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AGM Ballots

You may return your AGM ballot as soon as you receive it. You do not need to wait. See page 2.



Firefighters Needed

We are seeking volunteers to join us as firefighters! For more information, see page 4.



TRLGA Bakeless Bake

Monday, Feb. 1. See details on page 5.



Souper Bowl of Caring

Donate your cans and/or dollar for Daystar Hope on Sunday, Feb. 7. See page 5.



Golden Anniversaries

Were you married in 1971? Let The TR Times honor you on Feb. 19. See page 5 for details.

Reminders



TR Book Browsers

Virtual Book Browsers meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 2 p.m. See page 6 for details.



Fire/Rescue pulled-pork dinner drive thru

Saturday, Jan. 30, 5 p.m. behind Busch Hall. See page 4.

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COVID vaccines - when and where?

Information outlined in this article is the latest available as of Jan. 18. Visit the provider websites for changes, cancellations and up-to-date information.

by Jean Cobb

Oh, my... what confusion and frustration trying to keep up with when and where to get COVID vaccines! Just when you think you understand the options, things change and you have to start over again.

As you consider the options outlined below, ask yourself the following questions to see what option(s) might work best for your circumstances.

1- Are you at least 65 years of age? (Florida's target group is 65+ at the present time.)

2- Are you able to drive to a location to receive a vaccine, local and/or distant?

3- Do you have any known contraindications to receiving the vaccine, e.g. any allergy requiring an EpiPen, received a shingles vaccine in the last 28 days, currently ill or diagnosed with COVID-19, etc.?

4- Do you have any medical condition that would require you to get clearance from your physician before receiving the COVID vaccine, e.g. any reaction to a vaccine in the past, chemotherapy, immunosuppression or taking a blood thinner, etc.?

5-Will you remain in the area for the second dose (21 days for Pfizer and 28 days for Moderna)?

All of the following options require lots of patience! At this point it is apparent that there are many seniors in Pasco County and the surrounding counties who are competing for relatively few appointments for COVID vaccines. Also, each of the counties must adjust their programs daily or weekly as they wait on vaccine distribution from the state. Some seniors are challenged by the Internet approach to retrieving information and/or scheduling appointments.

I will be updating information as I receive it in the Facebook Residents and Friends group and through Marilyn Long's TR News and Updates email. I am also working on a phone-based "Help using the Internet. If you receive and times when it opens.



helpful information, please forward it to me via email at jcobb645@gmail.com or message me via Facebook. If you are interested in being part of the phone-based Help Line, please contact me as well.

Option A: Pasco County **Department of Health**

Fees: None

Appointment required: Yes. Access either the CDR Maguire website at patientportalfl.com and establish an account so you can register for a vaccination time when time slots become available or call 844-770-8548.

Locations: Two, one in West Pasco (Sears Auto Center on U.S.19) and one in East Pasco (St. Leo University).

When vaccine is available, appointments open for both #1 and #2 shots online or by phone until all appointments are filled. It is not clear at this time when more appointment slots may become available or how the public will be notified. For the latest vaccine information from Pasco County, you can check the Pasco County Department of Health website at pasco.floridahealth.gov.

Option B: Lake County **Department of Health**

Fees: None

Appointment required: No, not at this time. Vaccine is given on a first-come, first-serve basis in a drive-through arrangement in Mount Dora beginning at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week as long as vaccine is available.

Locations: One, at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 6802 Old Highway 441 S., Mount Dora. Another site in Groveland will be opening when the next large shipment of vaccine is available. Line" for those who have difficulty Groveland may have different days

For the latest vaccine information from Lake County, you can check the Lake County Department of Health website at lake.floridahealth.gov or call the Lake County COVID-19 Hotline at 352-268-9299.

Option C: Hernando **County Department of Health**

Fees: None

Appointment required: Yes, the last appointments were scheduled by phone only.

Locations: Appointments are suspended until they receive more vaccine.

For the latest vaccine information from Hernando County, you can check the Hernando County Department of Health website at hernando.floridahealth.gov.

Option D: Publix supermarkets in Hernando, Citrus, or Marion Counties near TR

Fees: They will bill Medicare or other insurance for administration fees.

Appointment required: Yes, schedule online only.

Locations: Appointments are suspended until they receive more vaccine.

For the latest vaccine information from Publix, check the Publix COVID vaccine website at Publix.com/covid.

Option E: AdventHealth

Fees: They will bill Medicare or other insurance for administration fees.

Appointment required: Yes, you will be notified by email of appointment availability.

Locations: Announced locations are in Zephyrhills, Carrollwood, and Clearwater.

Information indicates seniors 65+ who have a primary physician





in AdventHealth Medical Group and receive an email invitation will be eligible to make an appointment when slots are available. For the latest vaccine informa-

tion from AdventHealth, check their website at adventhealth.com under Press Releases and News.

Option F: Vaccinations at TR by Pasco County Department of Health

Fees: None anticipated.

Appointment required: It is uncertain at this time.

Location: Most likely in the area of Busch Hall as a drivethrough event.

Option G: Vaccinations at

Fees: None anticipated

Appointment required: Yes Location: James Haley Hos-

pital (Tampa) and some outlying clinics.

Veterans only who have a relationship with the VA system. Criteria are different from Florida criteria. For more information, check website: https://www.va.gov/ health-care/Covid-19-vaccine/.

Pasco County Department of Health has asked for the number of TR residents who are 65+ who would like to get the COVID vaccine at TR. That information has been compiled and returned to them. We have no further information at this time regarding if or when this option could occur.

Finally, I would like to make two serious recommendations for all of us. First, if an opportunity presents to get vaccinated, take it! Don't wait for a potential program to come to TR if you can get it sooner. Second, don't let your guard down while waiting. There has been, and probably is now, COVID within TR.

MASK, DISTANCE, WASH YOUR HANDS... stay healthy

Mirror Lake tranquility



Photo by Cindy Duttenhofer

Sandy Gardner's daughter Cindy Duttenhofer captured this moment as four men enjoyed the tranquility of Mirror Lake sailboat racing while practicing safe distancing.

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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 email address, trtimes@travelersrestresort.com, will be forwarded to our new account through the end of this season.

Briefings from the Board

by Callie Zak, President/CEO

The Annual General Meeting will be held in The Grove on Tuesday, March 9. The AGM packets were mailed on Jan.15. Regardless of whether you can attend or not, we are requesting that you return your ballots so we can meet quorum, elect new Board members and pass our new Article of Incorporation.

You may return your ballot as soon as you receive it, you do not have to wait. Those in the park can put theirs in the IN PARK mail. Our Head Teller is Sandy Nelson and she prefers that everyone send in their ballots so that they can announce the results at the meeting. Please refer to your packet for various methods about how to return your ballot. An email option has been added.

An important resolution to add an Article of Incorporation is on a separate ballot. It is: ARTICLE XI - Meeting of Stockholders - Quorum. A minimum of one-third of the issued and outstanding shares, represented in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting business at any meeting of the **stockholders.** The Board is asking a **"For"** vote to add this resolution.

When we sent all of the submissions to the attorney for review, the firm found that we needed to add this resolution to support the current bylaw regarding quorum and bring this into compliance with current Florida statutes before proceeding with other bylaw changes.

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The pool is closed because of needing pump repairs. The technician cannot get here for three weeks. Ray will do his best to get it in working condition as soon as possible. Technicians and parts are difficult to get during this pandemic. I know that firsthand as our truck has been in the shop now since Dec. 6. They have told us it will be another 4-6 weeks before they get the parts. It seems 2020 just refuses to go away!

The buildings are remaining closed as we had another positive case. Please continue to wear your masks, wash your hands and watch your distance. If you see others not following safety protocols please stay away. The sign in the Post Office means one person in the whole Post Office area at a time.

Ray is sending the list of those interested in receiving the vaccine here at TR to Pasco County Emergency Management. We hope that they will get more vaccine soon and come to TR. We will keep trying to make this happen. Be safe and please turn in your ballots as soon as possible!

TR's Maintenance Heroes

by Margaret Emmetts

Almost the first thing everyone says when they come to TR is how beautiful the park is. The Garden Club adds the finishing touches of flowers around the grounds, residents keep their places clean and volunteers help to weed, rake and trim our Golf Course boundaries. However, the real force behind the park's appearance are our Maintenance Heroes.

Nine Maintenance Heroes keep our many acres in tip-top shape. All of them work under the direction of Maintenance Hero Supervisor Wes Frye, who is known to most of us as a man of few words.

Golf Course Supervisor Roger Finch and his assistant Steve Sikes have the monumental task of keeping our golf course in pristine condition. They mow, water, seed and do whatever is necessary to keep our golfers happy. They are assisted by the resident team who goes out every Tuesday morning to fill divots.

