilled for that issue. The log of submissions is printed and every article and photo checked to make sure nothing was missed or duplicated. Finally, our editor gives the issue the once-over. When she is satisfied, the issue is processed as a large pdf file to send to our Tampa printer and a small pdf file to send to TR's webmaster. Both are sent electronically. The finalized file is printed to 11x17 paper for *The TR Times'* archives and to 8x11 paper for the TR Library. The office is cleaned up and files are readied for our librarian to collect and file properly.

The printing order that we sent to our Tampa printer on Tuesday is delivered to the park on Thursday morning. The printed, bundled parcels are dropped at the TR Office to give to guests and the TR Post Office to be placed in each resident's mailbox. Parcels are left with our newspaper delivery person who bundles them for delivery to Oak View and Golf View residents and parcels are left for placement in the Post Office Lobby. All leftover papers are recycled the following week.

On Friday each TR resident receives their *TR Times* in their mailbox. Delivery is made to Oak View and Golf View. The full-color version of the paper is published to the Travelers Rest Resort website where it can be viewed by anyone inside or outside of the park.



Kathy Kushman delivers *The TR Times* to Golf View.

It is a satisfying moment for *TR Times* volunteers and while you read your paper, columnists and activity chairs are busy preparing their new submissions, and someone arrives early in *The TR Times* office to begin planning content for the next issue. It is time to start all over again.



Ready for another week!

Photos by Bill Watkins

BUSCH HALL

Sunday Night



JayCee Driesen and band pay tribute to The Ladies of Rock' n Roll

by Ken and Sandy Langell

This Sunday night, Feb. 5, JayCee Driesen and her three-piece band bring a unique show to TR. She will be paying tribute to The Ladies of Rock 'n Roll, loving the female rockers of the 60s, 70s, and more. You never know what male rocker might be in the mix of the show too!

Female vocalist, songwriter and producer from Long Island, N.Y., JayCee has entertained audiences nationally. Her bold signature voice embraces the true effervescence of America's musical scene.

JayCee began her career singing in popular houses on Long Island and in New York City. Her reputation and ability to carry a tune, well beyond her years, afforded her opportunities to open and perform with some of the greatest artists in the business, in addition to gaining many as fans themselves. From the famed Lincoln Center and notable jazz and blues festivals to a-list night clubs, la-crème-de-la-crème cruise ships



JAYCEE DRIESEN

and concert venues to include singing our nation's anthem in sports arenas, JayCee has delighted audiences around the nation.

Come early and enjoy the Ice Cream Social and time to visit with friends. Ice cream is available for sale from 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. Announcements are at 6:45 p.m. and the concert begins at 7 p.m.



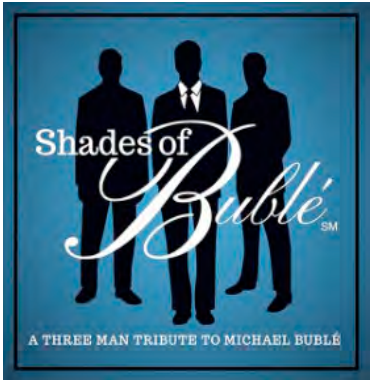
Wednesday Evening Concert Series

Shades of Buble Our 2023 Annual Spectacular on stage Wednesday

by Doug Pedersen

Michael Buble is a Canadian singer. A four-time Grammy Award winner, who is often credited for helping to renew public interest and appreciation for traditional pop standards and the *Great American Songbook*. His musical influences include Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., Tony Bennett, Nat King Cole, Bobby Darin and Elvis Presley. Some say that there are really three Bubles: The Modern Sinatra...who sings and swings all of the classic standards. The Pop Chart topper...with hits like *Home* and *Haven't Met You Yet*. The Rock-N-Roller...reinterpreting some of the best Motown and R&B hits.

SHADES OF BUBLE honors (but doesn't imitate) the sophistication, retro style and high-energy fun that Buble himself brings to his



concerts. In this hit-tribute, performing-arts-quality show, three solo vocalists channel the sophistication and suave style of the popular Canadian bringing swinging standards and pop hits of Michael Buble to the stage in an unforgettable high-energy concert event combining big-band standards from the jazz era, classic hits from the 50s/60s/70s, as well as

Billboard Chart toppers from today in a show that repeatedly generates standing ovations. The selections include only songs recorded or performed live by Michael Buble - incredible songs like *Feeling Good*, *Moondance*, *Come Fly With Me*, *Home*, *Everything*, *Fever*, *Save the Last Dance for Me* and many more. **SHADES OF BUBLE** has wowed audiences around the country and you too will be wowed by this exceptional program right here on our Busch Hall Stage this Wednesday, Feb. 8. Admission is with a season-reserved seat ticket or \$15 payable at the door in cash or with check made out to Travelers Rest Resort. Sadly, this is likely your very last chance to attend an Annual Spectacular at this bargain price. Don't miss the opportunity so you can say, "I remember when I paid \$15 for those programs."

The Sharing O' the Green Irish Coffee House and Garden benefit



Photo by Sandy Langell

Doc Probes, Brode Morgan, Donna Probes and Ken Langell Sharing the Green.

by Sandy Langell

We are thrilled to announce a very special event coming to TR. Friday, March 10 at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall our very own Irish band, Brode Morgan, Doc and Donna Probes and Ken Langell, will present an evening of delightful Irish music.

In addition to the music and camaraderie, there's another benefit. All proceeds from this concert will be donated to the Lake Margaret Garden Club to help cover the cost of repair from damage caused by the recent tree fall.

There's more news. When the TR Board of Directors was asked to approve this event, they not only approved it, but offered to match, dollar-for-dollar, any funds that are raised, up to a limit of \$2,000!

What a wonderful way for all of us to work together and embody that great old Irish tune, *The Sharing (Wearing!) O' the Green*. While we all love and enjoy our garden, we are not all able to do the hard work required to maintain it. This will give everyone a chance to contribute to restoring our beautiful, peaceful garden. Please plan to attend this very special event.

2023 TR TALENT SHOW ENTRY FORM

Your Name _____

Lot# _____ Phone: _____

Name of Performing Act: _____

Title of Music: _____

(required so there are no duplicates)

Type of performance (please check):

VOCAL _____ How many performers? _____

INSTRUMENTAL _____ How many performers? _____

SKIT _____ DANCE _____ How many performers? _____

NOTE: EACH ACT LIMITED TO MAXIMUM OF 5 MINUTES.

Audio requirements:

Stage microphone (suspended ceiling) _____

Floor microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____

Stand microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____

Hand microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____

Headset microphone(s) _____ (how many) _____

CD _____ (you must provide 2 CDs)

Other _____

Other Assistance Needed:

Music stands _____ (how many) _____

Chairs _____ (how many) _____

Other _____

(please be specific)

Return entry form to Donna Neer

Lot 10-71 419-366-0471

No later than Friday, Feb. 24



Show your talent

by Donna Neer,
Producer/Director

Every March, residents of TR have the opportunity to display their talents to the TR audience. This event is one of the most highly attended Sunday night shows of the season.

All acts have a three-to-five-minute time limit on stage to present their talent, be it singing (solo or with a group), dancing, skits, instrumental solos, duets or groups and so on. Because of time restraints only 15 acts are presented.

In addition to performers, assistance is needed in the following categories: production assistants, stagehands, sound/technical support, lighting, makeup artists, costume design and announcer.

The annual TR Talent Show is produced and directed by Donna Neer, lot 10-71. For more information, call 419-366-0471 or follow the articles for this great event in *The TR Times*.



Doors open 6:45 - Movie at 7:15 p.m.



TNM, Feb. 7

The Eyes of Tammy Faye

See page 7.

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Communications from the Board

by Katherine Shawver
President/CEO
TR Board of Directors

The Resident Volunteer Waste Management team is off to a great start! It's terrific to see the recycle bins being filled and so many residents participating in the program!

The Crime Prevention Education Seminars will continue in February and March. Plan to attend to learn how to keep yourselves safe and how to protect your property from theft. The Pasco County Community Engagement Sheriff will provide helpful information for residents! Watch for dates to be announced for the February and March Crime Prevention Education Seminars.

InTouch screens outside the Post Office, in Busch Hall near the entrance to the Laundry and on a kiosk located in the office offer a rolling list of daily activities.

The Board of Directors encourages you to visit the Snack Shack and enjoy your lunch. There are some daily menu changes, and the highlight is the delicious soups. One of our favorites is the pulled



KATHERINE SHAWVER

pork sandwich special offering on Wednesdays!

The TR Times will present "Meet the Candidates" Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 2 p.m. in Busch Hall. Residents will have the opportunity to get to know the candidates better. Please plan to take advantage of the opportunity to have questions presented to the board of directors' candidates.

Volunteerism is "what we do" at Travelers Rest. Volunteering could be a one-time offer to help a group with a task or you might join an activity that needs steady volunteer support. Take a walk down Snack Shack Road and you see volunteers busy weeding,

trimming, watering, and caring for plants in the garden. On Tuesday mornings you'll find volunteers scattered across the golf course keeping the property looking so beautiful. The point is that when we all pitch in and do a little it helps keep the whole resort looking worthy of first-time visitor comments, "This place is beautiful and so well kept!"

Keycards were distributed to all residents this week. This is an important project contributing to improving safety and security at Travelers Rest. All buildings will be secured by keyless entry soon.

The next Resident Forum will be held Monday, Feb. 6 in Busch Hall at 3 p.m.

The next Veranda Chat will be held Monday, Feb. 20 in front of Busch Hall at 3 p.m.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in Busch Hall on Tuesday, March 14 at 2 p.m.

The range of prices for a share of stock range between \$3,800 to \$4,000.

We hope you look forward to the next update from the Board of Directors!

Meet the Candidates

by Margaret Emmetts

On Thursday, Feb. 9 at 2 p.m. in Busch Hall The TR Times will hold a Meet the Candidates program. This is an opportunity for all residents to meet the candidates, listen to them express their views and ask them questions.

The program will begin with an opening statement from each candidate, to be followed by questions submitted by residents.

As is the custom, residents will not address the candidates directly. Please use the coupon on this page to submit your questions to The TR Times prior to the program. Coupons will also be available at the meeting and may be submitted there to a TR Times representative.

Questions may be addressed to a specific candidate or to the entire slate. However, regardless to whom questions are addressed, all will have the opportunity to respond.

