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Hi Lites

Friday Afternoon Live Friday, Jan. 12, 3:30 p.m. at the Grove Stage.

Celebration of Life for Karen Freed

Saturday, Jan. 13, in Citrus East Visitation begins at 10:30 a.m. See pg. 15.

Dining with Friends

Dining with Friends will meet Saturday, Jan. 13, 5 p.m. in Busch Hall. See pg. 6.



Busch Hall Sunday Night

The Humdingers, Sunday, Jan.14, Busch Hall. See pg. 2.

Travelaires

Join the Travelaires, Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. See pg. 6.

TNM

Quiz Show, Tuesday, Jan. 16. Show starts at 7 p.m., Citrus East. See pg. 2.



Wednesday Concert Series

Captivating Keyboards on Wednesday, Jan. 17, doors open at 6:30 p.m. See pg. 2.



Red Dot Social Thursday, Jan. 18, 8 a.m., Busch

Hall. See pg. 6.

Activity Reminders

First Responders Pulled Pork BBQ

Saturday, Jan. 20, 5 p.m., Busch Hall. Tickets available in front of Post Office. See pg. 5.

Travelogue

Thursday. Jan. 25, 3 p.m., Citrus East.

Annual Airstream Luncheon Scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 27,

First Forum of 2024 well attended

by Margaret Emmetts

All members of the Board of Directors, with the exception of Pat Butler were present at the year's first Forum. Ray Hill, Donna Sullivan and Guy Weik were also present.

President Deborah May opened the Forum by thanking all the volunteers who helped with the Christmas Dinner.

May announced that we have a full house, with all sites on Golf View occupied.

Treasurer Jim Weigand reported that the audit is expected to be completed by Feb. 1. Initially there were ten items which were questioned, however, on review it was determined that most of the information had been submitted. Jim stated he would not discuss finances until the audit was complete.

Weigand apologized for a misstatement at the December Forum. His correction appears on the park website under Treasurer Report Dec. 11, 2023.

At the December Forum someone questioned if residents could use codes instead of their name tags to enter buildings. May advised that she had researched this and our system will not permit that.

InTouch is off to a good start. John Hannah will resume training classes in Busch Hall on Jan. 17, 24 and 31 for newly returned residents. Details to follow.

The long-standing permitting issue has finally been resolved with Pasco County.

Ray Hill announced a new breakfast program which will start Monday, Jan. 15 at the Coffee Socials. The food truck that usually sells Philly steaks will use Busch Hall kitchen to serve breakfast sandwiches, burritos, eggs, toast, etc. The service will be available only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7 to 9:30 a.m. The truck owner will donate part of the proceeds to the Coffee Socials.

May addressed the problem of the Village roads. She has made repeated calls to the County offices but has still not received an answer regarding whether or not TR would be permitted to repave the Village roads. At one point it was thought that the road designation for these roads had been changed from a "B" road to "A." Unfortunately this is viewed as a clerical error. The County program that was in charge of the issue was terminated and a new program is to start at some future date. It was noted that a Class A road cannot be patched or repaired by other than the County. In the past TR has repaired and maintained these roads.

The Forum was opened to a question and answer session. Rather than itemize individual road questions, an attempt will be made to summarize this information.

Questions ranged from whether or not the Board could legally assess residents for property (roads) that the residents did not own, to do water and sewer pipes beneath the roads need to be replaced before any paving is done, to could the roads just be sealcoated instead of repaved.

Ray advised that seal-coating was not a solution and usually just exacerbated the problem. It was pointed out that if repairs are delayed for year(s) and the roads really began to crumble, the cost for repair would multiply. Hill did point out that there are few water lines under the roads. Most are under sidewalks. Sewer lines do run under the roads, but these can be slip-lined for repairs without the

need to dig up the road.

The Board cannot assess residents without their consent, ergo the reason for a meeting to discuss options and take a vote. The meeting of Village residents is tentatively set for Jan. 23 but is dependent on our Board receiving answers to their questions from the County. It was suggested that a vote on the issue not be taken at that meeting but that residents be allowed time to digest the information and think about what they wished to do.

Many felt that a portion of Village lease fees went into a general fund that served all the park. In effect, Village residents contributed to the repaying of RV South and The Cabana section.

It was mentioned that placing the cost of the repaving solely on the shoulders of Village residents would tend to divide our community. Could the cost be spread across the entire community, or could negotiations be made to have the County pay one-third, Village one-third and Board one-third? Village residents have helped to subsidize RV South and Cabana roads, should not the rest of the park help subsidize The Village?

One resident pointed out that Federal Law requires access to all Post Offices. Since RV South and the Cabanas have to use these roads to access the Post Office, could this be used to pressure the County to maintain the road? Hill pointed out that we are merely a Transfer Station, not a U.S. Post Office.

Other questions, not about the roads:

Q - Weather stations report a possible tornado in the area. Where are we supposed to take shelter in such an event?

A - There is no known shelter vailable to us.

Q - Why was the Policy changed that eliminated the requirement that someone own a hard-sided RV in order to purchase stock in TR?

A - The law does not permit discrimination in the purchase of stock for any corporation.

Q - Who are the people that have submitted applications to run for the Board?

A - That information is in the hands of the Nominating Committee and is not disclosed until the Board receives their report.

Q - Policy states that candidates for the Board must be shareholders. It also states that employees cannot run for the Board. However, there are employees who are resident shareholders. Isn't this a conflict of interest?

A - None

Q - Do the food trucks that service the park pay the park to sell here? If not, why not?

A - No, they do not pay. Ray said that bringing the food trucks into the park during COVID was a service to residents who could not go out to eat. He had arranged with the truck owners to lower their prices and increase the size of their portions.

Guy Weik, Activity Director, announced some forthcoming schedule changes. He suggested that residents express their thanks to Brenda Barthle and her crew for the excellent job they did on Christmas decorations. Not only did they put them up, but they also saw to taking them down as the crew that usually dismantled the decor was ill.

Kim Roberts announced a new fund raiser for the Pet Lovers group. Watch for details regarding the first event to be held on Jan. 26.

The spirit of TR, Helen Huyler and Audrey Speirs







at 11:30 a.m. in Busch Hall. See pg. 6.

Golden Anniversary Dance

Friday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall. See pg. 6.

CPR and AED training

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 3 p.m., in Busch Hall. See pg. 5.

Quilt-A-Rama

Tuesday, Feb. 27, 9:30 a.m., Busch Hall.



Helen Huyler in one of her famous hats promoting something.

by Margaret Emmetts

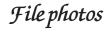
We will be starting a series of articles highlighting past and present residents of TR who truly embody the spirit of the Park with their volunteerism.

A number of years ago Helen Huyler and Audrey Speirs were next-door neighbors and good friends. Anyone who lived in the park at the time could not help but know these two ladies.

Helen and Audrey's mission seemed to be to sell tickets to every event you could imagine. Almost Helen Huyler with former resident and volunteer, Audrey Payne, work one of TR's Annual Food Drives.



Audrey Speirs is almost buried in luminaries one Christmas eve.



AUDREY SPEIRS

every week the two would appear in the TR Post Office foyer promoting ticket sales for an up-coming event. What made these two ladies unique were the outfits they wore while making the sales. Their clothing always reflected the nature of the event.

I recall one year when Helen and Audrey decided to sell tickets to a spaghetti dinner. They chose to dress as Italian gondoliers. I was tasked with making the typical flat gondolier hats. The hats were fashioned from Chinet paper plates complete with the red ribbons that circled the crowns of the hats and flowed down the back. These matched the red and white striped shirts the two wore.

I often wondered where the two came up with the various costumes that seemed appropriate to every event. From Army uniforms to Christmas or Easter outfits, their creativity was unparalleled.

Helen and Audrey were two ladies who truly embodied the spirit of TR volunteerism in their own unique way.

BUSCH HALL Sunday Night presents **The Humdingers**

by Ken and Sandy Langell

The Humdingers are four dapperlooking fellas who comprise the most unique Barbershop Quartet in the world. Not only do they harmonize like no other but they are hilarious, tap dance and play the 100-year-old Deagan Organ Chimes. It's pure clean fun that you are guaranteed to enjoy. It is very much like the entertainment you may have enjoyed at a popular local theme park.

The Humdingers have entertained audiences for almost 40 years and collectively bring to the stage over 100 years of barbershop and acapella singing experience. They've entertained throughout North America as well as in many foreign countries including a recent tour of Japan. Sunday Night's Quartet members are Daniel Robbins and Kevin Souppa both singing lead, Matt Walker, baritone and Jon Meadows, bass.

Enjoy The Humdingers Sunday, Jan.14, in Busch Hall. Admission is free. There is an Ice Cream Social from 6:15 to 6:45 p.m., announcements at 6:45 p.m. and the show begins at 7 p.m.



THE HUMDINGERS

by Carol and Jim Henrikson

Movie

Tuesday Night

Golda, the second of the 2024 Season Tuesday Night Movies [TNM], was shown on Jan. 9. It was well received by an enthusiastic audience.

The next movie in the queue is the 1994 classic Quiz Show on Jan. 16 which will be followed by the 2023 movie Oppenheimer on Jan. 23. The popular and newly released Barbie will be screened on Jan. 30.

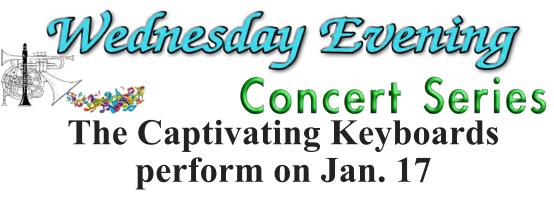
Several movie suggestions from our audience are being considered. Thanks for your support. The February/March slate of movies to be shown should be finalized in a future TR Times article. Many of the movies ahead are purchased including Maestro and Killers of the Flower Moon.

The Sonos audio equipment is up and running. The clarity and dynamics are impressive making Citrus East an outstanding venue to enjoy your favorite movies.

In addition InTouchLink we are using signs placed in strategic locations to remind you of all upcoming TNM showings. We will place the signs each Tuesday morning. They are taken down after the movie is presented. We highly recommend InTouch as a daytime/weekly planner to stay current with many of TR's activities.

Chairs are provided in the front rows. They are set up before you arrive in a pattern for optimal viewing. Some of you may wish to bring your own seating, like a favorite picnic chair. There is usually lots of floor space behind the front rows that are initially setup. When choosing a preferred chair please keep in mind those behind you wishing a clear view to the projection screen.

We hope to soon have popcorn as you arrive to TNM. Please consider being a volunteer to make this happen. Text or phone us at (352) 760-1150 if you can help.





ALAN TRIPP AND SCOTT GRIFFIN

by Doug Pedersen

It's been several years since ianists Alan Tripp and Scott Griffin last shared their brand of music and mayhem with us. Since then they have produced many more CDs, toured 45 states and 12 foreign countries. Their programs are always unforgettable and we're delighted to have them return on Jan. 17 for another Wednesday Concert Series performance. Using both their electronic keyboard as well as the Busch Hall grand piano and sometimes the Allen organ they will select from classical, jazz, show tunes, pop, sacred music and original compositions for this program. This highly energetic and sometimes zany duo will both astonish and entertain with their sheer musical genius treating us to unique musical arrangements combined with entertaining presentations. They have always been a real crowd-pleaser.

the age of nine he began studying piano under the tutelage of his grandmother and by the age of 14 was performing piano concerts. As a teenager he continued to study with Tampa Bay concert pianist Jose Mariscal and eventually attended St. Petersburg College where he earned an Associates Degree in Music. Alan completed his Bachelor of Music degree and graduated from Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Ill. As a piano major he had the privilege of playing as a solo artist with various ensembles and with the Moody Symphonic Band on tours to Canada, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Spain, France, Morocco and Alaska. Alan also toured with The King's Brass and recently completed a tour of Scandinavian countries as pianist for Larry Ford the Grammy Award winning tenor who frequently appears with the Gaithers.