Lee Stover, the park's mechanic, is the THEY DAY man who keeps all of our equipment running.





SUPERVISOR WES FRYE



GOLF COURSE SUPERVISOR ROGER FINCH AND ASSISTANT STEVE SIKES

The rest of our heroes are Maintenance Assistants who are responsible for a multitude of tasks. They clean the buildings, cut grass, make general repairs, clean up storm damage, paint and generally do whatever is necessary. They ready your lots before you return for the season. They also make up the crew who completes all the projects that are tackled over the summer. All of our heroes offer a smile and a wave when you pass by.

Even though there are fewer residents this season and fewer activities, our Maintenance Heroes are still working full-time every day to keep our park at its most beautiful. Thank you!



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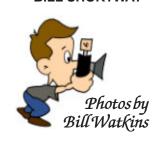




MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT CODY ADAMSON



MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT SCOTT ADAMSON



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Are you filling by emptying?

We are all dealing with changes in our daily routines due to the COVID-19 crisis. Since we are unable to participate in the many activities that normally take place at TR, we are looking for things to do that will help fill our days. As a result, many of us are using our new-found time to clean out long ignored closets and corners of our homes. Or is that just the ladies doing this? Are you men also cleaning out your workshops? So, we are filling our days by emptying our homes of unwanted items.

While most resident activities in the park are cancelled, there is one activityity that is still on-going. That would be the charity work of collecting these unwanted items, so ably led by Darold and Marilyn Long.

If you have usable articles of clothing or household items that you no longer want, why not donate them to the charities we support in Dade City. TR's trailer is currently located in the Busch Hall parking lot. Simply take your unwanted items and deposit them in the trailer. Some needy family in Dade City will no doubt be very happy to receive your donations.

This is a win-win situation for everyone. You will feel good about making a donation as well as finding some more space in your home. Someone in Dade City will feel good about receiving something they

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The Servant's Plow

God's design of creation

by Chaplain Anthony Shipe

The argument for design is the most basic argument for a Creator. God Himself makes use of this argument in Scripture. It is not as though God feels that He must argue with man to make His point. Rather He knows that He has given man enough intelligence that even the most stubborn unbeliever will have difficulty explaining away the design in the creation.

Read Hebrews 3:4. No one has ever seen a house and supposed that it was a result of an accidental falling together of trees, stone and other materials. A house is clearly designed and created by some intelligence. God points out in this verse how obvious the application of common sense is because the world did not get here by chance.

Did anyone teach that the world arrived here by chance, without intelligent design, when Hebrews was written? Indeed, they did! The first formal writing suggesting a naturalistic evolution of the world and its life forms had begun to appear more than 500 years before Hebrews was written.

Over the years such writers became accepted as the intellectual leaders. They suggested that the world had to be explained by naturalistic principles in order to do away with the idea of God. They said that such religious ideas were old fashioned and illogical and offered the naturalistic explanation of evolution to show people that belief in God was unnecessary.

By 100 B.C. these intellectual leaders were making open attacks on the Genesis creation account calling it a myth. Some of their written attacks have even survived to our day. Their ideas were taught, if not accepted, in every educational center of the world, including Jerusalem, by the time Hebrews was written. We may consider this and several others in the New Testament, including Paul's sermon on Mars Hill, as direct challenges to evolutionary teaching at that time.



ANTHONY SHIPE

Read Acts 14:16-17. These words were spoken by either St. Paul or Barnabas at Lystra when the crowds wanted to worship them as gods after they healed a lame man. The witness that God left for Himself as stated here is that we receive the rains and the seasons we need to feed ourselves.

The order and constancy of the rains and seasons, coupled with the ability of our food crops and animals to cope with them, is indeed evidence of design. The relationships involved here include several separate systems. Each must be able to work with the other and not only exist but come out ahead for the support of man. This is all much more complex than a house and therefore must be the product of design.

Remember Psalm 148:8 in conjunction with Acts 14:16-17. These systems have not been established to operate automatically. God has designed them and their daily operation under His unlimited loving attention. His instructions for wind speed and direction, precipitation amounts and placements are what reveal that a Divine Intelligence, a Planner, is behind all things.

Read Romans 1: 19-20. Here again we have the argument for design being presented but with some additional information. Note what can be known from nature about God. His power can be seen in an earthquake, a storm or the sun. His divine nature is evident

in His control of these awesome forces. We may add that His wisdom can be seen in the intricate inter-relationships in nature. However we cannot know simply from the things in nature of His specific love for us and His earnest desire to forgive and accept us. That was clearly shown through the innocent suffering and death of His Son, Jesus Christ. on our behalf. Traditionally we call the things we can know about God from nature "the natural knowledge" of God." The gospel of His acceptance of us through the blood of Christ cannot be known from nature. We learn of that only in His revealed Word and so we call this saving knowledge "the revealed knowledge of God."

Read Ephesians 2:10. We see here that the Biblical teaching on creation goes far beyond what is revealed by nature. We are remade new creations in Christ, through Whom we were first created (John 1). Having sinned we need to be remade for a new purpose. Note that the first time we were made we had nothing to do with it. Our own efforts were not involved at all. The same is true of our being made new creations in Christ. God, by His love and grace, in the sacrifice of Christ on the cross, has made us new creations in Christ without any merit or worthiness on our part. Without Christ we are slaves to sin. What is the purpose of our being made new creatures in Christ according to this text? It is because of our weaknesses. We see that God's grace and forgiveness, which makes us new creations, is not a once-in-alifetime occurrence.

Each day we need to go to our Father with our sins, in Jesus' Name, and be assured once again of His love and forgiveness of our

I walk with the promise of God's grace surrounding me and the assurance of His ever-present

Updated TR church plans

by Rev. Anthony Shipe

Condensed from an email The Executive Church Board is taking measures to safeguard our TR community by minimizing gatherings. Church services in The Grove are suspended for the next

Bible Study at 9 a.m. and Worship Service at 10 a.m. will be live-streamed on YouTube from the pastor's home. Church bul-

two weeks, Jan. 24 and Jan. 31.



letins will continue to be available and ongoing operation of the through email.

cial Music, Call to Worship, or Attn: Mickey Cobb. donation of flowers, you are relieved of your duties for these next and support in these difficult times.

two weeks. We will welcome any flowers in honor of your special occasion that can be viewed and recognized on the live-streaming if you choose.

Contributions to the ministry church can be sent to:

If you have signed up for Spe- TR Church Association, Box 1302

We appreciate your prayers

The Siren



by Jean Cobb RN and First Responder

A feeling of being unable to breathe well that begins over a period of minutes or hours is referred to as acute shortness of breath. Because our lungs function to move oxygen from the air we breathe into our bloodstream and to our cells, anything that decreases the amount of oxygen in the air (like traveling to really high altitudes), interferes with our respiratory muscles, impedes the oxygen movement or transfer at the lung/blood interface, or reduces the blood's ability to carry the oxygen can make us feel short of breath. Intense activity, as well as anxiety, can trigger that feeling

Several medical conditions can be associated with acute shortness of breath, including pneumonia, congestive heart failure, heart attack, asthma, allergic reactions, collapsed lung, blood clots in a lung, carbon monoxide inhalation, sudden blood loss or obstruction (choking) on an object in an airway.

Acute Shortness of breath during the COVID-19 pandemic

Of course, we all know that COVID-19 is frequently associated with shortness of breath. While fever, sore throat, body aches, fatigue, cough, and GI symptoms such as nausea or diarrhea can be bothersome, shortness of breath is the most frequent symptom of COVID-19 that triggers a 911 call for help.

So what should you do if you experience acute shortness of breath? First, find a place to sit upright comfortably, leaning forward a bit if it helps. Try to stay calm and decrease physical exertion to decrease oxygen needs.

Next, if the feeling persists and affects your ability to function, call 911, especially if your shortness of breath is accompanied by chest pain, fainting, nausea, a bluish tinge to lips or nails or a change in mental alertness.

During your 911 call, the dispatcher will ask whether you have other symptoms of COVID-19. If you do, tell the Pasco County Fire/Rescue dispatcher as well as the TR First Responders when they arrive at your residence.

Because Pasco paramedics and EMTs are better outfitted to protect themselves on a COVID 911 call, First Responders at TR will likely remain outside your

residence and prepare for arrival of the Pasco ambulance personnel who will evaluate and transport you to the hospital. TR First Responders also have a supply of oxygen and can provide oxygen for you to breathe while the Pasco ambulance is enroute. Stay calm, help is on the way!