This year's candidates have not had prior experience as Board members, therefore it would be unreasonable to ask questions regarding interpretation of specific Board practices.

Following the Q and A period, each candidate will be given the opportunity to give a closing statement.

Please plan to attend Meet the Candidates and become an informed voter. The election of new Board Members is at the AGM scheduled on Tuesday, March 14.

Do you have a question for the candidates? Meet the Candidates on Feb. 9

Question for _____

or to all candidates ____

Signature _____

Lot _____ Use my name _____ Do not use _____

Return to Managing Editor, The TR Times, by placing this form in The TR Times box in Busch Hall or The TR Times mail box 2817.

From the Manager's desk



RAY HILL

by Ray Hill with Rich Kushman

This week it is very nice to report the retaining wall framing the planting area at Busch Hall has been poured and was raised a few inches to accommodate a healthy layer of wood chips. The nursery will do the planting in March to avoid any chance of cold weather damage. We also plan on applying stucco to the wall to improve the appearance.

I was asked about the park storage area and availability. There is a waiting list for all sites so get on the list if you need storage. Full trailer sites are about \$189 a year and the smaller back fence sites are around \$65, but please call the

office to check current pricing and availability.

Some have noticed what looks like permanent additions to 5th wheel trailers on some sites. Any modifications of this nature, like a screen room, are approved on a case by case basis and have to be freestanding. Making them a permanent structure is not permitted.

A little more TRash Talk here. The recycle dumpsters have been overflowing which has prompted a few calls for additional bins. We do see the heavy use as a success story. People are definitely recycling and it is the busiest time of the year. We do not have plans to increase the number of recycle bins but there are ways to prevent too much overflow. The bins are picked up on Friday, usually sometime between 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plan on bringing your saved material early while the bins have plenty of room. When you do find them stuffed please do not leave your trash on the ground. Take it back home and bring back when the bins have been serviced. Crushing plastic bottles will save

space and, of course, flatten all cardboard. Pasco does not recycle plastic bags so filled plastic bags are a problem. We are all learning a brand new procedure which does need some refinement and cooperation.

Someone asked about what services are available for hire by park employees. The park does not provide any type of service directly. A resident can certainly hire a park employee privately who would preform any service while off the TR clock.



Photo by Pam Watkins
Concrete Clyde hard at work.

TRash Talk

by Dean Peters

How do I dispose of large household items that may still have value or really shouldn't go in the trash bin? You have options:

Advertise it in The TR Times classifieds or the TR Yard Sale Facebook page. Hold it for the next yard sale date.

If useable and not bulky or heavy, place it in the Ministries Trailer near Busch Hall.

But if it isn't usable please don't leave it at the collection sites



on 14th Ave. or behind Busch Hall. Your Residents Waste Management Committee is planning a truck run to Handcart Road Transfer Station every two weeks and we can help you with this stuff or an old fridge or mattress. We are here to help. See your brochure for the number to call.

Reminder: Receptacles with black lids are for trash and those with blue lids are for recyclables.



by Callie Zak

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Fire and Rescue Squad and Dan Zile for assisting me on Thursday, Jan. 19. I called the non-emergency Sheriff's line to report an attack by two dogs. While I did not have life-threatening injuries, they insisted on calling the paramedics. I can say without a doubt we have the most responsive team here at Travelers Rest. My front yard looked like we were having an outdoor concert! Thank you!

In addition to being thankful, I would like to take this opportunity to caution everyone about going out at night with your animals without having some type of protection in the way of pepper spray or a stick. Please always make sure your dog is on its 6 ft. leash. If I hadn't had my Lucky on a leash this would be a different story. I was able to get him in my arms before the dogs could get him. In trying to protect him from the lunging attack, I fell and injured my shoulder. Lucky is fine except for the nightmares he has had since.

Town Hall meeting is well attended



by Margaret Emmetts

About 475 residents attended a Town Hall meeting held in Busch Hall on Monday, Jan. 30. The meeting was called by a committee of five former TR Board members to discuss matters relating to TR bylaws, policies, Nominating Committee practices and proxies.

Two of the former Board members were unable to physically attend due to health issues. However, they did attend via Zoom and sent prepared statements. The three former Board members in attendance presented their views on present and past Board practices and transparency.

Following the presentations the audience was given the opportunity to ask questions or make statements.

At the conclusion of the meeting the committee of five stated that they would make an appointment with the current Board to sit down and discuss their questions and concerns.

Editor's note:

Each year as we approach the AGM new shareholders have questions regarding how to vote their proxies. There are four options.

1 – Shareholders may vote their proxy in person at the AGM.

2 – Shareholders may mail in their proxy prior to the AGM meeting.

3 – Shareholders may appoint someone to vote their proxy at the meeting.

4 – Shareholders may assign their voting rights to the Board of Directors who must vote the proxies for the three designated candidates.

Regarding proxies:

The question is always asked why the Nominating Committee does not equally assign the proxies to be voted by the Board to all the candidates running. Unfortunately that would be illegal.

The law states that proxies shall only be assigned to the number of candidates equal to the number of vacant seats. If there are three Board openings, the proxies shall only be assigned to three candidates regardless of the abilities of all the candidates.



Behold the speed of the grapevine



If you were to Google the world’s fastest growing plants, one of your responses would be bamboo. This woody grass can grow up to 119 centimeters in 24 hours. For those of you who are not metrically inclined that is almost 4 feet in 24 hours. Pretty impressive.

However, that is nothing compared to the speed at which the “grapevine” grows at TR.

Granted, for the most part we are a sociable, talkative group of people with many social interactions each day. But do we stop to consider what information is growing along our very healthy grapevine? Is the information true? What is the source of the information? Does the individual(s) passing the information have an agenda?

Personally I have heard people who appear to be speaking with authority and by that I do not mean officials of the park or its organizations, spouting out information which is totally false. People overhear portions of conversations and seem to fill in the gaps with what they assume to be true. For the most part there is no intent to cause harm, but the fact remains that wrong information is being circulated.

In the past season, I personally have heard the story of two deaths which had not occurred. I think it was Mark Twain who said, “The story of my death has been greatly exaggerated.”

Let’s take a moment to consider what information we pass along that speedy grapevine. Do we definitely know that what we are about to repeat is really true? If not, perhaps we should prune our vine and nip the misinformation in the bud. *mre*

Note: This editorial was in our paper several years ago. However, in light of the large amount of information that currently circulates in the park, we thought it might be appropriate to reprint it.

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The Servant’s Plow

A reason for confidence

by Anthony Shipe

There is a wonderful story in 1Kings 17:1-24 about a man named Elijah and the confidence that God gave him to love others and share his faith about the God that he served.

Elijah was the first in a long line of prophets God sent to Israel and Judah. Back in that day Israel was the northern kingdom who had no faithful kings throughout its history. Each king was wicked, actually leading the people in worshiping pagan gods. With no leader to bring God’s Word to the people, God called prophets to try and rescue Israel from its moral and spiritual decline. These prophets like Elijah would try to encourage the people and corrupt leaders to turn back to God. Elijah was a hero to the Hebrew people and helped shape centuries of faith forward to today.

Starting with one verse from 1Kings 16:33 which says that King Ahab made a shrine out of idols, and it greatly angered God. Then we pick up in 1Kings 17 where Elijah is sent to warn King Ahab of a coming drought in the land for his disobedience to the Lord. This was significant to King Ahab because he worshiped the pagan god Baal who promised bountiful rains for harvests.

Read: 1Kings 17:1-24

This story and many others like it in the Bible tell about how God works through the very insignificant few to greatly affect whole nations of people. The widow had a personal encounter with that LOVE we talked about earlier. That love was sent by God through Elijah, and what do you



ANTHONY SHIPE

think happened after that? That widow told many people in her village about the mighty God that Elijah served. We know today that those rumors were spread to the far reaches around the kingdom and on into the world. Do not think for a moment that many of the words that are preached from the pulpit stay within the walls of its church. The message is taken by people like you to the surrounding communities. That message most certainly has an impact and does make a difference.

There are a few things that we can learn from this passage of scripture which has four major themes we can lift out. They are COURAGE, OBEDIENCE, FAITH and PATIENCE.

What impressed me the most about Elijah was his COURAGE to face the evil King Ahab; his OBEDIENCE to go where God called him to go; that Elijah relied on his FAITH to trust God to raise the young boy from the dead and his PATIENCE to wait on the Lord to tell him the next move. Elijah had A REASON FOR CONFIDENCE. We worship, follow and

serve the same mighty God that Elijah did.

Another important thing to note about this story is the fact that many people have the idea that suffering and misfortune are always the result of personal sin. Many people think that God is angry and He is out to get us. Read the wonderful words of Jesus the Savior from John 9: 1-3.

Sometimes we do bad things that have lasting consequences, but some of those things can be changed to promote the power of God working in our lives. In other words, God is perfect, and we are not, and He allows the devil and his minions to cause and stir up problems, and then uses His mighty power to conquer the evil. When genuine faith is tested it brings glory to God and works for the good of the believer. It gives us A REASON FOR CONFIDENCE.

Let me ask you a question, do you have a reason for confidence? How difficult is it for you to stand against the majority and declare your faith in God? Do you have jars that are running close to empty? God will share with you His supply and provisions. He has plenty.

My prayer is that you will ask the Lord to re-sensitize your need for Him. That He will retrain your thoughts to expect a miracle to happen and that He will broaden your horizons to affect as many people as you can with your unwavering faith.

Jesus calls us to give others a chance and to help those in need. He will test our comfort levels and send us places to minister to others. He will also supply our every need and take what we consider small and insignificant and multiply it over a thousand times. You can have A REASON FOR CONFIDENCE.


TR Church Schedule

Sunday, Feb. 5

Choir Practice8:30
Sunday School9:00
Hymn Sing9:45
Communion
Worship Service..... 10:00



On Sunday, Feb. 5 and 12, the TR Youth Group (all of us) will again be donating cans and/or dollars for Daystar Hope. Vote for your favored football team by placing cans or dollars in the team-labeled boxes in Busch Hall. As we have been in the past, let us all be caring and generous.



Sacred Heart Catholic Church
32145 Saint Joe Road,
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MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Mass
Saturday, 4 pm
Sunday Masses
8 am & 10:30 am
Daily Masses
7:30 am Monday - Friday

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
Sunday, 9:05 am - 10:20 am
Rev. Krzysztof Gazdowicz, Pastor
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The Siren



by Jean Cobb

Life threatening disturbances in the beating rhythm of the heart may accompany a heart attack, but they can also occur suddenly without symptoms or warning. The person suddenly loses consciousness, stops breathing and is totally unresponsive. Within 3 minutes, without intervention brain cells begin to die and the chances of survival diminish rapidly. Quite literally, seconds make a difference!

