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President's Message

By Mark Nixon

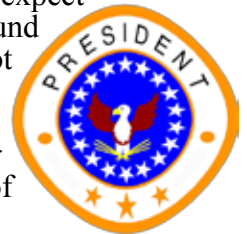
Iwould like to thank Nan Olney for her excellent leadership during her tenure as president. Great job Nan!

Welcome to the two newest members of the Board of Directors, Gary Schamburg and Linda Quince. Congratulations on your election, and I am looking forward to working with you. I am happy Mike Butler was re-elected and will continue as our Treasurer.

I want to thank the entire Board of Directors for their support in selecting me as the President of the Board. We can, and should, work together to make Americana Cove a better place to live.

I know the Road Project has upset our tranquil existence, but that should be finished by June of this year and things will smooth out. By the way, the projected schedule is posted on the bulletin board at the Club House and covers a month at a time. We do expect to begin milling the asphalt driveways on the north side of the Cove around February 20th. We will also be milling and paving the streets that are not getting the 8-inch water lines at that time.

In closing, feel free to contact me with your comments at any time. Your Board of Directors will continue to work for you, and we would like all of you to work with us.



**A Complete Listing of Resident Services
can be found on the page before your calendar**

Letter from the Manager

By Jane Jarlenski, CMCA, AMS, PCAM

Waterline Schedule – A schedule of the waterline project is posted in the clubhouse breezeway.

Air Conditioning Filters – Once the paving is complete on your street, it is a good idea to change your air conditioner's filter.

Manager's Meeting – I will be in the Atrium at 4:30 on Wednesday, March 1st for a "Meeting with the Manager". The afternoon Meeting with the Manager in January was so well attended, I decided to have two this year. Please bring any issues you would like me to bring to the boards' attention to this meeting. I look forward to these meetings!

Hurricane Forum – The 5th Annual Hurricane & Safety Expo is scheduled for Wednesday, March 15th. The event will begin at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome to attend; if you would like lunch, there will be a \$2.00 charge, this year. Tickets will need to be purchased by Monday, March 13th at 3:00 PM. They will be available for purchase in the business office, beginning March 1st.

Founder's Day – Founder's Day will be celebrated on Saturday, March 25th. This year will be Americana Cove's 23rd Anniversary of being resident-owned and that is something to celebrate! There will be a special tribute to Americana Coves' Founder this year.

Trash & Recycling - Open trash placed in a cardboard box will not be picked up; all trash must be in plastic bags. Cardboard boxes should be broken down or flattened and placed in the dumpster marked for cardboard. No cardboard boxes are to go into the large item open top dumpster on the North Side. If you have furniture you no longer want, please call the Salvation Army and schedule pick up. Their phone number is (727) 550-8080.



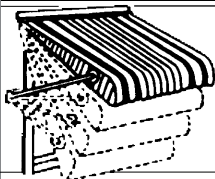
Safety – Please wear light color clothing and carry a flashlight when walking after dusk and before dawn. It is very hard to see walkers wearing dark clothing when it is dark outside.

Seasonal Resident Checklist – If you plan to leave soon and return to your summer residence, stop by the business office and pick up a Seasonal Resident Checklist. We don't want you to forget anything important when preparing your winter home for the summer months.

Daylight Savings Time – Don't forget to move your clocks one hour ahead on Sunday, the 12th. Daylight Savings Time begins.

That is all I have until next month. Enjoy the beginning of spring on March 20th.

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Recycling Matters:

Please stop unnecessary waste.

Here are some tips from Pinellas County, which is very pro recycling. RECYCLE: collect usable materials separately from trash so that they can be transformed into new products. REDUCE: decrease the amount of garbage you generate. REUSE: use an item again instead of throwing it away.

Each week, do a little more. Each week reduce the amount of trash you put out for collection or take to the trash areas. Granted, we didn't grow up recycling, but we're not dead yet. We can learn this skill. Copy your Canadian neighbors. They know how to do this.

FYI, 77% of the incoming trash at the Solid Waste Facility in St. Petersburg could be recycled. Paper and Cardboard and Paper Board (Cereal Boxes)--28.8%; Bottles & Cans--8.3%; Yard Waste--8.5%, to just give you several examples. (I don't have the statistic for plastics and glass.)