Fla. Scott began playing piano at three years of age. Throughout his years of classical training he has been an active participant in various piano festivals, contests and recitals, winning a number of awards at the regional and national level. Scott earned a Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance and has subsequently worked as a touring artist and as pianist and organist for numerous events. For the past several years the two piano artists have performed together as Captivating Keyboards.

It is our distinct privilege to have these two highly talented young artists with us once again. Admission is with a season reserved seat ticket or \$15 per person payable at the door. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the two hour program with intermission begins promptly at 7 p.m.



by Donna Probes

Bring your comfortable lawn chair and your happiest mood because Doc and I are going to put you in a relaxed mood with some of our favorite songs today, Jan.12. Friday Afternoon LIVE takes place in The Grove. Showtime is 3 p.m. As always, there will be a good helping of music from the 60s and 70s. But Doc also wants to share some new Jimmy Buffett songs with you.

Buffett was an amazing songwriter with rich lyrics and fresh melodies. He wrote many touching songs like The Captain and the Kid in which Buffett talks with nostalgia about going boating with his dad. There is also He Went to Paris which is about a man who lost his family to the bombs of war.

Buffett was not just about Margaritaville and partying. He was a gifted songwriter. We hope you'll enjoy hearing some of his Elvis Presley Gospel song



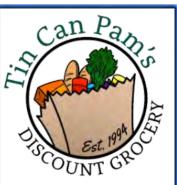
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lesser-known compositions.

From our repertoire of over 500 songs, we always like to see where the spirit moves us as we put together the Friday Afternoon LIVE shows. In addition to a few new Buffett songs, we'll put together a nice mix with a little country, some pop and nostalgia, a bit of beach music and even an

Alan Curtis Tripp was born and raised in Clearwater, Fla. At

Alan met Scott Griffin when the two performed together in Chicago. A native of Jacksonville,



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Communications from the Board

Vehicles and parking on leased sites

by Deborah May, President/ **CEO Board of Directors**

The lower day and night temperatures tell us that it is January in Florida, but it is far better than being up north. After being a snowbird for almost ten years, I have decided I have developed Floridian blood. When I was home up north for Christmas, I almost froze to death every time I stepped outside. Even the temperature in the house was not equal to the same temperature at TR. I could not wait to get back to TR and enjoy the outdoors again in the winter. The hill is full now, so I believe there are a lot of people who feel the same way I do about the weather. It is great to see so many people out and about enjoying our facilities and the social comradery.

Under Policy D5105, the RV South and Cabana areas are allowed only one registered RV for living purposes. Only two licensed vehicles and two unlicensed



DEBORAH MAY BOARD PRESIDENT

vehicles (golf carts, etc.) are allowed on any site at one time. A B-Van may be used as a secondary vehicle. An additional RV may be parked on site for the purpose of loading or unloading for a maximum of three business days when returning or leaving the park.

All licensed motorized vehicles parked anywhere within TR must have a current plate and registration.

Boats, utility trailers, camper shells/caps, car dollies or similar equipment may not be stored on any site. These vehicles must be parked in the storage area. Kayaks on premises while lessee is present are exempt from this rule. However, they must be stored parallel to the RV or underneath it. The Village Deed Restrictions document governs parking and storage limitations in the Village.

Except for special weather conditions, or as may be authorized by the office, no vehicle shall be parked overnight on any street. During wet weather, it may be necessary to park on the street. All vehicles should park on only one side of the street so that emergency vehicles can get through. If you live on a north-south running street, park on the west side. For east-west avenues, park on the north side. On 21st Street residents park on the South side and l4th Street residents park on the North side. (D5205)

TR Policies D5105 and D5205

D5105 VEHICLE QUANTITY ON LEASED SITE:

- 1. The maximum quantity is:
- a. One registered RV for living purposes.
- b. Two additional licensed vehicles.
- c. No more than two unlicensed vehicles except bicycles.
- 2. B-Vans (As a secondary vehicle):
- a. Shall not be used for occupancy on lessee's site at any time.
- b. Shall be permitted as one of the two additional vehicles per site.

3. Class A, B+ and C Motorhomes: Shall not be permitted on any site as one of the two additional vehicles per site. They only qualify to be on site if they are the one registered RV for living purposes. 4. Commercial/RV type tractors are prohibited on site and must be placed in storage.

5. Double occupancy of a site is prohibited. Exception: When returning to or leaving from the park, an additional RV may be parked on site for purpose of loading or unloading for a maximum of 3 business davs

6. All licensed motorized vehicles parked anywhere within TR must have a current plate and registration. 7. Boats, utility trailers, camper shells/caps, car dollies or similar equipment may not be stored on any site. All vehicles and/or items of this type shall be parked in the storage area. (Note: Kayaks on premise while lessee is present shall not be considered part of this grouping and, if present, shall be stored parallel to the RV or underneath the RV.) This paragraph does not apply to TR owned equipment.

8. No lessee is permitted either verbally or in writing to authorize the use of an unoccupied leased site with the intention of it being used at any time for the storage of any trailer, golf cart, or any type of RV. 9. No vehicle shall drive through or across any lot except to stop at that lot.

Note: Specific leased site restrictions have been instituted by the Board of Directors and shall be adhered to by the lessee. Violation can result in lease cancellation. See the Village Deed Restrictions document for parking and storage limitations.

(Revised 02-05-19) (Revised 02-01-22)

D5205 PARKING ON STREET: Except for special weather conditions, or as may be authorized by the Office, no vehicle shall be parked overnight on any street. During extremely wet weather, when it is necessary to park on the street, all vehicles should be parked on only one side of the street to allow emergency vehicle passage. For North-South running streets, park on the West side. For East-West running avenues, park on the North side. (Exceptions: 21st park on South side and 14th park on North side.) (Revised 12-07-04)

TR Policy changes approved Dec. 19

by Linda Smith

D2010 Age Occupancy: Added:

6. If a request is made for a lease by a person(s) under age 55, approval is required by the Board of Directors.

D2015 Stock Ownership:

From the Manager's desk



RAY HILL

by Ray Hill with Rich Kushman On the road again with Ray,

TR roads, and specifically the Village roads, are on the table.

Ray is confident the current estimate of \$350,000 for around 1.25 miles of paving by the Firm Foundation Co. is very reasonable. Ray also agrees the roads should definitely be repaved to avoid future major repairs.

Sewer and water pipe upgrades are not part of this plan because all the sewer lines, which are terracotta, can be slipped or lined without excavating or disturbing the road surface. There are separate plans to do just that throughout the park.

Water pipes are PVC and the majority are not under the roads. Water pipes require expensive excavation so repairs are done only as needed. Additional information locating the water and sewer lines can be made available.

Following my conversation with Ray, I asked some Village residents to express their questions, so these are listed for you as food for thought:

Why are only Village residents asked to fund this capital improvement to the park?

All road repairs throughout the park have been paid by the park hood."

out of the general funds. When the Village roads were spray-coated in the past, this maintenance was paid from general funds. When roads in the Cabana and RV South sections have been repaired or repaved, general funds were used. Village residents already pay into the general fund for maintenance. What percentage of their fee has been paid every year for road maintenance?

The park owns the strip of land between the road and owners' properties around the entire Village. Based on this percentage of ownership, how much is the park planning to contribute?

Some have wondered if the Village does pay for the roads, then doesn't the Village own the crushed material the park is planning to use elsewhere?

Now speaking not for Ray but as a Village resident, the concerns expressed by Village residents will hopefully be clearly understood and addressed by the Board of Directors. The people who live in the Village are stockholders and consider themselves residents of Travelers Rest Resort and not a separate community simply paying for services. Village residents have been contributing their share of support for Travelers Rest financially and with hours of volunteer labor as well as paying their own separate property taxes. The roads were built by Travelers Rest and have always been maintained by Travelers Rest and the people living in the Village have always paid their share and been part of the neighborhood. Mr. Rodger's advice to the Board would certainly be to "have a beautiful day in the neighbor-

Where to find TR policies

by Karen Waldo

The Official Policy Manual for Travelers Rest Resort is accessed by logging into Resident Dashboard on the Travelers Rest Resort website. There are several ways to access Resident Dashboard.

1. Log into InTouchLink. Scroll to the Resident Dashboard icon and click it. You will be taken to the Resident Dashboard. Login and note where to find the link for manual in step 3.

2. Go to www.travelersrestresort.com. On the upper right is the icon to click to log into Resident Dashboard.

3. Once you have logged into Resident Dashboard, scroll down to the section below The TR Times, Resident Publications & Info. Below the heading you will find valuable information. The link for the Official Policy Manual is on the left at the bottom of the list. Click on the link and the policy manual will open in a new window.



Lessees shall own one or more shares of Travelers Rest Corporate stock, unless lessee was a leaseholder or subdivision resident prior to 2/8/85.

Removed statement: Village subdivision residents shall not be required to own a hard-sided RV to purchase stock

Added: Ownership of a hard-sided RV is not required and there is no age requirement to purchase stock.

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No more resolutions

Each year it seems to be the tradition to make resolutions for the new year. We resolve to lose weight, eat healthier, get our finances in order, etc.

Again, traditionally, our work to achieve these resolutions maybe lasts through the month of January. Then our resolve fails and we abandon our goals. We have failed.

I recently encountered a different take on the situation. Instead of making a "resolution" we should just strive to make the changes we desire. When we do not reach our goals we have not become a failure.

The example given: Suppose you resolve to lose 20 pounds but you only lose 17. You have partially achieved your goal, a positive result, rather than the negative one of having failed.

We can all use a little more positives in our lives. mre



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The Servant's Plow

God's providential plan

TR Church Association

Choir Rehearsal Friday, 8:45 a.m. Bernie Gutridge Bible Study Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Hymn Sing ... Sunday, 10:15 a.m. Barb Swartz Worship Service Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Pastor Anthony Shipe Holy Communion second Sunday of the month.

Praise and Worship Service First and third Saturday at 4:30 p.m. in Busch Hall

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by Anthony Shipe

I am always impressed with the study of Creation Science and God's personal care of all His creatures including humanity. As Creator of the universe, He is all-knowing and all-powerful. He provided all living things, including plant life and animal life, with a built-in order of genetic survival to help each kind of creature cope with changing conditions. However as both Scripture and breeding experience shows, the different features which may become evident in creatures from generation to generation have very set limits. For example, there is no crossing of the barrier between each kind of species. Animals begat animals, plants begat plants and humans begat humans.

Read Genesis 2:1-2 and compare this with Exodus 20:11. Was there anything more to create after the sixth day of Creation?

Is it reasonable to conclude that Scripture makes very clear that the variations noted in the genetic codes of the various kinds of creatures were created according to God's perfect Providential Plan? How does the Scriptural claim contradict evolutionary claims? Experience and history support the Scriptural claims, since no new helpful genetic information has ever been observed to develop Creation spontaneously - something which must happen countless times for evolution to be valid.

Read Genesis 8:17. Just as ments of climate and seasonal God told people to go forth and change multiply over the earth, so He gave animals the same command. He also knew that in many cases this would mean that growing populations would all be competing for the same food in sometimes limited situations. In His wisdom works "very good," meaning mighty works!