An automated external defibrillator (AED) is a portable electronic device that automatically detects life-threatening disturbances in heart rhythm and can deliver an electrical shock to restore an effective heartbeat. With simple audio and visual directions, AEDs are designed so anyone can use them. Research has validated that bystanders with no training at all can effectively use an AED and save a life.

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

TR has four AEDs available 24 hours a day for residents and guests in the park. Two of these are in white boxes with red lights on top, (one is on the outside wall of Citrus East, one on the outside wall of Busch Hall near the pool), and the third one is at the Snack Shack. The fourth one is on the front seat

Get the AED!

of the TR First Responder Cart. If you open the door of the white boxes an alarm sounds and the red light begins to flash as an emergency alert. Don't worry about the alarm, it will quit on its own and will be reset later by Fire/Rescue personnel. **IMPORTANT:** Opening the AED box does NOT notify 911.

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

To use the AED, open the cover and turn the AED on. It will begin to talk to you, telling you exactly what to do. Simply follow the directions. It will tell you to remove clothing from the upper

body of the patient and place sticky electrode pads on the upper right and lower left of the chest. There are diagrams on the pads to show you where to place them. Then the AED will ask you to not touch the patient while it is detecting and analyzing heart rhythm. If the AED determines that a shock is indicated to restore heart rhythm, it will say "shock advised" and give instructions for everyone to stand back and for the Rescuer to press the shock button. If it determines that a shock is not necessary, or that it will not restore heart rhythm, it will say "no shock advised. Continue CPR."

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

And.... Joe Colao, EMT will provide AED and Hands-on CPR Training on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 2 p.m. in Busch Hall. Come and learn how to save your Valentine!!



Fire Station Siren

911 calls: A steady blast for one minute.

The siren is activated by Pasco County Fire/Rescue as a result of a call to 911. Watch for emergency vehicles and First Responders that have been activated by the siren. Yield right away so that they can pass.

Emergencies within the park: Five warbling blasts of the siren.

The siren is activated by pushing the RED BUTTON on the front of the Fire Station. The 911system is NOT activated with this button.

Weekly Siren Test: Two warbling blasts of the siren.

Used as a siren test on Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m.

Tornado or Hurricane Warning:

Three long blasts, then a 15 second pause, then three more long blasts.

Important notice

When you push the button on the Fire Station it is critical that you remain there until help comes. Pushing the button does not call 911!

Healthy Tips

Skin Cancers

by Donna Neer, RN (retired)

Skin cancers include melanoma, basal cell and squamous cell. Basal and squamous cell cancers are common and treatment is very effective. Melanoma skin cancer can be difficult to treat and is by far the most dangerous of all skin cancers. I will discuss melanoma skin cancer in this week's article as it has affected not only my husband, but also both of our children.

Melanoma is a cancer of the pigment-producing cells in the skin known as *melanocytes*. Normal melanocytes reside in the outer layer of the skin and produce a brown color, which is responsible for skin color. Melanoma occurs when these melanocytes become cancerous, grow and invade other tissues.

Melanoma cancer cells are akin to all other cancer cells wherein cancerous cells grow in a disorganized fashion and disrupt or replace normal tissues. Without detection and treatment by your healthcare provider, melanoma cancer cells can grow and eventually can spread resulting in possible life-threatening illness.

What causes melanoma? Although it is not certain how all cases of melanoma develop, it is clear that fair-skinned people, excessive sun exposure and overuse of indoor tanning equipment can predispose a person to this type of skin cancer. Additionally, heredity as well as people with many moles on their body are at an increased risk to develop melanoma (the average person may have approximately 30 moles; while those who have 50 or more moles are at a greater risk).

In our family my husband Ken and both of our children are fair skinned. All three have had melanoma skin cancerous lesions removed. Both Ken and our daughter had moles removed from their upper left arms in almost the

exact spot that were diagnosed as melanoma skin cancers. They have nearly identical scars. Three years ago the dermatologist located a small and suspicious area on the back of Ken's neck. This small lesion was removed, sent for biopsy at the laboratory and diagnosed as melanoma skin cancer. Today he has three-inch scars on his arm and the back of his neck. Interestingly our son had a very large melanoma removed from the back of his neck and even one removed from between his toes. All three see their dermatologists yearly for head-to-toe examinations.

Melanomas are most generally brown or black in color; however, they can be white or red and can have a variety of hues of color within the same lesion. Melanomas are usually asymmetric (one side is shaped differently from the other) and the area can be flat or raised. The borders are generally scalloped, blurred, ragged/notched and irregular. They generally can be larger than the size of a pencil eraser.

Early detection is the best treatment. Examine your body. Should you detect a mole that you feel is different, i.e., irregular in size, discolored and/or appears larger in size, immediately see your healthcare provider. He/she will remove the suspicious skin tissue and send it to a laboratory for analysis. If the lesion is found to be melanoma skin cancer, the surrounding tissue at the site of the original lesion will be excised and will be sent to the laboratory for further analysis to ensure that all cancer cells were removed.

Only you know your body so I urge you to never disregard any changes. See your healthcare provider when you have concerns of any type.

ref: *Everyday Health, WebMD, American College of Dermatologists, Medline Health.*

CPR/AED instructions for TR residents



by Joe Colao

Hello friends and neighbors. Once again TR First Responders will be holding a class to teach residents how to save the life of a family member, a friend, a neighbor or stranger. At the end of this class you will be familiar with the use of CPR and AED. The class will be held in Busch Hall on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 2 p.m. Everyone is most welcome. The class will be approximately one hour.

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Activity Affairs

When your Activity is finished...

by Guy Weik

Last week I discussed being mindful of the time when nearing the end of your activity so that the next activity can get started on time. Considering the number of activities we have at TR and that most of them are scheduled in multiple-use buildings, it's remarkable that the complaints I receive are few and far between. Thank you for being considerate of each other so that our activities continue to run smoothly. I also want to remind everyone to put tables and chairs away, close any open windows or doors and check to see that the floor is clear of paper, bits of food, etc.

We have several food events being scheduled this season and we are fortunate to have many buildings and pavilions available for such use. It's especially important that coffee machines, ovens, counters and serving items are clean and ready for the next group to use. When cleaning up the kitchens in Busch Hall or Citrus, don't search for cloth towels for drying, as they have been replaced with rolls of single-use pink drying towels. Ovens need to be really clean of any grease or spilled food. We all know how difficult it is to remove baked-on food, especially grease, so please check the ovens carefully. It's just not fair for the



GUY WEIK

next group to face something like that before they can begin using the ovens. This is also true for the grills at the Golf View Pavilion. Thank you for your continued cooperation in keeping our facilities looking their best and our activities running smoothly.

What happens to our recyclables?

by Dean Peters

Many people wonder. JD Parker, the haulage contractor takes them to a Pasco County transfer station near Springhill. They are then loaded into a 50 ft trailer and taken to a processing facility in St Petersburg where they are sorted baled and sold into the marketplace by Georgia Pacific. Our program is based on Pasco County regulations and the information from their brochure is below. You will see the similarities, in particular the short list of acceptable items and the encouragement to "if in doubt, throw it out."

Thank you for making our program a success. It is because of you."





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PLEASE NO - Tires, Laundry Baskets, Storage Bins and nothing smaller than your fist as they fall through the equipment.

Wanted: good men and women

TR Singing Men need a director



by Dennis Ledbetter

The TR Singing Men are in desperate need of a director. Please reach out to me, Dennis Ledbetter, lot 2542 or email giatt@aol.com.

Travelettes need more members



by Nan Lance

Do you like to sing? The Travelettes are looking for soprano and alto women voices to join our singing group. We sing popular and traditional music. This season we are singing songs from *My Fair Lady* and 50s and 60s TV show themes such as *Laverne & Shirley*, *Bonanza*, *Beverly Hillbillies* and *Green Acres*, etc. if you like to sing, join us at the Jeri Miller Activities Building on Wednesdays from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

You are invited to a historic event on Mirror Lake

by Jerry McRoberts

On Thursday, Feb. 9 at 10 a.m. a once in a lifetime event on Mirror Lake will occur. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held to celebrate the installation of the new floating dock. This 21st century dock features an aluminum gangway leading to the area used for launching various classes of radio-controlled powerboats and sailboats that engage in racing competitions.

You are invited by the Mirror Lake Yacht Club to be a part of the celebration after which you will have an opportunity to try skipping a powerboat or sailboat under the watchful eye of a seasoned captain. Mirror Lake is accessed via the foot path on the left (port) side of the first fairway of the golf course. Please be aware of any golfers either teeing off or playing the hole and give them the right-of-way.



Photo by Jerry McRoberts

The newly installed floating dock on Mirror Lake.

TR Creative Arts Group

by Linda Spencer

On Wednesdays, Feb. 1, 8, and 15, the TR Creative Arts Group (TRCAG) will conduct an introduction to transferring photos to cloth with instructor Michele Wilkins. The class itinerary for Feb. 1 will give you options: buying prepared fabric, preparing your own fabric, where 100 percent white cotton or off-white works best and selecting various ideas for your projects including quilts, pillows, etc.

Please bring your favorite photos to class. You will learn to set up your printer. At the class Feb. 8 you will receive a list of required supplies. This class will give you the opportunity to finalize your design and print fabric. At home you will need an ink jet printer with fresh ink alternatives. On Feb. 15 your project will be completed. Please call Chairperson Linda Spencer, 352-424-9604 or Michele Wilkins at 781-268-7558 to register for class.

Stained Glass Classes



by Laura Apgar

There are classes available at several levels for those who enjoy working with Stained Glass. Beginners meet on Mondays, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. to work on easier projects. Those working with lead or continuing their projects, meet on Wednesdays 4 to 7 p.m. Minimal assistance will be

available for those who are more experienced and comfortable with their projects, who meet on Fridays 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. All classes are held at The Jeri Miller Activities Building. Masks are optional. If you have questions please call Laura Apgar at 937-371-6844 or Shari Harber at 319-404-1382.

