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#### Hi Lites



#### Sunday in The Grove

Dave and Daphne on Jan. 17. Announcements at 3:45 p.m. and the show begins at 4 p.m. See page 2.



#### **Pet Lovers Club**

Blessing of the Pets will be held Monday, Jan. 18, 1 p.m. in the Puppy Park. Pet Lovers Club meeting to follow the Blessing. See page 13.



#### Fire/Rescue pulledpork dinner drive thru

Saturday, Jan. 30, 5 p.m. behind Busch Hall. Tickets on sale Wednesdays and Fridays from 2-4 p.m. in the Post Office Lobby. See page 5.



#### Firefighters Needed

We are seeking Firefighters to join us as volunteers! For more information, see page 5.

#### **Activity Reminders**

#### TR Yard Sales

Saturday, Jan. 9, around the park from 8 to 11 a.m. See page 3.

#### Pet Lovers Club

Yard Sale, Saturday, Jan. 9, 8 to 11 a.m. in front of lot 12-02.

#### Sunday in The Grove

Entertainment Revue on Jan. 10. Announcements at 3:45 p.m. and the show begins at 4 p.m. See page 2.



#### Model Railroad Club

First Model Railroad Club meeting, Wednesday, Jan. 13. See page 7.

#### TR Book Browsers

Virtual Book Browsers meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 13 at 2 p.m. See page 6 for details.

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# **Nominating Committee** reports to the Board of Directors

by Rosita Williams **Nominating Committee** Chairperson

The Travelers Rest Board of Directors appointed a Nominating Committee to secure, screen and qualify candidates to fill vacant positions as required in Article II, Section 4E of the Bylaws.

The Nominating Committee received resumes and interviewed candidates for the five (5) vacant positions on the Board during the week of Dec. 14.



**ROSITA WILLIAMS** 

There are three (3) 3-year terms and two (2) 2-year terms to be filled at the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

On Dec. 16, the Nominating Committee declared five (5) candidates fully qualified to serve on the Board of Directors and recommended the following candidates, in alphabetical order, to receive Board Proxies:

- 1. Russell Marlowe
- 2. Deborah May
- 3. Sheila Schencke

4. Linda Smith

5. Jim Weigand

At the meeting held on Dec. 23 the Board of Directors accepted the Nominating Committee's recommendation. The election will take place at the Annual General Meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 9.

I would like to thank Michael Cobb, Joseph Shipe, Margaret (Peg) Stevens and Beannie Wise for serving on the Nominating

# TR Board of Directors Candidate resumes



**RUSSELL MARLOWE** 

Russell Marlowe is a full-time resident at 10-49 with his wife Debbie. He is a self-employed, licensed and practicing Florida attorney having graduated from the Stetson University College of Law in December1987.

Areas of expertise include litigation in family and civil courts and deed restriction.

Marlowe has served on numerous boards including, but not limited to The West Pasco Bar Association, Holiday Rotary Club, Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Pasco and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. He is also past president of both the West Pasco Bar Association and the Holiday Rotary Club. He also served as a member of the Florida Bar's local grievance committee.

As a new resident, Marlowe volunteered at the Ice Cream Socials and looks forward to volunteering in additional areas.



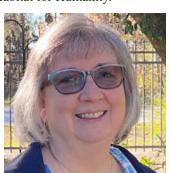
**DEBORAH MAY** 

Deborah May has resided at 11-22 for the past five years. May received a B.S. degree from Concord University, a MBA from the University of W. Va. and a MBA from Marshall University.

May's professional career includes acting as Controller/Business Accounting Manager for the Lewis Company. Her duties involved being responsible for the

accounting department including preparation of monthly financial statements to automobile manufacturers. She also served on General Motor's Business Accounting Manager's Council which was responsible for dealing with problem customers, resolving employee disputes and other general problems. She has been Adjunct Professor of Economics/ Business at Mountain State University, Adjunct Professor of Accounting/Business at Concord University and Co-owner and Chief Accountant for Black Gold Trucking, Inc. and May Stone and Materials Inc.

May has an extensive volunteer background at Travelers Rest, being best known for her work with Party Planners and Habitat for Humanity.



**SHEILA SCHENCKE** 

Sheila Schencke is a full-time resident on site 21-12 with her husband Marty.

Schencke received a B. S. in Biology from Suny and a MSBA from Michigan Tech.

Moving frequently as a military spouse, Schencke's career varied from family financial planning, teaching K-12 science and Graduate Level Teaching Methods, to Program Administra-

Schencke became Executive Director for the STARBASE education 5th grade outreach program at Robins AFB and at Barksdale AFB. She procured over \$4 million in funding for in-kind software and teacher training for local school districts.

Schencke continued her volunteerism during reassignments by serving as church bookkeeper and president of a church council.

At TR her volunteering includes, but is not limited to Quilta-Rama, Christmas decorating and making masks for residents.



LINDA L. SMITH

Linda Smith resides at 14-15. Her education includes a BBA in Accounting from Eastern Michigan University and an Associates degree in computers from Schoolcraft Community College.

Smith was associated with Spring-Barnes Group: Plymouth and Saline Divisions for many years. During that time she worked in Data Entry, Accounts Payable and Receivable as well as invento-

She worked on payroll processing, job costing and creating purchase orders and was the liaison to the corporate IT group with regard to computers and software systems.

Smith is recognized for her work at TR with Party Planners, Girls Night Out, Monday Night Game Night and a year-round aquatics class. She also served on the TR Board of Directors for two years as Corporate Secretary.



JIM WEIGAND

Weigand lives at 2534 with his wife Tawnya Rowden. He earned both a B. A. and a MBA in Accounting from Michigan State University and is a Certified Public Accountant.

His professional career includes CFO and Chief Administration Officer, Secretary and Treasurer of Skyline Corporation. He was Controller of Sealed Power Corporation and an Auditor for Touche Ross (now part of Deloitte).

Weigand served as Board and Finance Committee member of the Northwestern Michigan College Foundation, Finance Committee Member of Keswick United Methodist Church and Executive Board Member Emeritus and Past President of the Elkhart Centre.

At TR Weigand has served as Board member, Treasurer, on the Maintenance Committee and as a Beginning Bridge instructor.

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The TR Times is changing its email address. Our new email address is **thetrtimes@gmail.com**. The new address is immediately effective, however, all emails to our old address, trtimes@travelersrestresort.com, will be forwarded to our new account through the end of this season.





#### by Ken Langell

Welcome to 2021 AND Welcome Home to all the recent arrivals to TR. I am excited about our Sunday in The Grove lineup for this year. Some of our traditional Sunday evenings had to be postponed until next year but while we wait for their return we have remarkable replacement acts.

If you haven't yet experienced a show on our new stage, it works like this: We have benches for those who walk, bike or drive their car, you may bring your lawn chair or watch from your golf cart at the back of the audience. Of course we ALL wear masks until we are seated and distanced.

We have new Sunday times this year as well:

Ice cream sold at north door of Busch Hall 3:15-3:45 p.m. (\$1)

Pre-show announcements at the stage 3:45 p.m.

Program begins at 4 p.m. Here are the details of our two upcoming acts:

Jan. 10 we are happy to welcome the Entertainment Revue to our stage. This is a unique arts group based in Tampa. They

consist of three separate casts of performers ranging in age from 5 to 18 and is recognized nationally as a training group for young recording artists. Eight cast members signed major recording contracts with Epic, RCA, Arista, Atlantic and Curb and have been featured performers on tours with NSync, Britney Spears and Backstreet Boys. Entertainment Revue has also produced four American Idol Finalists and top-six-finalists on Dancing with the Stars and America's Got Tal-

Jan. 17 we bring back perhaps TR's most beloved performing duo, Nashville entertainers Dave and Daphne. This is a show that was originally scheduled as part of our Concert Series. When that series had to be cancelled, Doug Pedersen worked his magic and arranged for them to appear in The Grove. If you only see one show this season, this should be the one!

Dave Salyer has toured the world with Barbara Mandrell, performed for presidents at the White House and appeared on countless TV shows. Roy Clark proclaimed Dave as one of the most fabulous guitarists on the planet and I quote, "I can't believe this guy. If I could get my hands on him I'd kill him!!" Barbara Mandrell simply states, "Dave Salyer is the best guitarist I've ever had." Dave credits his uncles, (Bluegrass Legends and Grand Ole Opry Members) Jim & Jesse McReynolds and The Virginia Boys, for his love of music and musical ability and talents.

Daphne Anderson has toured with some of the greatest Southern Gospel Music Groups of all time including The Bill Gaither Group, The Florida Boys, The Cathedrals, Rex Nelon, The Hinsons and many others. The Southern Gospel Music Association voted her their Female Vocalist of the Year. Shortly after graduating from Georgia Southwestern University she moved to Nashville, Tenn. to pursue a career in music. Daphne is best described as a cross between Shania Twain and Patsy Cline. Audiences absolutely fall in love with Daphne and she has won the hearts of those who have seen her perform at TR.

# TR rings in the new year with Doc and Donna

#### by Pam Watkins

The Grove was rockin' and rollin' on New Year's Day as Doc and Donna Probes entertained residents with their renditions of hits from the 70s.

The weather was absolutely delightful as residents filled The Grove arriving in golf carts, on bicycles, on scooters and on foot. It was the largest crowd that I had seen in weeks. It was not limited to The Grove, either. Neighbors whose cabanas back up to The Grove enjoyed the music from

their patios beside their tables of party food and drink.

Facebook exploded with positive reviews. "This place is heaven with music," shared Jim Doggett. Sandy Langell posted that "it was top notch." Sue Flesch shared that is was "a nice way to start out 2021," and several offered heartfelt thank yous.

It is a treat to enjoy the talent of our friends and neighbors. We look forward to hearing them again at the next Friday afternoon Live in The Grove.



Photos by Pam Watkins

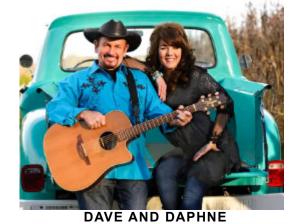
Birds-eye view from atop a golf cart.



The Grove provides a natural canopy in which to relax.



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# Briefings from the Board

by Callie Zak

It's beginning to look a lot like TR. Folks are arriving in all areas of the park including Golf View.

It's hard to believe another year has passed. While 2020 is behind us, the virus is still in front of us. We plan to keep the buildings and indoor activities suspended for a while longer. We want to minimize the risk. While we believe the case we had in the park was isolated and contained, we know statistics have shown that after holidays virus cases tend to escalate. We are putting a refresher flyer in everyone's mailbox concerning COVID-19 guidelines at TR. If you have previously completed and returned the first one you may disregard unless your condition has changed. The only way we can contain the virus is if people act responsibly and report they have tested positive or have been exposed. Please don't let your guard down.

Share prices are averaging \$3,600. Occasionally, someone will price their share for quick sale therefore this fluctuates. We have 10 lots available for lease. If you have friends or family looking for a winter retreat, this would be a good year to get a spot. I'm certain



**CALLIE ZAK** 

after the virus is history, we will go back to a waiting list.

The Board has been busy reviewing policies and planning for the Annual General Meeting (AGM). We are planning to mail out the AGM packets mid-January. As I have stated before, it is of utmost importance that everyone return their ballots via mail as soon as they receive them to meet quorum. At the Board meeting on Jan. 5, we hope to have decisions made regarding inclusions on the

There are five candidates for the Board. See the Nominating Committee Report on page 1.

In a past communication, I indicated we would be asking for input regarding WiFi. We have a past Board Member who has agreed to assist us with a survey should we get another offer from Spectrum. The Board will be seeking advisory input via this survey. When you get this survey, please complete and return it so the Board understands the majority's opinion going forward. We still have five years left on the old

If you have a park-operation related question, please call the office. If you would like a question answered via the Radio Forum, please send to forum@travelersrestresort.com and be sure to listen to 1610 AM.

Next year will be TR's 50th anniversary! A committee consisting of Park Management, Activity Coordinator and some Board Members are planning an exciting 2022. Something this monumental takes a long time to plan. I know it will be an awesome and memorable experience. This is an event for everyone to look forward to.

We wish everyone a safe and healthy new year!

Show you care by practicing the three W's: wear your masks, wash your hands and watch your distance.

# New policy changes approved by the Board

by Linda Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President **Original:** 

**C3005 ANTENNA DISH** 

Television dish antennas 36" or smaller in diameter are permitted with permission from the Manager before installation. (Revised 03-19-13)

Change:

#### C3005 ANTENNA DISH

Television dish antennas 36" or smaller in diameter are permitted for roof mounted installation. Permission from the Manager is required before installation of ground antennas.