A special thank you to all who purchased tickets for our pulledpork fundraiser! You are the BEST!



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 just a good ole boys get together.



We train hard and we meet every week to be prepared if needed. Reasonably good health and a commitment to serve is required. If you are looking for a volunteer activity please call me, Chief Larry Polzin at 810-247-2361 or drop by

Thank you for a successful TR Fire/Rescue fundraiser

by Gloria Polzin

Thank you for such a great turn out for our TR Fire/Rescuefundraiser. We sold our allotted 300 tickets for the pulled-pork dinner drive-thru. We are so excited about this new endeavor.

Our new feature this year was the addition of special delivery dinners. More than 20 signed up, and we are looking forward to this added benefit for residents.

There will be some door prizes as usual, so be sure to write your name and lot number on the back of your tickets.

Save the date! The TR Fire/ Rescue pulled-pork dinner, which includes potato salad, baked beans, roll and dessert is Saturday, Jan. 30 at 5 p.m. in the parking lot behind Busch Hall. Don't forget your own utensils and napkins as they are not provided. See you there!



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A shout-out to all of our Canadian friends!

TR was scheduled to celebrate Canada Day tomorrow, Jan. 23. This is just another reminder of how many things have changed this season, not just at TR, but world-wide.

We did not want to miss the opportunity, though, to give a loud shout-out to all of our friends and neighbors up north. We miss you and sincerely hope to see you soon.

In the meantime, we will leave you with excerpts from this classic Jane's World by Jane Harrold from The TR Times archives.

I am in Canada when ... by Jane Harrold

- * I can sit on the chesterfield with a chocolate bar or box of Smarties watching Hockey Night in Canada on the television and wonder what Don Cherry the outspoken and outrageouslydressed commentator will have to say between periods.
- * No one wonders why the Toronto hockey team is called the Maple Leafs instead of the Maple Leaves and everyone knows that the Habs are the Montreal Canadi-
- I look in my wallet and see paper money in several different colours: blue, purple, green, etc.



Photo courtesy of freepik.com

I have no \$1 bills because we have both a \$1 and \$2 coin instead. The \$1 coin has an image of a loon, so it is called a loonie. The \$2 coin is called a toonie and both coins make my wallet heavy. Grandchildren are fond of loonies and toonies because they are perfect for piggy banks. Also, there are no pennies.

- * I write a cheque on my bank account to pay the hydro bill.
- * I can go outside for a walk in cold weather wearing my parka, my toque and my runners. The temperature is in Celsius which means that it is freezing at 0 degrees. Of course, I know it is shorts weather when it is 26 and way too hot when it is over 30. The fact that my old brain registers 26 as cold is immaterial.

- * I buy my milk, homo, 2%, 1% or skim three litres at a time in a plastic bag containing three one litre bags. I have a special pitcher to drop these into for pouring.
- * Speaking of litres reminds me that I buy my gasoline by the litre. When we were home at Christmas the cost was \$1.08 per litre. Four litres is a bit larger than the U.S. gallon which makes gasoline prices here look very
- * I can drive at more than 100 and not worry about getting arrested since this is 100 kilometres or about 60 miles per hour. Also, I can drive on the 401 highway north of Toronto where in places it is 16 lanes wide. A very scary place but I try to keep my eyes open.
- * I can have vinegar on my french fries and wipe my greasy fingers on a serviette.

We are a nation of peacemakers. Our behaviour is usually subdued just like our humour. We are good neighbours although we do spell things funny.

We sing O Canada our home and native land, but TR is our second home and our chosen winter place - the U. S. Eh!

Were you married in 1971?



by Pam Watkins

If you were married in 1971, we want to help you celebrate your Golden Anniversary.

Typically, the TR Friday Night Dance Committee and The TR Times sponsor a Golden Anniversary Dance in February of each year to honor all couples who will be married 50 years. Unfortunately this is a very different year, but we are not going to let this prevent us from extending our best wishes to

This year we will interview all 2021 Golden Anniversary couples and publish their stories along with photos in *The TR Times* on Friday, Feb. 19. But wait - there's more!

Following the publication, you will receive a tabloid-size print of the Golden Anniversary page as well as a couple of surprises.

If you want your TR friends and neighbors to congratulate you this year - and really, why not, we need all the smiles we can get this season - just drop us a line via email at thetrtimes@gmail.com or to Box 2817 via the in-park mail before Wednesday, Feb. 10. Please include your names, wedding date, your lot number and phone number in your note. We will schedule your interview and photo op and look forward to publishing your story in The TR Times.

Congratulations!

Announcing the **Souper Bowl of Caring 2021**



by Richard Hunt

In 1990, a simple prayer: Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat, was delivered to a small youth group in Columbia.

This gave birth to an idea. Why not harness the energy and enthusiasm of Super Bowl weekend, a time when people come together for football, food and fun, to unite the nation for a higher good? Youth groups could collect dollars in soup pots and

canned food for those in need and send every dollar and food donation directly to a local charity of their choice.

The first year they invited 22 area churches to join the team and collected \$5,700 with 100% of donations distributed to local-area charities. Since then Souper Bowl of Caring has become a national, grassroots, youth-led movement where ordinary young people are doing extraordinary work. Over \$150 million in dollars and food has been generated while benefiting thousands of soup kitchens, food banks, meal programs and other hunger-relief charities in local communities.

Having been a part of congregations that participated in this movement, not long after we moved to TR, I suggested this as a special offering opportunity. Since it is a "Youth Group" movement, we called upon the "Travelers Rest Youth Group" (all of us) to collect cans of soup on Super Bowl Sunday for Daystar Hope pantry in Dade City. We voted for our favored football team by placing cans, or dollars, in team-labeled boxes. It is now an annual giving opportunity.

On Sunday, Feb. 7, the Travelers Rest Youth Group (all of us) will again be donating cans and/or dollars for Daystar Hope. Team-designated collection boxes will be available at both Sunday Worship and Entertainment. As we have been in the past, let us all be caring and generous.

TRLGA to hold Bakeless Bake Sale



by Pat Butler

Due to the current COVID restraints, the TRLGA will be holding a donations-only "Bakeless Bake Sale." All those residents interested in participating in this effort to help with the beautification of the TR Golf Course, are asked to send donations to the mailbox of Pat Butler (1407) by Feb. 1.

Looking Back

by Mary Kosbab

30 years ago

-Art and Betty Benson announce retirement from the Country Store after 13 years. (Later in the season they are talked into reopening the Country Store with pleas to all to

-The intake from the annual auction (is \$1935.10 which is topped off to \$2000 by private donations. It is hoped this money will go toward finishing the sound system and adding lights to

Busch Hall. 20 years ago

-Dick Wiehe is noted for his Tuesday and Thursday homemade soup at the Snack Shack.

-"Hon" Zerick, a resident of TR for 29 years, donates a gazebo to the TR Golf Course.

-The Earl Mason Bridge is being constructed on #1 fairway of the TR Golf Course in memory of Earl Mason by his wife Juanita.

-The Golf Path fund needs \$22,000 to complete the paths.

-Art Hagedorn receives a hard hat after being hit on the head by a ball that bounced off a tree on the island at #2 and back over the protective fence.

-Bernice Kasperson initiates the Widows Tea Party for ladies who have lost their spouses.



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TR Sports Club participates in sporting clays tournament



Photo submitted by Ray LoPresti

HAROLD HUGHES, BILL LONG, KIM ROBERTS AND **GARY GRENIER**

AIA Tampa Bay

6th Annual Meat, Eat & Skeet Sporting Clays Tournament

Sponsors are listed on the tournament's entrance sign.

by Ray LoPresti

The TR Sports Club participated in the 6th Annual Meat, Eat and Skeet Sporting Clays Tournament to support the Architects Institute of America on Friday, Dec. 11, 2020.

The competition took place at Tampa Bay Sporting Clays and the Sports Club was sponsored by Lyndan, Inc., an architectural woodwork shop in Tampa. TR resident and club member Kim Roberts is an employee of Lyndan.

Our sponsor contributed \$2,500 to the cause and also had breakfast, lunch and all expenses paid for our club members.

This is the first tournament the TR Sports Club has participated in and we look forward to more. Members who participated this year were Harold Hughes, Bill Long, Kim Roberts and Gary

In all there was a huge turn-out for the tournament and the TR Sports Club proudly came in midplace of the scoring. A great time was had by all.

The TR Sports Club is open to all, beginners and experienced shooters welcome.

Remember, we were all beginners at one time!

For club information please contact Chairperson Ray LoPresti at 518-817-2958 or via email at TRsportsclub1@gmail.com.