Richey Concert Band

by Pam Watkins

The Richey Concert Band will perform on Sunday, March 5, at 3 p.m. at River Ridge Arts Center. Five of your TR neighbors will be on stage as part of the band. These concerts, under the direction of Henry Fletcher, are always a joy to attend. Come out and listen to some great music. Admission is just \$2. River Ridge is located at 11646 Town Center Rd, New Port Richey, just a 35-minute drive from TR.



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Amateur Radio operators practice emergency preparedness communications



Brian Krupicka and Mark Lupien use a slingshot to place a temporary, emergency-antenna high in the trees.



Dan Zile points out the stationary antenna. The solar panels power the batteries for communications operation.

by Dan Zile

The TR Amateur Radio Club participated in an exercise to provide emergency communications if TR were to completely lose power. We used two different sources of solar power and temporary antennas put in the trees using fishing poles and sling shots. Club members provided their personal radios to use in the exercise.

The event the club participated in is called Winter Field Day. It was very successful and contacts were made throughout North America. This is just an example of how the TR Amateur Radio Club could provide assistance to TR and the surrounding regional area should the need arise.



Selene and Hank Montgomery actively communicate using the solar-powered radio equipment.



Event Coordinator Jim Deegan assists Mark Lupien and Jeriel Beard in fine-tuning their channel.

Photos by Bill Watkins and Dan Zile



by Carol and Jim Henrikson

On Jan. 24, our movie featured Tom Hanks who wrote and performed in *Greyhound*. This was the first time for the cinematic audio system to operate fully. The sound of the waves pounding on the destroyer and quiet stealth of submarines on the hunt were very well captured. On Jan. 31 the standout action movie featured will be *Top Gun: Maverick*.

On Feb. 7 *The Eyes of Tammy Faye* will be screened. Other February movies will be *All Quiet on the Western Front* and *Ticket to Paradise*. We received an offer from a volunteer to prepare popcorn and we will have some details like training requirements, popcorn supplies and equipment to be checked so popcorn can become a

part of our TNM evenings later this month.

The theater sound equipment has been successfully restored to service with the support from SONOS who offered a workaround of the Spectrum Internet Service issue. Several checks of the system in the past week indicate that we should finally have reliable service.

Specific details of each movie will be posted on the Movie Bulletin Board in Busch Hall and on Golf View. Carol and I thank you for your support in our continuing effort to screen outstanding film productions. Keep your movie suggestions coming so we will be aware of the specific movies you wish to see.

Geocachers look for 12 caches in Brooksville



I ♥ Geocaching

by Nan Lance

Jack Zanca led us on a super geocaching trip to the shopping areas of Brooksville to search for 12 caches hidden near the busy streets of Route 50 and 98 or Cortez Boulevard. We found 10 of the 12 hidden containers and celebrated with lunch at *Five Guys*. One cache called Multitudinous Lamp-Skirtitudinous led us to four skirts on the huge lights of a shopping center. That gave us a code to find the fifth hidden cache. Great fun!

Geocaching is essentially a giant treasure hunt with GPS devices. Players use a website or

app and a GPS to follow clues to a certain set of coordinates where they find a geocache another person has hidden. Check under trees, lamp posts, cement parking bumpers, outdoor seating at a park or on a road sign. A cache may be disguised as a bracket under a set of stairs! After you find it, you write your name on the log book inside the cache. Take a small treasure if there is one, leave a small treasure if you take one and re-hide the cache for the next person. You log in your find on the website. Sounds like fun? It is! Join the TR Geocaching Club. Call Barb Colson at 352-206-3210.

Model Railroad Club News

by Brian Krupicka

Operation of trains is one of the exciting parts of our hobby. We combine member's modules in many different configurations. Several trains are in operation at any given time, so the visual experience changes each time you view the layouts. The amount of detail viewed changes the more you look. If you have interest in this hobby, please call Brian Krupicka at 630-961-1243. We meet on Friday at 10 a.m. to noon in the Jeri Miller Activities Building.



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Bulletin Board				Travelers Rest Resort Activities			
ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION		BOWLING		CREATIVE ART GROUP (CAG)		FRIDAY NIGHT DANCES	
PICKIN’ & GRINNIN’ - Wednesdays, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Hobby House. December thru March. Rob Werner Harold Keefer		Fridays at 2:15 p.m. at Pin Chasers Bowling Lanes, Zephyrhills. Sign up on Bulletin Board if you plan to go. Lin Buczek		Wednesdays, 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus East. Linda Spencer		Fridays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall, starting January 20. The dance schedule and themes will be listed in The TR Times and online. Need Chairperson	
AMATEUR RADIO CLUB		BRASS ENSEMBLE		DIGITAL PHOTO - CAMERA		GAMES NIGHT	
2nd and 4th Thurs., 6:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Center. November-March Meetings open to all. Amateurs can check into the 8 a.m. Two Meter Net on 146.430 Mhz Monday thru Saturday. Dan Zile		Wednesdays, 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Center. We can always use more brass players. Bill Watkins Steve Bowman		Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to noon in Jeri Miller Activity Building. Carey Box		Mondays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Snack Shack Pavilion. Non-contact games. New game each week. Linda Smith Joan Colao	
AQUATICS - (WATER AEROBICS)		BRIDGE: BEGINNERS		DIGITAL PHOTO - POST PROCESS		GARDEN CLUB	
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. at the pool. November thru March Linda Smith		Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Hobby House Jim Weigand		Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East. Carey Box		Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11 a.m. at Lake Margaret. Stacy Grier	
BALLROOM DANCING		BRIDGE: INTERMEDIATES		DINING WITH FRIENDS		GENEALOGY	
Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Busch Hall. January thru March. Jeffrey Duquette		Tuesdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Center. Connie Bradley		2nd Saturdays, Busch Hall, 5 to 7 p.m., January thru March. Harold and Marlene Hughes		Fridays, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East. Denise Anderson	
BEADAHOLICS		BRIDGE: PARTY/PARTNERS		DOMINOES		GEOCACHING	
Mondays, 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Citrus East. January thru March. Kathy Kushman Kathy Lemke		Party Bridge with partners - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. Partner not required. Singles will be teamed up. Barb Aubrey		Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. Linda Gough		Tuesdays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus West. January thru March. Barbara Colson	
BEADAHOLICS, TOO		BULLETIN BOARD IN BUSCH HALL		DULCIMER JAM		GLUTEN FREE SUPPORT GROUP	
Tuesdays, 2 to 4 p.m. at Hobby House Porch. Dot Brenn		For information or help with a notice or ad contact: Betsy Behler Guy Weik		Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 pm in Citrus East Lois Showers		Tuesdays 11 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. Linda Murphy	
BIBLE STUDY- CO-ED		CALLIGRAPHY		DULCIMER LESSONS		GOLF - LADIES LEAGUE	
Mondays, 10 a.m. at Vanishing Lake and 6 p.m. in Busch Hall Green Room. Anthony Shipe		Fridays, 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Citrus East. Richard Peebles		Mondays in Citrus West. Beginners: 9 to 10 am. Advanced: 10 am to noon. Lois Showers		Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m. at Starter Shack. Dee Branchaud	
BICYCLING		CHAIR YOGA		ENTERTAINMENT SUNDAYS		GOLF - MENS LEAGUE	
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		Wednesdays, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. in Citrus East. Begins Jan. 4. Donna Smith		Announcements begin at 6:45 p.m. with program following. Performances will be in Busch Hall. Ken and Sandy Langel		Thursdays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. at Starter Shack. Barry English	
BINGO		CHOIR PRACTICE		EUCHRE		GOLF - SCRAMBLES	
1st and 3rd Saturdays, 7 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East. Linda Smith		Fridays, 9:30 to 11 a.m. and Sundays 8:30 a.m. in Busch Hall. Join us. Bernie Gutridge		Fridays, 7 to 9:15 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. Chairperson Needed		2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday mornings at Starter Shack. Tom and Pat Butler	
BIRDING		CHURCH ASSOCIATION		EUCHRE/BID		GOLF ASSOCIATION MEETINGS	
Tuesdays, 8 a.m. at Post Office Veranda. Bring binoculars and cameras. Tom Butler		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, Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the month. Anthony Shipe		Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. Chairperson Needed		Monthly meeting 2nd Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. in Hobby House. All members/golfers are welcome. Roy French	
BLOOD DRIVE AT TR		CHURCH COMMITTEE		FIRE/RESCUE 33		GOLF LESSONS	
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		3rd Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Jeri Miller Activity Center. John Daubenmier		Firemen-Tues, 8 to 11 am- Paul Rife Room. First Responders-Tuesday, 11 to 1, Jeri Miller Activity Center. Thursdays, 8:30 am to 12:30 p.m., Paul Rife Room. Business Meeting - 3rd Tuesdays, 9 a.m. in Paul Rife Room. Larry Polzin		Tuesdays, Practice Range with all levels of expertise from 9 to 11 a.m. Hazel English, Bill Harkins, Joan McLean Joan McLean	
BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING		CLOGGERS OF TR		FIVE CROWNS		HABITAT FOR HUMANITY	
Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11 a.m. in Paul Rife Room. Larry Polzin		Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 to 11:30 a.m., Saturdays 10 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus East. Donna Neer Donna Smith		Wednesdays (non-concert nights only), 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. Jackie Thackery		Volunteer to help build homes in Pasco County. Projects January thru March TBA. Barb Colson	
BOCCE (FALL)		COFFEE & DONUTS - RADIO CLUB		FIVE HUNDRED - CARDS		HAND AND FOOT	
Sundays thru Fridays, 1:30 p.m. November and December. Bob Fisher		1st Saturday (during Flea Markets), 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. or until sold out. Donuts and coffee will be in Busch Hall. Dan Zile		Saturdays, 6:45 to 9 p.m. In Citrus West. Pat McCallum		Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. Come learn this easy game. Deborah May	
BOCCE (WINTER)		COFFEE SEMINARS		FLEA MARKET/YARD SALE		HARMONAIRES	
Scheduled games and competitions, Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays, 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 7 p.m. January thru March. Laverne Dennison		Thursdays, 8 to 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. Watch The TR Times and online calendar for updates. Guy Weik		Flea Markets return to Busch Hall first Saturday of each month, November thru March, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Setup at 8 a.m.. Betty and Walt Gilson		Bring your harmonica and play with us. Beginners welcome. Thursdays 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Hobby House. Joe Shipe	
BOOK BROWSERS		COFFEE SOCIAL		FRIDAY AFTERNOON LIVE!		ICE CREAM SOCIAL	
2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 2 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West. Nan Feeney Lance		Monday thru Friday, 7:30 to 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. Please bring your own mug. Jim Matkovich		Certain Fridays, 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. at The Grove Stage. Check dates online. Donna Probes		Sundays, 6 to 6:45 p.m. in Busch Hall. Rosita Williams	