(Revised 03-19-13) (12/15/20)

**Original:** 

#### PET EXERCISE E2030 **FACILITY**

The facility is located in RV South at the corner of 14th Avenue and 10th Street. Adhere to posted hours of operation. Follow posted regulations. This facility is maintained by the Kennel Club and dues are used for the spraying and maintenance of this area. (Revised 01-24-06)

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(Revised 01-24-06) (12/15/20)

#### **Original:** H0005 CHURCH ORGANIZA-

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The Church Association is a non-denominational religious organization, which holds regularly scheduled worship services within TR A chaplain is hired for the season to conduct services and to provide other pastoral needs as requested. The Church Cabana and maintenance fees will be paid with the Church Association's funds. (Revised 1-9-18)

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# **H0010 CHURCH FACILITIES**

The TR Church Association is a separate entity from TR except for the use of the Busch Hall facilities and related utilities, which are donated by TR for religious purposes. The Church Association provides for all its financial needs by donations from its attendees at Church services. The religious services are open to all who wish to attend, including neighbors and visitors from outside TR. (Approved 11-08-05) Change:

#### H0010 CHURCH FACILITIES

The TR Church Association is a separate entity from TR. The use of Travelers Rest facilities and related utilities may be provided by TR as a charitable donation. The Church Association provides for all its financial needs by donations from its attendees at Church services. The religious services are open to all who wish to attend, including neighbors and visitors from outside TR.

(Approved 11-08-05) (12/15/20)

# K0020: Golf Fee Recommenda-

The Golf Association will annually recommend to the TR Board of Directors, the golf fees for members and guests for the next fiscal year.

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The Golf Association will annually recommend to the TR Board of Directors, the golf fees for members and guests for the next fiscal year. The TR BOD may also impose rate increases as deemed necessary. TR BOD has ultimate responsibility for determining golf fees.

(Revised 12/15/20)

#### ADD to D7015 CHECKOUT

11. All clam shells should be lowered and locked down.

#### ADD to D7035 STORM PREPA-**RATION**

If TR Maintenance has to work at your site while you are gone, remove or secure items or lower clam shells in preparation for a storm, you may be assessed

#### ADD to N2011 CONFIDEN-TIALITY AGREEMENT.

The Travelers Rest Resort Confidentiality agreement shall be signed by all Board members at the time of taking office and then reaffirmed annually.

# Did you look to the sky?

by Pam Watkins

A number of people around the park turned out to view the 2020 Great Conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn on Dec. 21. Small groups, socially distanced of course, could be seen on Golf View, at the front of the park and along some streets. A few ventured down Old Johnston Rd. to get a clear view. Although the sky was a bit anti-climactic to those of us not fortunate enough to have binoculars or telescope, I for one, still felt a thrill to see the wondrous works of God's hand in the sky. If you did not catch it, don't worry – you will get another chance in 2080. Just hang in there.



The first glimpse of the Great Conjunction at dusk over Golf View.



Jupiter and Saturn shine brighter as the sky darkens.

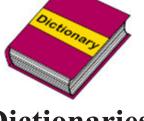


As night descends, the "Christmas Star" shines over TR's little Bethlehem.

Photos by Alan Kenney and Pam Watkins



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# **Dictionaries** plan unscheduled updates

by Margaret Emmetts

Under normal circumstances dictionaries make revisions to their list of entries on an annual basis. But this year things are different. It was learned that dictionaries are putting out an unscheduled supplement to cover a new vocabulary generated in 2020!

Do you speak the new language? The new dictionary supplement will cover new words to our language such as: COVID-19, Coronavirus, social distancing, PPE's, virtual meetings, selfquarantining, remote learning, face masks, personal bubble and Zoom among others.

It has been reported that at no time in the past has our language evolved so rapidly. I guess a new language is required to go along with a new lifestyle.

Hope you understand all the new terms and the ramifications of each. Please remember to maintain social distancing (6 feet), wear your face mask and wash your hands often. Protect yourself and those around you.



YARD SALE

The first TR Yard Sale of the season is Saturday, Jan. 9 from 8 to 11 a.m. You may set up a table that is not obstructing sidewalks or roadways. All tables should be cleared of items by noon. TR Yard Sales are also scheduled on Friday, Feb. 6 and March 6, so plan ahead!





# **Happy New Year**

We sincerely hope this will be a happy new year for you and yours. We were all happy to close the door on 2020 and look forward to things being better this year.

On a positive note, there seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel with the development of vaccines. Now we just have to wait our turn to receive the medication. This will not eradicate COVID-19, but at least it may put a stop to its spread.

Regardless, our nation has survived a revolution, slavery, Civil War, two World Wars, a Great Depression, four assassinations of U. S. Presidents, segregation, Civil Rights struggles, Korea, Vietnam and Watergate. Surely we can cope with COVID.

Please remember to do your part by masking up, washing your hands and observing social distancing. Keep TR secure and we will all get through this together.

Here's to a very happy, healthy new year for all. mre



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From The TR Times archives (2009).

This cartoon is brought to you by Jo M. Orise, a wonderful illustrator from the TR past.

We will continue to share cartoons from our vault while Jean Helker, our current cartoonist, continues to heal at home in Missouri with her family. We miss you Jean and wish you and your family well!



# The Servant's Plow

#### Passion and zeal for the new year

by Chaplain Anthony Shipe

When you read the scriptures, passion for God oozes out. Moses sought God every day. Job followed Him through the most devastating circumstances. Esther relied on Him at the risk of her own life. David chased after God, and his passion bleeds through the Psalms. The prophets craved hearing the voice of the Almighty, and the apostles joyfully followed Him to the grave.

These men and women were great leaders, yet modern influencers often overlook this trait. Too many build up their heads without minding their hearts. They read books on better business practices and attend marketing conferences, but spiritual development is often ignored.

According to research, only 11 percent of Christian leaders say "passion for God" is the leadership trait that best describes them. And yet my experiences with Christian leaders who are most successful today tell me that spiritual ardor is integral, rather than accessory, to leading well.

As Christians, spiritual passion must begin with the scriptures. God has spoken to His people through the Bible, and we must cling to His Word. We know that the Bible is a living, breathing book, not an outdated, stale tome. It provides timely truth about the God we serve and insight for how

Many people today claim to love God but aren't rooted in God's



**ANTHONY SHIPE** 

Word and in their relationships with Him. If we desire to become passionate people in pursuit of our Maker, we must recover that. If you aren't spiritually rooted, your life won't be as fruitful as it could be. Think of the possibilities.

Francis Chan says, "Time with God has to drive you. God's presence is all that matters. If we are connected to Him, we will bear much fruit. Everything is dependent on Him. God is a real person. There is a real intimacy you can have with Him."

Do you spend time each week, perhaps each day, intentionally tuning yourself to God? Do you nurture a passion to see Him glorified in your family and relationships with others?

I encourage believers to set aside portions of their week to block out the pressures of life and pray, meditate, and seek God's face. Even if you are only able to set aside five minutes during the day to walk and pray, or simply read a few scriptures, you need to commit to this. These breaks will give you energy, enthusiasm and renewed momentum.

One way to achieve this is to begin practicing the Sabbath. This means building margin into our lives. Margin is powerful and crucial for us. It allows for rest and rhythm to appropriately get played out in our routine. Margin is the fuel for responding to the unexpected and the option we all need for being more focused, intentional, life-giving, and less stressed. Margin allows for rest, refocus and adjustments as well as stirring our God-given passions.

I've noticed that as our personal margins decrease, so does our spiritual vitality. So, create moments each week to practice the Sabbath. Building in times of rest will give us new wings.

Believers are targets, so we all must be grounded spiritually. Otherwise, the pressures of following Christ will get to you. We must continually grow in our faith and seek to know God more and more. Believers must protect their hearts and constantly look for ways to grow and improve their inner lives, as well as their outer

Passion for God makes us generous, active and bold. If you're struggling with passion in your life, petition God to light a fire for His glory inside of you. Spend time in prayer, reflection and the scriptures. Happy New Year!

# etter to the Editor

The TR By-laws have had several changes over the years, most recently in 2015, but it has been quite a while since a comprehensive review has been done for currency, conflict with the policies, and oversights.

I have submitted By-law resolutions to the TR Board for the AGM for the fourth year in a row for their consideration, approval, and placement now on the 2021 AGM ballot. For the last three years, the stockholders have not been permitted to vote on them causing a backlog that needs to be addressed. Last year, the President promised to bring some of them forward this year on our ballots. While having all the resolutions on in one year isn't practical, I hope the more urgent ones will be on the ballot.

Many of the proposals are fairly straight forward and will

strengthen the shareholders' control and should not need much discussion. There are several that have raised legitimate questions in the past and these require a good understanding of the current and proposed wording. Misunderstandings need to be cleared. Following that, a healthy discussion about their merits is warranted and the shareholders need to be given the opportunity to vote Yes or No on them.

I think it is important that shareholders have the opportunity to read the resolutions and reasoning behind them. I am happy to make my proposals available to any shareholders so they can read and understand them for themselves and make an informed decision about their merits.

Please let me know if you'd like a copy. John Freed, lot 2520, phone, 651-464-5390, foresteng@aol.com.



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Letters should be limited to 200 words and must include the writer's name.

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#### The Siren



#### by Jean Cobb RN and First Responder

Well, we're getting closer to a vaccine, but cases of COVID-19 are still on the rise all over the U.S. so it is important not to let our guard down. It appears that maximum protection from any of the vaccines will not happen until 10+ days after the SECOND dose. So, the 3 W's will be with us for a while yet - Wear your mask, Watch your distance, Wash your hands. When others are less careful, you need to be MORE careful.

Many folks have questions about the vaccines, so I'm focusing this article on vaccine information that would be helpful to know. The info is current as I write this article, but of course it may change before publication in a week or so. Please bear with me as I try to share accurate information.

The first two vaccines, created by Pfizer and Moderna and approved by the FDA are mRNA Vaccines. Both require two doses to provide maximum protection, which was over 95% in the group that tested the vaccine. How long the protection lasts has not yet been established.

Both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines produce immunity in an entirely new way. The process is not new - it has been used to create other trial vaccines for Zika, rabies, and influenza, as well as immune therapy for cancer research. But it has not been used previously to create an FDA approved vaccine. These two new COVID-19 vaccines are produced in the laboratory and create a mRNA (messenger RNA) molecule that is coded specifically for

# Healthy thoughts about COVID-19

the COVID-19 virus. When injected, the mRNA strand triggers human cells to produce an antigen which activates the human immune system and results in antibody production specific for COVID-19.

The production method for these vaccines allows for massive numbers of doses to be produced quickly. CDC information about mRNA confirms that mRNA vaccines do NOT use the live COVID-19 virus, and that mRNA never enters the nucleus of the human cell (which is where our genetic material is kept). In addition, it verifies that the human cells that interact with the vaccine break down and get rid of the mRNA soon after they are finished using the instructions to produce antigens which trigger the human immune system to make antibod-

Typical reactions to the mRNA vaccines include soreness and swelling at the injection site, and perhaps a fever, headache, or some fatigue. There have been a small number of allergic reactions that have been noted since the immunization program started specifically with people who have severe allergies to medications or foods that require the individual to carry an epinephrine auto-injector (Epipen). If in doubt about whether to take the vaccine or not, it would be wise to discuss it with your medical provider.

Vaccinations in Florida with the first dose of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines began in December for medical workers and residents/staff in long-term care facilities. Per Governor DeSantis, the next priorities will be adults over the age of 65, as well as those identified by doctors as high-risk because of underlying medical conditions, followed by law enforcement, fire fighters, and teachers. A second dose of these vaccines is required 21-28 days later depending on which one is received.

Initial vaccination plans for Pasco County for residents and non-residents over 65 years of age are to open locations for drivethrough immunizations by appointment only. The first site is Sears on US 19 but they anticipate opening more sites as vaccine is available. The website to make an appointment is: http://pasco.floridahealth.gov/ newsroom/2020/12/VaccinationAnnouncement.html

According to residents who have successfully made appointments, it is best to try early in the morning because appointments fill fast. Appointments are made for one individual at a time, so you will need to do the process twice if there are two of you. Take your confirmation number (printed or written down), completed consent form (if you do not have one, one will be provided for you to complete) and a valid ID to your appointment. The second dose of the vaccine is 21 to 28 days after the first, and you must agree to return for the second immunization in order to receive the first. The TR Office has agreed to print the consent forms and put them in the TR Post Office, so plan to pick one up and fill it out before you go. Reminders:

We are still looking for a few good residents to become TR Fire Fighters! Call Chief Larry Polzin at 810-247-2361 for more information.