Please take care and learn the modern habit of recycling. A few reminders: Flatten cardboard boxes. If you take paper, plastics, or glass to the recycle bins, please no plastic bags. Plastic bags go back to your grocery. Better still, recycle them. Just bring them back for your own re-use or bring your own grocery bags. Your grocery store will give you smiles and compliments!



I hope you are enjoying the cardboard bin on the North Side and are flattening your boxes . Our next project is to have plastic and glass recycling on the North Side as well as the South.

Happy recycling!

ACA News

By Libby Hopkins

Hello Everybody! Spring is here!!!! Lots going on in the Cove!
The White Elephant Sale is Saturday, March 4. Come and see what goodies you can find!

Set Up for the sale will take place on Friday, March 3.

****Please make note of these other important dates, and put them on your calendars:**

- ACA Club President's Meeting – Monday, Feb. 27, 2017 -- 10 am in the Atrium
- ACA Luncheon Meeting – Wednesday, March 1, 2017 -- 12 Noon in the Clubhouse

A grateful thank you to all who make our events so special!!!!!! Enjoy the beautiful weather!



Old Timers Young At Heart

By Mary Ann Fairlie

March is upon us once again, and fortunately we are in sunny Florida rather than the cold and snowy Midwest where I grew up.

It is time for our Nominating Committee to search for members who would be willing to serve on our Board for the coming year. Please consider saying “yes” if you are approached by them. Some of us have been involved for a long time, and we would love to get some new people to take over for us.

The meetings this month will be March 8 and March 22. Yikes, I just realized that one of those dates is my birthday, and I'm too old to be doing this anymore! Love you all!

Sunshine Report for March 2017

By Nancy Hubartt

Deaths

Paul Beauregard (former resident)
Amy MacMurphy (former resident)

Henry Novotka
Ruth Healy



Nursing Homes

Mary Boyd Bon Secour Maria Manor
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March Birthdays

01 George Chamberlin	12 AnnMarie Moretti	20 Astrid Dye
01 Joe Hebbard	13 Norm Nemi	21 Rosemary Kegebein
01 Rick Lopez	13 Carol Deatherage	21 Ray Larkin
01 Hope Hedrick	13 Janet Miller	22 Dick Nemi
02 Mark Nixon	14 Bill Kocher	22 Mary Ann Fairlie
05 Rick Nangle	14 Lois Vogle	22 Barbara Strehl
06 Jim Tanner	14 Bill Johnson	23 Drew Fairlie
07 Barbara Tumminia	14 Leni Hohne	24 Bobbi Rogers
07 Collette Benight	15 June Parsons	24 Helga Frank
07 Sue Osfar	16 Paul Powers	24 Aldie Howard
09 Jeanette Imbrogulio	17 Pat Porretto	25 Joan Mahoney
09 Vickie Domino	17 Kathy Laramie	25 Nancy Morris
10 Joanne Rolston	18 Claire Mosakowski	27 Linda Roberts
11 John Hill	18 Rick Birtcher	29 Paula Barrows
11 Russell Sapia	18 Janet Callahan	29 Susan Ponti
11 Kathy Cindric	19 Larry Rhead	31 Edward Kimak
11 Ken Turk	19 Christine Mahoney	31 Liz Constant

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09	Astrid & Jack Dye	21 years
12	Yvonne & Richard Thurston	55 years
14	Claire & Luigi Bruno	53 years
16	Pat & Chuck Schmidt	55 years
22	Barbara & Richard Bielawski	49 years
24	Gail & Ray Larkin	51 years
25	Betty & Jim Chase	63 years
28	Becky & Rick Nangle	27 years
28	Virginia & Eddie Clark	52 years



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By Nancy Hubartt

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Murray, Edward R. (AK)
155 Americana Ct.
Previously: Deschamps

Quinn, James F. & Lynn (Canada)
316 Mt Piney Ave.
Previously: Cunningham

Guiler, Michael W. & (FL)
Adams, Melissa G.
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Melhouse, Morten R. (FL)
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Previously: Ilkanic

Billups, Kenneth E. & Karen L. (ME)
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Previously: Soucy

Galligan, Charles & Susan (RI)
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Previously: Wiglund

Diel, Ronald W. & Pamela A. (NY)
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Hill, Paul L. & Jill M. (FL)
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Terri's Horoscope for March 2017

By me, Terri Mottl

ARIES (03/21-04/19) Not normally known as "Organizer of the year", you will experience a sudden surge of filing frenzy. Go for it....you may even find that old photo of your first love.