Bulletin Board

Travelers Rest Resort Activities

IPHONE CLASS	PET LOVERS CLUB	SHUFFLEBOARD	VETERANS MEETING
Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Jeri Miller Activity Center. Susan Stahley	Jan. 23, then 2nd Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Jeri Miller Activity Building. Kim Roberts	Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Competition. Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Dimes Day. Richard Von Qualen	2nd Mondays, 10:03 to 11 a.m. in the Hobby House. Darold Long, Commander
JOKER	PICKLEBALL	SNACK SHACK	VILLAGE HAPPY HOUR
Mondays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. Fridays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. Deborah May	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	Currently weekdays, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Additional volunteers needed to add a Saturday crew. Lee Brenn Mickey Cobb	Thursdays, 4 to 5:30 p.m. at host residence. Meet in Hobby House if temperature is <60 or if it's raining. November thru April. Sandy Post
JUBELLATION HAND BELL CHOIR	PINOCHLE	SPORTS CLUB	WAIST WATCHERS
Mondays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. Jean Cobb	Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. John Delaney	Meet at Snack Shack Pavilion 2nd Tuesdays 7 to 8 p.m. (January thru March) All welcome. Ray LoPresti	Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. in Hobby House. Jackie Thackery
KARAOKE	POKER TEXAS HOLD'EM	STAINED GLASS	WINTER WALKING AEROBICS
Non-concert Wednesdays, 7 to 9: p.m. in Busch Hall. Starts in January. Glenn and Gabriella Young Alan West	Tuesdays and Saturdays, 7 to 9:30 p.m. in Hobby House. Jack Davis	All times in Jeri Miller Activity Center, beginning in January: Mondays, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. Wednesdays, 4 to 7 p.m. Fridays, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Instructor - Shari Herberts Shari Harbert	Monday thru Friday, 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. in Citrus East. (Nov. 8 thru April 10) Gloria Polzin
KNOTTY KNITTERS	POM-POM DRILL TEAM	TABLE TENNIS/PING PONG	WATERCOLOR PAINTING
Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus West. Diane Fisher	Tuesdays, 3 to 4 p.m. and Fridays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus East. Donna Neer Deb Niles	Mondays and Thursdays, set up at 2:30 p.m., play from 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus East. Extra paddles available. Ron Hicks	Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East. Amy Grier
LIBRARY	POWERBOAT RACING	TENNIS	WEIGHTS & STRETCHING
Located in northwest corner of Busch Hall. Open 24/7. Honor system sign-out. Please reshelve your own books if you can. If not place in cart behind desk. Mary Kosbab Kay Blunda	Mondays and Fridays, 8 a.m. to noon at Mirror Lake. Dean Peters	Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 11 a.m. Betty Teichert	Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 8 to 8:45 a.m. in Citrus East. Year-round. Sheila Schencke
LINE DANCING (IMPROVERS)	PRAISE & WORSHIP	STONE & TIGHTEN	WELCOMING & RED DOT SPOT
Mondays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East and Tuesdays, 7 to 9 p.m., in Jeri Miller Activity Center. Alex Adair	Contemporary Church Services - 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. January thru March. Marty Schencke	Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus East. Strengthen your muscles. Bring mat and weights. Betty Clark	Welcoming Committee: LAST Thursdays, 10 to noon in Jeri Miller Activity Center. Red Dot Spot: First Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Jeri Miller Activity Center. Diana Hill
LINE DANCING (BEGINNERS)	QUILLING ON A BUDGET	TR ROADRIDERS (MOTORCYCLE)	WIZARD
Tuesdays 10 to 11 a.m. in Citrus West and Wednesdays, 1-2 p.m. in Citrus West. Alex Adair	Thursdays, 1-3 p.m. in Citrus West. Pat Daubenmier	1st Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Hobby House to plan rides. Gene Cribbs	Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. Deborah May
MAH JONG CHINESE	QUILTING	TR SINGING MEN	WOOD SHOP
Mondays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West. Marcia Hatfield	Thursdays at 9:30 a.m to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. 2nd Thursday Guild Meeting/Show and Tell. Ethel Polsdofer Cloie Morgan	Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Jeri Miller Activities Center. All men are invited to sing along. Gene Gough Dennis Ledbetter	Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Membership \$20. Larry Kurkowski
MAH JONGG - NATIONAL PLAY	RC AIRPLANE FLYING	TR TRAVEL	WOODCARVING
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. at Hobby House. Lessons on Mondays. Bette Gorman	Parlor - Thursdays, 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Outdoor - Tuesdays, 8 a.m. to noon, at the Golf Course 9th hole. James Morrow, Sr.	Planned events advertised on Travel Board in Busch Hall. Watch for articles in TR Times. Sharon Gilbert Zile	Wednesdays, 8 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. Linda Murphy
MATS FOR THE HOMELESS	RC MOTORSPORTS	TR TRAVELAIRES OCHESTRA	YOGA
Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Busch Hall Pat Dellamuth	Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. at RC Motorsports track by Snack Shack. John Toombs	Tuesdays, 12:45 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. New members welcome. Gene Cribbs	Thursdays, 11 a.m., Location TBD, January thru March. Jean Renee DeTar
MIRROR LAKE YACHT CLUB	ROCK PAINTING	TRAVELETES/WOMEN'S CHORUS	ZUMBA
RC Powerboat and Sailboat Activities at Mirror Lake. Powerboat Races: Mondays and Fridays 8 a.m. to noon. Jerry McRoberts, Commodore	All Thursdays except the last Thursday of the month, 10 a.m. to noon in Jeri Miller Activity Center. Diana Hill	Wednesdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Center. Mary Beth Coldren	Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., Jeri Miller Activity Center. Starts Jan. 12. Bev Weissinger
YACHT CLUB SAILBOATS	RUG HOOKING	TRAVELOGUE	<div></div> <div>All changes, additions or corrections to any Activity.</div> <div>Contact Guy Weik activities@travelersrestresort.com 352-584-6377</div> <div></div> <div>"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless." ~ Sherry Anderson</div>
Sailboat Practice: Tuesdays, 8 a.m. to noon. Sailboat Races: Wednesdays and Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon. Barry Sellick	Tuesdays, 9 to 11 a.m. in the Green Room, Busch Hall. A small avid group. Join us and make something beautiful! Tawnya Rowden	2nd and 4th Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus West. January thru March. Bert Contractor	
MODEL RAILROAD	SCRABBLE	TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES (TNM)	
Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to noon in Jeri Miller Activity Center. Brian Krupicka	Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall, depending on interest. Jeffrey Duquette	Tuesdays, doors open at 6:45 p.m., movie will start at 7:15 p.m., in Citrus East. Movie Night runs January thru March. Jim and Carol Henrikson	
OIL & ACRYLIC PAINTING	SEW SPECIAL AND EMBROIDERY	UKULELE CLUB	
Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. Mary Kubinieć	Mondays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Welcome to cut out and sew. Bring machine, projects, ideas. 3rd Mondays - Show and Tell. Rosita Williams	Tuesdays, 3 to 4:00 p.m. in the Hobby House. Players share tips and tunes without weekly instruction. January thru March. Donna Probes	

Beyond the Resort

by Linda Spencer

I've included in this article local forms of entertainment you may find of interest. Also, please advise me of any outside the park, local clubs or forms of entertainment you might like to share with your TR neighbors. Call or text me at 352-424-9604.

The Villages Balloon Festival Winter Celebration, Friday, Feb. 3 to Saturday, Feb. 4. Fun, food and entertainment: This event will also feature, food trucks, vendors, a free kid zone and an antique car show. For additional information please visit www.thevillagesballoonfestival.com. The Villages Polo Club, 700 Buena Vista Blvd., The Villages. (Approx. 41 miles from TR.)

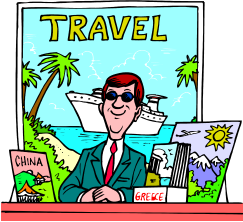
Pasco County Farm Festival and Quilt Show, Saturday, Feb. 4, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Location The Pioneer Florida Museum, 15602 Pioneer Museum Rd., Dade City. Featured will be the Southern Draft Horse Pull Competition at noon and the Quilt Show all day. There are usually close to 100 quilts displayed with many different sizes and categories. Some quilts may be available for purchase. Ribbons given in each category. The East Pasco Quilt Guild and The Pioneer Quilt Guild will have quilts on display. Live entertainment will be *The Geared Up Band*, 10 to 11:30 a.m. A lot to see and do: Great food, unique vendors, Blacksmith Model Trains,



LINDA SPENCER

traditional craft demonstrations and *The Barking Dogs* performing old-time music. All museum buildings will be open with docents, many in time-period attire. Note: RE Sharpening will be on the porch of the Mabel Jordan Barn and will sharpen scissors, tools, etc. for a nominal fee. Call or text RE Sharpening for any sharpening questions: 813-395-1297 For additional information visit <https://pioneerfloridamuseum.org>, 352-567-0262 or pfmfrontdesk@gmail.com.

2023 Florida State Fair, Thursday, Feb. 9 to Monday, Feb. 20. The atmosphere, the food, the excitement of the State Fair. Too many events to list. For additional information, please visit www.floridastatefair/events.com. Tickets can be obtained online or at any area Publix Market. Location: Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 N. Highway 301, Tampa. (Approx. 29 miles from TR.)



Travelogue Schedule for 2023

by Bert Contractor

Please note the changes in the Travelogue schedule and mark your calendar for very exiting and informative presentations.

Time - 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Location - Citrus West

Feb. 13 - Airstream Caravan - Northern Lights and Polar Bears by John Goodger

Feb. 27 - Summer in Atlantic Canada by Dan & Sharon Zile

March 13 - Tahiti and Antarctica by Barbara Colson

March 27 - Africa by Bert Contractor

The next scheduled Travelogue is by John Goodger about his journey on the Airstream Caravan "Northern Lights and Polar Bears." All of us know John from his wonderful photographs that he enthusiastically shares with us on Facebook.

This is what John said about the trip he took in September to October 2022.

"The Caravan started in Southern Manitoba and traveled up to Churchill on Hudson Bay. Tours included Farming, Mining and Dog Sledding. It traveled through boundless prairies and deserts on up to the tundra regions of Canada."