The Fundraiser for TR Fire/Rescue this year will be a yummy pulled-pork dinner on Saturday, Jan. 30 at 5 p.m. Cost is \$10 per plate. This will be drive through only, with limited delivery for home bound residents. Ticket sales will be held outside the Post Office on Wednesdays and Fridays from 2 to 4 p.m. Please support your Fire Fighters and First Responders!

# Firefighters needed

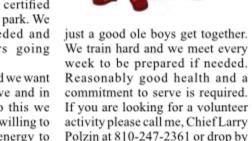
#### by Larry Polzin, Fire Chief

My name is Larry Polzin and I am the Pasco County Fire Station 33 Fire Chief. Station 33 is located here at TR and is manned by people who saw the need and stepped up to take the required training. At this time we have only two certified firefighters present in the park. We have three greatly needed and appreciated volunteers going through training now.

Our crew is aging and we want to keep this station active and in our park. In order to do this we need volunteers who are willing to commit their time and energy to this important service. This is not



Polzin at 810-247-2361 or drop by lot 04-29.





Thank you for participating in the blood drive at

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# TR Fire/Rescue fundraiser scheduled

by Lise Minnick

As a replacement to the pancake breakfast fundraiser, which would not allow us to meet COVID safety guidelines, the First Responders of Fire Rescue Station 33 will be hosting a drive-thru pulled-pork dinner on Saturday, Jan. 30 at 5 p.m. in the parking lot behind Busch Hall.

For \$10 you will receive pulled-pork, potato salad, baked beans, roll and dessert - what a

great deal for you and a great help for the Fire Station! Utensils and napkins will not be provided, so if you plan to eat outside, you will need to bring your own. We will offer limited delivery for home-

Tickets are on sale in the Post Office Lobby on Wednesdays and Fridays from 2 to 4 p.m. beginning Wednesday, Jan. 6. Don't miss this yummy opportunity - we hope to see you there!





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The blood donated at your blood drive will likely be transfused into a patient within 48 to 72 hours. The turnaround is that fast and is that constant.

The next scheduled blood drive is 03/01/21 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Travelers Rest.

An enthusiastic, dependable blood drive chairperson is one of the keys to a blood drive's success and we want to take this opportunity to thank you for helping with coordinating the drive and savings lives in our community.

We look forward to working with you again in the future and thank you for your dedication and commitment to our lifesaving

Sincerely, Christine Turner (R6-LKL1) **Community Relations Coordinator** (813) 765-0072 www.oneblood.org



**Snack Shack cancels** 

January opening

# **Activity Affairs**

by Jeri Miller

**Activity Coordinator** 

Out with 2020, in with 2021 So far, it looks like this will still be a year when we all must remain flexible. Buildings are locked up and we are adapting to enjoying our outdoors. The Grove became our saving grace. Little did we know.

**Memory improvement** How many times have you had to run back to grab a mask or sanitize your hands? We are getting better at remembering. Many of you might even remember my four friends. Still want to talk about them again. Just bear with me, please.

How about my four friends? There once were four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. They are back again this season.

An important job had to be done, and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

Where are our Anybody's? Some of our activities are still in need of chairpersons. Many cannot be just "Anybody," but if you are able to ask "Somebody" we might be able to fill these positions. There than 100 activities were schedis an immediate need for Somebody who has a desire to become way to keep all activities running

Our first golf cart parade of

the season will be on Monday, Jan. 11 at 2 p.m. and take off from

in front of Busch Hall. It will

celebrate the return of residents

to TR along with remembering

those who are unable to join us

bent bikes and motorcycles are

expected to be in the procession.

Because we want to be able to

continue scheduling these fun events, masks and social distanc-

designed so that if it does not go

by a resident's lot then they will

only need to go one block over to

view it. Some streets we have skipped in previous parades will

follows: Golf View to The Village

to The Cabanas to RV South. It

will go through Golf View, then

to Oak Hill, Maple, Busch Lane

The parade route has been

The parade will proceed as

Boom boxes are welcome!

Golf carts, bicycles, recum-

by Leslie Ewing

this year.

ing are required.

be included.

and Oak View.



**JERI MILLER** 

a designer. The Post Office Lobby has a special place called our Talent Display Case. This would take a special "Somebody" to take on this challenge. Just let me know if you could help.

Special Anybody's Last season, we had a few activities taking place on Golf View. That was wonderful. It would be beneficial if "Anybody" would step forward and become the contact person or better yet contact people. If you are an "Anybody" who wishes to take this on, just let me know.

**Scheduling changes** More uled, and cooperation is the best

Time for a

**Golf Cart Parade** 

smoothly. That would be a perfect world, which we are not.

For many reasons, changes had to be made to activity scheduling. We hoped to be able to work together to make "Everybody" happy. Sometimes there was no other plan, but we still tried. This is not a fun part of the job cuz my motto is – it is all going to work. Usually, it does.

Reminder Funds accumulated by activities come from our residents. Therefore, the Board of Directors has to be kept apprised of the disbursement of funds. At the end of the season chairpersons are asked to fill out a brief financial statement. Keeping all receipts will help you to complete this statement. If you did not receive your activity form just give me a

All activities are to be self-sufficient. Travelers Rest provides facilities only.

Badges Remember to wear your badges. New badges are made in the TR Office this season. We will still be looking for those red dots on the badges. Be sure to give folks a big TR WELCOME smile and just see what happens.

"Special Events" Usage This season the use of the Snack Shack Shelter, Fire Pit, Golf View and Oak View Shelters and The Grove has taken over in place of our buildings. These events need to be scheduled. Please call to schedule desired times. All changes must go through our Activity Coordinator.

Just keep praying that we will be back in our buildings soon. I am finding out that many of you are saying that you might want to stay

Final Thought Remember, you are encouraged to take an active part in the activities that interest you. Each activity is open to all. An offer to help is always appreciated. That is how we survive.

As always, you have the most important role in the active life we enjoy here at Travelers Rest.



Enter The Cabanas on 11th and exit from 13th.

Enter RV South on 14th: 14th to 3rd to 21st to 5th to 20th to 6th to 21st to 10th.

Right onto 19th to 5th to

Right onto 16th to 6th to

Left onto 14th to 8th to 15th to 10th.

Right to go past the dumpsters. (Can't forget the dumpsters!)

Take 14th to 5th to 17th. Right onto 17th to 10th.

Do a U-turn to go back down 17th where the golf carts can wave at the other golf carts!

Take 17th to 1st where the parade will end.

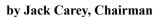


# Dine-a-Round cancels trip to see Mamma Mia

**by Sandy Poast** 

TR's Dine-a-Round is canceling their trip to see the Mamma Mia stage show at the Suncoast Broadway Dinner Theater on Saturday, March 20. Most of the 80 folks who had paid for tickets preferred to not attend. After much discussion with the theater it was decided to cancel the trip and issue GIFT CARDS in the amount of \$49 to be used any time without expiration date. A few folks did not respond to the request published in our article in the Dec. 18 TR Times. If you still wish to go, you can make your own reservations for Mamma Mia for any day or night using your gift cards.

I will receive these gift cards after the first of the year and will get them to you or keep them for you when you return. You can use them yourself, gift them or try to sell them. If you have any questions, please text or phone me at 937-609-5143.



With all that is happening now, our plans to open the Snack Shack in January have changed. We will NOT open as planned. It is possible that we may open later, but that decision will be later in the season. We are sorry to cancel our

opening and we hope you understand that safety is our first priority.

If there are any questions, please see or call me. We are looking forward to opening in January of 2022 and serving you the delicious lunch options that we have offered in the past.

# 2020 is ushered out as decorations are put away



Photos by Bill Watkins

Jerry McRoberts and Frank Geddert put away the nativity.



Sue Troyer just arrived yesterday and is already out helping where she



Donna Smith is enjoying her time winding up the holidays.

# TR Book Browsers schedule virtual meeting

by Nan Feeney Lance

The TR Book Browsers will hold a virtual book club meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 13 at 2 p.m. via Skype.

We will be discussing *The* Only Woman in the Room, a fictional biography of Hedy Lamarr by Marie Benedict. Ms. Benedict is also the author of *The* Other Einstein.



Anyone wishing to join should contact Nan Feeney Lance at nanfeeney@gmail.com to be included in the Skype video conference call.



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# TR Model Railroad Club meets next week



#### **TRAIN MODULE**

#### by Brian Krupicka

will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Golf View Pavilion.

The first item on the agenda is to consider our layout standards. We also plan to review the diverse specialties that each member may wish to consider. Among these are the general categories of operations, scenery and rolling stock.

Operations cover items such

or freelance running. Scenery involves landscaping, buildings, figures, animation and lighting. Rolling stock can involve a time frame (era), painting, weathering, decals and graffiti.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Brian Krupicka via email at trtrains-@dbcomserv.com or Larry Babbitt at trainnut1942@gmail

Everyone is welcome. We hope to see you there!



The TR Model Railroad Club

as electrical choices and structured

# New showcase donated to Busch Hall



Photo by Pam Watkins

Bud Weubker, Vic Bowser, Joe Politsky and Bill Watkins.

#### by Bill Watkins

The residents of TR typically enjoy a myriad of activities each season. When Busch Hall is open, one can find the walls adorned with bulletin boards displaying information and photos about the various activities. However, most were canceled this season due to

TR Wood Shop members typically complete projects of their own choosing, although there are some requests for park projects to be completed.

Members' abilities range from novice to professional wood worker. TR Wood Shop Rangers ensure that all members follow strict safety precautions.

Instruction and advice are available when requested. Before the buildings were

closed this season, a few indoor activities were still occurring where masks and social distancing could be maintained. The TR Wood Shop was one.

While the Wood Shop was in full operation wood shop members installed a showcase in Busch Hall to exhibit some of the smaller projects produced. The beautiful showcase was built and donated by Bud Weubker.

Anyone interested in joining the TR Wood Shop should contact Larry Kurkowski or stop in to visit the Wood Shop during normal operating hours to inquire.

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# TR Quilt Block Trail Movement

#### by Kathy Lemke

Maybe the TR Quilt Block Trail Movement was born out of boredom from the lack of activity due to COVID. Perhaps it was inspired by the Ohio Star Quilt Block which hung proudly at the Politskys on lot 02-17 all last year. Probably, it was a little of both. Right now it is a work-in-progress, but hopefully we will be seeing more and more Blocks popping up around TR.

Last Thanksgiving when we were thinking of people in our lives we were thankful for, the TR Staff was high on everyone's list. Therefore, the Office and Maintenance Staffs each received a Thank You Quilt Block. A Sunshine Friendship Star was created for the Office Staff and a Slip Knot for Maintenance. When the Trail is finally created it will start at the Office and end at Maintenance.



**IRISH CHAIN QUILT BLOCK** 

What is a TR Quilt Block? It is a 2 ft. x 2 ft. x 1/2 in. (thick) board with a meaningful quilt block painted on it. (No sewing or fabric is needed.)

How do you pick a Block? You can pick a Block for its name, because it is your home state Block, because it was a Block used in your favorite quilt or just because you like it.

PINWHEEL QUILT BLOCK

Where can you find a selection of Blocks to choose from? You will find plenty by searching the Internet, borrowing a quilt book from a friend or looking for a book in the TR

Do you have to be a quilter to paint a Trail Block? No

Where can you get instructions on how to paint a Quilt Block? Kathy Lemke together with Sheila Schencke taught some classes last summer and have compiled a list of supplies and directions. Drop a note to Kathy (lot 04-42) to receive a copy along with helpful hints and encourage-

Photos by Kathy Lemke

How can you be included in the TR Quilt Block Trail? Once your Quilt Block is hung, drop Sheila a note (lot 21-12) with your name, lot number, name of your Block and/or why you chose it. She will be putting together the first wave of the Quilt Trail Movement on Feb. 5 and would welcome your entry.

Join the TR Quilt Block Movement and share in the fun.

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register. Pre-registration is required! You will be emailed a link to join by ZOOM conference via video or audio.

# Beyond the Resort

#### by Linda Spencer

With the recent cancellations of so many events, please contact the event directly to make sure it is still scheduled.