Photos submitted by Ray LoPresti

Meet the Travelers Rest Amateur Radio Club

by Dan Zile, WB0YMQ

What does the TR Amateur Radio Club do? Since the beginning of Travelers Rest there have been many men and women who are Hams and share a general interest in electronics. The original intent of the club was to provide emergency communications for the TR community should it be necessary and that has not changed. While the Hams at TR come and go for various reasons, the club remains active with a current club membership numbering about 25 residents. The club is still capable of providing emergency communications in some of the same old ways, but with updated digital equipment. In addition, technology has improved over the years and the members have new and different ways to provide emergency communica-



File photo by Bill Watkins **COMMUNICATIONS CENTER CONSOLE**

Personal communications for individuals is much different today than when the club was originally formed. Some may think with WiFi, cell phones and Internet there is no use for the antiquated methods of the Hams. Nothing could be further from the truth. Just imagine if the cell tower near TR



Club President Jim Zigosser sits at the console in the **Communications Center.**

was blown down or destroyed and the aerial phone/cable lines were disrupted for some reason. What would you do? How would you communicate with the outside world?

Club members conduct a local TR "net" six days a week. This consists of Hams gathering at a specified time on a certain radio frequency using their own equipment and "checking in." Some might think it is a waste of time, but it is indirectly a means of coordinating our communication skills in an organized, methodical way. Like any other activity at TR, it is also a way to fellowship with people of like interests. Many bonds and friendships have been formed here in this way.

The Communications Center at TR has radios and associated equipment capable of communicating with the outside world, locally, around the state, around the region and around the world. Some members also check into another "net" that consists of Hams in several other states. For those of us in Florida, that consists of people generally east of the Mississippi River. However, the capability also exists to communicate with any state as well as with



ANTENNA TO THE OUTSIDE **WORLD**

ships sailing the oceans.

Hams can be very innovative folks when a need exists. Different people have different interests in various facets of the Amateur Radio hobby. Most Hams at TR have radios capable of operating when there is a power outage. The Communications Center (Ham Shack) is also ready and capable of operating without commercial power.

So from the original club members to today's members, the club can still provide TR with necessary emergency communica-

Anyone with an existing Ham license, can join the TR club or if you are interested in becoming an amateur radio operator or learning more about our club you may contact our club president, Jim Zigrosser or stop by the Commnications Center, located behind Hobby House, when you see someone there.



Photo bu cecile

BUGGED-OUT BIKER

Model trains are up and running

by Larry Babbitt

The TR Trains Model Railroad Club is on the roll. Our first meeting was held in the Golf View Pavilion, Wednesday, Jan. 13 from 11 a.m to 2 p.m.

We had five attendees in person and three who used the Zoom meeting method. Our plan is to meet each Wednesday at the same time and place until further notice. Even if you are just "curious," stop by and we can show you the setup and tell you about the hobby.

If you have any questions, contact us via email at trtrains-@dbcomserv.com or train-

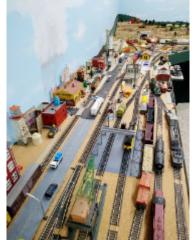


Photo by Larry Babbitt TRAIN LAYOUT



The participants are welcomed to the Meat, Eat and Skeet **Sporting Clays Tournament for the Architects Institute.**





TR Book **Browsers to** discuss The **Dutch House**

by Nan Feeney Lance

The Book Browsers first virtual meeting went well on Zoom. Our next discussion will be The Dutch House by Ann Patchett, Jan. 27 at 2 p.m.

Contact Nan Feeney Lance at nanfeeney@gmail.com if you wish to join. All are welcome!



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The journey back to TR held

its special memories, too. Horses

joined them at their Assateague

Island campsite in Maryland. They remained at the campsite while

Dick and Kit were gone and

greeted them again nearly four hours later! They learned that the

pristine white sand beach of

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.



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DADE CITY

Car Cruise In is back in its original spot on Meridian Ave. by the Pasco County Court House, on Saturday, Feb. 6 from noon to 5 p.m. Venue includes cars from a bygone era, something to stir memories in the oldest and youngest of us. For additional information please email coachdavidwest@gmail.com or call David at 813-610-1650. Approx. 8 miles from TR.



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Travel News Travels with Dick and Kit Wheatley

by Sharon Gilbert Zile and Dan Zile, Tour Directors

Both the current pandemic and a tropical storm were considerations for Dick and Kit Wheatley as they traveled 10,000 miles and experienced 22 states, some more than once, during their 2020 summer journev.

Disappointment was part of the trip when they had to forego closed museums and historic places. Concessions were made in order to bypass the crowds in interesting local restaurants. The route was adjusted to avoid encountering Tropical Storm Cristobal as it had chosen the same Gulf of Mexico to Minnesota path. However with all of that, the Wheatleys found the natural beauty of this country, the history on the back roads as well as the joy of reconnecting with family and TR and Airstream friends along the

Leaving TR on June 8 Dick and Kit expected to drive directly to their lot at the Minnesota Airstream Park but the tropical storm made that path unwise. The Tennessee Cumberland Plateau Campground and the Benton, Ill. KOA were on the alternative route. After a circuitous journey to Minnesota, they were welcomed into the Airstream campground community with socially distanced Happy Hours. Turtles on



Lake Champlain Bridge is seen from Crown Point State Park, N.Y.

the lily pads provided seasonal beauty to their kayaking adventures. Sharing time with TR friends Mike and Susan Craig and John and Karen Freed added to their enjoyment.



BOLDT YACHT HOUSE IN THOUSAND ISLANDS, N.Y.



through Chicago the Wheatleys, who have been Airstreamers for 18 years, stayed in another Airstream campground, Penn Wood Airstream Park. Walking the wooded trails was fun and they also enjoyed seeing Bill and Debbie Woodford. Meeting their future daughter-in-law's parents in the Adirondack, N.Y. area gave Dick and Kit a hint of the yet-to-berevealed surprise engagement announcement.



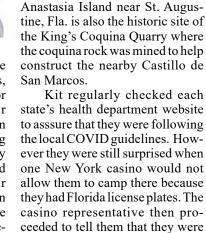
BOLDT'S CASTLE, THOUSAND ISLANDS, N.Y.

Airstream friends in the Thousand Islands area took them to the magnificent Boldt's Castle to learn the story of the six floor masonry private home. The Corning Museum of Glass was another New York highlight. Then it was on to Maine where they celebrated by eating outside a local brewery after quarantining in their daughter's backyard.



CHEWONKI CAMPGROUND, **WISCASSET, MAINE**

Camping in Chewonki Campground near Wiscasset, Maine gave them more kayaking opportunities and an unseasonably hot, but beautiful ocean side experience. Time in their former home state of Vermont found them touring back roads looking for traces of Revolutionary roads traveled by the Colonial and the Hessian soldiers on their march to Bennington.



welcome to gamble in the casino! Returning to their TR home and their Firefighter and First Responder roles in late October, Kit reflectively told us, "If you had asked what made the summer nice, it was all the people we visited." It seems that traveling in pandemic times makes us even more appreciative of our special people connections.



This is a lovely campsite with visitors.



Underhill, Vt.



This is another great campsite.

Photos submitted by Kit Wheatley



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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

Wednesdays, 2:15 to 4:15 p.m. in Community Center. Jim Zigrosser 0317 631-786-5097

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

K4TRR Club Room/Hobby House.

The TR 2-Meter net meets each morning at 8 a.m. on 146.43 MHz simplex all season. Meeting 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in

Jim Zigrosser 0317 631-786-5097

AQUATICS - POOL - LIMITED TO TEN

Mondays through Saturdays, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Linda Smith 1415 517-662-9233

ART 101

Wednesdays, 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in Citrus East. Amy Grier 2616 816-752-7076

BADGES

Wear badges for identification in the park and at businesses who advertise. Pick up details undetermined. Jeri Miller 1125 352-588-5448

BALLROOM DANCE LESSONS

Only dance with your partner

Six lessons in all. Mondays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Busch Hall. Will teach beginners Waltz, Foxtrot, Swing, Square Dancing Night on Jan. 27.

Jeff Duquette 1324 413-564-1386

BEADAHOLICS

Mondays, 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Citrus East.

Kathy Lemke 0442 847-456-5824 Kathy Kushman 2622 860-608-8668

BEADAHOLICS, TOO

Tuesdays, 2 to 4 p.m. in Hobby House Porch.