Be prepared for a very exiting presentation with amazing photography. See you all on Feb. 13.

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Travel News

Upcoming TR travel news

by Sharon Gilbert Zile,
TR Tour Director

The luncheon cruise on the Calypso Breeze with 110 of our TR friends was a tropical feast and delight for the eyes! Two full buses left TR on Jan. 26 traveling to Madeira Beach where our Small World Tours drivers expertly managed the busy narrow streets to drop us off at the Madeira Beach Boardwalk. Overlooking the harbor and small beach, the boardwalk led us to the dock where the yellow 68-foot Calypso Breeze was moored.

Greeted by Captain Mark, TR guests began their lunch with tropical punch, wine, or beer on one of two enclosed decks, surrounded by a window view of St. John's Pass and Madeira Beach. From our enclosed dining or fresh-air top deck, more than a few of us spotted dolphins playing in the relatively warm waters of the harbor or roosting herons in the mangroves of a protected bird sanctuary. Our gastronomical tropical all-you-can-eat buffet included fresh fruit, Caesar salad, black beans, rice, baked ziti, BBQ

pork, teriyaki beef, mango glazed chicken and baked fish, followed by German chocolate cake. While buffets and boat food are often unimaginable and unimpressive, the Calypso Breeze prepared a wonderfully delicious luncheon. The icing on the cake for this sightseeing luncheon tour: at least 5 juvenile dolphins playfully diving in and out of the waters as our cruise came to its conclusion.



Photos by Kathy Fuller
Gene Poast enjoying the Calypso Breeze cruise. Judging from the flag the ship is aptly named.

Traveling, even for a day, with 110 seniors on two buses offers a few logistical challenges, but this day trip gave the volunteerism of TR residents a chance to shine. Many thanks to volunteers Bard Fuller, Debbie Hentchel, Larry Wilson, Joe Shippe and Brode Morgan for their assistance. Additionally, Dee Manos and Tom Etchill are both deserving of "taking care of the flock" recognition. It takes a village!



DAN AND SHARON ZILE

After such a positive day, it is with disappointment that we must cancel the Hollerbach's True German Experience trip originally scheduled for Feb. 3. With each TR bus trip, we must have a minimum of 32 reservations to give us a good price and yet be profitable for Small World Tours. While a number of TR residents were very excited about authentic German food and music, there were just 23 reservations by Jan. 27. Each reservation was accompanied by a check and those checks have been returned to the resident.

The Tampa by Land and Sea Tour for March 1 is full with a waiting list and will be repeated next year. We continue to accept reservations for the narrated Yacht Starship St. Patrick's Day luncheon cruise scheduled for March 17.

If your club or group has an idea for a future day trip and would expect to meet the 32 minimum reservation requirement, please share your request with me. Since all day trips are open to the participation of all TR residents and that could give your group the opportunity to meet new friends with similar interests. Thank you to the groups who have already initiated trip requests for next year. I'm looking into making those arrangements.

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Library News



Pat Gouchie stops by the TR Library.

by Amy Peebles

People are the backbone of our TR Library whether you are a library patron, donate books and DVDs for others' enjoyment or are a library volunteer dedicated to keeping the library organized and running smoothly all year round. Beginning with some of the tasks of the library volunteers, they include:

- Processing new books.
- Shelving returned books.
- Keeping the shelves neat and tidy with each book in its correct section and in alphabetical order by author and ensuring the books are in good physical condition.
- Keeping the Book Recommendation Card Boxes updated with recommendation slips provided by readers who have enjoyed a book and would like to recommend it to others.
- Monitoring the colored tabs placed in books so we know what books are borrowed year by year.
- Keeping the shelves timely and fresh by retiring the older copy-righted books which are five years or older from the current year, don't have a recommended sticker or are not part of a book series, in order to make room for more current books.
- Taking bags of retired books to local thrift stores.

We are also fortunate to have volunteers that work solely on maintaining the large DVD section.

In addition to our regular monthly meetings, library volunteers may choose a regular weekly shift to work or drop in through the week as their time permits. As you visit the library it

is more than likely you will see a volunteer quietly working behind the scenes.

Work continues in the library throughout the summer months with a smaller group of full-time resident volunteers to keep the library operating for visitors and year-round residents.

Next are the people who donate books, DVDs and CDs. We are thankful for your generosity and appreciate all your support in keeping our shelves well-stocked. Donations are made throughout the year when residents are leaving for the season or move from TR and donate their book collection.

Lastly, you, our library patrons who stop by the library, whether to drop off donated books, borrow a book or DVD or to find a quiet spot to read or do some paperwork. The library, which began as a single shelf on the south wall of Busch Hall in the early 1970s, has now grown into its current location today for all to enjoy.

What's new in the Library: We recently had several Florida cookbooks donated to the library. Three of the five cookbooks are soft cover, spiral bound community cookbooks by the Mid-Florida Winnies of Orlando, Quilts, Etc. of Dade City and the Florida State Winnie Gators.

Like most community cookbooks, they feature personal recipes donated by the members of each group, are user friendly and feature local ingredients. If you are looking for easy recipes with a Florida flair, you may find something to enjoy in any of these cookbooks.

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Garden News

Plant sale is tomorrow

by Leslie Ewing

The season for the Lake Margaret Garden Club (LMGC) is now in full swing. The club has many projects planned. To fund the work in the garden there will be a plant sale at the Flea Market tomorrow, Feb. 4.

The club will have tables both inside and outside of Busch Hall. This is our first fundraiser in two years. There will be potted plants as well as plants to go in the ground. Phyllis Zitzer, Florida Master Gardener, is preparing orchids and other plants for sale. The orchids will need to stay in pots although they can be outside until cold weather comes. Amy Grier has succulents ready for sale. These are plants that have fleshy parts that retain water which sustains the plants during dry seasons. Phyllis, Amy and other LMGC members will be available to answer questions and offer advice on how to care for plants.

The club is very busy and there are many activities on-the-go. It will take more than a year to rehabilitate the front lawn at Lake Margaret following the removal of the Live Oak. A Stump Committee has been formed. Mike Lilawski chairs the Committee which

includes Laura Weik, Club Secretary Pam Forsyth and Leslie Ewing.

Maintenance has removed the damaged portion of the boardwalk and lumber has been delivered. Repairs are expected to be completed well before the Garden Walk which is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, March 12 if all goes well. Vice President Linda Jackson is getting a Committee together to plan the Garden Walk on the second Sunday in March which also happens to be when Daylight Savings Time will start. Some residents have asked about another Garden Scavenger Hunt. No firm decision has been made yet but it looks like the Garden Walk is on.

The palm tree is looking good. The club is watering and fertilizing it. Randy Melville is compiling a list of what the club needs to replace the irrigation system. There is no schedule yet for grading and re-seeding the front lawn as there are two trees which appear to be dead that need to come out first. Club President Stacy Grier is checking to see if winter rye could be spread to temporarily hold the soil in place.



Photo by Phyllis Zitzer
ORCHIDS

The Bromeliad Garden next to the Boardwalk on the east side of the Garden has been replenished and replanted by Pat Bogden and Phyllis Zitzer. Chris Bracknell has been keeping the area tidy, digging out the soil that washes out from the plantings and then accumulates along the boardwalk.

New volunteers Larry and Peggy Letteney set up coffee, cookies and other treats for the club's planning sessions. Kay Blunda prepared skewers of pineapple and cherries for one of our recent meetings. After a morning of working in the garden, these refreshments are greatly appreciated.

Joanne Hall gave a generous donation to the club in memory of her husband, Charlie Hall. Charlie and Joanne enjoyed getting their hands dirty in the garden when they were residents at TR. Charlie started the Cactus Garden along Snack Shack Road. He was also part of the construction crew for the gazebo. Joanne and Charlie hosted parties for the club at their home in the Village. They are missed.

Stop at both of our tables tomorrow to chat with LMGC members. Buy a plant or make a donation to help us maintain Lake Margaret Garden. See you at the Flea Market.

Book Browsers



by Nan Lance

Browsers met this week to discuss *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles. It is a beautifully written book with fascinating characters set in 1954 when the world was changing fast. Book Browsers discussed the author, the reviews, the literary style and several discussion questions.

Our next book will be *Hamnet* by Maggie O'Farrell. It is a fictional account of Shakespeare's son. Copies are available in the library.

We will meet next on Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 2 p.m. in Citrus West. All are welcome, please come.



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Pets on Parade



Lucky to have a home

by **Judy Leister**

Ding! Ding! Ding! That’s a sound many of us remember from our working days. We depended on that alarm clock to get us up and to our jobs on time. Now quite a few of us at TR are retired and no longer need to depend on an alarm. Well that is unless you want a leisurely breakfast before hurrying off to your early morning exercise class or don’t want to be late for your golf game.

Mary Carpenter is retired too but every morning at 5 a.m. an alarm goes off in the form of a kitty named Lucky. As a baby kitten Lucky slept in a carrier in the living room. The hard working maintenance crew here at TR arrived early. Mary happens to live right on the main road between the front gate and the maintenance area so of course that early traffic goes right by her place. Little Lucky wanted to see what was going on outside so she made enough noise that brought Mary to her feet. Lucky is now three-years old and has decided her favorite place to sleep is in an open suitcase lying at the foot of Mary’s bed. Sometimes she paws at Mary to tell her she wants to sleep under the covers. Even though Lucky’s sleeping arrangements have changed from that kitten carrier, she still wants to hurry to the patio



Photo by Judy Leister
LUCKY

door to watch the work crew arrive. She swishes the Venetian blinds to get a better view which definitely wakes Mary and of course it’s 5 a.m.

Prior to Lucky, Mary had quite a list of cats in her life but at the time baby Lucky showed up at TR Mary was petless. Several litters of kittens had been dropped off at TR and a good-hearted resident was working hard to find them homes. When asked if she wanted one, Mary told him she’d think about it. Two days later the kitten rescuer came to her door to see if she had made a decision. Within

minutes of her saying “yes” the new kitten arrived.

Like most of our pets Lucky is spoiled and loved. Once every evening Lucky reminds Mary she wants to cuddle and have her tummy rubbed. She’s got a little bit of a fussy side to her though when it comes to mealtime. She wants salmon-flavored food and only salmon flavored. It can come in either dry or pate form but it better be salmon.