#### **Dade City**

Dade City After Dark, gives Dade City guests a beautiful view of our historic town on the first Friday of each month, from 6 to 9 p.m. A time to meet, greet and do some shopping and see what our local vendors are offering. To obtain more details contact the Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce at 352-567-3769. (Approx. 8 miles from TR)



Yoga Flow allows seamless transitions from pose to pose to achieve a sense of balance, core strength and flexibility on Fridays, beginning Jan. 1, 9 to 10 a.m. Classes are held in the Herrmann Building, 11857 Curley Road, San Antonio, next to San Ann Pottery. Space is shared with Lake House Karate School. Please contact Jurel Caudle for additional information 352-206-8437. (Approx. 7 miles from TR)



Community Flea Market/ Yard Sale at VFW local 4283, located at 12735 VFW Road, Dade City on Saturday, Jan.16, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Community indoor and outdoor flea market, the third Saturday of each month. To rent a booth the price is \$15 indoors and



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Sunday Brunch at Lake Jovita Golf Club, on Sundays, beginning Jan. 3, from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., 12900 Lake Jovita Blvd., Dade City. For information contact, 352-588-2233. (Approx. 6 miles from TR)

Dade City Kumquat Festival, previously scheduled for Jan. 30 has been cancelled

Tampa



**Broadway Season 2021** has also been cancelled. Performances included To Kill a Mockingbird, Tootsie, Hades Town, My Fair Lady, The Band's Visit, Wicked, The Prom, Shout! The Mod Musical, Dear Evan Hansen, Cat's and Summer: The Donna Summer Musical. Rescheduled dates to be

# It's a small world



by Margaret Emmetts

Before I retired I used to travel during the summer with some of my fellow teachers. One year we took a land and cruise trip to Greece and Turkey. The land portion was a bus tour and since there were seven of us traveling together one of us had to sit on the bus with someone we did not know. To be fair we rotated with

On the day in question I was the person to sit with someone new. It turned out to be a lovely lady who was some years older than I. As one will do, we began to chat to pass the travel time.

I was impressed with the lady. She told me she had cataracts in both eyes and had very little vision left until she could have surgery. Despite this she was traveling

alone. She said that her doctor tried to schedule her surgery, but it would have fallen during the time she planned to be on the

A feisty lady, she told the doctor in no uncertain terms that she had planned this trip for a year and she planned to go. The surgery could take place when she returned home. So, I asked, "where is home?"

The lady said she lived in Florida. "Where in Florida," I asked? She said it was a small town and I probably had never heard of it. "Try me," I said.

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# Autumn adventures with Barb and Larry

by Sharon Gilbert Zile and Dan **Zile - Tour Directors** 

Sadly this pandemic year has forced suspension of our TR group excursions and day trips. Health concerns have docked nearly all cruise ships for an undetermined time period and significantly reduced air travel and bus trips. Yet travel lovers have found a way to venture beyond their homes, exploring this beautiful country via the safety of private cars or RVs and visiting with TR friends. Barbara Colson and Larry Neyhart are two such travelers.

In late September Barbara drove from TR to join Larry in the



#### **BARB COLSON AND LARRY NEYHART**

Poconos of northeastern Pennsylvania where Larry has frequently vacationed. The wooded hills and valleys provided a backdrop of scenic views of the stunning man made Lake Wallenpaupak and outdoor time with family.

On a short jaunt to Milford Barb and Larry learned about the Grey Towers Historic Site, home of Gifford Pinchot the first chief of the U.S. Forest Service. They now operate the magnificent home for natural resource conservation education and environmental thinkers. Barbara could easily see that the home had been designed by the Biltmore Estate architect, Richard Morris Hunt. Though Covid prevented a tour of the home, the grounds and garden were open for self-guided tours and, of course, Barbara found an Adventure Lab which is similar to several geocaches at the historic

Lake Placid, N.Y. was home to the 1932 and 1980 Winter Olympics and another adventure for Larry and Barbara. The fall foliage was as beautiful as the display of international flags from the participating nations. The ski jumping complex and large cauldron that holds the Olympic Torch continue to attract tourists.

A nearby 4-hour cruise on Lake George gave vibrant views of fall in the Adirondack Mountains. They found outdoor dining and 4-star restaurants with reduced seating in the popular area.

Additional highlights of their trip included the U.S.S. Ticonderoga in Whitehall, N.Y., breathtaking leaf colors in Stowe, Vt., the statue of the every-optimistic





**DAN AND SHARON ZILE** 

Pollyanna in Littleton, N.H., the 3hour guided train tour to the misty mountain peak on the Mt. Washington Cog Railroad and Old Sturbridge Village which is New England's largest living history museum and provides a glimpse of 19th century life in America.

Throughout the trip Barbara and Larry enjoyed the fall color, geocaching and the newest form of geocaching, the Adventure Lab. Barb explained that while geocaching is a worldwide treasure hunt, the Geocaching Adventure Lab is more of a scavenger hunt with a history focus.

Traveling to and through New England the two of them also used their trip as an opportunity to connect with other TR friends. Jack and Sheila Zanca met them for breakfast in Marlborough, Mass. before Jack took Barb hiking for more geocaches. Larry and Barbara also enjoyed a lunch visit with Cecile Lemaire of Lisbon, Conn.

While the pandemic has definitely altered our lives in 2020, Barbara and Larry found a safe way to travel America, learn and enjoy. She has created a book of photos from their fall foliage journey and will gladly share them with those who would like to know more about their trip.



Photos submitted by Barbara Colson

Barb and Larry met Larry's son Mike and daughter-in-law Dawn when visiting Lake Placid.



We saw the beautiful autumn colors sweep the area.



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#### All indoor activities are suspended.

On Dec. 19, TR's Board and Manager made the decision to suspend all indoor activities until further notice and lock the buildings. These precautions have been enacted to prevent the possible spread of COVID-19.

Many outdoor activities are still continuing with participants exercising recommended COVID-19

Please contact the chairperson of an outdoor activity if you are uncertain the activity is still going on.

#### **AMATEUR RADIO CLASS**

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#### **BICYCLING**

Tuesdays and Fridays, meet at 8:45 a.m. behind Busch Hall. Watch Cycling Bulletin Board for rides.

Susan Delaney 1733 231-215-0358

#### **BIRDING**

Tuesday walk starts at 8 a.m. Meet outside Post Office. Norm Eden 0614 317-457-4904

#### **BLOODDRIVE AT TR**

Blood drives are held the 1st Monday in December and March next to the TR Fire Station from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. unless announced otherwise.

Ken Neer 1071 419-366-0203

#### **BOOK BROWSERS**

Wednesdays (2nd and 4th) 2 to 3 p.m. in Citrus West. Nan Lance 0421 518-813-7873

#### **BOWLING**

Fridays at 2:15 p.m. at Pin Chasers Bowling Lanes; Zephyrhills. Sign up on Bulletin Board if you plan to go. Lin Buczek 0432 920-470-7269

#### **BRASS ENSEMBLE**

Wednesdays 2:30 to 4 p.m. Activity Center. Need more brass players.

Bill Watkins 1110 740-361-4511 Steve Bowman 1535 717-486-9925

#### **BULLETIN BOARDS IN BUSCH HALL**

For information or help with a notice or ad, contact: Betsy Behler 0665 302-730-8333 Jeri Miller 1125 352-588-5448

#### **CHURCH ASSOCIATION**

Sunday Activities: All events at The Grove 8:45 a.m. - Music Practice

9 a.m. - Bible Study

9:45 a.m. - Hymn Sing 10 a.m. - Worship service: Rev. Anthony Shipe **Choir Practice** 

Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Busch Hall. Join us.

Bernie Gutridge 2502 740-453-5623

#### **CHURCH COMMITTEE**

4th Fridays, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Citrus West.

John Freed 2520 651-464-5390

#### **CLOGGERS OF TR**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11:30 a.m., Citrus East. Donna Smith 2514 315-408-1805 Donna Neer 1071 419-366-0471

#### **DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY**

Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to noon, Activity Center Bill Bradford 1329 352-588-3766

John Goodger 1331 352-467-1776 Cary Box 1119 615-337-4300

#### **DULCIMER CLASS**

Beginners, Mondays, 9 to 10:15 a.m., Citrus West. Advanced, Mondays, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Citrus West. Lois Showers 2513 570-939-2077

Robin Valunias 0611 708-829-0371

#### **DULCIMER JAM**

Thursdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m., Citrus East.

Lois Allen 0604 207-240-4201

#### FIRE/RESCUE 33

**Firemen:** Tuesday, 8 to 11 a.m. in Paul Rife Room First Responders: Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Paul Rife Room.

Business Meeting: 3rd Tuesdays, 9 a.m. Paul Rife Room. Larry Polzin 0429 810-247-2361

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON LIVE AT THE GROVE

**NEW!** Fridays, setup 2:45 p.m., Music 4 to 6:30 p.m. Donna Probes 1423 231-357-5713

#### **GAMES NIGHT**

Mondays, 7 p.m. in Snack Shack Shelter. Non-contact games.

Linda Smith 1415 517-662-9233 Joan Colao 0314 631-987-9488

#### **GARDEN CLUB**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11 a.m. at Lake Margaret. Leslie Ewing 1308 812-701-5352

#### **GENEALOGY**

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

Judy Smith 0306 315-447-4939

#### **GOLF ASSOCIATION MEETINGS**

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

Vicki Brooks 1435 615-390-4276

#### **GOLF ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP**

**Contact Office 352-588-2013** 

#### **GOLF - LADIES' LEAGUE**

Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m., Starter Shack. Pat Butler 1407 863-651-1164

#### **GOLF LESSONS**

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

Lynn Meyers 0609 352-588-5256 Joan McLean 1429 613-474-2311 Gordon Mooers 0434 352-588-0709 John Wedell 6010 631-987-7551

#### **GOLF - MEN'S LEAGUE** Thursdays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Starter Shack.

Bill Harkins 1823 518-365-6106 Lloyd Marsh 0107 352-807-8292

#### **GOLF - SCRAMBLES**

2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday mornings, Starter Shack. Tom & Pat Butler 1407 863-651-1164 Dave/Dawn Pulleyn 0113 276-243-9522

#### **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

Fund raiser only.

Vince Smith 0306 315-447-8536

#### JUBELLATION

Mondays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Busch Hall.

Jean Cobb 1302 256-508-8661

#### KITCHEN USAGE

Please contact Jeri Miller for all kitchen needs.

Jeri Miller 1125 352-588-5448

#### **KNITTING AND MORE**

Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Snack Shack Pavilion. Dot Picard 0905 207-232-4032 Jackie Gage 1439 410-212-4738

#### **LADIES' TONE & TIGHTEN**

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

Betty Clark 0307 717-572-1044

#### **LIBRARY**

Southwest corner of Busch Hall. Place donations on bottom shelf of cart behind desk. Magazines to laundry **Library Committee-** First Tuesdays, 2 p.m., In the Library..

Mondays and Thursdays 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Citrus East.

Mary Kosbab 0119 352-588-0463

#### LIGHT ROOM IMAGING

Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Citrus West.

Bill Bradford 1329 352-588-3766 Cary Box 1119 615-337-4300

#### Jean Zigrosser 0317 631-786-5097 Louise McRoberts 7003 317-258-4618

**LINE DANCING** 

**LOCATOR BOARD** Kit/Dick Wheatley 2619 802-238-6044

#### **MAINTENANCE INFORMATION**

**Contact TR Office 352-588-2013** 

MATS FOR THE HOMELESS

#### Thursdays, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in Golf View Pavilion. Pat Dellamuth 0610 319-330-2899

MIRROR LAKE YACHT CLUB Radio Controlled Sailboat Racing - Practice, Tuesdays, 8 a.m. to noon, Mirror Lake.

Racing - Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to noon, at Mirror Lake.

Jay Matthews 2525 518-944-4277 Powerboat Racing - Mondays and Fridays, 8 a.m. to

noon, Mirror Lake. Dean Peters 0909 813-317-3269

#### MODEL RAILROAD

Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Activity Center. Brian Krupicka 630-961-1243

#### **ORCHESTRA/TRAVELAIRES**

Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Busch Hall. New members welcome.

Sue Troyer 0901 574-536-4771

#### **PAINTING - OIL, ACRYLIC AND ART APPRECIATION**

Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon in Citrus West.

Pat Gallager 2529 352-424-1052

#### PARTY PLANNERS FOR TR

Drive thru dinner only.

Mary Hunter 2130 734-208-3458 Linda Smith 1415 517-662-9233

#### **PET LOVERS CLUB**

3rd Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Citrus West.