ANTHONY SHIPE

He provided creatures like migratory birds, sea creatures and desert dwelling species with the genetic range that would enable them to fulfill their need for food without harm to the others of their kind

It is truly amazing how the environment that God designed created this provision according to Scripture. This principle is referred to as God's ongoing provision for His creatures. It is worth noting in the original Hebrew context of Genesis 2:3 the text actually reads, "God rested from the work that He created to make." Modern transla-tions lead us to believe that His Creation was finally completed. God resting on the Sabbath, however, was a temporary pause in activity that would continue. He put humanity in charge of the ongoing care for His Creation. Note also that preservation depends on principles and abilities that were established during Creation such as the nurturing ele-

While they may seem basic, it is essential that we understand the biblically established principles if we are going to understand what evolution often calls "adaptation." Read Genesis 1:21. God calls His

perfect, and we understand how God personally cares for each individual creature. He does so on the basis of His perfect knowledge of the future from before the Creation. Evolutionary arguments about "adaptation" lose their force. Arguments of Evolution vs. Creation become nonsense when we see that God's design actually works in the world and lines up with what we see in the Scripture. His wonders are revealed through science.

When our thinking gives God the glory and honor that He deserves, we can speak easily of His continued preservation of His Creation that is based on what He created in the first six days. His personal care of even the most unimportant creatures should underscore for us His personal care and love for each of us. There is no child young or old, no animal big or small, no plant or flower that goes unnoticed by our watchful Heavenly Father.

God invites each of us to learn and see Him as our loving, personal, concerned Heavenly Father. His hand is still at work in our world. His wonders never cease. His Spirit continues to breathe new life into His Creation works. God created His best work of humanity, because He didn't want to be alone in an eternal realm. It was for this reason that He sent His only Son to save us from the consequences of our own sin and rescue us from the corruption that is in the world. Each of us can say, in Christ "Nothing can separate me from His deep personal concern for me and my life!" One day the curse will be lifted and ALL Creation waits for that glorious day. Let's spend it together in the perfect plan of His redemption. Praise God for His

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Women's Bible Study

Believing Jesus A journey through the Book of Acts Tuesdays, Jan. 9 through Feb. 27,

3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus West.

This eight week study's session titles are as follows:

- ► The Declarations That Define Us
- Earth, Wind and Celestial Fire
- Checkered Pasts Can Make **Incredible Preachers**
- What's Mine Is Yours
- Loving More People, More
- The Need to Be ReGospeled
- Turning Your World Upside Down
- ► Bearing the Chain Because

Bring your Bible, paper, writing tools your open mind, ready to follow this and great road map to living a more daring, connected and belief-fueled life.



A Journey Through the Book of ACTS

Lisa Harper





When slower is faster

FIRE

by Jean Bjorgen

Upon my retirement a few years ago, I wanted to volunteer in my rural community in southern Missouri. I signed on as a volunteer firefighter which offered EMT classes, and it was there I learned that oftentimes "slower is faster."

It can happen to any one of us any time, any where, without warning . . . a medical emergency, a fire, a motor vehicle accident or another crisis event requiring an ambulance, fire fighters or the police. Action is needed immediately. Help is needed NOW! What do we do?

When an emergency occurs we are at first surprised because it most often comes without warning. Calm becomes chaos in seconds. As a fictitious example, it is early Tuesday morning and I am out for an early walk with a friend at TR, and on Tuesday mornings only, we can walk the cart path around the Golf Course. Near a little bridge Rhonda falls and breaks her leg. Rhonda screams and I see blood. It is an open fracture and blood is spilling out of the wound. Rhonda screams in pain.

adrenaline surges and I need to act fast to help Rhonda. In these first few moments "slower is faster." I take two deep breaths, this takes 10 seconds or less, then it is the time to focus my thoughts. What has happened and where am I located? I need to call 911.

Calling 911 causes a whole system of events to go into motion within less than a minute. The help we need is on its way, but ONLY if we can provide two pieces of critical information to the First Responders during that first minute.

I dial 911. A calm, steady voice answers and begins asking questions:

Question 1. "911. What is your emergency?"

My response: "My friend has fallen and broken her leg. I see the bone and there is blood.

Question 2. "What is your location?"

My response: "Travelers Rest RV Resort near Dade City on the Golf Course."

Question 3. "Where on the Golf Course are you?"

My response: "I don't know because I don't live here, but we are close to a little bridge on the cart path." (There are two little bridges on the golf course at TR by the way.) "There is a fence and cars going by on the road."

The dispatcher sends the ambulance and Fire Department to that address together with the medical description you provided. Since we have a Fire Station here at TR, that same alert goes to the TR First Responders. Within two minutes, the 911 dispatcher has teams of people and equipment on the way! TR First Responders will get there first and the ambulance and Fire Department personnel will arrive soon after that.

Stay on the line with the dispatcher. Do not hang up until the dispatcher says it is okay to do so. The 911 dispatcher will assist you in ways to provide patient care and attempt to obtain more location information until help arrives on the scene.

Literally in 911 situations, slower is faster in obtaining help if you can answer "What is the problem and where am I located?" It seems so easy and so obvious, but in real-time emergencies, the "easy and obvious" require focused effort.

ALERT: TR First Responders will be providing CPR and AED training Tuesday, Feb. 20, 3 p.m., in Busch Hall. This is open to all residents and guests.

How to handle a severe storm warning

by Margaret Emmetts

At the recent Forum someone asked what to do in the event of a tornado warning. Deborah May responded that TR has no designated safe evacuation site. Some time ago it was believed that residents should go to St. Leo University. However, someone tried to go there recently and they were turned away.

If there is a tornado watch, the siren will be activated. You will hear three long blasts, then a fifteen second pause, then three more long blasts. This sequence will be repeated through several cycles.

It is CRITICAL to remember to notify someone if you plan to evacuate and to let then know where you are going. This will prevent rescue personnel from conducting a search for you. Remember to take your pets and their supplies with you, as well as any medications you may need. Information on the storm may be obtained from your weather radio or major TV stations. You might also search the pascocountyfl.net/services_website for their emergency management suggestions.

Healthy Tips

Why is my hair thinning out?

by Donna Neer, RN (retired)

I hate to wear dark colored tops. I am shedding. My hair is thinning (that is putting it mildly) and it drives me crazy. I wonder sometimes if I am going to end up bald and I don't like it one bit. Why is this happening? Google here I come.

I love the Internet because you can research anything and get answers; well sometimes. I can find several answers; some confusing. I found that the article(s) presented by the American Society of Dermatology (ASD) provided information that was extensively researched and I felt comfortable in sharing what I found. Both men and women develop hair loss. The ASD lists several causes of why we lose hair and I want to share those with you.

Hereditary hair loss simply means that if your parents had thinning hair with aging, (and yes, even some experienced it at a young age), you may have inherited the genes that cause it. The hair follicles (what each hair grows out of and what holds the hair in place) shrink and eventually stop growing hair. Treatment can help stop or slow hair loss. However is regrowth possible? Yes, with medication as prescribed by a healthcare professional, hair may also regrow.

Another cause of hair loss is alopecia areata. Alopecia aerata is a disease that develops when the body's immune system attacks hair follicles. This disease can attack not only the hair on our heads, but also can attack eyelashes, eyebrows, nose, ears and other areas of our bodies. A person who has alopecia areata may require treatment to stimulate regrowth. Interestingly, our granddaughter Mikayla had this disease as a teenager and was treated at the Cleveland Clinic. She subsequently had regrowth of her hair.

Cancer treatments often cause hair loss. If a patient received chemotherapy or even radiation to the neck or head, he/she may lose all or most of their hair. Hair regrowth can occur after chemo treatments are completed. Hormonal imbalance, scalp

infections, hair treatments (such as dyes, permanents or straightening), hairstyles (pulling the hair tightly back, example pony tails), thyroid conditions, nutrition, medications, the list goes on and on... and yes, even stressors, for example, illness, childbirth, emotional and physical stress...all of these can cause hair loss.

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What can be done to treat hair loss? The key to treating hair loss is to find out the cause. Your healthcare provider may order bloodwork to see if there is a thyroid issue. That was causing my hair loss. I was already on Synthroid but a change in the dose was ordered. So perhaps I won't be going bald after all!

Some medications that you are currently taking may cause hair loss. We all receive those detailed information sheets when we pick up our medications. I would urge you to check for what side effects may occur with a particular medication. I know those sheets are overwhelming, but honestly, I personally think it is best to be "in-the-know" concerning what your medication could cause.

Your healthcare provider may refer you to a dermatologist and there are medications that he/she may order to promote hair growth. Hair transplants can give you natural-looking results. Harvard *Health* suggests that scalp massages, taking fish oil, trying acupuncture, diet changes and/or essential oils might help. Health Line also mentioned deficiencies that are associated with hair loss may be those associated with Vitamin B-12, folate and biotin. Additionally some shampoos with prolonged use can be damaging to your hair and scalp so check labels. Perhaps even try changing shampoos and conditioners.

There are over-the-counter supplements that are available to use that offer hair re-growth (according to their ads) however, again, I suggest that if you notice continued hair loss, make an appointment and see your healthcare provider. I did, and I am glad!

References: Harvard Health, Healthline and the American Society of Dermatology.

Pasco County Florida Emergency Management website

To access the local emergency management website type in the internet link below or if you are viewing this on the web, simply click on the following link: https://www.pascocountyfl.net/services/ emergency management/index.php



Tickets for sale in front of Post Office Tuesday, Jan. 16, Thursday Jan. 18 and Sunday, Jan. 14, during the ice cream social.

My mind starts racing, the



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Activity Affairs

Staying on schedule

by Guy Weik

No one likes to be kept waiting. Whether we are at the doctor's office, the Department of Motor Vehicles or wherever, being kept waiting beyond the time of our appointment is never a pleasant experience. It's disrespectful of our time. This is especially true here at TR where I schedule 124 different activities, many on multiple days and times during the week. Unfortunately I am hearing that some of our activities are being kept waiting past their starting times and this is just not fair.

One solution would be to build in a 10-to-15 minute transition between all classes. This would shorten all activities and it would be punishing everyone because of the actions of a few. So here are the rules: Each activity should be OUT of the building PRIOR to the



GUY WEIK

next activity's start time. The clean-up or pick up time necessary to be out of the building varies by activity, so please be honest with yourselves about how much time your activity requires.

We understand that time can easily get away from us when

we're involved in an activity. Solution? We all have phones, which have timers. Please set your timer to a stop time, so you can be out of the building when your time is up

So far I've been able to schedule every activity request I've received. We are fortunate to have so many wonderful choices of activities and classes led by incredibly talented residents who are willing to donate, but not waste, their time. We don't want to lose any of them because they are tired of waiting for their activity to start on time. If your activity is kept waiting beyond its start time, please let me know. I really appreciate everyone making whatever adjustments are necessary to keep our activities running on schedule.

by Donna Neer, Director Gabriella Young, Co-Director

We know that it is only January, but it is never too early to put your thinking cap on and think about what you would like to do for this year's Talent Show on Sunday, March 10. The Annual TR Talent Show is always a huge hit with the TR audience and participants alike.

Each act will have a time limit of three to five minutes. With consideration of the time allotted to the Talent Show, only 15 acts will be presented. Your talents can be displayed by singing solos, duets, groups, skits, dancing, instrumental solos, duets or groups. That said, your presentation choice for the TR Talent Show is up to each performer or group.



File photo

Laura Maragnano and Phil St. John performing at the March 11, 2022 Talent Show.

Registration forms will be published soon. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Donna at 419-366-0471 or Gabriella at 305-215-4237.

Join the band and dance

2024 Annual Talent Show

registration to start soon

by Donna Neer

Why clog? It's fun, great exercise and you will likely make new friends as well.