Lucky is usually happy just watching out the windows. She never tried to go outside but one time she gave Mary a huge scare. Mary had been grocery shopping. She was carrying all the bags in from the car so that door Lucky always looked out of was standing open. Mary was bringing in the last bag of groceries when Lucky darted out onto the porch and then disappeared for a little adventure. Oh was Mary worried. She looked and looked. What was going to happen to dear Lucky? Well, Lucky lived up to her name. As a baby kitten, with a feral cat for a mother her life was a bit uncertain. While trying to pick out a suitable name for that cute little feline it was decided she was “Lucky” to have a home and that day she escaped out the open door it didn’t take Lucky long to remember where that home was.

A dead fish where?



Photo by Margaret Emmetts

The cottage where the grackle tried to have lunch.

by **Margaret Emmetts**

Let me begin by setting the scene. My home is lakefront at a moderate-size lake in northern New Jersey. The house itself is set on a hill about 100 feet from the lake. Between the house and the water is a large patio with a summer cottage at one end. The main house has a room with windows on three sides where I eat my meals.

On the day in question I was eating lunch when I saw a grackle circling above the cottage. I would have ignored this, but the grackle happened to be carrying a fish in its claws. I might note that the fish was probably a sunfish or small bass and appeared to be almost as large as the bird. For non-bird fanciers, a grackle is an iridescent black bird a bit larger than a robin. We have a number of birds on the lake that catch fish including cormorants, great blue herons, eagles and ospreys. But never have I seen a grackle with a fish. I figured that the only way a grackle would have access to a fish is if the fish were dead and floating on the top of the water.

So, I watched the bird. He circled the cottage apparently looking for a suitable place to have his lunch. He finally decided on the cottage roof and landed on the sloped surface where he tried to deposit the fish. The fish immedi-

ately began to slide down the roof. The grackle quickly seized the fish and tried again. Once again gravity took over and the fish began to slide. Now this was one smart bird. After surveying the situation for a minute he decided that the only spot where the fish would not slide was on the very peak of the roof, so there he went. With the fish carefully balanced, the grackle proceeded to have his lunch. As the fish was so large in relation to the size of the bird, there was no way the grackle could eat the whole thing. So, having had his fill, the bird took off. This left most of the fish on the peak of the roof

How does one get rid of a dead fish in a spot that one cannot reach? I asked my son-in-law, a civil engineer, for a solution. His snappy reply was “Wait for the eagle.” Apparently the local eagles like fresher fare, so the fish remained in place. Days passed and no movement took place. Finally we had a storm which I hoped would wash the fish down, but alas dried fish scales tend to stick to shingles, so the fish only moved part way down the roof. About a month after the fish was deposited we had a walloping storm. Finally the fish disappeared. Where it went I have no idea, but at least it was finally off my roof. Does this now make it a “flying fish?”

Birding Activity



A tropical fish in a tree?

by **Tom Butler**

What? Of course not! Fish don’t live in trees but what you might have seen is the male painted bunting (Passerina ciris). With the same brilliant colors we have come to expect in an aquarium, this bird could enter a beauty contest and outshine a rainbow. A royal blue head, scarlet breast and body, lime yellow patches on green wings is enough to take your breath away. In Louisiana you may hear the French describe this creature as “nonpareil” or without equal. Wintering in Mexico has earned the additional descriptive name of “siete colores” or seven colors. I just call it beautiful like everyone that has witnessed this wonder of a bird.

Found along the southern U.S. coast from the Carolinas down through Florida and westward to Texas, this member of the Cardinal family faces many of the usual struggles for survival. Even though he is protected in this country, the loss of habitat is an ongoing dilemma for nature in general and birds specifically. Fewer areas to build nests and forage for food results in fewer survivors. It seems like simple math easily calculated. In addition, beautiful feathers make them a target for collectors and various other wasteful uses of their plumage. The Cornell Labs of Ornithology have taken a necessary step in reducing that risk by not revealing the locations of these birds in the E-bird app that documents sightings worldwide. Every conservation effort is a move in the right direction.

Painted Buntings also suffer from another type of attack, parasitism. Brood parasitism is the act of a bird laying an egg or eggs in another’s nest and sometimes destroying the eggs of the host bird. Brown-headed Cowbirds are the primary culprits when it comes to the depletion of nearly



Photo by Tom Butler

PAINTED BUNTING

140 different species of birds in the U.S. These birds are not the doting and devoted parents you would expect. This bird does not build nests. They don’t need to, they lay their eggs in the nests of other birds. If all they did was deposit a couple of eggs here and there it wouldn’t seem like such a disaster. However, knowing that Cowbirds can lay up to 36 eggs in a single

summer, the act of parasitism comes into vivid focus. Before you entertain thoughts of eradicating all Cowbirds, keep in mind that the Migratory Bird Treaty Act protects all birds, Cowbirds included. The good news is that a few of these host birds recognize the alien eggs and remove or destroy them. Don’t mess with mama and her little ones!

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Every dinner is packaged. Shown are Anthony Shipe, Cyndee Bradley, Jenice Johnson and Sue Wendt.



Martha Bigelow, Susan Lejeune and Roxy Bass "pull" the pork.



Lise Minnick checks on Roger Landry mixing the coleslaw.



Lise Minnick also checks on Lee Brenn stirring the pulled-pork.



Phil Leatherman and his pal Sam patiently wait in car line.



Traffic builds up anticipating the distribution of the meals.



Jim Conant is the final stop.



Jean Cobb and Jim Conant are on hand to direct the traffic. Jean Cobb signals number of meals for the serving line to prepare.



Photos by
Alan Kenney and
Pam Watkins



Our crash cart and fire truck were on hand for the event.



Roxy Bass looks intent as she dishes out the BBQ. Dick Wheatley closes the line as he adds the coleslaw.



Jean Cobb not only directs traffic, she also delivers meals.



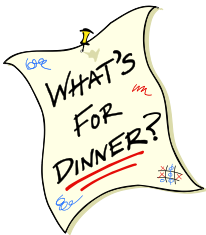
Gloria Polzin collects a handful of tickets from Pat and Tom Butler.



Names were drawn from the tickets sold. Shown above are some of the great prizes awarded to those whose names were selected.



Lynda Pecora and Joan McLean deliver meals to diners.



TR Sports

Ladies' Golf League results for Wednesday, Jan. 25

by Dee Branchaud
A total of 39 friendly golfers came out to play today! Congratulations to all the winners.

Low Handicap 0-12	
Low Gross	
1 Shirley-Ann Appleby	38
2 Vicki Brooks	39
3 Sylvia Cole.....	40
Low Net	
1 Linda Beausoleil	31
2 Del Duplessis	32
3 Eleanor Buchser, Jen Furman.....	33
Fewest Putts:	
Sylvia Cole, Betty Colborne	13
Chip-ins:	
Susan Carr, Shirley-Ann Appleby	

High Handicap +13	
Low Gross	
1 Phyllis Simmers	44
2 Diane Doggett, Sandy Nelson	45
3 Mary DeWeerd.....	46
Low Net	
1 Susan Stahley, Arlene Wykoff	31
2 Sue Troyer,	33
3 Nan Lance, Martha Smith	35
Closest to pin #3: Marijo Noll	
Closest to pin #5: Sylvia Cole	
Birdies: Shirley-Ann Appleby, Susan Carr, Vicki Brooks	

How to enjoy your golf game even if it's not going well

by George Paquette
I thought I'd share some ideas I've gathered reviewing different golf articles on how to make golf fun when you're having a bad round.

1. Personalize your game
When you're on the course keep a record of your personal best score on each hole and try to break as many of your lows as you can. This approach will have you focused on one hole at a time which will help to take your mind off the overall score. As well, any hole where you improve on your personal best score will have you smiling.

2. Give yourself a lesson
Pick one area of your game to work on. Maybe your wedges need improving, or your backswing could be shorter. This gives you a positive to focus on, instead of the negative of your score, and you get on-course training that will serve you down the road.

3. Remember your best shots
Remember them in detail, how they felt, and the flight of the ball. According to Daniel Kahneman, a Nobel Prize-winning psychology professor at Princeton University, focusing on the highlights of a given activity activates "the remembering self" part of memory that fondly recalls

events that seemed largely unpleasant at the time. Picking two "happy" shots can turn an ugly round into a pleasant memory.

4. Put it in your pocket
I've read articles that suggest on a really bad hole where nothing is going right to just pick up your ball and move on to the next hole. There's no shame in pocketing your ball. For one thing it keeps play moving so you don't feel like you are slowing anyone down. You can also just move up to the green, chip and putt. I've played with friends who have done both and I have done it as well.

5. Have a go-to club
There are times when nothing seems to be working. When that happens choose a club you're very comfortable with regardless of the distance you can achieve. Using a club you have confidence in will help you get back on track.

6. Take Walter Hagen's advice
Walter Hagen was an American professional golfer and a major figure in golf in the first half of the 20th century. He said that going into any round he accepted the fact that he would miss-hit five or six shots. Bad shots are part of the game for all players. Understand it and don't beat yourself up over it.
Cheers!

Pickleball Jam winners

by Laurie Gardner
We had another great Pickleball Jam! Thank you to Ray Hill for creating a viewing area for us behind the courts by lowering part of the windscreen. We had many spectators cheering on our 12 players. Join the TR Pickleball group on Facebook for the latest pickleball news.