Judy Leister 1533 419-894-6331 Kathy Shawver 1004 419-610-7335

#### PHOTOGRAPHER FOR ACTIVITIES

Make your request for pictures to be taken for *The TR* Times 48 hours in advance.

Jane Carey 2504 352-467-3847

#### POM-POM DRILL TEAM

Tuesdays, 3 to 4 p.m. and Fridays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Citrus East.

Donna Neer 1071 419-366-0471

# **Bulletin Board**

#### PRODUCE STAND

November and December: Mondays and Fridays, noon to 2 p.m.

January thru March: Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays: noon to 2 p.m.

#### Oak View Shelter near Busch Hall.

Dade City location is in Walmart parking lot.

#### **QUILTING**

Thursdays 9 a.m to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. 2nd Thursday Guild Meeting/Show and Tell.

Ethel Polsdofer 1117 734-347-1433 Bobbie Matkovich 2617 708-567-4686

#### RC AIRPLANE FLYING

Parlor, Thursdays, 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 1 to 3 p.m. in Busch Hall. Fly indoor-rated, radio-controlled model airplane, helicopter or drone.

Outdoor, Tuesdays, 8:30 to 11:45 a.m., Golf Course, #1 Hole. Fly electric only, radio-controlled model airplane, helicopter or drone.

James Morrow 2539 636-584-5214 Charles Manos 1442 973-229-9157

#### **RC MOTORSPORTS**

Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10 a.m., by Snack Shack. Scott Tartanglia 0910 206-510-9845

#### **RESIDENT RADIO FORUM**

First Mondays, 3 to 4 p.m. On 1610 AM. Submit questions to forum@travelersrestresort.com. Include your name and lot number.

#### **RUG HOOKING**

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

Tawnya Rowden 2534 231-271-3325

#### SEW SPECIAL AND MACHINE EMBROIDERY

Mondays at 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. Welcome to cut out and sew. Bring machine, projects, ideas. 3rd Mondays - Show and Tell.

Rosita Williams 1072 516-808-5734

#### **SHUFFLEBOARD**

Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Competition. Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m., Dimes Day.

Richard Von Qualen 0401 815-735-4194

#### **SNACK SHACK SHELTER USAGE**

Requests to use after hours contact:

Jeri Miller 1125 352-588-5448

#### SPORTS CLUB

**Charter Boat Fishing, Indoor Target, Outdoor** Sporting Clay, Skeet and Trap, Archery, Kayaking

and Canoeing.
Wednesdays (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>) from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Citrus West. All are welcome. Competitions and classes.

Ray LoPresti 1064 518-893-2427

#### STAINED GLASS

Mondays, 12:45 to 2:45 p.m., Activity Center. Wednesdays, 4 to 7 p.m., Activity Center. Fridays, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Activity Center.

Laura Apgar 2808 937-371-6844 Laverne Dennison 1623 440-477-4451 Instructor - Sherry Harbert 7005 319-404-1382

#### **SUNDAY IN THE GROVE**

Ice Cream Social - Sundays, 3:15 to 3:45 p.m., Ice cream sandwiches will be available for \$1 each.

Rosita Williams 1072 516-808-5734 **Free entertainment** as published in *The TR Times*. Sundays, 4 p.m., in The Grove following Announcements.

Ken Langell 1128 317-408-6799

#### TABLE TENNIS/PING PONG

Mondays and Thursdays, set up at 2:30 p.m., play from 3 to 5 p.m., Citrus East. Extra paddles available.

Lou Schuler 1116 513-379-4620

#### TALENT DISPLAY CASE

The works of talented TR residents are featured in the Post Office Display Case.

Contact Office 352-588-2013

#### TRAVELOGUE SHARING

2nd and 4th Mondays, 3 to 4:30 p.m., Citrus West. Richard Hunt 2519 314-412-5810

#### UKULELE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 2 to 3 p.m., Golf View Pavilion. Donna Probes 1423 231-357-5713

#### **VETERANS MEETING**

1st Mondays, 10:03 to 11 a.m., Hobby House Vince Smith 0306 315-447-8536

#### **WAIST WATCHERS**

Thursdays, 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. in the Hobby House. Jackie Thackery 2807 812-371-7243

#### **WALKING AEROBICS**

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 7:15 to 7:45 a.m., meet at Bocce Ball Courts, weather permitting,

Gloria Polzin 0429 810-252-0999

#### **WEIGHTS & STRETCHING**

Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:50 to 8:30 a.m., Bocce Ball Courts, weather permitting. Class size limited to 10.. Sheila Schencke 2112 425-590-7906

#### WOOD SHOP

Mondays thru Fridays, 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Membership \$20. Volunteers needed for small projects in the park. Larry Kurkowski 1334 352-588-4121

#### **WOODCARVING**

Wednesdays, 9 to 11 a.m., Snack Shack Pavilion. Ladies, men, experienced and beginners are welcome. Carving blanks available.

Linda Murphy 1328 717-968-9306

#### **YOGA**

Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., Tennis Courts.

Jean Renee DeTar 2708 316-518-8158

#### **ZUMBA**

Thursdays 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in Activity Center. Bev Weissinger 1632 914-443-2820

# Canceled Activities

**BASKET WEAVING** 

Rachel Brooks 0133 603-534-4985

**BINGO** 

**BOCCE BALL** 

Jane Carey 2504 352-467-3847

LaVerne Dennison 1623 440-477-4451

**BONFIRE (MONTHLY)** 

Phyllis Zitzer 2114 717-379-3054

**BRIDGE CLUB (PARTY)** 

Linda Glover 0119 905-541-6399

**BRIDGE CLUB - BEGINNERS LESSONS** Jim Weigand 2534 231-947-5649

**BRIDGE CLUB - INTERMEDIATE LESSONS** Connie Bradley 0712 352-588-0373

**CALLIGRAPHY** 

Richard Peebles 0613 716-410-5386

**COFFEE SEMINARS** 

Terry Hosig 0407 860-416-2023

COFFEE SOCIAL

Jim Matkovich 1130 708-567-4686

COIN CLUB

No chairperson

**DIGITAL TECH GROUP** 

Frank Meier 1307 586-918-4266

**DINE-a-ROUND** 

Sandy Poast 2641 937-609-5143

**DINING WITH FRIENDS** 

Dave /Mary Beth Baur 1129 207-650-6287

**EUCHRE** 

**Bob Phillips 2636 419-506-0128** 

**EUCHRE/BID** 

Barb Nelson 1105 816-699-3835

**FIVE HUNDRED - CARDS** 

Pat McCallum 1304 267-506-5049

FLEA MARKET AND CRAFT SALE

Betty & Walt Gilson 2501 870-615-1668

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE

Marie Lupien 2627 603-781-3681

GEOCACHING

Bill Bradford 1329 352-588-3766

HAND AND FOOT Deborah May 1122 304-888-8207

**HARMONAIRES** 

Don Sides 0206 336-407-0034

HORSESHOE PITCHING

Dick Miller 0550 352-206-3981

#### **IPHONE CLASS**

Susan Stahley 1106 518-598-6823

#### **JOKER**

Vicki Howard (Mon.) 0903 803-629-2506 Deborah May (Fri.) 1122 304-888-8207

#### **KARAOKE**

Glenn & Gabriella Young 0517 863-397-8249

#### LITURGICAL DANCE

Betty Teichert 0302 613-983-6089

#### **MAH JONG CHINESE**

Marcia Hatfield 0205 614-946-4411

#### **MAH JONGG - NATIONAL MAH JONGG** LEAGUE PLAY

Bette Gorman 2703 608-547-5529

#### **TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES**

Jim and Carol Henrikson 1207 810-990-9199

**PAINTING - WATERCOLOR** Pat Miller 0555 352-206-3981

**PICKLE BALL - MEN/ WOMEN** Dean Peters 0909 813-317-3269

#### PICKLE BALL/LADIES

Pam Watkins 1110 740-361-072

**PINOCHLE** 

**POKER NIGHT** 

John Delaney 1733 907-351-5659

**POKER LADIES NIGHT OUT** Gina DiPinto 0125 914-882-3255

Jack Koch 2554 231-883-7506

Jack Davis 1636 352-206-6769

POKER TEXAS HOLD'EM MEN AND WOMEN

ROAD RIDERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB

SINGING MEN

Steve Gorden 2618 817-368-4993

#### **SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY** John Goodger 1331 905-380-2185

SNACK SHACK

Jack Carey 2504 352-232-0290

**TENNIS** 

No chairperson

No chairperson

#### TRAVELETTES WOMEN'S CHORUS

Mary Beth Coldren 0229 276-235-1505 Dir. - Bernadine Gutridge 2502 740-607-4575

TR TRAVEL

Sharon Gilbert Zile 2540 740-360-3819

VETERANS MEETING

Vince Smith 0306 315-447-8536

Vicki Howard 0903 803-629-2506

YOGA (CHAIR)

**WIZARD** 

Donna Smith 2514 315-408-1805







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AVOID CROWDS

#### by Jane Harrold

With so many residents returning for the season now I thought the following Jane's World story from 2004 would be appro-

The first time we left our fifth wheel at TR for the summer, friends warned us that we would soon develop a serious interest in Florida weather conditions and they were right. My husband Bill and I watched CNN and the weather channel anxiously from home as several hurricanes formed and gathered energy that year. There were many comments about why we had chosen this particular summer to leave our unit in the south with a bull's eye painted on it for hurricanes.

Returning to TR with the car rather than a truck and a fifth wheel was a real treat that fall. The 1,200mile trip from Niagara Falls went well except for the fog in the mountains. I was really happy on the third morning to be near Jacksonville, Fla., and expressed my opinion that we were out of the mountains and therefore out of the fog. Wrong! We were on the road about 10 minutes when visibility became close to zero. If only I had kept my fog forecast to myself, I could've avoided a couple of hours of Bill saying, "What was that you said about there being no fog in

# Hurricanes, ants and a gecko

Arriving at TR we found our Golden Falcon RV looking fine. The summer hurricanes had not damaged our unit. We had a little mold and a few spiders but no big problems. Everything at TR looked great. We let out a big sigh of relief and got busy unsummerizing and unpacking. Just a few days later the ants arrived. It seems ants like Raisin Bran. I wondered if they needed more fiber or iron in their diets or just maybe it was those sugary raisins. Unfortunately, Bill had eaten Raisin Bran for breakfast and I discovered the ants at lunchtime. My theory, and I'm sticking to it, is that the ants got into the cereal when they were looking for a mid-morning snack. Besides, a little protein for breakfast is good for husbands. Goodbye Raisin Bran. Then, after a little more checking, goodbye Bill's favorite chocolate cookies. Those ants had good taste. So off to Dade City where we purchased nearly every kind and size of Tupperware-type containers and Ziploc bags. Now we are ant protected. We have sprays, traps, gels and are almost qualified as professional ant exterminators. However, I understand that what we really needed was a gecko. According to one of our neighbors, geckos like to eat ants. Instead of sugar-ants in her cupboards she

has a gecko that lives behind her toaster. She claims that after her gecko moved in, her ants disap-

I've been giving this miracle ant cure some thought. I have a toaster. It even has a cute fabric cover. Maybe I could make my neighbor's gecko a better offer. But what do geckos eat after all the ants are gone? I'm thinking Raisin

I believe that sometimes our lives have their own versions of hurricanes and ants. We are worried about something really big and scary which does not happen, and something small and ordinary becomes a real issue. So in this new year, may your hurricanes blow by without doing any damage, and may your ants be easily handled.

P.S. Bill and I are not coming to TR this season due to COVID-19 concerns. Like many Canadians we are staying home this winter and praying that the virus vaccine will be effective and all of us will be together next season. Enjoy the Florida sunshine for us. If it gets too hot we can always send you some cold Arctic air from the north. We are fine and keeping our sense of humour. We hope that everyone at TR or home like us will continue following COVID-19 guidelines. Stay safe!



# Birding Activity

# A new birding year – keep your records

by Norm Eden

Happy New Year and good birding throughout 2021. Our three-month winter TR season to March 31 now includes the potential for more sightings from the developing Birding Trail. This trail has no less than 9 separate stations with convenient benches from where 16 pedestals can be seen – meaning a total of more than 32 actual seed dispensers with which our birds will become familiar.