TAURUS (04/20-05/20) There's you. There's your goals. There's an obstacle. Don't give up....it's just going to take a little creative thinking and a burst of humor to get 'er done.

GEMINI (05/21-06/20) How 'bout that? You and your brain are in total synch! What you think, you do, what you do, you become, what you become, you can be forever. Voila!

CANCER (06/21-07/22) You're so smart this month, no one can keep up with you....not even yourself. What a brain! What a genius!

LEO (07/23-08/22) Everyone knows it. The more you can bend, the less you'll break. This is the month to use your compromising and adapting skills.

VIRGO (08/23-09/22) Even though everyone knows you as the organizer "extraordinaire", you're dealing with secret feelings of failure in that department. Go ahead, alphabetize those books if you must.

LIBRA (09/23-10/22) This month, you're so silly, you're so funny, you're so up! Well, aren't you just the cutie patootie?

SCORPIO (10/23-11/21) You may be tempted to paint your living room bright pink or dye your hair green, but it may be better to ask yourself if there's something you're trying to cover up.

SAGITTARIUS (11/22-12/21) Usually the gregarious type, you really feel that you have little patience for chit-chat this month. You may want to do your communicating through an email or a text.

CAPRICORN (12/22-01/19) Try to live within your budget this month. The temptation to overspend is great, but no one you know is going to believe it was the fault of a hole in your pocket.

AQUARIUS (01/20-02/18) A good mood. A kiss. A promise kept. A happy meeting. Pinch yourself...you ARE awake and it's happening to YOU!

PISCES (02/19-03/20) Helping him. Helping her. You're quite the energetic do-gooder this month, even more than usual. It will all come back to you in the future.

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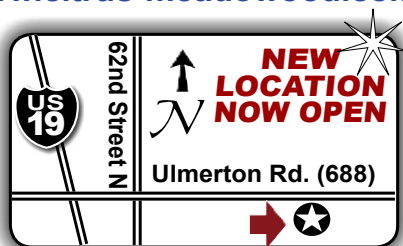
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Got It

By Sandie Reid

A little reminder for March GOT IT, March 4, 2017 at 4pm. However, March 18, 2017 will be at 3pm. Please mark your calendars. Thank you.

Veterans Seminar March 13, 2017

By Jim Tanner

A veterans seminar sponsored by the Disabled American Veterans is planned to be held in the Club House at 10 a.m. to noon on Monday, March 13th. Coffee and refreshments will be available from 9:30 a.m.

All veterans, military retirees, spouses and widows of deceased veterans are invited to attend. Topics to be discussed include VA comp, hospital, widow and death benefits. For example: All vets with ALS are service-connected. WWII, Korea and Vietnam veterans may be eligible for hearing aids and VA compensation. Veterans that served in Vietnam are automatically service-connected for Type 2 Diabetes, Coronary Artery Disease, Parkinson's disease, Prostate Cancer and over 20 different types of cancer. Widows of Vietnam vets who had any of these diseases when they died may be eligible for monthly death benefits.

There are new VA Rules Establishing Presumption of Service Connection for Diseases Associated with Exposure to Contaminants in the Water Supply at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The presumption of service-connection applies to active duty, reserve and National Guard members who served at Camp Lejeune for a minimum of 30 days (cumulative) between August 1, 1953, and December 31, 1987, and are diagnosed with any of the following conditions: adult leukemia, aplastic anemia and other myelodysplastic syndromes; bladder, kidney and liver cancers, multiple myeloma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and Parkinson's disease.

The DAV will have a National Service Officer here to answer questions and assist attendees. Canadian veterans are welcome.

Contact Jim Tanner, 102 Americana Court, if you have any questions or topics you would like discussed. Call either 339-298-9377 or 727-954-8264



Library News

By Greg & Jill Moe

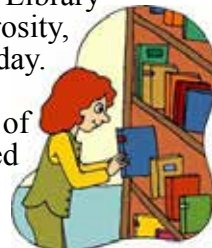
Hope you have noticed the new "collection" of CDs. We recently received a wonderful donation of over 60 CDs. These will definitely make traveling long distances in the car more enjoyable.

We appreciate everyone's cooperation in returning items (books, magazines, DVDs, CDs). Putting things neatly in the Book Cart helps our volunteers put things back where they belong. Magazine returns have also been good (and thank you for no catalogs or flyers). We appreciate everyone donating **current** magazines **only** as our space is limited.