Dot Brenn 2556 813-293-4205

BIBLE STUDY - LADIES AFTERNOON

Fridays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. in Activity Center - 5 to 6 weeks. Rosita Williams 1072 516-808-5734 Carol Bowman 1535 717-495-9435

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 p.m. at Pin Chasers Bowling Lanes; Zephyrhills. Sign up on Bulletin Board if you plan to go. Lin Buczek 1928 920-470-7269

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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

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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

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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

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> 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

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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

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MAINTENANCE INFORMATION Contact TR Office 352-588-2013

Kit/Dick Wheatley 2619 802-238-6044

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Pat Dellamuth 0610 319-330-2899

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Dean Peters 0909 813-317-3269

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

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Sue Troyer 0901 574-536-4771

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Pat Gallager 2529 352-424-1052

PARTY PLANNERS FOR TR

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

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Jane Carey 2504 352-467-3847

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Donna Neer 1071 419-366-0471

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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.

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Tawnya Rowden 2534 231-271-3325

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Rosita Williams 1072 516-808-5734

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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

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Lou Schuler 1116 513-379-4620

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

Contact Office 352-588-2013

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

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Find new ways to safely connect with family and friends, get support, and share feelings





by Jane Harrold

Jane's world, just like everyone else's, has been rocked by COVID-19. Bill and I have had to make adjustments and ponder some tough choices. We have been forced to change many normal routines and learn new phrases. Wash your hands. Wear your mask. Practice social distance. Stop the spread. Flatten the curve.

Wash your hands: The COVID-19 guidelines encouraged everyone to wash for a meaningful amount of time by singing the Happy Birthday song twice - a great and easy method for all ages.

This was actually such a success for me that I adapted the familiar song Head and shoulders knees and toes for my morning routine. I am recommending this for senior citizens after stepping out of the shower.

Head – use mousse and brush hair – optional for some older males.

Jane's World COVID-19

Shoulders – put on deodorant in case of doing some actual work

Knees - put Voltaren on both knees – prevents a lot of creaking.

Toes – use moisturizing cream on feet and legs - rub any excess on rough hands.

Eyes – do eye drops – wash glasses and get Jane's World into

Ears – add my earrings or in Bill's case hearing aids.

Mouth - brush teeth - tell remaining teeth how much they are appreciated.

Nose – apply sunscreen – in the frozen north the fresh smell chases away winter blues and is a reminder that sunshine will be back again.

I can also use this song to get a little exercise at the start of the day especially the knees and toes part. Although, I believe my legs are getting longer and my arms a lot shorter as I reach for my toes.

Wear your mask: This is a learning experience. A year ago it would have been impossible to believe that I should wear a mask to visit with our children and

grandchildren unless we can be outside. When I go to the grocery store I put on my mask and stand outside with other masked customers in a socially-distanced line waiting for someone to leave so that I can enter.

Our world has changed so much that I have gradually become less aware of my mask. Did you know that when you are wearing a mask and you want to eat a mint you have to move the mask out of the way first? If you fail to do so you get a mouthful of mask. I am wondering if I could invent a mask that tastes minty fresh.

Practice social distance:

All this staying home has resulted in easy access to snacks. Recently, I made a New Year's Resolution to practice Social Distance with my refrigerator which should help me both Stop my Spread and Flatten my growing Curves.

Good luck with your New Year's Resolutions. Enjoy every day, laugh whenever possible, stay safe and follow the COVID-19 guidelines. The vaccines are coming!

Garden News

Changes in the Garden

by Leslie Ewing

The novel Coronavirus has impacted the activities of the Garden Club just as it has impacted all of the other activities at TR. There are changes in the volunteers' work in the garden. There will be changes in the physical appearance of the garden. Residents are asked to wear masks when they come to the garden.

For club members, the emphasis must be maintenance because we have fewer volunteers and less money for this season. Work crews must wear masks. Because we all use the garden tools, garden gloves must be worn.

In a change from what has been published, work sessions will only be scheduled on Thursday mornings from 9 to 10:45 a.m. The weekly business meeting will be held immediately following the work session. Volunteers are planning to work at random times during the rest of the week.

The club really needs more volunteers. Phyllis Zitzer, Master Gardener, is willing to work with any volunteers in the garden on Tuesday afternoons at 2 p.m. or other times when volunteers are available. Contact Phyllis at 717-379-3054.



Photo by Leslie Ewing

LAKE MARGARET

Members decided there will be no new plantings this season. The Butterfly Way Stations will be maintained. Hopefully, we will see more butterflies in the park.

During the summer the garden received beetles that eat the wild potato vines. Leaf litter will be left on the soil to provide a winter home for the beetles. This will replace the mulch we used in the past.

We have some good news. The water fountain in Lake Margaret is working. The stainedglass panels are hanging again in the gazebo in the garden. For the next few weeks the club will keep the lights turned on to allow nightly strolls in the garden on the

Birding Activity

by Norm Eden

In the last issue I wrote how really pleased with myself I was for having seen a merlin hunting along Johnston Road. I was not surprised when a TR birder observed that he had not heard of the merlins. Although they winter over all the southern states, they certainly rate as an uncommon

Although I had seen merlins many times in the UK I had to rush off to my U.S. records to recall sightings here. My only previous one was February 2013 at TR along the sixth fairway.

A member of the falcon family, which flies north to the whole width of Canada for the summer breeding season, the merlin tends to live and hunt in open areas away from humans.

This makes it more difficult to find unlike the smaller falcon, the American Kestrel, which we more often see in Florida year round and is more brightly colored. It can frequently be seen on top of one of the Golf View poles or masts.

The merlin is a fierce and very fast hunter of mainly small birds, including speedy swallows. It is about the size, although somewhat heavier, than a Collared Dove, which also appears on merlin lunch menus.



Photo courtesy of Wikimedia and submitted by Norm Eden

MALE MERLIN

My best ever merlin sighting was at one of North America's absolute top birding sites Cape May, N.J. in September 2000 where numerous migrating merlins were seen eating dragon flies along the dunes. They tear the wings off and eat while flying-by around head height. Cape May is a great classic 19th century seaside town in an out-of-the-way place and well worth a visit.

Around known TR sites 20 to 30 species are being seen during most recent days but so far the cold January appears to have done little to boost our sightings around Vanishing Lake. The nature trail feeders are slowly and steadily attracting more song and perching birds as they are less mobile in cold weather. The feeders are a definite

So far the Tuesday morning bird walks have not attracted any participants probably due to the weather combined with the need for distancing. Tom Butler is outside the Post Office Tuesdays at 8 a.m., and it is a good way to spend an hour or so observing and talking about bird types and behav-

An apparently strange little blue heron behavior was recently observed at Vanishing Lake. "Canopy feeding" is a technique commonly employed by several of the herons where wings will be spread while the bird wades. It then hides its neck under a wing so that the little fish cannot see the reflection. When the fish move, the heron snaps them up.

Another heron technique which I have yet to observe is when a little green heron sits by the water's edge and pushes an insect or something else edible like popcorn onto the water and a little fish takes the bait, it is gone.

'Best bird' recently has been a black and white warbler on tree trunks by the race-car circuit near the Snack Shack. Now that it is mid-January we can hope for more birds to 'be about' in the near

Strut your stuff

by Carol Lauer

The Osceola turkey is one of the most sought after, yet elusive, game birds in the U.S. Once hunted to the point of extinction, the Osceola now boldly "struts his stuff" right up to the day before hunting season opens, when he suddenly "disappears."

The Osceola turkey, found only in the Florida peninsula region, was named for the Seminole Chief Osceola in 1890. He is smaller and darker than the Eastern Wild Turkey found in the panhandle of Florida, but that doesn't deter turkey hunters from around the world from trying to bag one of these birds to complete the grand slam of the four American turkeys.

An adult Osceola turkey is called a tom or a gobbler. He averages 3.5 feet tall and can weigh up to 25 pounds. Juvenile turkeys, called jakes, are about half the size

Besides being a feather in the cap for the turkey hunter, the Osceola provides delicious meat for him and his family, although



Photo courtesy of Wikimedia **OSCEOLA TÜRKEY**

there will be less white meat and more dark meat.

Despite their size, these turkeys can fly 25 miles per hour. They survive well in mixed open and forested areas. During the day they venture out into open areas for feeding, but at night they settle in the trees for protection.

The hens are a cordial group, congregating with each other and their young during the day, probably giving rise to the term "hen party" that women enjoy. Toms are more competitive, having a strict pecking order under the most dominant male.

Beautiful windows reinstalled in the Garden

Thank you



Photos by Phyllis Zitzer

Thank you Joe Politsky and Bud Wuebker from the TR Wood Shop for reinstalling our beautiful window pieces.



Thank you Gary Dietz for creating these beautiful windows for the Garden gazebo.



Library News

by Mary Kosbab

"The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library." A quote from Albert Einstein.