One of the common answers to the traditional birders' "What's about?" question when they meet can be "Not-a-lot," and now, just coming into the new year, that appears to apply here at TR. We have had very few or even no waders or wildfowl/ducks with us in recent weeks but this situation will normally improve during January as migrants arrive or pass through. Also, when the level of Vanishing Lake drops more there will be fresh mud with food for the waders. However don't forget that birding is like fishing as some days everything is fine but the fish don't bite and the birds don't seem to be there! But, for sure they are not far away. Hernando Audubon reports that their annual Brooksville Christmas Bird Count, centered on a 7.5 mile radius around Bystre Lake just 12 miles from TR, was covered by 23 birders in 7 socially-distanced teams who recorded 114 species with a total of 9,000 birds. Wow.

Even with the easy to see wader, dabbling and diving species in short supply there are plenty of perching and song birds around but unless they get on a feeder you may



Photo submitted by Norm Eden Tom Butler is spreading the table for the birds' Christmas

have to look for them. Are you looking for the special TR birds? I don't think any Wood Storks have been back recently but there are certainly several pairs of Painted Buntings around. I see them in the dense undergrowth area by the Puppy Park which is also a good area to spot another less than common species, the Gray Catbird. A sort of thrush shape and a little smaller than a robin the catbird is a winter migrant in Florida, and very good at keeping hidden low in the undergrowth where being almost overall gray it is difficult to spot. Definitely this is a special bird for your records. Have you seen one?

Keeping your records adds considerably to the pleasures of birding and there are many ways to do that including electronically as part of a downloaded field guide. I have two electronic guides but prefer to keep all my routine records in 5" x 3" spiral bound fliptype notebooks.

I use a simple format copied from a professional birder many years ago. Entries should always note the date and location. Then each sighting uses one of three symbols;

•The bullet is for a not-special entry of a species seen many times in the past but is part of that day or location.

+Plus sign is also for a species seen before but is special as you don't see it very often, as a Bald Eagle would be if seen sitting in a TR tree or Painted Buntings.

\*An asterisk is the big news as that is reserved for seeing a lifer', a species not seen before and that observation will then also be entered into my life list which is kept in a laptop spreadsheet. When entered there I draw a circle around the asterisk in the notebook as confirmation.

Records kept this way make it easy to check any of your lists for, backyard, TR, summer vacation or organized field trip and the small notebooks are easy to keep handy. Then your life list(s) is best kept on a computer disk and in taxonomic order, which is simply the internationally agreed order as used in all field guides.

Best Bird for me recently has been a bit of a cheat as it was on Johnston Road where I saw a Merlin hunting along the hedgerow but it qualifies as special. Keep looking for special birds and how about joining the Tuesday Bird Walk at 8 a.m. at the Post Ofiice Veranda with Tom

# Garden News

# Life in the garden



Photo by Pam Forsyth **BIRD OF PARADISE** 

by Leslie Ewing

The picture for today is the Bird of Paradise in the garden. The orange bloom can be found by standing in front of the banana plants and looking to the opposite side of the boardwalk. The Bird of Paradise is past the statue of the red duck and just in front of the wishing well.

Tragedy has come to the garden. The banana plant that held several bunches of bananas suddenly fell over due to the weight of the bananas. Garden Club members think the bananas weighed at least 75 pounds! However, there is some good news. A small bunch of bananas has appeared on another smaller banana plant. Life goes on.

For this season, the club has a smaller work crew due to the closed border with Canada and also health concerns. Consequently, please do not donate plants to the garden without the approval of a club officer. We are simply unable to care for them.

The garden club members are stewards of the garden. Any removal of plants has to be approved by a Garden Club officer. Please do not remove plants. Please do not cut flowers.

The tools in the Garden Club sheds are purchased with club funds for maintaining the garden. Due to missing or damaged tools, Garden Club tools are not available for use outside the

Several Garden Club officers are delayed in returning to TR. Consequently, Vice-president Leslie Ewing will be Acting President. Secretary is Pam Forsyth. Treasurer is Stacy Grier. Please contact one of these officers for questions or concerns about the garden.

Garden work is scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday mornings at 11 a.m. we have business meetings. Thursday mornings at 11 a.m. we have a general discussion.

We are unable to serve coffee and snacks this season. We welcome TR residents to join our work crew, even if only for an occasional hour.

# Expose of a misnamed fruit

by Carol Lauer

Pecans are a treat we look forward to at Thanksgiving and Christmas in the form of pecan pie and continue to enjoy all year long in cinnamon rolls, cookies and sometime just by the handful.

However pecans are not nuts! They belong to a subclass of fruits known as drupes. (No, I'm not nutty enough to make this up.)

Nuts have a hard shelled pod that encloses the fruit and seed of the plant. These include acorns, chestnuts and hazelnuts.

Pecans on the other hand have an outer shell that is fleshy and surrounds a pit with a seed inside. This characteristic places them in the group of fruits called drupes. The drupes group also contains other so-called nuts such as walnuts and almonds in addition to fruits such as peaches, plums and cherries.

Pecan trees grow primarily in the southern part of the U.S. Some groupings are descendants of the



THE PECAN REVEALED

pecans that grew here wild for thousands of years and are called groves. Others have been planted by growers in orchards.

It takes patience to be a pecan farmer because it can take up to 10 years before a tree produces a satisfactory harvest of nuts (oops, drupes).

The wait is worth it though because pecans provide a very healthy treat. They help lower cholesterol, provide a quick protein-packed snack and contain many vitamins and minerals.



# Library News

#### by Mary Kosbab

Happy New Year from the Library Staff who joins with you in hoping for a more normal 2021.

We are STRONGLY requesting that everyone reshelve their own books when they return them this season. Many of you already do this which we appreciate. This helps our limited staff have time to concentrate on other jobs and more importantly it is safer for the library staff if everyone does their own books.

We suggest that you let any books you select sit for a day or two when you get them home before you read them. There is sanitizer on the library desk to use after returning or selecting your

NOTE: PLEASE do not leave a donation of a large number of books. If you have a collection you are trying to dispose of, call Kay Blunda and she will come to your home and select the ones we can use. The ones we do not take can DVD donations and will be



be taken to a local thrift store. There is a list of these on the library bulletin board just inside the door.

Our library staff is cut to a skeleton crew this season and leaving a large number of books just means more work for them to handle and take to a thrift store. Please check the last issue of The TR Times to see the criteria we use for books we keep in our library.

Another request we have is to be careful when you return and replace the DVDs you borrow. They have dots on them which indicate the category they are in. Bert Contractor and Nan Lance spent many hours setting this system up for us. Please take the time to look at the dots and make sure they match the Section when you replace your DVDs.

We have received many new

working on categorizing these soon. Until then please return any you borrow to the area from which you took

Our collection is one that should make TR very proud and is used extensively. By making sure the ones you borrow are returned to the correct category, other people can find DVDs they would like to watch.

Our library staff works daily to keep our collection looking good and up-to-date. Timothy Healy, a noted the-ologian said, "The most important asset of any library goes home at night - the library staff." I want to give a huge thank you to our library staff. They are the backbone of our TR Library.

If you have any concerns or suggestions, please talk to a library volunteer. We always welcome your input.

# Pet Lovers Club

# A glimpse back in time with TR dogs

Reprinted from The TR Times 2018 archives

by Judy Leister

Mark and I have camped with our dogs for years. Although the various campgrounds we have visited allowed dogs, most didn't have much to offer. We stayed at one that allowed our dog to be on our campsite but we were not allowed to take him for a walk anywhere. A couple places had huge fenced-in dog parks, but there was no place for we humans to sit. I remember one dog park didn't allow the dogs to have any toys so there were no balls or frisbees to chase. One place advertised a dog run so you can imagine my disappointment when I found a chain link area about four feet wide and ten feet long. Run? Really?

Then there were the parks that advertised a dog wash. Most of the time that meant there was a hose attached to an outdoor faucet and we had to hover over our dog while he stood on the ground.... sometimes the muddy ground.

What a pleasant surprise it was for us to find the wonderful dog-washing station at the TR Puppy Park. There is an easyaccess ramp, hot and cold water running from a handy overhead hose and a beautiful stainless-steel wash basin. Best of all we, the dog washers, even get to stand upright and on a lovely paved area.

Back in the early days, TR made some changes and went from an all Airstream park to multiple brands and styles of RVs. By this time many campers and potential residents were wanting to bring pets. Things weren't so easy for those people back then. They had to have a site on the perimeter and they sometimes had to wait as long as five years to get it. Then when they took their dog for a walk it



**PUPPIES AT PLAY** 

Photos by Judy Leister

could only be on the perimeter streets and on the outside edge of those streets. They were also allowed to use the dog path that runs behind the 10th Street lots, but it wasn't kept as lovely as it is now and a problem arose with fire ants. As time went on the pet area restrictions were loosened and pets were allowed to live and walk on many of the interior streets.

At about this same time TR had some unused land at the end of 10<sup>th</sup> Street. A neighboring farmer kindly offered to make the necessary improvements to make that land usable as a dog park. Then in true TR form, many volunteers stepped forward and rounded up the materials needed and did the work to bring us our wonderful Puppy Park.

Sometime as you pass by that corner listen to the laughter of the humans and the playful barks of the dogs as they enjoy their fun times there. It's not all relaxation though. Lots of raking and sweeping is necessary to keep things looking nice. The Pet Lovers Club has periodic clean-up days but the pet parents who frequent the park spend lots of time doing the cleanup themselves.

Another bit of TR trivia is the Kennel Club. As in any community, problems can arise. The TR

Board of Directors had a lot on their plate running the entire resort and the various issues that came up due to having pets here got a bit overwhelming. The Kennel Club was formed and took over maintaining the Puppy Park plus enforcing the necessary pet rules and handling the various pet issues. Over the years the Club has provided many improvements and additions to the Puppy Park through the sale of memorial bricks and other projects. We thank the Club for making the park available to all of the TR dogs. In more recent years the Club wanted to make sure the cats, birds and other pets that live at TR felt included and the name of the Club was changed to the TR Pet Lovers Club.



**PUPPY FUN** 

retrieve. Debbie and Russell Marlowe are the perfect family for these two adorable pooches. They are an energetic, outdoorsy couple who like to hike, camp and go bicycling together.

They helped drive dogs to new locations for the Florida All Retriever Rescue group. Russell then got his pilot's license so for a number of years they helped fly rescue dogs to their new homes for several different organizations. It was through these rescue efforts that Theodore and Zuzu joined them. At one point they had two other dogs. One was older and the other one was young and in need of a playmate. Four-month-old Theodore filled that need. A number of years later the two previous dogs passed over Rainbow Bridge leaving Debbie and Russell heartbroken. That is when eight-week-old Zuzu brought

# Pets on Parade





Photo by Judy Leister

#### THEODORE AND ZUZU

by Judy Leister

What a surprise when I first met these two big black dogs. They are as different as two dogs can be but have blended perfectly with each other and their humans, Debbie and Russell Marlowe, to be one happy family. Living full time in a motorhome can bring on lots of challenges, especially when the dogs are big but these two have it all figured out.

Theodore is an eight-year-old lab/collie mix but he tends to look more like his labrador retriever heritage. He loves people more than toys and is very cuddly and laid back. Actually, in his early life he was returned by two different prospective families because he was too passive. Theodore loves to sit quietly for cuddles and ear rubs whether he knows you or not. No one is a stranger to Theodore.

Other than 2-year-old Zuzu also being a big black dog she and Theodore are polar opposites. Throw the ball, fling the stick, let's run, let's bounce, let's wrestle. It's easy to see where Zuzu's unending energy directs her. Her labrador retriever background has her chasing a stick that is thrown for her but if that stick should happen to disappear in a thicket her nose from her bloodhound ancestry will search it out and find it every time. The best of both worlds, nose and

happiness back into their hearts by joining the family.

Since Debbie and Russell were from this area before becoming full time residents at TR they were very familiar with the local biking routes and hiking trails. They easily walk 4 to 6 miles every time they hit the trails. Zuzu wears a pedometer type attachment to her collar and of course her mileage adds up to more than her hiking partners. We all know how important it is for a busy nose to check out everything on a trail.

If Theodore and Zuzu are going to travel on wheels their favorite for shorter excursions would be the golf cart. Theodore lays in the back with his head peeking under the armrest for a good view while Zuzu stands on her hind legs with her front paws on the back of the front seat so she can have a better view. If they are going on a longer trip the choice is always Clara Belle, the big red bloodmobile bus. Debbie happened to see her for sale and knew they had to have her. She was soon converted to a complete camper and ready to roll. If you are passing by the TR Puppy Park on a late afternoon you will find Theodore and Zuzu happily romping with their four-legged friends. Well, Zuzu will be romping. You will probably find Theodore cuddled up to someone who is giving him a good ear rub.