The puzzle section is always interesting and fun. We thank everyone for donating complete puzzles. If you find a puzzle that is missing a piece, please do not return it to us, we **will not** keep it.

On a personal note, Greg and I wish to thank the residents for all of their donations. I recently spoke to a woman who was visiting Americana Cove. She graciously commented on YOUR library and that she enjoyed it. By the time I got done praising our founders (Rita and Jim Lewis) and bragging about the residents' generosity, she had to scurry off before I could boast about the volunteers who have been a godsend in helping us keep the Library the way you seem to like it. So, thank you all once again for your generosity, cooperation, and assistance in making Americana Cove Library what it is today.

Reminder - The Americana Cove Book Club meets the second Thursday of the month at 1:30 PM in the Library. A list of books being discussed is posted on the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse. Please feel free to join in anytime. (Contact any Book Club member or Jill Moe at 603-898-4614.)



Walk off the Pounds News

By Daisy Dean

January was a great month for us with 5 new walkers. A big welcome to 2 new guys to our group, Bob Sockrider and Brent Anderson; it's always nice to see men coming to our workout. Also welcome to Beth, Pat and Carol Ann.

We are really enjoying our second TV; now everyone can see.

We are hosting an ACA luncheon along with Nancy Olson's swimming class on March 1st. Thank you all in advance for helping us do this.

Healthy tip for the month: Don't skip meals, especially breakfast, as it's the most important meal of your day. Eat healthy & exercise!!!

See you all at the next "walk away the pounds".

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View from The Gate

By Brad Coath

Hello everyone! We have put our Gate heads together and want to share an idea to make using The Gate easier for you and your Gate friends.....

As you know, you are required to notify the Gate when you are expecting a visitor. We would like to make this real easy for you by telling you exactly what information we need from you and the order in which we would like you to give it to us:

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"Hi this is Brad Coath at 211 Mt. Piney, my friend Nate will be coming in today ". We don't need a time (unless they will be arriving late in the evening or early next morning). We don't need car information. **HOWEVER**, if your guest will be driving in and out during their visit, let us know that please.

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Vespers News

By Martha Sutton

Our season is winding down, only seven services left to go. You still have time to come and experience an inspirational service with some fun loving people and draw your own conclusion. We've had some different experiences ourselves this year while trying to increase our treasury from sponsoring a lunch to taking a trip to Tarpon Springs. A lot of us went to the Holy Land Experience in Orlando which the Garden Club sponsored. We all had a wonderful time.

Our organist/choir director has enjoyed playing our new Clavinova, and it's great having an instrument that operates properly instead of one doing whatever it wants from time to time! I hope by the time this issue of the Forecaster comes out we will have the Clavinova on a movable platform making it easier and safer in moving it around, thanks to Derek Woodhead and the Hobby Shop.

Shortly, I will have forms ready for anyone wishing to purchase an Easter lily for the sunrise service April 16th. They certainly decorate the Atrium for that service and of course you may take it home afterwards.

I wish to thank all the volunteers who have helped in every capacity this year, from bringing refreshments to returning the Atrium to its original arrangement after the service is over making it ready for the card players. It takes many hands to assist in having Vespers run smoothly; so thank you one and all.

March pastors:

March 5 - Brent Anderson, Methodist, Cove resident
12 - Kevin Loughran, Grace Lutheran
19 - Roger Watts, Retired Methodist
26 - Father Morley, Holy Family



Swim Exercise News

By Nancy Olson

Swim exercise attendance continues to excel. Residents and visitors have been actively participating. I want to thank Maureen Saunders and Terry Carlo for helping out while I was away on vacation. A couple of reminders to our group, March 1 we will be serving along with the land exercise group at the ACA luncheon. If you can help out, please be to the Club House by 11:30. March 22 is our end of season party at the Tiki Hut. This gathering will also be with the land exercisers. More info will be shared at class. Swim exercise is a year long activity. I leave for the season after Memorial Day. Maureen, Terry and Diane LaRochelle keep this activity going throughout the summer.





Garden Club News

By Gail Jones

So I asked Wikipedia about the term often heard "Eyes of March"---well actually Ides of March

It is a day on the Roman calendar that corresponds to March 15. The words of Latin roots mean divide. It was a warning to Julius Caesar and actually his date of death. Now our meeting date of March 14 has our humorous Jeanne Sheppard; however, she has slipped away and is now a "California Girl". There will be some tidbits directly from her; so be ready to hear!!!. Also that date includes another very knowledgeable resident, Polly Perkins. Her yard at 357 Mt Saxon is florescent with native growth and she makes good use of rain barrels. She continues employment at the Tampa Florida Aquarium and has a lot of knowledge to offer our club. Save the 28th of March date for another adventurous trip to THE STABLES at Lake Alfred, FL, a popular and enjoyable repeat of last year.