Thanks to the Board of Directors, who moved our library from the Hobby House now to its present location, our library is located in a great place for people to find and readily use.

Although the Board made the decision, Randy and Billie Doell and the maintenance staff were the people who did all the work of moving the collection from the Hobby House porch. This was done over the summer about 10 years ago. Full-time residents saw how much work Randy and Billie did to make the library ready to use when all the snowbirds returned. We greatly appreciate all they did to give our library such a great start in its new location.

Since moving to the present location there have been several



major improvements. Thanks to The TR Times and the Snack Shack we were able to add new bookcases which now house our non-fiction collection. June and Larry Duffy found our library desk at a thrift store. I can't count the number of WOW's I said when I first saw it. My husband has made several bookshelf additions and library enhancements. Mary Ann Chellman spent hours organizing our non-fiction collection. The work she did, I believe, is what sets our library apart from other park libraries which often just lump all non-fiction together.

Kay Blunda has consented to be co-chair of the library with me which I greatly appreciate. Kay

contributes a lot of time and energy to our library. She does all the needed jobs and is always willing to take on a new one. I am sure all the good books in our library are breathing a sigh of relief. Kay is known to save many of them when they have been pulled from the shelves during our "weeding out"

Marilyn Long takes care of our Christian Fiction and Western wall. These are very popular collections. We get many donations and have to make room for new books when the shelves become crowded. This is not an easy job to do. We greatly appreciate all Marilyn does to help us out.

Again, thanks to all who reshelve their own books. It is very much appreciated by a skeleton library staff this year.

As always, we welcome your input. Please leave a note on the desk or speak to a library volunteer with your suggestions or concerns.

Pets on Parade



Carolyn and Katie

by Judy Leister

Normally when I send a picture to the TR Times for the Pets on Parade article it is a photo of just the pet. As you can see this one has a human in it too. We have all heard lines like "It's a match made in Heaven" or "It was meant to be" and in the story of Carolyn and Katie I feel those sayings are perfect. Yep, it's about Katie but it's also about a perfect match that was meant to be.

Over 20 years ago Carolyn and Don Place discovered TR was a great location to get away from the Michigan winters. It's a familiar story for many TR residents.... they started out in an Airstream on "The Hill." They loved it. They returned for many winters which eventually led them to a more permanent part of TR and for them that was the Cabana section. Unfortunately Don passed away, but Carolyn continues to return to

For years Carolyn has been quite involved with Paws With A Cause, a nationally known organization that trains dogs to assist a wide range of people with disabilities. When Carolyn and Don came to Florida so did whatever dog Carolyn was training

After training a long list of Labrador retrievers in this program a sweet dog named Star was assigned to Carolyn. Star lived up to her name and became quite the star with her assistance dog training. The day came for Paws With a Cause to evaluate Star and move her on to the next part of her training. Star's training and execution was perfect but they felt she was getting all of her confidence from Carolyn and to everyone's surprise they suggested she be dropped from the program. So at that point Star officially became Carolyn's full-time pet. Star still wanted a job. She wanted to continue helping people so she became a licensed Therapy Dog and went to work at places like Sacred Heart Early Childhood

Eventually Star got old and passed over the Rainbow Bridge. Everyone wanted to know when Carolyn was going to get a puppy. At that point in her life Carolyn knew a puppy would be too much



Photo by Mari Jo Noll

WITH BEAUTIFUL KATIE.

of a challenge. Her comment to

Now for the Rest of the Story. leading a wonderful life here at TR with her loving owner Doug Shields. She made daily trips to the TR Puppy Park to see her life. Unfortunately that came to an end when sadly Doug passed Carolyn went back to Michigan. Not last summer. She was Heaven" part of this tale to be oh

At first Katie was depressed at losing Her Doug. Little by little



CAROLYN PLACE SITTING

everyone was, "If God wants me to have a dog, He will put one in my life."

Katie, a yellow lab had been doggie friends. She had a happy away. Usually every summer here at TR when Doug passed. Carolyn's staying that summer was the "It's meant to be" part of this story. Carolyn and Katie found each other and soon arrangements were made for them to be together. It didn't take long to prove the "It's a match made in

she came out of that gloomy time and returned to being the waggietailed, prancing Katie we all loved. Carolyn had also been including a little therapy dog training as she worked with her and, although at 10 years of age Katie isn't actually a licensed therapy dog, she has certainly put a smile on Carolyn's face and everyone else here at TR that comes in contact with her. Watch for Carolyn and Katie strolling around TR. They both will gladly give you a warm greeting.

Pet Lovers Club

Golf carts are so handy

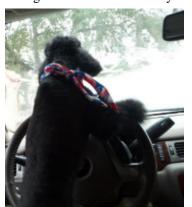
by Judy Leister

Not only does your golf cart haul your clubs around the golf course but also it has so many other uses. It is like a mini-truckster when doing major yard work. We can tote our dirty clothes to the TR Laundry, pick up our mail at the Post Office, go for a leisurely sunset drive or give a guided tour around TR when friends and family come to visit. Oh, and don't forget.....your golf cart can provide some much-needed entertainment when the grandkids are here. Based on the number of happily wagging tails I see on golf carts at TR I think it is safe to assume the majority of our canine family members like to go for rides too.

We do have to remember to keep our dogs safe while on the golf carts. Our dog is smaller and loves to sit on the seat and let the wind blow through his poodle locks. He wears a safety harness attached to the frame of the seat. I saw the cutest setup on a cart the other day when someone went by with their little dog in a secure doggie car seat. Some of the big pooches seem to like riding on the flatbed platform at the back of the cart. After seeing a small dog accidentally fly out of a golf cart while going around a corner I realized how important safety was when taking a dog for a ride.

Mark and I have always had golf carts at home on the farm. While traveling all over the U.S. to horse shows we found just how handy it was to take a golf cart with us. Every dog we have ever had loved going for rides whether we were at home moving hay or at a show hauling a saddle.

One time we had just pulled into a really big horse show. Everything had already been unloaded and we were parked out in a huge field. The golf cart was sitting next to the truck ready to



BRINKLEY AT THE WHEEL.



Photos by Judy Leister

Brinkley loves to drive.

head in to where all the action was. Mark was busy fiddling with something on the trailer but I knew he'd be ready to roll soon. I opened the truck door and called the dogs out and pointed to the golf cart. Knowing they would jump right on I turned back to the truck and started getting last minute things out. All of a sudden I heard the golf cart take off. Hey, wait a minute Mark, don't forget I am going along too.

I looked up and no Mark. What was going on? There sat Brinkley, our miniature poodle, in the driver's seat. Where was Peabody, our other poodle? As the golf cart went sailing by I saw Peabody. He had jumped in and sat down on the gas pedal. Off they went. Peabody was a bit bigger and there was plenty of weight to hold down that pedal. I'm sure people could hear me two states away as I was screaming, "Peabody stand up!"

The field was huge and I could see lots of parked cars up ahead. I screamed louder and longer as I raced after that runaway cart. I'm sure anyone that saw me running and flailing my arms wondered

what that crazy lady was doing. Oh no, I didn't want the cart to crash with our two precious babies on it. Run, run, huff and puff, run, scream, flail, huff and puff some more. Eventually before the cart disappeared completely Peabody stood up to look for me and everything abruptly came to a stop. Whew! He jumped off and raced towards me. I caught up with the cart and there sat Brinkley, still behind the wheel giving me that hey, I'm not done driving look. Peabody and I got on the cart with Brinkley and headed back towards the truck to pick up a very puzzled Mark. This time I was driving.

The rest of that horse show ran smoothly but I will remember the way it started for a long, long time.



BRINKLEY AND ANOTHER OF HIS MANY VEHICLES.



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Pet Lovers Club events on hold

by Judy Leister

For right now, the Blessing of the Pets, all meetings, and the Dog Fun Day scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 26 are on hold due to the pandemic, but stay tune for updates. Hopefully we'll be able to safely resume some of our planned activities later in the season.



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Are you a Pollywog?

by Margaret Emmetts

No, I am not referring to an immature

In naval parlance, a Pollywog is a seaman who has not crossed the equator. The ritual of crossing the equator aboard a ship dates back at least 400 years in western seafaring. The elaborate ceremony observes the transformation of a slimy seafaring Pollywog to a trusty Shellback, also known as a Son or Daughter of Neptune.

If you have not had occasion to view this ritual you have missed a fun day. I had the opportunity to cross the equator aboard a Holland American ship.

On the day of crossing, King Neptune and his court gathered around the ship's pool. Seamen aboard who were Pollywogs were summoned to appear before the king. Fortunately passengers were not subjected to this ritual, only crew members.