#### **Pet Lovers Club** coming events

by Judy Leister **Community Yard Sales** 

Saturday, Jan. 9, 8 to 11 a.m. We will have a large collection of pet-related items for sale in front of lot 12-02.

Blessing of the Pets, Monday, Jan. 18 at 1 p.m. at the Puppy

Pet Lovers Club meeting to follow the Blessing.

Dog Fun Day, Tuesday, Jan. 26 Small dogs at 1 p.m. Large dogs at 3 p.m.







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# When the going gets tough TR keeps going



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Alan Kenny builds weather vanes.



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Mike Craig goes to the library.



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David Sims picks up his weekly oranges and strawberries from Matt Glavich.



Pam Brooks rakes her grass.

#### Vistas

# Making it a happy **New Year**

by Paul Freed

Note: for several years Paul Freed, father of current TR resident John Freed, wrote a weekly column, Vistas, for The TR Times. The following article appeared on Jan. 2, 2004.

What are the forces that make us happy? Perhaps the coming of a new year makes us think, however fleetingly, of where we are in life. Surely it would seem that as the new year begins, we are surrounded by abundant reasons to feel rewarded and confident. Census figures tell us that in the U.S. Real income has more than doubled since 1960. A century ago 20% of Americans owned the places where they lived. Today three out of every four of us own our own homes, and our houses are larger and more comfortable. Our dishes are washed, our laundry is done, we travel to vast supplies of groceries in ur one and one and half cars per family. Our health is sustained with astonishingly sophisticated skill. A century ago a man flew for the first time. He traveled the width of a modern jet's wings. In the last five years 200 million Americans boarded planes for distance places. "If the western world has ever known a golden age it is right here and right now," writes author Gregg Easterbrook in his new book The Progress Paradox. "Yet one in three Americans describe themselves as unhappy. What could cause this progress paradox?"

One wonders if there are perhaps several causes. First of all, surely, some of the reasons are fully understandable: ill health, disappointing family, budget extremes. Many of us have experienced the anxiety these bring. Yet it seems clear that there are some who, even without these concerns, fall into the 30% of Americans who say they are unhappy.

One wonders if a reason for some might not be the years of early childhood experience and training. Researchers found that



**PAUL FREED** 

young children are acutely sensitive to the attitudes and actions of those around them. Children treated with a lack of consideration can be prey to feelings of wistfulness and lack of fulfillment for a lifetime. More than that, are we not increasingly discovering that our enjoyment of life can be influenced by the genes we inherit? Is there anything one can do to ensure what one philosopher has called our "feeling of felicity?" "Among other strengthening resources," says author Easterbrook, "is the newly developing field of positive psychology. One of positive psychology's chief exercises," he says, "is to work on an attitude of forgiveness. Another is to broaden one's sense of grati-

"Dispelling a feeling of discontent is not easy," says Mr. Easterbrook. "But," he adds, "there is power in positive thinking. We have one lifetime. Perhaps much of the atmosphere we live in is up to us."

Says Samuel Johnson: How small that part of all that human hearts endure, the part which laws or kings can cause or cure! Still to ourselves in every place consigned. Our own felicity we make, or find.

# Do you have a TR Connection?

In the Dec. 18 issue of The TR Times we heard from Mike Knight who shared his story of how he found TR and later learned that his grandparents were TR residents many years ago.

Do you have a TR connection to a previous generation? Perhaps you spent time here as an adolescent or maybe an aunt and uncle recommended our little paradise.

If you have a generational connection to share, we invite you to send us your story. A photo with your relatives is welcome, too.

Please submit your story to thetrtimes@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

# Toys for Tots fund raiser makes a difference



Photo submitted by Linda Smith

Joan Colao, Mary Hunter and Linda Smith stand amazed at the generous display of gifts.

The TR Party Planners extend their sincerest gratitude for your generosity this season during the 2020 Toys for Tots collection. Again and again we see how our small community draws together to help others in need. It is amazing to see our residents, while so few in number, generate such a bounty as was collected this year. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

# **Bard Fuller's** sweet concoction wins second place



Photo submitted by Bard Fuller Bard shows off his winning sweet and whimsical design.

#### by Richard Kushman

Congratulations to Bard Fuller who won second place in the 2020 Dade City Gingerbread House World competition held at The Dade City Heritage and Cultural Museum last month. The annual contest celebrates local talent and creativity with business sponsorship funds going toward Dade City local arts and community. Bard shares that he was awarded a Visa gift card and that the competition's gingerbread houses were distributed to local nursing homes.



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# TR Sports

# **Ladies Golf League** results for Dec. 23



by Pat Butler

I hope everyone had a fun-filled holiday while social distancing with family and friends. If you are anything like me, you are ready to kick 2020 to the curb and get on with the new and hopeful year. We had seven golfers take time out of Christmas planning to play.

Low Handicap 0-12	High Handicap +13
Low Gross	Low Gross
1 Pat Gallagher40	1 Dee Branchaud47
2 Mardelle St. John51	2 Phyllis Simmers47
<b>Fewest Putts:</b>	3 Leslie Price48
Mardelle St. John 13	Birdies:
	Pat Gallagher

# **Ladies Golf League** results for Dec. 30



by Pat Butler

The weather was almost perfect for playing today and gave us a chance to wish each other a very Happy New Year! Here are the final

16Sults 101 2020.	
Low Handicap 0-12	High Handicap +13
Low Gross	Low Gross
1 Vicki Brooks41	1 Leslie Price44
2 Pat Gallagher43	2 Dee Branchaud48
3 Shirley-Ann Appleby 44	3 Phyllis Simmers49
Fewest Putts:	Low Net
Vicki Brooks14	1 Pat Butler33
Closest to #3:	2 Janet Stevens33
Mardelle St. John	3 Diane Doggett36
Chip-In:	Fewest Putts:
Shirley-Ann Appleby	Leslie Price14
	Chip-In: Leslie Price
	Birdie: Leslie Price



Photo by Bill Watkins

Mardelle St. John and Vicki Brooks wind up Christmas 2020 at the Starter Shack.

# **Bowling Results**

by Lin Buczek	2
Friday, Dec. 18	53 8
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Bill Buczek	
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Steve Niles	201
Women's Scratch High	
Debi Niles	
Donna Neer	
Women's Scratch High	
Debi Niles	
Donna Neer	329
Women's Handicap Hig	
Debi Niles	
Donna Neer	224
Women's Handicap Hig	gh Series
Debi Niles	
Donna Neer	644
Women's High Average	,
Leslie Price	162



# RC **Motorsports**

by Douglas Hatfield	
Saturday, Jan. 2	
1 Kevin Cahill	30
2 Dick Bowman	27
3 Scott Tartaglia	25

# Walk to get fit at TR



Photo by Bill Watkins

These ladies are getting a "leg-up" on their fitness plans.

It's time to take action on your New Year's fitness resolution. Just because the fitness room is closed is no excuse. Biking and walking around the park provide opportunities to increase cardiovascular fitness and build muscle. Record the number of miles you walk or bike each day on your calendar. Total the number of miles for the week and for each month to see just how far you've traveled. The following chart will give you an idea to plan for your fitness goal. By the time you leave in April, you'll be a walking wonder.

Route Miles
Fire Station around the perimeter of The Village:
Oak Hill to Maple to Busch to Oak Hill to the Fire Station 0.90
Fire Station to the entrance of TR
Entrance of TR along the grass path to the Puppy Park 0.60
Puppy Park or dumpster to the Snack Shack
Snack Shack to the Fire Station by way of Lake Margaret
Snack Shack directly to the Fire Station
Fire Station to corner of TR Blvd and 14th St
Perimeter of RV South starting at the intersection of TR Blvd.
and 14th St. to 10th St. to 21 St. to and St. to 14th St. to
TR Blvd
Fire Station around The Village, back to the Fire Station from the
Fire Station past the golf course to the TR Entrance, from the TR
Entrance along the grass path to the Puppy Park, from the Puppy
Park to the Snack Shack, then to Lake Margaret and back to the
Fire Station
Cabana Section loop: from the path between the Puppy Park and
the Snack Shack walk to the intersection of 11th and 14th Streets,
from 13th walk to TR Blvd, then turn left to 11th and back to the
intersection and then back to the path



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# Pasco County historical markers

by Mary Kosbab

A great way to get out of the park is to visit the Florida historical markers located in Pasco County. Plan a day trip to enjoy our great weather and continue to practice social distancing. Just pack a lunch, grab the gps and explore the county while learning about the history of the area.

**Christmas Day, 1835** Location: 1204 State Rd 52, Pasco Comprehensive High School.

City: Dade City. Description: On Christmas Day, 1835, Major Francis Langhorne Dade and his command of 111 men bivouacked near here by Fort King Road, which stretched 125 miles from Fort Brooke (Tampa) to Fort King (Ocala). Three days later, at a point about 20 miles north of their Christmas campsite, Major Dade and all but four of his men died in an ambush by Seminoles resisting removal to the West. This battle largely precipitated The Second Seminole War. Sponsors: Pasco Comprehensive High School and Francis Dade Ladies' Auxiliary 4283 Veterans of Foreign Wars in Cooperation with Department of

#### **Fort Dade**

Location: Treiman Blvd. between Johnny B and Globe Rd.

City: Dade City. Description: Located one mile east of this point on the south bank of the Withlacoochee River at the crossing of the Fort King Road. The Fort, built in 1837, named for Major Francis Langhorne Dade, served for many years as a depot and observation post in the heart of the Seminole Indian settlement. Here, March 6, 1837, Seminole leaders, Jumper and Alligator, met General Jesup to sign the "Ft. Dade Capitulation."Sponsors: Florida Parks and Historic Memorials.

**Fort King Road** Location: U.S. 301 north of Dade City.

City: Dade City.

**Description:** Construction on Fort King Road, first known as the Military Road, was begun in 1825 north from Fort Brooke at Tampa Bay. By the 1830's penetration had been made to Fort King near present day Ocala, and the road assumed strategic military importance. Along this route occurred "Dade's Massacre" on Dec. 28, 1835. Attacking near Bushnell in Sumter County, the Seminoles wiped out the detachment of Major Francis L. Dade and set off the Second Seminole War.

#### **Pasco County**

**Location:** on Courthouse grounds in Dade City.

City: Dade City.

**Description:** Pasco County was created from Hernando County on May 12, 1887. The area was first inhabited by Muscogee Indians and the first white men in area came with Spanish explorer Panfilo de Narvaez in May, 1528. Narvaez fought the Indians near the Withlacoochee River before moving northward. Few white settlers were in the area until the 1840's. It is home of St. Leo College and is noted for citrus and naval orange

The Bradley Massacre Location: intersection of S.R.581 and 578-A (Darby Road). City: Darby.

Description: On the evening of May 14, 1856, one-third of a mile northeast of this spot a Seminole war party attacked the home of Captain Robert Duke Bradley, a member of the Florida Foot Volunteers and one of the first white settlers south of the Withlacoochee River. Two of the Bradley children were killed before the Indians were driven off. This skirmish took place during the Third Seminole War.

**Sponsors:** Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials in Cooperation with Pioneer Florida Museum Association.

Zephyrhills Railroad Depot Location: 39110 South Ave.

City: Zephyrhills. **Description:** The Atlantic Coast Line Railroad (ACLR) Depot was built in 1927 and was used as a station/depot for passenger service and for shipping citrus, produce and other goods, thereby stimulating economic development and residential settlement.

Railroad stations served as major community, commercial and social centers, linking each of the small towns with the rest of the world. With its wide overhangs and high ceilings, the depot represents the southern architectural style of the first quarter of the 20th century.

Built at a cost of \$13,207.21, the building was constructed of red brick and hard pine. It featured segregated waiting rooms, an office, a ware (freight) room, a raised outside platform and concrete concourses. ACLR trains traversed through Florida serving Zephyrhills from Jacksonville and Ocala to southern cities including Tampa, Bradenton and Miami. Famous trains such as the "Orange Blossom Special" and "Gulf Coast Limited" were among those stopping at the Zephyrhills station. With assistance from state and federal grants, the City of Zephyrhills acquired the depot in 1988 and restored it to its original appearance. In October 1998. it opened to the public as a local railroad and historical museum. **Sponsors:** City of Zepyhyrhills and the Florida Depart. of State.



#### **Chipco Township**

Location: 16675 Jessamine Road. City: Dade City.