Library News

By Jill & Greg Moe

We thank one and all for caring so much about Americana Cove Library. With all the fun activities happening in the Clubhouse, it was obvious that the Library is important ... we have had no "unwelcomed visitors" for over a month!

On a different note, if you find an author you really like, please do not take all the books they've written and empty out an entire section. Others may like that author just as much as you do. If you are looking for a particular book by a particular author, please feel free to give us a call and we can keep an eye out with you.

Book Club - Americana Cove Book Club meets in the Library the second Thursday of the month at 1:30. A list of books being enjoyed is posted on the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse.



Live Music News

By Joan Miller

It's March, and St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner. Live Music Group is planning a "wearing of the Green" show with lots of blarney and banter....and the Leprechauns will be a watchin' as we have a dancin' of the Irish Jig Contest!! Come join us and sing -a-long with our Irish songs and dance on March 7, 2017, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Hope to see all you Irish men and women and those who wish they were!!!

On March 21st, put on your poodle skirts, peg leg jeans, saddle shoes and bring your hula hoops and sing along to the great music of the 50's and 60 's. It's 3 pm in the Clubhouse on March 21st. See you there.



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90's Gala

By Mary Bickhart

Congratulations to our 90+ citizens. What a wondrous, classy party that celebrated our most senior neighbors!

On this our ninth year, we had 10 beautiful women, 11 handsome men and their guests.

Betty Chase, our founding Mother, cooked a delicious meal that satiated everyone. The volunteer kitchen, wait staff made the dinner feel extra special.

We had posters with pictures of our famous guests. There were wrist corsages for the ladies and boutonnieres for the men's lapels.

Claire Mosakowski's Live Music Group entertained with a variety of music, singers and jokes to aid in the digestion of our scrumptious dinner.

We need to thank our Clubs for their donations. The selflessness to celebrate our very own is heartwarming. Each gift bag had a selection of little goodies plus a \$30.00 Visa card. A note to Marge Shearer and Ginny Marcott - Thank You.

Thank you to all the 90's dinner guests who attended. It was a sincere pleasure to honor your years.

Boat Club News

By Ted Meljac

The Island Bash plans are progressing nicely. Tickets are for sale for \$15 and can be purchased from any of the following: Linda Quince, Pat Ley, Janice Franklin, Jolee Rengo, Ted Meljac, Diane LaRochelle and Terry Carlo. Tickets will also be for sale before luncheons and bingo. Cocktail Hour will start at 5:00 pm (with beer and wine provided by Boat Club members) followed by Dinner at 6:00 pm and entertainment by "Island Boys" until 10 pm. Raffle tickets are also available for purchase. Contact Carolyn Schamburg for your lucky ticket, and winners will be announced on Founder's Day. The last Kayak Full Moon outing was on Friday night February 10th. Watch for an e-mail or Facebook reminder from Pat Ley for details on upcoming full moon outings. The January 29th Tiki Hut party was well attended by 90 folks in spite of the cool weather. The next boat club meeting is scheduled on February 11th in the Atrium.



**A Complete Listing of Resident Services
can be found on the page before your calendar**



Cue Club News

By Ron Miller

Cue Club year is coming to its end! It's been a good year; fun was had by all (I hope). The men's league ends on Feb. 23, ladies on Feb. 15. The men's league singles tournament will be held on Feb. 27; and men's doubles start the March 2. The women's singles start on Feb. 22, with doubles on March 1. Our dinner will be on March 30. The Brews and Bratz went great; fun was had by all. 196 tickets were sold with four tickets not picked up; no tickets were sold at the door. So next year we may sell 250. So get your tickets early; don't wait until the last minute! This is so the people buying the food have the time to purchase necessary quantities, and the cooks accurately estimate the time needed to cook the meal.

Super Bowl party went well also; about 70-80 people attended. The food was outstanding as well as the game!

Next Cue Meeting Monday March 6, 2017 at 10am in the Atrium.