Each Pollywog would appear before Neptune and be subjected to an initiation. This involved being liberally covered with materials such as jello, cooked oatmeal, raw eggs and flour. Definitely a most messy event! After the Pollywog was sufficiently covered in slime, they were presented to the gathered





KISSING THE

Photos from the Emmetts family archives.

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passengers who voted whether or not the Pollywog should be thrown into the pool. In the spirit of the day, passengers unanimously voted for a thorough dunking.

On the day in question, the wife of the ship's Captain happened to be aboard and more importantly was a Pollywog. As was to be expected Neptune's court began to handle the lady with kid gloves, until the Captain stepped in and told them to give her the full treatment. The lady took it all in good spirits and was dunked in the pool just as the others before her.

At the conclusion of the ceremony the pool had to be drained and thoroughly cleaned to get rid of the flotsam floating about in the water.

Although passengers did not participate in the messy part of the ceremony, they were given the opportunity to follow the tradition of "kissing the fish."

The attached photo shows me kissing the rather large fish.

I am now no longer a slimy Pollywog but a member in good standing of Our Royal Very Ancient Order of Shellbacks and have an official certificate to verify my membership.



King Neptune's court assembles poolside.



The initiation begins, slathering the Pollywog with all sorts of slimy materials.



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Vistas

Finding pleasure in God's open spaces

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. 30, 2004.

With the arrival of 1900, most Americans lived on farms. "While farming bred sturdy families and a spirit of self-reliance," writes one historian, "farm life deprived rural folks of regular social interactions. Rural families were isolated and lonely." Then on Jan. 1, 1909, a delicious new age began in America. Into the auto show at New York's Grand Central Palace was rolled the first Model T Ford. In the 15 million Model T Fords created in the 18 years after, Americans rode into a whole new way of life. Wrote one Georgia housewife to Henry Ford, "Your car lifted us out of the mud. It brought joy into our lives." The Model T was an almost unbelievable mechanical marvel.



File photo by Owen Bush **1923 MODEL T**

In addition to transporting the family to town, the four-wheeled wonder could be transformed to ease the drudgery of rural chores. With the back end jacked up and a belt attached to its rear axle the faithful four cylinders could turn saw blades, fill silos, churn butter, shear sheep, shell corn and wash

On the road it was as dependable as it often was unpredictable. Merely starting the Model T Ford called for a display of caution, wily nimbleness and sheer physical strength. You grasped the crank, got it into



PAUL FREED

position, then gave it an upward thrust or two. When the motor thundered into action, you sprang to the front seat to adjust the spark. If you happened to turn the crank wrong, you arrived at church the next Sunday, your arm in a sling, your wrist in a cast. The motor had a cranky habit of rotating backwards, whipping the crank back to hit your arm.

The moment the motor started the pulsating creation seemed to take on some of the features of a live animal. The owner would find the car slowly moving toward him. Many a Ford driver found himself gently pinned against the back garage wall. The 6 ½' high collection of black cloth and metal was inspiringly dependable.

In 1912, Ruth Calkins of Rochester N.Y., ignoring suggestions that she ought to take a man along, bounced along the roads in northeastern U.S. and southern Ontario with three women friends. Ms. Calkins proved a sterling driver, even when the car sank to its axles in mud, she managed to ease it out with careful cunning rather than the shoulder power of her companions.

It was said that almost anything that went wrong with the Model T could be fixed with a piece of string or a length of baling wire. Perhaps because the idea was so comically inconceivable, the T was sometimes referred to in fun as the Farmer's Limousine. This got shortened to Lizzie. After one first heard the car door slam shut, it became the Tin Lizzy. Because all over the country having a T in the family was like making room for an eccentric relative.

The T became the source of affectionate merriment. It was said that Henry Ford was a better evangelist than Billy Sunday. "He's shaken more hell out of people than Billy Sunday ever saw!" A man hitched his Cocker Spaniel to a balky flivver and was arrested for tying a tin can to a dog. A farmer, knowing that Ford needed lots of tin, shipped a battered tin roof to the company. He got a letter replying: "While your car was an exceptionally bad wreck, we shall be able to complete repairs and return it by the first of the week." Or, why is a Ford like a bathtub? Because, you're embarrassed to be seen in one.

Owners of Packards, Pierces and Cadillacs were said to carry Model T's in their trunks to pull the big cars when they got bogged down. Henry Ford's own favorite was the man who told friends he wanted to be buried with his Ford because it had always gotten him out of every hole he'd ever been

To a large number of the more than 82 million Americans living at that time, the Model T brought exciting fulfillment of the promise Henry Ford had made when the T was introduced: "I will build a motor car for the great multitude. It will be so low in price that no man making a good salary will be unable to own one - and enjoy with his family the blessing of hours of pleasure in God's greatest open spaces."

Wrote Ida Tarbell: "I have never in all the world seen so much to cause me to laugh and weep, to wonder and rejoice, as I have at the Model T Ford."

TR Connections

LuAnn Gatewood

by LuAnn Gatewood

My generational connection to TR comes from my parents, Don and Dottie Hull who loved being 23-year residents of TR in their 34 ft. Airstream on lot 0223 in RV

I was fortunate to visit them most of those years, usually for a week at the end of each February.

I got to know the park, many TR residents, Dade City and the surrounding area. I was even able to meet Jacob Busch during one of my visits. I knew early on that I wanted to spend our retirement winters here and it wasn't hard to convince my husband John after he visited TR with me one year.

We came to TR the winter of 2019, just a week after I retired and took up residence on lot 0329 in RV South. This year my sister and



Photo submited by LuAnn Gatewood **DOTTIE AND DON HULL**

brother-in-law also came to TR. Now I not only have a generational connection to TR but I also have a sibling connection.

On a side note, Mom and Dad thank all of you who sent them cards for their 70th wedding anniversary this past October.

Sharon Gilbert Zile

by Sharon Gilbert Zile

My parents Dick and Norma Gantt had been bringing their Airstream Land Yacht to TR for a number of years and loved their time on "the hill."

Dad frequently invited us for a visit but I was busy teaching in Ohio and happy that Mom and Dad were enjoying what I jokingly called their "winter camp for old people." When they bought their little trailer on 2nd Street in 2014, my late husband and I finally came to visit for the first time.

In 2016 we decided that the "winter camp for old people" was



Photo submitted by Sharon Gilbert Zile

NORMA GANTT, MARTI WEITHMAN AND SHARON GILBERT ZILE

right for us and moved to TR just before Christmas. What a great

Do you have a TR Connection?

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.

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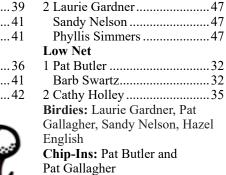
TR Sports Please see page 16 for more sports scores.

Ladies Golf League results

by Pat Butler

Such great days for golf. It's been a bit chilly, but the sun is shining and it warms up quickly. Nineteen hardy souls came out to try for a record-setting game on Jan. 6. We enjoyed a great day on Jan. 13. See you next week!

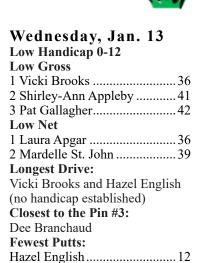
Wednesday, Jan. 6 Low Handicap 0-12
Low Gross
1 Shirley-Ann Appleby39
2 Vicki Brooks41
3 Pat Gallagher41
Low Net
1 Pat Daubenmier36
2 Laura Apgar41
3 Mardelle St. John
Closest to the Pin #3:
Sandy Nelson
Closest to the Pin #5:
Hazel English



High Handicap +13

1 Leslie Price......43

Low Gross



High Handicap +13
Low Gross
1 Sandy Nelson43
2 Leslie Price44
3 Barb Swartz45
Dee Branchaud45
Low Net
1 Diane Doggett32
2 Laurie Gardner33
Betty Gilson33
Birdies: Hazel English (2) and
Vicki Brooks
Chip-In: Shirley-Ann Appleby
Low Handicap/Longest Drive:
Vicki Brooks
Hazel English
High Handicap/Longest Drive:
Barb Swartz





Rowling Regults

Downing Ixesuits
by Lin Buczek
Friday, Jan. 8
Men's Scratch High Game
Steve Niles216
Bill Buczek192
Don Markle 164
Men's Scratch High Series
Steve Niles634
Bill Buczek492
Don Markle460
Men's Handicap High Game
Bill Buczek250
John Schell247
Steve Niles240
Men's Handicap High Series
Steve Niles706
John Schell696
Bill Buczek666
Men's High Average
Steve Niles
Women's Scratch High Game
Leslie Price191
Lin Buczek172
Deb Niles158
Women's Scratch High Series
Leslie Price491
Lin Buczek458
Deb Niles437
Women's Handicap High Game
Lin Buczek266
Leslie Price254
Donna Neer246
Women's Handicap High Series
Lin Buczek740
Donna Neer708
Deb Niles686
Women's High Average
Leslie Price162

Welcome back golfers

by Vicki Brooks

Welcome back to all our residents that are back in our little piece of paradise. Our golf course looks fabulous. A great big thank you to Ray and Roger for our beautiful course. As chair of the golf association, I would like to make sure everyone knows what we know.