Not everyone is familiar with clogging. Clogging is very similar to tap dancing and yet distinctly different. Cloggers wear Oxford style shoes with not one but two taps, one on each toe and heel of the shoe. The second tap is hinged and offers a jingle-type sound as the foot hits the floor. Cloggers start the dance moves on the left foot and maintain rhythm with heel clicks to the downbeat of the music. As a student you will not be asked to perform at outside venues or the Talent Show. Please come, try something new and just have a good time.

Beginner students will learn the basic steps of clogging and then expand to fun combinations and step sequences. You will start learning your first beginner routine



Clogging classes begin soon

File photo

at your very first lesson. Beginner classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m., in Citrus East. Some gently-worn clogging shoes may be available for use while taking lessons.

Continuing students will learn more advanced steps, combinations and routines to country, pop, Celtic, patriotic and other music genres. Continuing student classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Performance classes are designed for those cloggers who wish to perform in the annual TR Talent Show and/or local nursing home shows. Performance lessons **Red Dot Social**

by Susan Stahley

The next Red Dot Social will be Thursday, Jan. 18 at the Coffee Seminar in Busch Hall from 8 to 9 a.m. This event is • for new residents to come and learn about what Travelers • Rest has to offer. It's an • informal gathering hosted by • the Welcoming Committee to answer your questions about • anything related to the activities, policies and operations at **•** the resort. Come meet some new friends or perhaps reconnect with those individuals you met at the Christmas "Meet and Greet Table." If you can't make 🧯 • the above date, the next Red • Dot Social is Thursday, Feb. 1, 📍 from noon to 1 p.m. in Citrus



by Jackie Thackery

TR's very own band the TR Travelaires had their first practice of the season on Tuesday, Jan 2. Anyone wishing to bring their own instrument is welcome to join us every Tuesday, 1 to 3 p.m. Director Phil St. John is very patient and encouraging.

The first dance will be Friday, Jan. 19, beginning at 7 p.m. and

Annual Airstream Luncheon



by Bard Fuller

We are celebrating the strong Airstream community that we have here at TR with a luncheon on Saturday, Jan. 27, at 11:30 a.m. in Busch Hall. Current and former Airstream owners are welcome to gather in Busch Hall for a time to socialize and converse about your past and future travel adventures. This year's hosts will be Bard and Kathy Fuller. A catered box lunch and beverage will be provided. Information and meal selection fliers are found in Busch Hall on the Park Activities Bulletin Board. Reservations are needed by Monday, Jan. 22.

ending at 9 p.m. Please bring your own refreshments and snacks. With recent weather you may want to wear your senior cords, letter sweater or jacket or perhaps even your poodle skirt.

File photo

Come enjoy the music and fellowship. Donations for music and other band needs will be accepted since no admission fee has been determined.

Drive-thru steak dinner is Feb. 1

by Linda Smith

The TR Party Planners are having a drive-thru steak dinner on Thursday, Feb. 1, 5 to 6 p.m. at the Golf View Pavilion. Steak, potato, veggie, salad and dessert-all for \$15 per person.

Ticket sales will be held at the Post Office on Wednesdays, Jan. 17 and 24, 3 to 4 p.m. and prior to Busch Hall Sunday Night performances Jan. 14 and 21. Late sales will not be available for this

are Saturdays, 10 to 11:30 a.m. **Special recognition is planned** during the **Golden Anniversary Dance**

by Pam Watkins

This year's Golden Anniversary Dance is scheduled on Friday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. in Busch Hall. This annual dance is an opportunity to recognize those couples who celebrate their 50th year of marriage during 2024. If you were married in 1974 we hope you will plan on joining us. The Travelaires

If you wish to be recognized please complete the form below and send it to The TR Times by Friday, Jan. 26. You may use in-park mail, the The TR Times box located by the Post Office door in Busch Hall, or send the information contained in the form to us via email at thetrtimes@gmail.com. We will contact you to schedule an able in color online if you wish family or friends elsewhere to enjoy seeing this special recognition.

This is a fun evening to celebrate your special event at TR. Honorees are welcome to reserve and decorate a table to gather with their friends. The dance honors all who are celebrating their 50th anniversary but all residents are

• West.

Orchestra invites the community as a whole to participate in this newspaper article about our 2024 event to especially honor the anniversary celebrants.

interview and photograph for our golden anniversary couples. Remember The TR Times is view-

NIVERSA

Attention: All couples married in 1974

Will you celebrate your 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2024? If so, we would like to honor you as guests at the dance on Friday, Feb. 16. Please complete the coupon below and send it to The TR Times by Friday, Jan. 26.

Name

TR Address

Phone Number

Reserved table? Yes No

invited to attend.

Light refreshments will be provided for this special event. All are welcome to bring snacks and beverages.

> SkyMed Seminar

by Diana Hill

Starting off a new season at TR means travel plans, so join me for a light dinner and seminar on Friday, Jan. 19, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Citrus West to learn how SkyMed fills the gap between Medicare or your health insurance and the expense of emergency medical transportation.

It's our 35th year so we have specials for current members and new members to add to their membership years. Sign up in the Post Office or contact me. I'm in the TR Directory.







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Daystar Hope Center continues extra **Saturday hours**

The Daystar Hope Center Thrift Store at 15512 U.S. Highway 301, Dade City, will continue to be open the first Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon. in addition to their regular hours of 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The Food Pantry hours remain unchanged. It will not be open on Saturdays.

The Snack Shack is now open

Check out the Snack Shack menu items and daily specials. Plan to meet with friends or meet new friends at the Snack Shack today.

The Snack Shack is open Monday thru Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The current menu and prices are listed below. Prices are subject to change.

Thanks to all the Snack Shack volunteers, the Shack's annual profits help support park activities.



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Sandwiches:

Salad Plate:

New:

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Dbl. Beefburger 5.75

Dbl. Cheeseburger 6.50

Hot Dog 2.25

Italian Sausage......4.00

Chicken Breast4.50

Ham & Cheese4.00

Turkey......4.00

Ham.....5.75

Turkey.....5.75

Veggie (no meat)4.50

Salad5.75

Slaw, cheese, beans50

Extra slice of cheese50

Grilled Chicken Breast

Beverages:

Soda	.75
Iced Tea	.75
Bottled water	.75
Hot Tea	.75
Coffee - Reg. & Decaf	.75
Potato Chips	.75

Daily Specials

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Mon Chili	3.25
Tue Soup	2.50
Wed Chili Dog	2.50
Thu Chowder	3.25
Fri Tuna Salad	5.75
Fri Tuna Sandwich	3.75
Fri Grilled Cheese	2.25



Model Railroad Club News









Homemade custom buildings and scenery.

by Brian Krupicka

Did you know several of the buildings, bridges and support scenery in our displays are NOT made from store bought kits? They are constructed by members using everyday materials and from their own imagination. The nice thing about the hobby is that whatever you can dream up can be built and is acceptable. If you have any questions please contact Brian Krupicka at TRTrains@dbcomserv.com or call 630-961-1243.

TR Directory updates

by Guy Weik

Every year, for various reasons, some schedule changes are made after the TR Directory has been sent to the printer. I will make note of the changes here, so you can make the corrections. **Building Schedules:**

- 1. Sunday Busch Hall, Church Association new times, Choir Practice, 8:45 to 9:30 a.m., Bible Study, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m., Hymn Sing, 10:15 to 10:30 a.m., Church Service, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- 2. Thursday 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., change Zumba from Jeri Miller Activity Building to Citrus West.
- 3. Thursday Red Dot Socials, start at noon. Welcoming Committee meetings still start at 11:30 a.m.
- 4. Wednesday Rock Painting is starting a half hour earlier, so it is now 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building.
- 5. Thursday add RV South Happy Hour during Inclement weather, 4 to 5:30 p.m. in Citrus West.
- 6. Saturday Dining with Friends now starts at 5 p.m.
- 7. All Mondays except 2nd and all Thursdays add Tai Chi, Hobby House, 10 to 11 a.m. **Additional/Outdoor Schedules:**
 - 1. New times for RC Sailboat Practice Tuesday, 9 to 11 a.m., RC Sailboat Races on Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9 to 11 a.m.

2. Ladies Friendly Pickleball - change from 4 p.m to 3 to 5 p.m.

- **Monthly Special Events**
 - 1. Jan. 13 Party Planners' Sit Down Breakfast canceled.
 - 2. Jan. 30 TR Health Fair canceled, will reschedule next year.
 - 3. Feb. 20 add CPR and AED course, Busch Hall, 3 to 5 p.m.
 - 4. Feb. 23 change FAL to Mexican Fiesta, 2:30 to 5:15 p.m.
- 5. March 16 add End-of-Year Celebration: Down-Home Festival, 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., in The Grove.
- Activity Contacts phone numbers in TR Directory.
 - 1. Flea Markets #51 Rick and Amy Peebles. 2. Habitat for Humanity #58 - Charlie Mason.
 - 3. Singing Men #105 Change Dennis Ledbetter to Gene Gough.
 - 4. Add Tai Chi #135 Kathleen Sanders.