Congratulations to our winners:
1 Mike Craig
2 George Varty
3 Betty Teichert



by Ann Chalk
Monday, Jan. 23
Carey Box, Mike Clark, Ron Hicks, Tom Etchill, Ron Hicks, Charlie Mason, Barry Sellick 4 wins
Dave Bass, Ann Chalk 3 wins
Andrea Patterson 2 wins
We play in Citrus East on Monday and Thursday at 3 p.m. Ron Hicks is chairman. His phone number is 207-487-1025

Wizard

by Deborah May
Tuesday, Jan. 24
Game 1
1 Sheila James
2 Jackie Thackery
3 Pat McCallum
Game 2
1 Deborah May
2 Gary Smith, Jackie Thackery
3 Imma Smith
Game 3
1 Sheila Zanca
2 Deborah May
3 Pat McCallum

Bowling Results

by Lin Buczek
Friday, Jan. 27
Men's Scratch High Game

Steve Niles	247
Bill Buczek.....	222
Tim Base	213

Men's Scratch High Series

Steve Niles	673
Bill Buczek.....	546
Tim Base	499

Men's Handicap High Game

Tim Base	303
Bill Buczek.....	281
Steve Niles	268

Men's Handicap High Series

Tim Base	769
Steve Niles	736
Bill Buczek.....	723

Men's High Average

Steve Niles	207
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Women's Scratch High Game

Leslie Price.....	188
Lin Buczek.....	171
Deb Niles	169

Women's Scratch High Series

Lin Buczek.....	503
Leslie Price.....	497
Deb Niles	448

Women's Handicap High Game

Leslie Price.....	270
Deb Niles	249
Lin Buczek.....	243

Women's Handicap High Series

Leslie Price.....	743
Lin Buczek.....	719
Deb Niles	688

Women's High Average

Lin Buczek.....	155
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Motorsports

by Douglas Hatfield
Wednesday, Jan. 25
1 Ed Fosnight, Scott Tartaglia..36
2 Craig Kubinieć.....35
Saturday, Jan. 28
1 Kevin Cahill, Russ Marlowe.36
2 Scott Tartaglia35

Party Bridge

by Jen Furman
Tuesday, Jan. 24
Tawnya Rowden, John Cyr..2640
Connie Bradley, Ron Hicks..2380
Sandy Gardner *, Marcia Hatfield 1240
Thursday, Jan. 26
Jen Furman, Jon Cyr 1900
Marcia & Doug Hatfield 1510
Barry Sellick 910
*Sandy Gardner is a former TR resident and Bridge player. We enjoyed having her play with us!

Bingo

by Sandi Walsh
Saturday, Jan. 28
Attendance 69
Nancy Polito
Mary Doubleday
Darlene Livengood
Betsy Behler
Carol Pondy
Fran Freed (3)
Terry Flores
Mary Carpenter
Chris Pondy
Jim Gower
Linda Smith
Mary Veenstra
Pat Long
Janet Beisel
Dianne Brown
Neil Jillson
Michele Wilkins



Men's Golf League results for Thursday, Jan. 26

by Barry English
Great week of golf. Lots of birdies, some low scores and a good time was had by all. Thanks to Ralph Smith for running Men's League this week in Barry's absence.

Low Handicap 0-8	
Low Gross	
1 Bill Harkins	32
2 Gary Carter, Ralph Smith.....	33
Low Net	
1 Bruce Cole, Jay Jager.....	30
2 Ken Person.....	31
Birdies: Bill Harkins, Ralph Smith, Gary Carter, Ken Person, Dan Varner, Roy French, John Wedell, Mark Fedus, Don Buchser, Lloyd Marsh, John DeWeerd	

High Handicap 9+	
Low Gross	
1 Mark Fedus	38
2 Jake Marissen.....	41
3 John DeWeerd, Neil Jillson, Serge Loiselle, Dave Watson ...	42
Low Net	
1 Jim Colborne.....	32
2 Stan Motycka	33
3 John Goodger, Norbert Jansen	34
Closest to pin #3: Fred Endres	
Closest to pin #5: John DeWeerd	

The TR Traveling Tennis Troopers



by Cindy Duttonhofer
Since our tennis court is in need of repair, our TR Tennis Troopers have had to travel to Dade City and even Zephyrhills to play tennis this season. We meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 a.m. behind Busch Hall and carpool to Price Park in Dade City. If the two courts are being used, we either wait for an open court or drive to Zephyrhills and hope to find a court there. It's all for the love of tennis! We've made the best of our situation and become closer during our carpools.



Photo by Cindy Duttonhofer
Back Row: Mark Waltz, John DeWeerd, Dan Varner, Jim Chance, Cindy Duttonhofer, Bill Holley, Bob Freeland.
Front Row: Betty Teichert, Perry Teichert.
Absent: Dick Martin, Dick Wheatley, George Varty, John Cyr.

Mirror Lake Yacht Club

by Bill Wise
Power Boats
Monday, Jan. 16

Stealth Wake	Bob Troyer
Power Vee	Don Meddles
Traxxas Blast	Bob Troyer

Friday, Jan. 20

Stealth Wake	Bob Troyer
Power Vee	Jerry Mc Roberts
Traxxas Blast	Bob Troyer

Monday, Jan. 23

Stealth Wake	Jerry McRobert
Power Vee	Don Meddles
Traxxas Blast	Jay Starbody

Friday, Jan. 27

Stealth Wake	Howard Best
Power Vee	Don Meddles
Traxxas Blast	Jay Starbody

RC Sailing Winners
Wednesday, Jan. 18

DF 95 Class	Jay Matthews
Soling 1M Class	Bill Wise

Saturday, Jan. 21

DF 95 Class	Barry Sellick
Soling 1M Class	Barry Sellick

Wednesday, Jan. 25

DF 95 Class	Jay Matthews
Soling 1M Class	Barry Sellick

Saturday, Jan. 28

DF 95 Class	Barry Sellick
Soling 1M Class	Jay Matthews

Chinese Mah Jong

by Marcia Hatfield
Monday, Jan. 23
Deb May..... 5
Connie Bradley 3
Nancy Moschler..... 2
Nancy Jones, Rachel Brooks..... 1
Friday, Jan. 27
Connie Bradley, Pat Polisky 3
Betty Brown, Jen Furman, Marcia Hatfield, Nancy Jones, Rachel Brooks..... 1

National Mah Jongg League

by Bette Gorman
Monday, Jan. 23
Arlene Wykoff..... 155
Linda Gower 80
Judy Pech 75
Pat Anderson 50
Sue Guffy, Pat McCallum, Janet Stevens..... 25
Wednesday, Jan. 25
Pat Anderson 100
Kathy Ellison, Linda Gower 75
Pat McCallum 50
Friday, Jan. 27
Pat Anderson 100
Arlene Wykoff..... 80
Pat McCallum 50

Obituaries

MARGARET GIBBS

Margaret Gibbs of Bainbridge Island, Wash. passed away recently after a brief illness.

She was married to Michael Reed and they resided in TR on lot 14-13. Her love was gardening and she was very active in the Garden Club.

Margaret was one of four children of long-time residents Elliott and Miriam Gibbs who resided on lot 08-17.

Condolences may be sent to Michael Reed, 13201 Madison Ave., NE, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110.

STEVE GORDEN

The family of Steve Gorden is sad to share the news of his passing on Jan. 20, 2023 after a long fight with COVID and blood cancer. Steve's faith enabled him to die peacefully surrounded by his family. His Military Service will be Friday, Feb. 24, 11 a.m., at the National Cemetery in Bushnell and Celebration of Life, Saturday, Feb. 25, 1 p.m. in Citrus East. All are welcome to attend either service.

Steve loved life at TR where he was involved in a wide array of activities, including the TR Singing Men, Choir, Church Council, Snack Shack and playing golf. He also volunteered as a Pasco County Poll Worker.

Born in November of 1941,

Steve grew up in Louisiana. After graduating from Loyola University/New Orleans and marrying his sweetheart Jane, he was commissioned in the U.S. Army. Steve served 20 years in the military, including a tour in Vietnam, as a hospital administrator. After retiring as a Major, he went on to be a computer systems analyst specializing in hospital administration for another 15 years.

Feeling the call of the wild, Steve and Jane retired early and traveled in their RV for over a decade, visiting all states except Hawaii, (darn it), all Canadian provinces, as well as Mexico, Central America and Europe. They spent a considerable amount of time traversing North America between Alaska and Florida. Always avid travelers, they were able to visit almost every Continent (yes, even Antarctica). Australia was on the "hope to do" list.

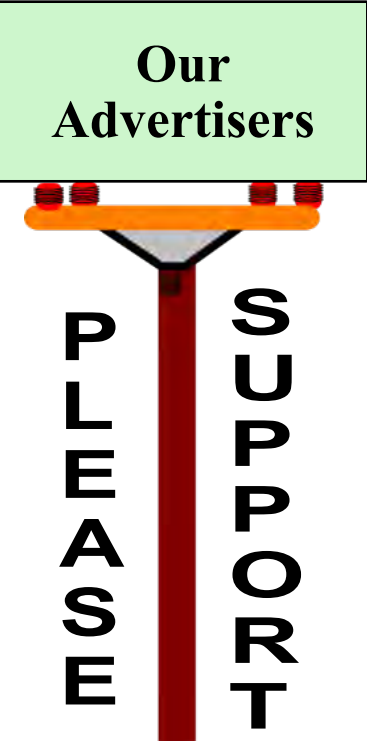
Steve is survived by his wife Jane, two children (Lisa and Neil), their spouses, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren who will miss his big laugh, quick quips, absorbing stories and red shirts. It is also worth noting that his sometimes gruff exterior hid a big softie underneath. For every pet his family brought home, after an initial complaint, Steve was a dedicated pet lover.



Steve Gorden
Military Service
Friday, Feb. 24, 11 a.m.
National Cemetery,
Bushnell, Fla.
Celebration of Life
Saturday, Feb. 25, 1 p.m.
Citrus East.
All are welcome to attend either service.



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Looking Back

by Nan Feeney Lance
10 Years Ago - 2013

- Come one, come all to the early Valentines Day Dance Feb. 2.
- Supper Club tries new ideas. Sign up your dietary interest such as diabetes, vegetarian, lactose (milk) or gluten (wheat) intolerance or allergies.
- TR was aglow Thursday, Jan. 24. Space Aliens? No, golfers used special glow-in-the-dark golf balls for playing Glow Ball.

20 Years Ago - 2003

- Harmonica virtuoso, Larry Adler, returns to TR.
- The topic of alcohol dominated the Resident Board Management meeting of the TR Board of Directors.
- "Night of Stars" was superb 'hometown' entertainment.
- Starter Shack idea is kaput....for now.
- Quilting is hot at Travelers Rest.
- Local author, Robert McFerren, writes about the olden times in a new book, *Grandpa, Tell Me About the Good Ole Days*.

30 Years Ago - 1993

- Love offering for Chaplain Ed Black and his wife, Melissa.
- Lot beautification awards announced after 5 1/2 hours deliberation.
- Square Dancers Go Bananas! 38 residents looked normal but one thing set them apart; they were all wearing bananas!



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Classifieds

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Tuesday, Feb. 7, 4 to 7 p.m.
That Kake Shoppe


Wednesday, Feb. 8, 4 to 7:30 p.m.
Sis's Sugar Shack

Thursday, Feb. 9, 1 to 3 p.m.
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Friday, Feb. 10, 1 to 3 p.m.
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