Since it is a COVID-19 year operations are a little different, but golf memberships are still being collected on Tuesdays and Fridays for yearly, monthly, daily or coupon books until Friday, Jan. 29. After that date there will be access to pay at the Starter Shack. The Starter Shack will not be open at this time but look for future plans. There is a plan in place for those who want to play daily, with a different colored tag daily for the marshals to be able to check.

We are very fortunate to have a new resident who has wonderful credentials who will be giving lessons on Tuesday mornings at the driving range. The charge

is \$5 per lesson. W are so fortunate to have Dick so be sure to get his help.

Golf scrambles are ready to start this week. Look for information at the Starter Shack.

The Ladies League is organized and all lady golfers are welcome. Sign in begins at 8:45 a.m. on Wednesday mornings and play starts at 9 a.m. Thank you, Pat Butler.

The men are gathering on Thursdays. Come and join.

Just to remind everyone we have a beautiful course to play and volunteers are always needed to keep it that way. We need you.

I work with the beautification team that tries to make our course as beautiful as possible. This year has been a difficult year since we are short of volunteers on Tuesday mornings. If you like to pull weeds or just help make our course look more beautiful, join us on Tuesday mornings at Duffers Deck at 8 a.m. A special thank you to the volunteers that have already given many hours of help.

Come join the Scramble fun

by Pat Butler

Golf Scrambles are back! The first one will be held tomorrow, Saturday, Jan. 23. Sign up is available at the Starter Shack until 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 22.

Cost is \$3 per player. Check in at 8:30 a.m. and tee off at 9 a.m. Hope to see you there!

RC Motorsports

by Douglas Hatfield	
Wednesday, Jan. 6	
1 Kevin Cahill	30 pts.
2 Steve Laymon	
3 Bob Troyer	27 pts.

Saturday, Jan. 9	
1 Kevin Cahill	30 pts.
Rich Kuharick	
3 Scott Tartaglia	27 pts.

Saturday, Jan. 13	
1 Rich Kuharick	29 pts
1 Kevin Cahill	28 pts
3 Bob Kenyon	24 nts

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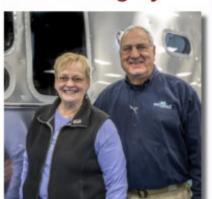
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Obituaries

DAVID N. APPLE

David N. Apple, 80, of Bowling Green, Ohio, passed away on Dec. 9, 2020 surrounded by his loving family.

David was born on Aug. 8, 1940 to Jo and A. Kathryn Apple at home in Henry Township, Ind. He married Karen Roe on June 25, 1961 at the Weston Church of

He graduated from North Baltimore High School and was captain of the 1957 football team. After high school he attended Bowling Green State University and worked for Anderson's in Maumee, Ohio before becoming a full-time farmer. For 20 years David was known in the area for raising Bison. He served on the Board of Directors of the National Buffalo Association for two terms.

David had a love for flying and became a licensed pilot, even owning his own plane. After retirement he and wife, Karen, became life members of WBCCI, traveling with their Airstream from Newfoundland to Fairbanks, Cabos San Lucas to Key West on 17 different International Caravans. They have called Lot 0202 home at TR for many years.

He is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Karen, son Scott (Deb) Apple, daughter Sonja and husband Richard, five grandchildren, three great grandchildren, a sister and two brothers.



Sports Cont.

Bowling Results

by Lin Buczek
Friday, Jan. 15
Men's Scratch High Game
Steve Niles257
Don Markle222
Ken Neer197
Men's Scratch High Series
Steve Niles616
Don Markle530
Tim Base529
Men's Handicap High Game
Don Markle294
Steve Niles
Ken Neer273
Men's Handicap High Series
John Schell747
Don Markle746
Charlie Azbell728
Men's High Average
Steve Niles204
Women's Scratch High Game
Lin Buczek223
Leslie Price
Deb Niles157
Women's Scratch High Series
Leslie Price497
Lin Buczek477
Deb Niles427
Women's Handicap High Game
Lin Buczek310
Leslie Price245
Pat Markle244
Women's Handicap High Series
Lin Buczek738
Leslie Price683
Deb Niles673
Women's High Average
Leslie Price163

RC Motorsports

by Douglas Hatfield Wednesday, Jan. 16 1 Kevin Cahill 29 pts. 2 Howard Best...... 28 pts. John Toombs 28 pts.

CHARLES M. MEARS

Charles (Chuck) E. Mears, 85, of North Canton, Ohio, passed away Nov. 24, 2020. He was born Jan. 22, 1935 in Dover, Ohio, the son of the late Robert and Ruth (McDonald) Mears. After graduating from Dover High School in 1953. He served with the U.S.

Chuck owned and operated Mears Realty for many years and after retirement enjoyed his involvement with the Akron Airstream Club. He and second wife, Jean, have been long-time residents of TR on lot 2803 in The

Charles was preceded in death by his first wife, Enid, in 1988. He is survived by Jean, his wife of 27 years, two sons, three stepchildren, a sister-in-law and two grandchil-

DANIEL M. PETERSEN

Daniel (Dan) M. Petersen, the smartest man in the world, age 81, completed his last "Hail Mary" play on football Sunday, Dec. 13, 2020. This play came with the greatest reward for him, a reunion like no other with beloved family and numerous friends.

Dan was born on May 31, 1939 to George Ludwig and Margaret (Merrill) Petersen VII. He was baptized, confirmed and earned his 30-year Sunday School pin at the Presbyterian Church in Cornell, Wis. He graduated from Cornell High School in 1957 and immediately thereafter enlisted in the U.S. Army. For the next seven years, "Hot Lips" floated between Lincoln/Chicago, Ill. and Ashland,

Wis. where he attended college and played some basketball. He was set up on a blind date on New Year's Eve with what turned out to be his "forever love," Sharlene Marie Ricardo. After a whirlwind romance they were married on July 17, 1965. From this union he was blessed with his namesake, Daniel Merrill, Jr., his cheerleader Melissa Anne and his tomboy Melinda Anne.

In 1982 the family traveled Minnesota in their RV and stumbled across Ortonville where they decided to settle and have resided ever since. Later in their RV travels they found TR and resided through last season on Lot 2616 in The Village.

Danny Boy was a kind soul but was never wrong. He loved his family, his Packers and Wisconsin Badger. Always game for a side bet, he was a quick-witted smart aleck who liked to give history lessons or call radio station KDIO to win the sports trivia question of the week. However because he won every week they only allowed him to play once a month. Left to cherish his memory on earth are the three beautiful girls in his life, wife Sharlene, daughters Missy (and whoever is next in her life), Mindy (Jerrold) Peters, daughter-in-law Maria Petersen (widow of son Daniel, Jr.), eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

We will miss him terribly but his failing body could not hold his magnificent soul any longer. In honor of Dan, his family asks you to say a little prayer....Go Pack Go!

With regard to the **Personal Obituary Form**

The Personal Obituary Form below allows you to provide any information you would like to have included in your submitted obituary. These forms are very useful, especially when they provide the name of a family member and their contact information.

The completed forms should be sent to Sharon Cook, Obituary Editor, lot 1735. Future changes to this information are always possible.

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Poem

Submitted by Norm Eden

This was written by a close friend of ours, Judy Ingman living in Ormskirk, Lancashire, UK. (who has only been writing poetry for a few years) and of course she has no link to TR. But, written in recent days following the passing of a close friend it seems appropriate to the TR ongoing sentiments.

by Judy Ingman January 2017

Winter walks are where poems are born, Trees standing leafless all forlorn Boughs stretching out to the glaring sun Please let Spring hurry up and come Blossoms and leaves to cover our grey Hastening our world to a better day.

Spring births colours of every hue Warming the hearts of me and you, Yet in this frosty world where birds' songs ring We have time to reflect on everything. For loved ones lost who are always missed This bare landscape is still sun kissed.

They've left their love to keep us strong Whatever the season we'll always belong Winter's ice or summer's heat Autumn's de-leafing Spring's flowering treat In our Worldly place we all play our part And we're held tight and warm in our Planet's heart.

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