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PICKIN' & GRINNIN' - Wednesdays, 3:30- 5:30 p.m., Hobby House. December thru March. Rob Werner Harold Keefer	Activity Building. All Brass players welcome! Bill Watkins	Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Citrus East. January 9-March 18. Carey Box	ber 15-March.
AMATEUR RADIO CLUB	BRIDGE: BEGINNERS	DINING WITH FRIENDS	GEOCACHING
2nd and 4th Thurs., 6:30 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. November-March Meetings open to all. Amateurs can check into the 8 a.m. Two Meter Net on 146.430 Mhz Monday thru Saturday.	Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Hobby House. January- March. Jim Weigand	2nd Saturdays, Busch Hall, 5 to 7:00 p.m., Jan- uary thru March. Harold and Marlene Hughes	Tuesdays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus West. Outings 10 a.m3:00 p.m. January thru March. Barbara Colson
Dan Zile		DOMINGES	
AQUATICS - (WATER AEROBICS)	BRIDGE: INTERMEDIATES	DOMINOES	GOLF - LADIES LEAGUE
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the pool. Year Round. Linda Smith	March.	Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall. January- March. Linda Gough	Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m. at Starter Shack. Sandy Nelson
BALLROOM DANCING	BRIDGE: PARTY/PARTNERS	DULCIMER JAM	GOLF - MENS LEAGUE
Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Busch Hall. January 10 thru March 31. Jeffrey Duquette	required. Singles will be teamed up. January-		Thursdays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. at Starter Shack. Barry English
BEADAHOLICS	BULLETIN BOARD IN BUSCH HALL	DULCIMER LESSONS	GOLF - SCRAMBLES
Mondays, 10:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Citrus East.	For information or help with a notice or ad	Mondays in Citrus West. Beginners: 9 to 10 am.	2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday mornings at 9:00 at
January 8 thru March 25. Kathy Kushman Kathy Lemke		Intermediates: 10 am to noon. January-March. Lois Showers	Starter Shack. Tom and Pat Butler
BIBLE STUDY- CO-ED	CALLIGRAPHY	ENTERTAINMENT SUNDAYS	GOLF ASSOCIATION MEETINGS
Mondays, 5:30-7:00 p.m. on the Busch Hall Stage. Anthony Shipe	April.	Announcements begin at 6:45 p.m. with program following. Performances will be in Busch Hall. Ken and Sandy Langell	Monthly meeting 2nd Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. in Hobby House. All members/golfers are wel- come. December-March. Roy French
BIBLE STUDY, WOMEN'S Tuesdays, 3:00-4:30 p.m. in Citrus West and	CHOIR PRACTICE	EUCHRE	GOLF LESSONS
7-9:00 pm in Busch Hall Green Room. January 9-February 27. Rosita Williams	in Busch Hall. Join us.	Fridays, 7 to 9:00 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. Chairperson Needed	expertise from 9 to 11 a.m.
BICYCLING	CHURCH ASSOCIATION	FIRE/RESCUE 33	HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
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	Sunday Activities: All events in Busch Hall, 8:45 a.m.: Choir Practice 9:30 a.m.: Bible Study. 10:15 a.m.: Hymn Sing. 10:30 a.m.: Worship service, Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the month.	Firefighters-Tues, 9 to 11 am- Fire Station. First Responders-Tuesday, 11 to 1, JMAB. Thursdays, 8:30 am to 12:30 p.m., Paul Rife Room. Business Meeting - 3rd Tuesdays, 9 a.m. in Paul Rife Room.	Volunteer to help build homes in Pasco County. Projects January thru March TBA. Vince Smith
BINGO	Anthony Shipe, Pastor CHURCH COMMITTEE	Larry Polzin FIVE CROWNS	HAND AND FOOT
NovDec.: 1st and 3rd Saturdays; January- March: Weekly. 7 to 9 p.m. in Citrus East. Linda Smith Jim Walsh	3rd Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Jeri Miller Activity Building. November-April. Bill Wise		
BIRDING	CLOGGERS OF TR	FIVE HUNDRED - CARDS	HARMONAIRES Bring your harmonica and play with us! Begin-
Tuesdays, 8 a.m. at Post Office Veranda. Bring binoculars and cameras. November-March. Tom Butler	days 10 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus East.	Saturdays, 6:45 to 9 p.m. In Citrus West. Novem- ber-March. Pat McCallum	ners welcome. Thursdays 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Hobby House. Joe Shipe
BLOOD DRIVE AT TR	COFFEE & DONUTS - RADIO CLUB	FLEA MARKET	ICE CREAM SOCIAL
Blood drives are held the 1st Monday in Decem- ber and March. The Blood Mobile will be parked next to the TR Fire Station from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.	1st Saturday (during Flea Markets), and 3rd Saturdays during Yard Sales. 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Flea Markets are held in Busch Hall the first Saturday of each month. November thru March,	Sundays, 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. in Busch Hall.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING	COFFEE SEMINARS	FRIDAY AFTERNOON LIVE!	IPHONE CLASS
Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11 a.m. in Paul Rife Room. Larry Polzin	Thursdays, 8 to 9 a.m. in Busch Hall. Watch The TR Times and online calendar for updates. Billie Doell	Certain Fridays, 3:30-5:00 p.m. at The Grove Stage. Check dates in the InTouch app and TR Booklet. Donna Probes	Thursdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in Jeri Miller Activity Building. January-March. Susan Stahley
BOCCE	COFFEE SOCIAL	FRIDAY NIGHT DANCES	JOKER
Scheduled games and competitions, Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays at 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 7 p.m. December thru March. Jim Ridolfi	Monday thru Friday 7:30 to 0.2 m in Rusch Hall	Fridays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Busch Hall, starting January 19. The dance schedule and themes are listed in the TR Booklet and the InTouch app. Sharon Fosnight	Mondays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. Fridays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. in Citrus West. Bob & Deb Englert (Mon.) Deborah May (Fri.)
BOOK BROWSERS	CREATIVE ART GROUP (CAG)	GAMES NIGHT	JUBELLATION
2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 2 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West. Nan Feeney Lance	Wednesdays, 3 to 5 p.m. in Citrus West. January- March. Linda Spencer	Mondays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Snack Shack Pavilion. Non-contact games. New game each week. January-March. Linda Smith Joan Colao	Mondays, 10:30 a.m12:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. November-March.
BOWLING	DIGITAL PHOTO- CAMERA	GARDEN CLUB	KARAOKE
Fridays at 2:00 p.m. at Pin Chasers Bowling Lanes, Zephyrhills. Dec. 1-March 22. Lin Buczek	Mondays, 9:00 a.m. to noon in Jeri Miller Activity Building. January 8-February 12 (6- week class). Carey Box	Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11 a.m. at Lake Margaret. Stacy Grier	Most non-concert Wednesdays, 7 to 9: p.m. in Busch Hall. December-March. Check InTouch schedule. Glenn and Gabriella Young

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Bulletin Board	Travelers Rest 1	Resort Activities	
KNOTTY KNITTERS	PINOCHLE	SPORTS CLUB	VILLAGE HAPPY HOUR
Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus West. All year. Diane Fisher	Inuisuays, 0.50 to 9 p.m. in Dusch Han.	Meet in the Jeri Miller Activity Building, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7 to 8 p.m. (October-May) All welcome. Ray LoPresti	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. Mario Nol
LIBRARY	POKER TEXAS HOLD'EM	STAINED GLASS	WAIST WATCHERS
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. Meetings: 1st Tues., 1:30 p.m. SSP. Mary Kosbab Kay Blunda	Hobby House. Tom Thompson	All times in Jeri Miller Activity Building, January-March: Mondays, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m. Wednesdays, 4 to 6 p.m., Fridays, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Instructor - Shari Harberts Shari Harberts Laura Apgar	Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. in the Hobby House porch. Jackie Thackery
LINE DANCING (IMPROVERS)	POM-POM DRILL TEAM	ТАІ СНІ	WINTER WALKING AEROBICS
Mondays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East. January 8-March 23. Alex Adair	a.m. in Citrus East.	Mondays (except 2nd Mondays) and Thursdays, 10-11:00 am, Hobby House. (January 11-March 28). Kathleen Sanders	Monday thru Friday, 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. in Citrus East. November- March. Gloria Polzir
LINE DANCING (BEGINNERS)	POWERBOAT RACING	TABLE TENNIS/PING PONG	WATERCOLOR PAINTING
Tuesdays, 10 to 11 a.m. in Citrus West and Saturdays 3 to 4 p.m. in Citrus East. Jan. 2-March 23	Mondays and Fridays, 8 a.m. to noon at Mirror Lake.	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. November-March. Amy Grier
Alex Adair	Don Meddles		
MAH JONG CHINESE	PRAISE & WORSHIP	TENNIS	WEIGHTS & STRETCHING
Mondays and Fridays, 12 to 2 p.m. in Citrus West. Marcia Hatfield	Contemporary Church Services - 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. December - March. Marty Schencke	Open play, Mondays- Fridays, 9 to 11 a.m. November-April. Betty Teichert	a.m. in Citrus East and West. Year-round.
MAH JONGG - NATIONAL PLAY	QUILLING ON A BUDGET	TONE & TIGHTEN	WELCOMING COMMITTEE
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. at Hobby House. Lessons on Mondays. Bette Gorman		Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 10 a.m. in Citrus East. Strengthen your muscles. Bring mat and weights. January-March. Bev Weissinger Louise McRoberts	2nd and 4th Thursdays,11:30 a.m1:00 p.m. Citrus West. Diana Hil
MATS FOR THE HOMELESS	QUILTING	TR ROADRIDERS MOTORCYCLE	WIZARD
Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Busch Hall Lorraine Gould	Thursdays at 9:30 a.m to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. 2nd Thursday Guild Meeting/Show and Tell. Pat Greene Cloie Morgan	1st Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. in Hobby House to plan rides. Tuesday Rides: 8 a.mnoon. Thursday rides: 9:30 a.m4 p.m. Meet at Busch Hall park- ing lot. (January-April). Phil St. John	Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Busch Hall November-March. Imma Smith Gary Smith
MIRROR LAKE YACHT CLUB	RC AIRPLANE FLYING	TR SINGING MEN	WOOD SHOP
RC Powerboat and Sailboat Activities at Mirror Lake. Powerboat Races: Mondays and Fridays 8 a.m. to noon. (January 1-March 15) Jerry McRoberts, Commodore	1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Outdoor - Tuesdays, 8-11:45 a.m., at the Golf Course 9th hole.	Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Jeri Miller Activities Building. All men are invited to sing along. Ron Reeve	May. Membership \$20.
		Gene Gough	
YACHT CLUB SAILBOATS	RC MOTORSPORTS	TR TRAVEL	WOODCARVING
Sailboat Open Practice: Tuesdays, 9 to 11 a.m. Sailboat Races: Wednesdays and Saturdays 9 to 11 a.m. (November 22-March 15) Barry Sellick	Motorsports track by the Shack Shack.	Planned events advertised on Travel Board in Busch Hall. Watch for articles in TR Times. Sharon Gilbert Zile	January-March.
MODEL RAILROAD	SOCIAL FOR NEW RESIDENTS	TR TRAVELAIRES OCHESTRA	YOGA
Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to noon in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. Brian Krupicka	Red Dot Social: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 1-2:00 p.m. in Citrus West. New residents learn about all that TR has to offer! Diana Hill	Tuesdays, 12:30 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. New members welcome. Pat Daubenmier	days, 7:15-8:15 a.m. Both in Citrus West, Janu
OIL & ACRYLIC PAINTING	ROCK PAINTING	TRAVELETTES/WOMEN-CHORUS	ZUMBA
Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West. January- March. Mary Kubiniec	Miller Activity Building. December 6-April 15.	Wednesdays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Jeri Miller Activity Building. January-March. Mary Beth Coldren	Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., in Citrus West. November 30-March 28. Bev Weissinger

ODEN ADT STUDIO

RUG HOOKING	TRAVELOGUE	
Tuesdays, 9:30 to noon in the Green Room, Busch Hall. A small avid group. Join us and make something beautiful! Tawnya Rowden	2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus East. January thru March. Bert Contractor	Activities
SEW SPECIAL AND EMBROIDERY	TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES (TNM)	All changes, additions or
Mondays, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Welcome to cut out and sew. Bring machine,	Tuesdays, doors open at 6:45 p.m., movie will start at 7:00 p.m., in Citrus East. Movie Night	corrections to any Activity.
projects, ideas. 3rd Mondays - Show and Tell. Rosita Williams Laura Lilawski	runs January thru March. Jim and Carol Henrikson	Contact Guy Weik activities@travelersrestresort.com
SHUFFLEBOARD		352-584-6377
Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Competition. Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Dime Day. Richard Von Qualen	Tuesdays, 3 to 4:00 p.m. in the Hobby House. Players share tips and tunes without weekly instruction. January thru March. Donna Probes	WE OUR VOLUNTEERS
SNACK SHACK	VETERANS MEETING	"Volunteers don't get
Currently weekdays, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Additional volunteers needed to add a Saturday crew. January 8-March 22. Lee Brenn Mickey Cobb	2nd Mondays, 10:03 to 11 a.m. in the Hobby House. All year. Darold Long, Commander	paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless. ~ Sherry Anderson
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The TR Times

Summer vacation tales



Photos by Marge Cantu

STONE OR UMBRELLA PINE

by Marge Cantu

My year has been an exceptional one for travel, starting July 15 when 14 family members and friends traveled to Greece for my granddaughter's wedding reception. The first part of our three-week trip was spent in Italy with my son Roland. Our hotel was close to the Trevi Fountain with its huge marble statues and magnificent architecture.

Thousands of spectators were there that day. Even in 102 - degree temperature we climbed to the top of the tall steps to get a view of the city below.



THE TREVI FOUNTAIN

Next, we did some sightseeing in Rome, Italy where we toured the famous Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, St. Peter's Square, the Pantheon and the Colosseum.

Every two or three days, we packed up and either took a train, plane or boat to another destination. Fortunately, my son does a lot of traveling and he had an Airport Club Pass where we could rest, eat or wait for our transportation. That was really a luxury.

On the train to Pompei the scenery was very unusual. The tree trunks grow very tall and all the greenery at the top of the tree is shaped like an umbrella. After disembarking the train we walked through the ruins of Pompeii with a tour guide. We saw the remains of bodies preserved by volcanic ash. They never saw the volcano coming while they slept and were still in the sleeping position. Then we were back on the train to the Coast of Amalfi and a dip in the my protection plan). With all of that hanging over us, we got past it and continued our journey.