Red Hat Chilies News

By Adele Seaman

Red Hat Chilies March Lunch will be on Wed., March 15th at Lucky B's on 4th St. N. Please meet at the Clubhouse no later than 11:30 AM. Rides will be available. Please sign the attached sheet if you can make it.

Thank you,
Adele



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On Thursday, March 23th at 6:30 PM in the clubhouse. Please remember to bring pennies to play with and a snack to share. Come early to get your favorite card!

See you then. Thank you.

Hobby Shop News

By Kenneth Turk

NO HOME REPAIR SERVICES THIS SUMMER by Hobby Shop members.

Most of the volunteers who provide labor and expertise for small home repairs to residents on LOW fixed incomes have headed north. Thus, these services will not be provided until further notice.

We've learned of some terrible price gouging by some contractors performing repairs for Cove residents. The office has a list of contractors who have met the insurance and other requirements to perform work in the park. We remind all that a good way to protect yourself from inflated prices is to get quotes from at least two approved contractors, especially on large jobs. You could also check with neighbors who have had similar work done or have experience as to what a fair cost might be.



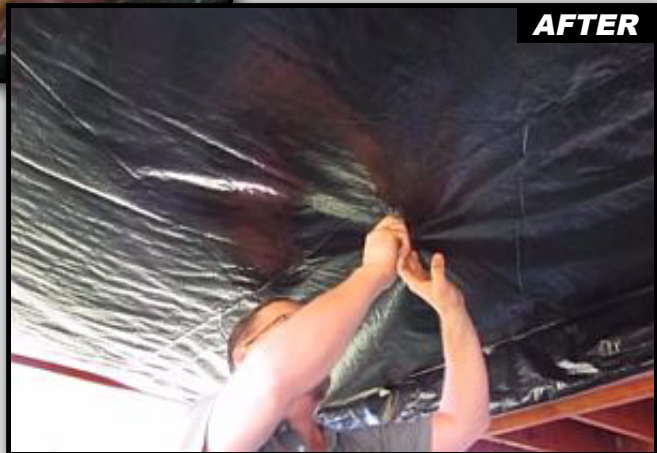
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Helping Hands News

By Carol Shepard

T.I.A. = Transient Ischemic Attack
Now you know why they call it TIA

Many call a TIA a "mini stroke" as it has many of the same symptoms; but they do not linger or cause permanent damage. However, what they should do is alert you to the fact that you are at risk for a full blown stroke. Signs and symptoms of TIA are:

- Partial numbness of the face
- Jumbled words or slurred speech
- Vision changes
- Dizziness

It is important to seek medical treatment so you can perhaps prevent or delay permanent damage.

The underlying cause of TIA often is a buildup of cholesterol-containing fatty deposits called plaque in an artery. Plaque can decrease blood through an artery or lead to a clot. A blood clot moving through an artery that supplies blood to your brain may also cause a TIA.

Risk factors for a TIA include:

Age, family history, high blood pressure, diabetes, heart disease, sleep apnea, excess weight, lack of activity, smoking, or heavy drinking.

Evidence proves that prompt treatment of a TIA can reduce the risk of a future stroke. The goal is to improve blood flow and fix what caused the disruption. Treatment can include:

- Anti-platelet drugs - like a low dose of aspirin or prescription drugs like plavix.
- Anticoagulants - these affect clotting processes which are often prescribed.
- Surgery - if the carotid artery is moderately or severely narrowed, you may need a carotid endarterectomy to clear blood vessels of fatty deposits and improve blood flow.

An important part of treatment is managing underlying conditions that increase stroke risk. This includes addressing and controlling high blood pressure, high cholesterol, or diabetes as well as maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Thank You

From Jo Waldron

My heartfelt thanks to my Cove friends and Shuffleboard family who called and visited after my "trip" at the pancake breakfast. A special thanks to the "first responders" who stabilized me and kept me from further harm. One, I later learned, was a retired EMT; I was in good hands. As always, thanks to my Best Buddy, Nick Misciagna, who held my hand until I recovered.



Shuffleboard News

By Diana Shannon

Happy St. Patrick's Day! Don't forget to wear your green.

The Americana Cove Singles Shuffleboard tournament was held on February 4th and the winners were:

Friendship League

1st Place – Anthony Daleo

2nd Place – Lorraine Boshek

3rd Place – Patricia Finn

Nova League

1st Place – Gerard Finn

2nd Place – Helga Ellis

3rd Place – Judy Whiteford

Congratulations to all the winners! We also want to thank everyone who participated And a big thank you to Lori Casey and Greg Moe for organizing the tournament.