Description: The former town of Chipco was located here, less than six miles west of the former site of Fort Dade #2, built in 1849 during the Seminole War era. The town rose to prominence after the Civil War as an economic center. It was named in honor of Chief Chipco, a Seminole leader and uncle of Chief Tallahassee, whose band traded in the Tampa and Fort Dade area. Chief Chipco was an opponent of the Third Seminole War and later became known as a "friend of the whites." The town of Chipco boasted a cotton gin and press, as well as grist and planing mills, built in 1874-75. In 1877, a frame schoolhouse was built, which doubled as a church on Sundays. There was a post office and a thriving general store that supplied goods to local farmers. In 1887, a station for the Orange Belt Railway was built and began operating as Chipco Train Station #21. The town likely declined due to multiple factors. The Great Freeze of 1895 killed many citrus groves and the exhaustion of the virgin pine forests negatively impacted the area's lumber and turpentine industry. The Chipco school continued to operate until 1901. By 1909 the town had disappeared from most maps.

Sponsors: Drs. Karen and Eric Hannel and the Florida Department of State.

**Food Truck** Schedule for the weeks of Jan. 10 and Jan. 17



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Mon, 1/11, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Family Farm

Tue, 1/12, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Rhoden Farm Fresh Eggs Thu, 1/14, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Glavich Produce

Thu, 1/14, 12:30 to 2 p.m. Kielbasa Bus

Thu, 1/14, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Glavich Produce

Fri, 1/15, 12:30 to 2 p.m. Griddle Gourmet

Fri, 1/15, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Special menu of Spanish food delights)

Glavich Produce Mon, 1/18, 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

The Family Farm Tue, 1/19, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Light My Fire Pizza

Tue, 1/19, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Rhoden Farm Fresh Eggs

Thu, 1/21, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Glavich Produce

Thu, 1/21, 12:30 to 2 p.m. Glavich Produce

Fri, 1/22, 12:30 to 2 p.m. Griddle Gourmet

Fri, 1/22, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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Please state what the item is, make and model, describe some of the features, and list the requested price. Make sure to include your contact information, name, lot number, telephone number and email address. The TR Times will notify you of receipt of your ad via email.

# **Obituaries**

#### MARY T. GIANGREGORIO

Mary T. (DiGirolamo) Giangregorio age 91, died Nov. 13, 2020 in Danvers, Mass. She was the wife of the late Ralph Giangregorio and fiancée of Augustine "Gus" Sbrogna of Worcester,

Mary was born in Everett, Mass. on Sept. 30, 1929 the daughter of the late Antonio and Adele (Bevilacqua) DiGirolamo.

She was the mother of six children, Ralph (Linda) Giangregorio, the late Patrick Giangregorio, Adele Scenna and her fiancé Arthur Sullivan, Robert (Paula) Giangregorio, Linda (Charles, Jr.) Bickford and Elena (late husband Clifton) Hall.

Mary and Gus have resided for many years in The Village on lot 2557. They enjoyed all the activities here but traveling with friends on cruises was the highlight for them. Those who cruised with them could share many stories of the wonderful fun and laughter the two of them brought to the trip.

#### MARGARET(PEGGY) A. **GUTSHALL**

Margaret (Peggy) A. Gutshall of Dearborn, Mich. passed away April 17, 2020 at the age of 87.

She and Robert "Bob" Gutshall were married in 1950. They were residents of TR for many years, living in RV South on lot 1105 beginning in 2005 before moving to The Village on lot 2529 where they remained until leaving in 2013 due to health issues. Bob died in 2014.

Peggy enjoyed many activities at TR, but knitting and Red Hat outings were her favorites.

She was predeceased by her shand Robert son Robert (late Beverly) and great grandchild Margaret. Her survivors are daughters Margaret (Robert) Amburgey, Kathryn (Leroy) Wallace, Mary Jane Callegari and Sharon (John) Haynes, nine grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren.

#### NORMAN (NORM) MELVIN HEWER

Norman (Norm) Melvin Hewer passed away Aug. 6, 2020 at the age of 88.

Norm was born on Feb. 13, 1932 to Norman R. and Elsie Hewer. From the time he was young Norman had the privilege of having Frank and Nellie Lemmon as his foster parents.

He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War and was a proud veteran. He retired from the Canadian National Railroad where he worked as a car accountant. A devout Christian, he was a member of St. Peter Lutheran Church for many years.

During their 60 years of marriage Norm and Lucile discovered the joys of RV travel and were very active in WBCCI. He was International President of the organization and also took pride in leading the Lighthouse Caravan.

They were both very involved in all aspects of TR where they resided in RV South. They left for health reasons but after losing Lucile, Norm returned for the 2019-2020 season.

Survivors include children Susan Rosteck,, Marla (Lee) Gallant and Patricia Brohl, eleven grandchildren, six great grandchildren, devoted partner Lynn Beaudin and her two children.

#### HAROLD W. LARSEN

Harold W. Larsen, Jr., 84, of Sturgeon Bay, Wis. passed away on Aug. 6, 2020. He was born June 13, 1936 in Chicago, Ill. to Helen (Neva) and Harold Larsen, Sr.

He graduated from Lane Technical High School in Chicago and attended Wright Junior College. From 1957 until 1963 Harold served in the U.S. Army Reserves. He worked for Illinois Bell/AT&T for 30 years before opening Larsen Phone Service.

On Sept. 22, 1962 he married Susan Erlandson in Rockford, Ill. Their home base for most of their marriage was Rockford and during retirement they traveled as much as possible in their RV. In 2010 they relocated their permanent address to their summer cottage in Sturgeon Bay, spending each winter at TR in RV South.

Harold loved being on boats and in the water especially skiing, fishing and swimming. He owned a boat from the time he was 19 until he was 83. Known as a handyman he enjoyed helping others.

Growing up he helped his Dad build the family cottage and continued to learn the carpenter trade from his father on construction jobs. Later he helped many friends and family members with their home projects. With an insatiable curiosity to understand how things work, he also became skilled as a plumber, electrician and mechanic. He shared the fruits of this passion by being a resource and mentor to anyone seeking tools and instruction on how to build or fix things.

A lifelong Lutheran Harold was always involved with his church, serving on Council, running the sound system/recording services for radio broadcasts and managing building maintenance. He transitioned from a seasonal member to a full time member of Hainesville Lutheran Church in 2010 and enjoyed attending Wednesday Bible Studies.

Harold is survived by his wife, Sue, his two children as well as four grandchildren He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Eric.

The family plans to have a Celebration of Life event in June of 2021 with hopes it will be safe to gather socially again as Harold always told them, "I have lived a great and happy life and I want you to celebrate that when I'm gone."

#### **BENJAMIN (BEN) DOUGLAS MCINTOSH**

Benjamin (Ben) Douglas McIntosh, 80, of Spotsylvania, Va. passed away in his home surrounded by family on Sept. 30,

Born on Feb. 26, 1940 in New Bern, N.C. to Claudius "Mac" and Louise McIntosh he lived there until graduating high school. Ben eventually moved to Kinston, N.C. where he worked at Lenoir Auto Parts. This is where he met his wife Margaret.

While at TR they resided in RV South. He was the Thursday cook at the Snack Shack and she was active with the ladies golf.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Margaret, daughter Mary (Natalie) McIntosh and son B. Douglas (Teri) McIntosh, Jr., six grandchildren, brothers Jerry McIntosh and Ervin McIntosh.

#### MARY C. PATENGE

Mary C. Patenge, age 87, of Boyne City, Mich., formerly of East Lansing, went to be with her Savior on March 22, 2020. Mary was born in Lansing, the daughter of Victor and Amelia Lehrer.

In 1954 she married Rolland (Bud) Patenge of East Lansing and they resided there until moving to Boyne City after retirement. Mary completed her Bachelor's Degree in Humanities at Michigan State University while raising her three children. She was an avid MSU Spartan fan.

One of Mary's favorite pastimes was painting. She enjoyed art and tried to witness her faith through her art projects. She was a member of Christ Lutheran Church at the time of her death.

Bud and Mary were members of WBCCI for over 50 years. They loved to travel worldwide and made many lifelong friends through the club. At TR they resided in the Cabana Section.

Mary is survived by daughter, Cheryl (Garry) Mapes, sons Thomas (Bunny) Patenge and James (Kris) Patenge, seven grandchildren, five step-grandchildren, one sister, two brothersin-law, a niece and two nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, parents and one sister.

#### ARTHUR (ART) PESCH

The world lost a precious husband, father, grandfather and friend when Arthur Pesch passed away peacefully from natural causes on Aug. 10, 2020, just two weeks shy of his 94th birthday.

Art was born in Queens, N.Y. on Aug. 23, 1926. He was the youngest of 10 children.

At 17 years old Art signed up for the Army and began five years of service during WWII, serving as Staff Sergeant in both the Philippines and Okinawa.

He met Eileen Demling at a Christmas party and their first date was to the midnight mass. Art and Eileen lived on Long Island until they made their move to Travelers Rest in the late 80s. They both fell in love with their house on lot 2521 in The Village,

Art enjoyed the outdoors and camping throughout the U.S. starting with a pop-up camper. They progressed to Airstreams and had many years of adventures with the WBCCI.

At TR Art loved bocce ball and for years dutifully maintained the bocce ball courts. More than anything, however, he enjoyed being out on the water. He has been on more than 50 cruises.

Art is survived by his wife of 65 years Eileen, four children Donna (Steve) Smith, Mark (Amy) Pesch, Scott (Kim) Pesch and Maura (John) Sciametta as well as four grandchildren and the rest of vast extended family.

#### CLARA JO SCOTT

Clara Jo Scott, 80, passed away peacefully on Aug. 24, 2020 in St. Petersburg, Fla. She was born in Lansing, Mich. on Aug. 13, 2020 to Morse and Mary (Thompson) Jury.

She married Marvin Joseph Scott in 1961. Fast forward to their retirement in 1996 and their discovery of the love of travel. They began traveling throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico with their beloved Airstream trailer. They settled for a while in Arizona but eventually spent their final years together starting in 2006 at TR in The Village on lot 2523. In the early years she was very involved with the Golf Association and thoroughly enjoyed the Red Hat activities.

Clara enjoyed her widowed years by spending time with sons Todd (Judy) and Mark (Angela), along with grandchildren, beloved in-laws and other relatives in Michigan and her many friends in Florida. She was especially thankful for the many cards she received for her 80th birthday.

Son Todd shared that despite having been in quarantine for over five months in the elderly health

care system, her sons were able to see her in her final five days. She was thrilled and excited from the very first visit, getting hugs and kisses and laying eyes directly on her sons. She grasped their hands every day and smiled lovingly.

Clara and Marvin will be interred together at the National Veterans Cemetery in Bushnell, Fla. at a later date.

#### RUSSELL (RUSS) ELTON **STEARNS**

Russell (Russ) Elton Stearns, 90, passed away peacefully on Feb. 19, 2020 at his home in Goffstown, N.H. following a period of declining health.

Born on Aug. 5 1929 in Waltham, Mass. he was the eldest of three sons of Elton and Marion (Hale) Stearns.

After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the Navy where he was selected to attend flight school. He received his wings, was commissioned as an officer and stationed at Cecil Field in Jacksonville where he met the love of his life and future wife, Frances Clanton. He served 25 years, retiring as a Lt. Commander in the Reserves.

Sadly Russ suffered for much of his adult life with Rheumatoid Arthritis. Though it was a very painful and debilitating disease, he lived his life with vigor enjoying sailing, playing harmonica, caravanning with their Airstream trailer and wintering for 25+ years at TR on lot 1313.

He is survived by his wife Frances, daughter Beth Hooksett, sons Jim and Bill Stearns, four grandchildren, three great grandchildren as well as brother Larry Stearns. He is predeceased by brother Donald Stearns.

#### **REGINALD (REG) GORDON** WATLING

Reginald (Reg) Gordon Watling passed away on Aug. 20, 2020 in Napanee, Ontario. just shy of his 88th birthday. Reg is survived by his loving and ever-byhis-side wife of 68 years, Lorna.

Reg will be remembered for his great love of teaching, which included high school carpentry and Bible Study lessons. He looked forward to winters in Florida at TR where they resided in RV South. It was there that he perfected his incredible talent for wood carving and shared his expertise with others through his instructive classes. He blessed TR also with his weekly Bible Studies.

He is survived by his wife, 6 children Barry, Susan, Terry, Kevin, Peter and Debbie, grandchildren and great grandchildren and his sister Shirley Buck.

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