VENICE

Venice was interesting with all the buildings seemingly rising out of the water. The only transportation is by boat and they are expert drivers at turning the corners with their long fancy gondolas. There was much to see at St. Mark's Square with all the ancient architecture and St. Mark's Basilica where even the flooring is made with colorful mosaic tiles, marble and carved stone...so much history there.

It was very hot the first day granddaughter Gabby and her infant son Tommy arrived so we rented a small boat to spend the day on the water and did some snorkeling to get out of the 110degree temperatures.



We did a lot of walking on this trip so I was grateful that I was prepared to keep up with all these youngsters. We hiked up to the top of the Acropolis to see the great view of Athens.

The Greek restaurants were fabulous and food was exceptional. The scenery was amazing with crowded houses and restaurants built right into the steep cliffs.

I can't forget the motorcycle ride up a steep mountain to just sightsee the terrain with me hanging onto Roland for dear life. We got to the top where there was a gated mansion and a dog barking. Time to turn around and go back down this steep, narrow and curving road.

The day of the reception Roland went parasailing and I walked seven miles to try and watch him. The rest of the gang were relaxing, sun tanning, swimming and eating at the beach.

The beautiful reception was in Naxos, Greece, a day to remember where we all gathered to celebrate a couple of things: the union of Ashlea and Conner who got married three years ago, her graduation with a PhD as a Nurse Anesthetist and all the support from her husband Conner.



Marge pauses for a rest during her hike up the mountain.

I will always remember the Greek Bougatsa, a custard pastry with phyllo dough and cinnamon that was a staple for breakfast during our final five days of vacation in Naxos. I would love to bake it sometime.

On the last day of our vacation, Conner rented a 50-foot sailboat for all of us and we sailed to some caves, snorkeled and the kids jumped off the cliffs into the water. We had a really nice lunch on the boat before we left.

All in all, it was a trip to remember for a lifetime. I am so grateful for the wonderful family I have and for my son Roland who resigned himself to slow down some for me.

Travel News

by Sharon Gilbert Zile, TR Tour Director

As 2024 begins, travelers find themselves with the January anticipation of the many places, tours, caravans and cruises that will delight during the new year. In preparation for their cruise, nearly all of the 58 TR Hawaiian Island Hoppers gathered for a Hawaiian themed meeting/luau on Wednesday evening. Citrus East was transformed into a tropical environment with the creative leadership of Brenda Varty and Marla Varner. The cruisers were delighted with the sounds of Hawaii by our TR musicians organized by Joe Calao and were enticed to "learn" a little hula dancing with Joe and friends as our local hula experts. Door prizes and gifts were provided by JJ Kuykendall of Cruise Planners. Pineapple upside-down cake, an aloha cheeseball, coconutrice, Hawaiian chicken and sweet Hawaiian meatballs were among the heavy hors d'oeuvres prepared by Kathy and Wolf Reimann, Judy Sherlock, Clemencia Arse Lipka, Christy Montgomery and Debi Niles. Cruise and flight details were discussed, and most important, the cruisers became acquainted with new TR friends and their fellow island hoppers. Aloha, we're ready for this Hawaiian tropical adventure.

As much as we are anticipating our cruise around the islands of our 50th State, your volunteer travel directors did not forget to plan four awesome day trips for the 2023-24 season. In December our Small World Tours bus took 32 of us to the beautiful Bok Tower and Gardens near Lake Wales where the sounds of the carillon and beauty of the gardens offered a day of peacefulness. TR travelers toured the grounds, enjoyed lunch on the veranda, listened to both the birds and the carillon concerts and marveled at the beauty of the gardens. The day was arranged so that each visitor set their own pace to walk, wander and learn.

The Thursday, Jan. 4, TR Travel seminar was the first opportunity to make reservations for the Wednesday, Jan. 24, Barbara Lee Riverboat three-hour cruise. The Barbara Lee is one of the few authentic paddle wheelers in the U.S. and will cruise the St. John's River and Lake Malone as the captain narrates some history



Step back in time to Tampa's Latin quarter of Ybor City, "Cigar Capital of the World", With an exotic blend of aromas, flavors, sights and sounds. Located in the historical landmark district with it's red brick buildings, wrought iron balconies and narrow brick streets give it an old world charm. You will experience the rich cultural heritage of one of only two National Historic Landmark Districts in Florida. We will have a guided tour of the Ybor City area, touring the Centro Asturiano de Tampa and making a stop in the culturally rich Jose Marti Park, which is Cuban territory. We will also have a stop at the Cuban Bakery for a treat! This afternoon we will enjoy lunch at Florida's oldest restaurant founded in 1905, The Columbia Restaurant. After a delicious lunch, (buffet style) in this magnificent restaurant, you can experience the culture and dance traditions of Spain as you watch the Flamenco dancers special performance! Sign Up Now! Activity Level 1



DAN AND SHARON ZILE

and ecology of the area. Six menu options plus cinnamon rolls will be prepared onboard for our lunch. A DJ will sing and play music and dancing is encouraged. Our bus departs from Busch Hall at 8 a.m. and the boat will depart from the docks at Sandford. Cost is \$135 pp. While the 56-passenger boat is already nearly full with paid reservations, a waiting list will develop for last minute cancelations.



Photoby Dan Zile Sharon presents trip details.

Our February day trip will be a very interesting nearby location full of history, legend, delicious food and entertainment in a unique location. With our docent-guided tour, we will step back in time to visit an historic neighborhood of Tampa. Ybor City was founded as an independent town in 1885 by a group of cigar manufacturers. The neighborhood was originally inhabited by mostly Cuban and Spanish immigrants who worked in those factories but later became home to Italian and Eastern European Jewish immigrants. Soon annexed to the City of Tampa, Ybor City continues to retain much of its cultural heritage. By 1905, the Columbia, Florida's oldest restaurant, was established and is now the largest Spanish restaurant in the world. Our docent will share much more of the history of Ybor City, take us to a Cuban Bakery where you just might wish to make a yummy purchase and finally we'll go to the Columbia for lunch and a performance of the Spanish flamenco dancers. Your \$139 pp includes bus transportation, docent-guided tour, lunch with gratuity, the flamenco dancers' show and driver gratuity. This tour is on Thursday, Feb. 22, leaves the Busch Hall parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and returns at 3:30 p.m. While this trip is new to TR travelers, it is expected to fill quickly. Activity Level 1 - limited walking, however assistive devices are welcome. A third 2024 trip will travel across the state to Daytona International Speedway on Wednesday, March 13, and will be featured in next week's travel article. This trip and all other 2024 day trips is currently described on the InTouchLink in the TR Travel section. Please mail all reservations to Sharon Zile, lot 2540, with your check payable to Small World Tours. Please include your name and phone number. A separate check is necessary for each day trip "Blessed are the curious for they shall have adventures." --Lovelle Drachman

sea at Positano.

The trip was not without incident. My cell phone didn't work unless I was in our room using their WiFi, so using maps online was not available. I couldn't use my sense of direction because that never works anyway. My credit card was pick-pocketed coming out of Rome the first day we used the train. Predators racked up \$18,000 worth of fraudulent charges in just a few hours (all of which were eventually covered by

Artistic presentation of a Grecian delight.

Next, we briefly met up with the rest of the grandkids Ashlea and Conner (the wedding couple) in Greece. Dinner with this family was a hoot and there's nothing like a nice cold beer to top off a very hot summer day. In the evening, we watched the spectacular fireworks near the beach in Vernazza.



COST:

\$139.00pp

Tour Includes: * R/T transportation * Docent guided bus tour of Historic Ybor * Lunch, tax & gratuity * Flamenco dancers show * Driver gratuity

Motor Coach departs Busch Hall at 8:30am and will return at 3:30pm.

Haines City, FL 33844

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Make checks payable to Small World Tours No refunds after 02-08-24. Tickets are transferable. Contact: Sharon Gilbert Zile Phone: (740) 360-3819 Email: sgilbert1081@gmail.com

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Garden news



by Amy Peebles

Library volunteers work daily to keep the TR Library current, organized and tidy so visitors will find their browsing experience a pleasant one.

This starts with our meeting the first Tuesday of each month where first we enjoy lunch at the Snack Shack and then it's on to business under the leadership of Chairperson Mary Kosbab and Co-chair Kay Blunda.

We have a monthly meeting agenda that covers a multitude of topics needing to be addressed and the first meeting of the year sets the tone for tasks that need to be done during the season. Some volunteers choose to have a regular shift and others are floaters stopping by when their schedule permits.

Each volunteer chooses a section to be responsible for. They ensure each book missing a colored slip has one for the current year, the books are in alphabetical order and in the correct section, so the Library looks its best each day. Always an ongoing task is weeding out our sections by donating older copyright books that do not have a Recommended sticker to the Free Books in the milk cartons.

Frequently throughout the year volunteers take these books to the Dade City Library or local thrift stores for others to enjoy.

The Recommended Books section is kept updated as are the Recommended Card Boxes and the DVD section. Keeping residents current on Library news are two reporters who write the Library column for *The TR Times*. At the Hobby House, volunteers are responsible for upkeep of the puzzles and games corner.

Year round there is the daily task of re-shelving borrowed books and processing donated books. If someone has a large selection of books a volunteer will be happy to come to your home and help sort them out for donation.

There are always many tasks to be done in the Library so we invite anyone who is interested in volunteering to join us.

If you wish to branch further afield from the park we are fortunate to have many branch libraries in our area to visit. The Hugh Embry Branch Library at 14215 4th Street in Dade City has reopened after being closed for renovations. Visit the library or their website at <u>www.pascolibraries.org</u> for such information as obtaining a library card and monthly programs and events.



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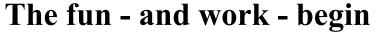
by Leslie Ewing

As winter storms have returned up North, Lake Margaret Garden Club members are returning for the 2024 season. Members please note the change for meeting times which are now held on Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Gardening sessions continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays when the temperature is at least 60 degrees in order to accommodate those with joints that don't work well in cold weather. Gardening sessions are 9 to 11 a.m.

The mission of Lake Margaret Garden is to preserve a peaceful corner of Travelers Rest Resort, enhance and beautify its tranquil spaces and provide an atmosphere of harmony for the enjoyment of its residents. Some residents who are troubled particularly after losing a spouse, have told us that they have been able to find some comfort by coming to the Garden. Hearing something like this makes our efforts more rewarding.



There is a new glider by the fish pond.





Photos by Pam Forsyth Come, sit and relax.

Lake Margaret Garden is more than a collection of plants, shrubs and trees. Lake Margaret itself contributes to a peaceful feeling and sometimes excitement when an alligator is spotted in the water. Residents are encouraged to walk to the end of the Overlook near the Gazebo to enjoy the view of the lake and the fountain. The Club very much appreciates the efforts of the TR Maintenance Department to keep the fountain operating.

A motto of the Garden Club is that many hands make for light work. The Club has a crew who have taken on specific duties: Artistic Director Amy Grier; Master Gardener Phyllis Zitzer; TR Times Contributor Leslie Ewing; Tool Man Dick Burns; irrigation Randy Melville; Mike and Laura Lilawski, Goldfish Pond; Azaleas in The Grove, Michael Bly and Dave Harder; Snack Shack Plantings, Amy Grier and Phyllis Zitzer; Hanging Stained Glass Panels, Bud Wuebker and Joe Politsky and Meeting Coffee and Snacks, Peggy and Larry Letteney.

The Lake Margaret Garden Club would like to thank the workers who contributed to the Alan Ewing, Mary DeWeerd, Cathey Holley, Frank Hunsaker, Patti Hawkins, Mark Hawkins, Betty Kazy, Cathy Locke, Kathy Lemke, Barbara Myles, Kelly Person, Bart Schulz, Brenda Schulz, and Pauline Tinkham, Thank you as well to Betty VanWinkle, Mark Walsh, Cindy Watson, Laura Weik and Donna West from the TR Maintenance Department for their help. The next special project for the Garden will be washing down

Garden before our season started in January. Thank you to Pat Beres,

the Garden will be washing down the Boardwalk and applying a preservative to the wood. No date has been set to do this. If you would like to become a member of our crew please contact anyone listed above or come to the Garden. We hope you will join us.



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Pets on Parade

N'Ice One Bailey

by Judy Leister

Many of our pets come to us from a breeder, a rescue group or maybe just happen to wander into our yard. The story of how Bailey found his way to Tia and George Paquette is unique.

When their 17-year-old miniature dachshund passed over the Rainbow Bridge they felt an emptiness but had decided they were not going to get any more dogs. Right before Christmas that year, I happened to invite them to go along with us to a dog agility trial here in Florida. Agility is so much fun and can be a bit addictive as the handler directs their dog over jumps and through tunnels. After watching those happy dogs racing around a course Tia and George started thinking about another dog. Yep, that was it. They had to have another dog! I contacted someone at Poodle Rescue hoping that would get the ball rolling. At that point I had no idea how long the wait would be.

In the meantime a year old miniature poodle was about to have a life changing event. His original owner was an older lady with cancer. She could no longer



Photo by Tia Paquette BAILEY

care for this lively dog so on New Year's Eve day she walked into a veterinarian's office and told them she didn't want him any more and told them keep him. When they explained to her they couldn't do that she got upset and stormed out of the office. Another lady happened to be there for her own dog's appointment and followed the older lady out of the building. She told her she would take the dog and that New Year's Eve day Bailey's new life began. It was a whirlwind of events. That lady notified the Poodle Rescue group and they called me right away.

Oh how exciting. I called Tia. No answer. I tried again. Still no answer. I left lots of messages. We finally made a connection and New Year's Day Tia and George hurried to pick up their new dog. This all happened in the short time between Christmas and New Years.

Bailey started beginner agility classes at a Brooksville training facility. When the season was over here at TR they returned to their home in Canada and continued with more classes. Tia is quite accomplished in dog training herself and went on to train Bailey in obedience, scent work and lots of very entertaining tricks. They compete as a team in agility and scent work winning many ribbons and awards.

Now at 10 years old chasing a ball is still lots of fun for Bailey but those who know him love to see his trademark trick. If Tia happens to stop and chat with someone Bailey gives her a few woof woof reminders that he wants to be held. Tia reaches out and in one giant leap he is happily nestled in her arms.



Photo submitted by Kim Roberts The hand-made quilt to be raffled off in March.

by Kim Roberts

We have a beautiful handmade quilt donated by Lyn Gower and her sister that we are entering in a drawing. We will have tickets available for everyone and donations for the Pet Lovers Club are always welcome. See us around the park. The drawing will be held sometime in March.

Calling all Artists! We have three blank slats at the RV South Puppy Park that we would love someone to donate their time to paint a dog-related painting. The Pet Lovers Club can supply the necessary paint and brushes if needed. Please contact Kim Roberts at lot 10-21.

Also I have only received a few suggestions to name the two puppy parks. Please send your ideas to **trdogpark@gmail.com** or you can put them in my mail box lot 10-21.

Where did those names come from?

Pet Lover's Club

Here we are in full season -

let the fun begin

by Margaret Emmetts

If you have done any driving around this area you have probably crossed the Howard Frankland, and Gandy Bridges or the Courtney Campbell Causeway. Surely you have driven on the Dale Mabry highway or Bruce B. Downs Boulevard. Have you ever wondered what was the origin of these names?

W. Howard Frankland, the son of a horse and buggy salesman founded Pioneer Tire and Rubber Products. He joined the State Road Board and suggested the construction of the bridge that bears his name. While some called it a death trap that no one would use, the \$6.5 million project became one of the Bay's most traveled bridges.

George Sheppard Gandy was mocked for his idea to build a bridge across the bay. Despite all difficulties he followed his dream and his bridge opened in 1924. Tolls were 75 cents plus a dime per passenger. Horse riders paid 35 cents while bikers just paid a dime.

Courtney Campbell was a prominent Tampa lawyer, citrus farmer and land developer. He served as a U.S. Representative and a member of the Florida Road Board.

Dale Mabry was a WWI pilot who became a leader of the Tenth Balloon Company. He was a member of the crew of the *Roma*, a 410 foot long dirigible that crashed during a test flight in 1922.

Bruce B. Downs was a beloved and respected man who worked as Hillsborough County Department of Public Works Administrator. His job was considered the most stressful one in the county. He died at age 53 of a massive heart attack.

All of these men were prominent area residents who were memorialized by adding their names to local road projects.





Jellyfish have amazing abilities

by Carol Lauer

Jellyfish have been around for millions of years, even before dinosaurs roamed the earth. As waterborne creatures they can live in warm or cold water at any depth, so they are found deep in the oceans as well as along coastlines.

Jellyfish are often clear but also come in an array of colors – yellow, blue, pink and purple. Their name suits them well since they are made up of a smooth amorphous body. They have no brain, heart, bones or eyes, yet they are able to stun prey with their stinging tentacles for a meal on-the-go. Jellyfish have "nerve nets" which sense changes in the environment, allowing them to respond accordingly. Jellyfish stings can be painful to people, so avoid trying to touch them.

The mouth of a jellyfish is in the center of its body. It digests food rapidly because the weight of the "left-overs" would cause it to sink. Its favorite menu consists of fish, shrimp, crabs and tiny plants. In turn, jellyfish are eaten by other ocean creatures, especially sea turtles.

For such seemingly simple organisms, jellyfish have some

amazing abilities. If cut in two, the pieces of the jellyfish can regenerate and create two new organisms. Many jellyfish can glow in the dark which can help them attract prey.

Researchers studying the movements of jellyfish have developed a better understanding of propulsion in the water. The flexibility of the jellyfish's umbrella-like body allows it to pulse upwards and downwards without using much energy. Researchers have created robots with flexible bells like those of the jellyfish which may eventually lead to better undersea vehicles.

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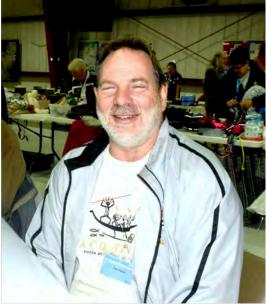


Sue, Paul and Norbert Jansen only spend two months on Golf View so they are not involved in volunteering, however, they help out whenever possible.

Mary Ellen and Frank Gedert think that some activities get more volunteers than others. Mary Ellen is busy volunteering when the photo was taken. She is working for the Fire/Rescue Squads. Frank is involved with the Church Association.



Carol Luther feels that there is not as much volunteerism as there used to be and that its significance is important. She works on Quilt-A-Rama.



Tim Base helps wherever he is needed. He wishes more people would pitch in. He feels that the same people always do the most.



Sally and Vic Bowser are both fully involved, she with the Library and he with the Woodshop. They are surprised that more people do not volunteer as it is a great way to get to know people.





Gene and Linda Gough feel that most people have a positive

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Kim Roberts, Judy Leister and Tia Paquette all work with TR's pets. Roberts states she often has difficulty getting volunteers to do simple tasks at the puppy parks. Paquette opines that our older residents often are more willing to offer their help without being asked. She suggests that newcomers should be "taken under one's wing" to get them involved.



heavily involved in the park's music program and the Snack Shack. Linda works with the Talent Show and games.

Mike Pierce hopes that more people would say yes when asked to volunteer. He has been away from the park for a few years because of his daughter's illness so he now volunteers with the Red Cross and blood drives.

Kelly Newbury, Ken Hankinson and Vince Smith think that newcomers to the park are still finding their way. They think that after people are here for a couple of years they will get involved.



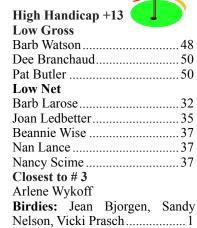
Photos by Bill Watkins



TR Sports

Ladies' Golf League results for Jan. 3

by Sandy Nelson
Low Handicap 0-12
Low Gross
Sylvia Cole37
Vicki Brooks
Jean Bjorgen
Low Net
Shirley-Ann Appleby
Janet Beisel
Vicki Prasch
Fewest Putts:
Vicki Brooks12
Closest to #5:
Shirley-Ann Appleby
Chip-Ins:
Vicki Brooks 1



The TR Times

Safety tips in and around the Practice Range

by George Paquette

The Practice Range at Travelers Rest is one of our best assets. The Range is well-maintained by a dedicated team of volunteers as well as the regular maintenance crew who take care of grass cutting. They ensure that the range is at its best at all times. No words can explain the benefits achieved on the golf course when you spend some time on the Practice Range. You can practice your swing, figure out the distances achieved with different clubs and then practice chipping and putting on our Practice Green. We even have a sand trap to practice those tricky bunker shots. A little time every week can improve your score and enjoyment of the golf course immensely. Before you hit the course and throughout the season give our Practice Range a try, you won't be disappointed.

Of course your time at the Practice Range should be a safe experience and golfers must adhere to some basic safety rules.

- 1. Exercise caution when entering the Range, stand well back from the swing of other golfers.
- 2. Stay in the stall or behind it. Should you hit a range ball and it trickles ahead 5 or 6 feet, never walk onto the Range to retrieve the ball. You could get hit with an errant shot. It is not worth taking a ball to the temple just to get one extra ball to hit.



- 3. Leave adequate space between golfers. This particularly applies on the grassed areas where there are no guidelines outlining appropriate distances between golfers. As a general rule, an area of 5 or 6 feet should be maintained on either side of your typical swing area.
- Be sure to never to use a golf club that will exceed 170 yards. To do so could risk the safety of golfers on the #9 tee box.
- 5. The TR Practice Range requires that users pick up their balls every half hour. It is an easy task using the ball retrievers and generally takes about five minutes. It is very important that all balls are picked up for safety reasons. Several years ago a ball left on the Range was caught in the mower blades during routine grass cutting. That ball was ejected from the mower and blasted across TR Blvd seriously damaging a trailer. One only needs to consider the potential lethal consequence had that ball hit a pedestrian walking along the street.

The safety rules are few but important. A little common sense will help everyone enjoy the TR golf experience with minimal personal risk. Give the Practice Range a try, I'm sure you'll find it was worth the effort and it's a lot of fun as well. Cheers.

Bowling results

by Lin Buczek Friday Jan. 5, 2024	$\left(\right)$
Men's Scratch High Gam	ie 🔍
Steve Niles	
Ken Neer	
Bill Buczek	
Men's Scratch High Serie	
Steve Niles	
Bill Buczek	
Ken Neer	
Men's Handicap High Ga	ame
Steve Niles	
Ken Neer	
Bill Buczek	259
John Schell	
Men's Handicap High Se	
Steve Niles	
Bill Buczek	
Ken Neer	705
Men's High Average	
Bill Buczek	194
Women's Scratch High G	
Lin Buczek	
Debi Niles	
Leslie Price	
Women's Scratch High S	
Leslie Price	
Debi Niles	
Lin Buczek	
Women's Handicap High	
Lin Buczek	
Carol Schell	
Debi Niles	
Women's Handicap High	
Debi Niles Linda Smith	
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Bingo

by Linda Smith Saturday, Jan. 6 Bill Weissinger (2) Louise McRoberts Ted Smith Linda Beausoleil Fran Freed Jim Gower Diane Stillinger David Sweet Pat Markle Joe Shipe Donna Conrad Judy Carter Debi Newbury Linda Smith Gavle Sunde Teresa Howard

Chinese Mah Jong

by Marcia Hatfield Friday, Jan. 5

We were thrilled to have long-time resident, Elaine Morgan, join us Jan 5, 2024. And guess what, she won twice having never played Chinese Mah Jong. She left a little confused, but promised to return to continue her winning streak.

It was a very good day at the Mah Jong tables. We had 2 tables of 3 players and 1 table of 4. Everyone was a winner! We score how many games each person won and every month we celebrate the top 3 winners: Empress/Emperor, Princess/Prince and Lady/Lord-in waiting.

Dominoes

by Linda Gough Thursday, Jan. 4 Table 1	
Rose Marie Anderson	130
Bob Luther	137
Steve Oppel	
Table 2	
Cathy Lefebvre	219
Laura Lilawski	
John Lefebvre	

Mirror Lake Yacht Club

by Bill Wise **Sail Boats** Wednesday, Jan. 3 **DragonFlite 95 Class** 1. Jay Mathews 2. Jerry McRoberts 3. Bill Wise Soling 1M Class 1. Jay Mathews 2. Jim Trescott 3. Bill Wise **Power Boats** Friday, Jan 5 **Spartan Class** 1. Jerry McRoberts 2. (Tie) Howard Best Bob Troyer **Power Vee Class** 1. Jerry McRoberts 2. Howard Best 3. Don Meddles **Traxxas Blast Class** 1. Bob Troyer 2. Doug Smith 3. Jay Starbody



Brian Whitfield	4
Kathy Bocchino	4
Loretta Whitfield	3
Pat Politsky	3
Elaine Morgan	
Nancy Moschler	
Rachel Brooks	
Betty Brown	1
Anne Amico	1
Marcia Hatfield	

Five Crowns

by Jackie Thackery Wednesday, Dec. 20 Game 1. Linda Murphy Game 2. Deb May Wednesday, Dec. 27 Game 1. Cathy Prockett Game 2. Elaine Schwarz



RC Motorsports

by Douglas Hatfield	
Wednesday, Jan. 3	
Shawn Liaguno	36
Douglas Hatfield	32
Rich Pagliaro	



Wizard

by Imma Smith Tuesday, Jan. 2 Table 1	
Game 1	
Linda Murphy3	50
Kathy Prockett	
Game 2	
Gary Smith3	80
Kathy Prockett	
Game 3	
Elaine Schwartz	90
Imma Smith2	10
Table 2	
Game 1	
Bob Luther	10
Carol Luther	80
Game 2	
Peggy Biser4	80
Carol Luther	



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Obituaries

JOHN P. DENNISON CORRECTION TO **OBITUARY:**

John had two sons Michael (Thomasina) and Matthew (Lucy) and was step-dad to LaVerne's five children Tracy (Mike) McDowell, Tim Synk, Amy (Mike) Lester, Lisa (Andy) Bitner and Holly (Dave) Carpenter. He was "Poppy/ Poppa John" to 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

WILLIAM BUCK

William Buck, age 84, died Nov. 27, 2023 in Oro-Medonte, Ontario, Canada after a lengthy illness. He was born May 13, 1934.

Bill's journey through life touched the hearts of many. His wife of more than 62 years was his lifelong companion and together they navigated the seas of life. Their time spent in TR was on lot 02-03 in RV South.

He leaves behind a legacy in the form of his four children Darren, Sharon, Sarah and Andrew and was richly blessed with 11 grandchildren. Each of them carries a piece of his spirit, a testament to the love of Christ and Christian values he instilled in them

Rest in peace, Bill. Fair winds and following seas on your final voyage into God's eternal grace.

GARY B. GOUCHIE, SR.

Gary B. Gouchie, Sr. of West Seneca, N.Y., age 81, was born July 26, 1942 and passed away Nov. 13, 2023. Gary was the beloved husband of Patricia A. (Corrigan) Gouchie, dearest father of Louis D. (Tiffany) Gouchie, Gary B. (Jane) Gouchie, Jr., Daniel V. Gouchie and Ann (David) Lam; grandfather of eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was the loving son of the late Louis E. and Laurene (Snook) Gouchie, Sr.

At TR they resided as snowbirds on lot 04-25. Memorial contributions may be made to the General Society of Mayflower Decendants, Plymouth, Mass., where Gary was an active member. He served 27 years in the armed forces. As a Marine he was selected as Presidential Honor Guard #9 during President Kennedy's visit July 2, 1963 to Naples, Italy. He ended his military career as a member of the Air Force Reserves in 2002. Inurnment was in Arlington National Cemetery.

CLYDE A. HAGEDORN

WILLIAM "BILL" J. MADIGAN

William "Bill" Madigan 92 years young, passed away peacefully on Nov. 2, 2023 in Land 'O Lakes, Fla. following a sudden illness.

A graduate of Lash High School Bill served In the U.S. Army with the Big Red One and was stationed in Germany during the Korean Conflict. Upon returning to Zanesville Bill managed Kresges and K-Marts for nearly 50 years.

He loved woodworking and created and installed kitchen cabinets throughout Zanesville. He was a life-long member of Coburn United Methodist Church and was a founding member of the local Experimental Aircraft Association. He was a Mason for over 65 years and a member of Amrou Grotto and Scottish Rite.

He loved planes and loved to travel. During his retirement, which he said was "the best job he ever had," he traveled yearly as a snowbird to TR bringing warm weather with him when he returned back north in the spring. Bill volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, golfed, rode his bike, worked in the Snack Shack and kept himself extremely busy. His children were amazed by his unending energy.

He also spent his retirement

years "solving he world's problems" in casual conversation. Bill never stopped engaging with the world around him and made friends wherever he went. He always had plans for things to do and people to see and we are deeply saddened that we won't see another 92 years of adventures with Bill. His humor and good sense will be missed.

He loved his family and was proud of them. He is survived by his wife LaVerne, three children Scott (Ginger) Madigan, Jay (Brandi) Madigan and Holley (Charles) Rich as well as six grandchildren.

Make A Difference





for Karen Freed

A Celebration of Life service for Karen Freed will be held tomorrow, Saturday, Jan. 13, in Citrus East. Visitation begins at 10:30 a.m. and the service at 11 a.m. Refreshments and fellowship will follow in Citrus West.





for Gladys Taylor

A Celebration of Life service for Gladys Taylor will be held at noon on Sunday, Jan. 14, in Busch Hall. A light lunch will be served afterwards.



Obituary submission process

The TR Times includes obituaries of former residents in its various issues. Sharon Cook is our Obituary Editor and is responsible for writing these obituaries.

Please submit your obituaries to Sharon Cook at lot 17-35 or via email at shermie@juno.com. If you have questions or need assistance she may also be reached via phone at 813-956-7977.



by Brian Krupicka

place to play and live.

Classifieds



Card of thanks

The Model Railroad Club wants to show appreciation and gratitude

to the Woodshop for their assistance. One of the train models crafted

over the summer was not to specifications and the Woodshop members,

without hesitation, volunteered to rebuild it. This effort of volunteering

is what makes TR standout and is why we are all part of an outstanding

Classified Ad submission:

Ads are due the Friday before the paper is published. Provide item name, along with a short description, the asking price, your name and lot number. Send the information to thetrtimes@gmail.com

TRash Talk

by Dean Peters

Let's talk about plastic bags and plastic film. Bags have many uses. Unfortunately, most bags are single use and thus pose a huge problem worldwide. They are a major part of the eight million tons of plastic that end up in our oceans every year.

Bags come in many sizes. Some are small and some are big and some have handy draw strings.

The larger ones are useful for transporting your recyclables to the bins and can be reused for this and other purposes. The really big black ones can hold a lot of garbage. Plastic film is also common and useful for wrapping stuff.



Neither of these product groups are recycled in Pasco County and they are a major contaminant in processing recyclables. Many cities, towns and municipalities in North America are in fact banning single use plastic bags.

Please do not put any type of plastic bag or plastic film in the recycle bins.

Thank you for supporting your waste management program



by Nan Feeny Lance

30 Years Ago - 1994 • Supper Club enjoyed signing by the TR Sign Language Club. Wanda Sayer, interpreter and friend of Bill and Annie Roscoe, founders and teachers of the Sign Language class at TR, introduced the members of the class

- Peacocks find their winter niche at TR. No, it's not the birds, but Lee and Marian Peacock from Athens, Ga
- · Mel Larsen from Pasco-Hernando Community College Landscape and Grounds Department, instructed 28 members of the TR Garden Club in the Basics of Landscape Design on Jan. 6.

20 Years Ago - 2004

- The Board of Directors Forum led to a lively exchange about Park Models. The Park Model policy was approved on Dec. 9 that park model trailers, titled as RVs, are permitted and limited to designated sites on 21st, 10th and 14th Streets.
- Start your day right with a delicious pancake

at TR.





Clyde Arthur Hagedorn, 95, passed away Nov. 12, 2022 at his residence in Lancaster, Ohio. He was born on Sept. 29 1927 in Barneville, Ohio, a son of the late Harold and Louie (Groves) Hagedorn.

Art was a WWII Veteran. He worked in the banking industry for most of his career and retired from Bank One. After retirement he and his wife Donna moved to Florida for a while. They returned to Ohio 12 years ago. He loved photography, antique cars, golf, trains and planes.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 71 year, Donna (Bailey) Hagedorn and one brother, John, who died at birth.

He is survived by his sons, William R. (Diann) Hagedorn and Charles A. (Robin) Hagedorn, one daughter, Susan M. (Dan) Baker, seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



Coffee Social Breakfast - Monday, Jan. 15, 7:30 to 9 a.m. *Glavich Produce - Monday, Jan. 15, noon to 2 p.m. Roadside Kuntry Kitchen - Monday, Jan. 15, 4 to 7 p.m. Mo'Rock'In Mediterranean - Tuesday, Jan. 16, 4 to 7 p.m. Coffee Social Breakfast - Wednesday, Jan. 17, 7:30 to 9 a.m. Spice Corner Hernando - Wednesday, Jan. 17, 4 to 7 p.m. *Glavich Produce - Thursday, Jan. 18, noon to 2 p.m. GoGo Burger - Thursday, Jan. 18, 4 to 7 p.m. Coffee Social Breakfast - Friday, Jan. 17, 7:30 to 9 a.m. *Glavich Produce—Friday, Jan. 19, noon to 2 p.m. Meat Stix LLC—Friday, Jan. 19, 4 to 7 p.m.

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market pick up of fresh fruits/vegetables.

breakfast. The occasion is the TR Fire/Rescue Day that begins with breakfast and includes an afternoon parade and Open House at the Fire Station.



• Paul Ruth celebrated his birthday. A surprise birthday party for Paul Ruth, Travelers Rest's first manager from 1973 to 1990, was held at the Paul Ruth Place on Friday, Dec. 31.



• TR residents wanted for Grand Tour. Committee chairmen Phil Simmers and Norm Hewer invited residents to sign up for the annual Park-planned trip to Biloxi-Gulfport, Miss.

10 Years Ago - 2014

- Travelers Rest offers dancing for all. Popular dances to The Travelaires' music, ballroom dancing lessons from Jim and Diane Doggett, country/western dancing, line dancing classes and clogging are some of the fun opportunities to dance at TR.
- The Florida Citrus industry faces uncertainty. Citrus "Greening" is attacking trees. Also known as HBL or yellow dragon disease, it is spread by the Asian Citrus Psyllid and the killer bacteria it carries.
- All win at the Polar Bear Plunge and Can-Am Volleyball Tournament where 29 people laughed and cheered from icy water.



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