The Americana Cove Shuffleboard Club trophy party will be on Saturday, March 18th at 5:00 P.M.

Tournament Dates:

Friendship Tournament – Singles: March 8th & 9th at Regency Cove

Doubles: March 13th & 14th at Silver Lake

American Tournament – March 21st & 22nd at Pinellas Park

Canadian Tournament – March 16th & 17th at Pinellas Park

Don't forget to stop by the shuffleboard courts to see how much fun shuffleboard can be.

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, March 6, 9:30 A.M. (Clubhouse)**

Crafters News

By Ann Marie Moretti

Americana Cove Crafters would like to thank all of the community members who contributed to our food drive. We were able to bring over 50 pounds of food to the local free clinic.

Please join us on Monday, March 20th at 6:30 p.m. in the clubhouse for an Ice Cream Social. There will be a nominal charge.

All members of the Americana Cove Community are welcome to join the Crafters Club which meets on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the clubhouse. Annual dues are just \$3.00.

Be sure to check our bulletin board for upcoming activities and events. You can also find us on Facebook, on the Americana Cove Crafters page.



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WHITE ELEPHANT SALE - DUNEDIN: Sat. March 18th, 8 AM to 1 PM. Lake Haven Mobile Home Park 1415 Main St (SR 580). Turn South on Lake Haven Road, Turn East into Treasure Cove. Follow signs to the Clubhouse.

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White Elephant Sale Saturday March 11th. Lake Haven MHP #3, 1415 Main St. Dunedin, FL. Clothing, Small Appliance, Gift items and the BEST BAKE SALE IN TOWN! 8AM-1PM.

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March 18th, 8:00am-1:00pm, Rummage/Craft Sale: Caribbean Isles MHP Clubhouse 12100 Seminole Blvd. Lot 52. Lunch, Raffle Baskets, & Baked Goods!

Art/Craft Fair - Friday, March 10th, 9AM-1PM. Lake Highlander MHP, 1500 County Road 1, Dunedin. Refreshments available.

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Tables are on sale for East Bay Oaks Annual Craft Fair to be held on December 9th from 9am until 2pm. For table rental, please contact Tammy at 727-550-6397 or email inthegardn@gmail.com

Art, Craft and Bake Sale: Saturday, March 18th, 8:00am to 2:00pm. Park Royale 10611 66 street (Between Circle K and Wells Fargo). Kitchen Open for Breakfast and Lunch!

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Book Club News

By Jill Moe

The Book Club will gather in the Library Thursday, March 9, 2017, at 1:30 PM to discuss 'The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared' by Jonas Jonasson. Come join us to see how this centurion celebrates his birthday!
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One of the shared goals for the Americana Cove Co-op Board of Directors and Barefoot Realty is to sell more shares for vacant lots. Barefoot Realty along with Board President Mark Nixon conducted a lot study during fall 2016 to determine exactly how many vacant lots were useable.

As part of the study, the lots were measured and a list was developed to assist potential buyers who want to place a certain style and size of home on a particular lot.

In addition to the study, Barefoot Realty has begun to place vacant lots on the americanacovesales.com website as listings, which has generated more traffic to the site. In the past 14 days since the listings were placed on the site, 177 individuals have looked at the section titled "Home Sites."

In February, an Open House specifically for vacant lots was held. The Open House event was in conjunction with the Pinellas Realtor Association and Tampa Bay Times, and an ad for Americana Cove was placed on a special Open House page on the Tampa Bay Times website and weekend paper.

"We've definitely seen more buyers this season interested in purchasing shares for lots," says Broker Marty Pozgay.

The Last Word

By Terri Mottl

Hang on to your hats, kids, because March 14th is just around the corner, and that's National Pi Day! In 2009, The House of Representatives actually passed a resolution recognizing this great event. Pi, as we all know, (whether we want to or not) is a mathematical concept and a number that never ends, (as far as we can tell). For the sake of expediency, and/or "just because", our great mathematicians and physicists have rounded this number down to 3.14. Hence, 3-14 becomes a day of great celebration. As an interesting aside, this is also Albert Einstein's birthday, although pi existed long before Albert and will survive long into, well, Pi. So don your special T-shirts and bring the party favors while you crack open a beer or two in honor of this illustrious day. If you have any time or energy left over after all the revelry, we also have St. Paddy's day on the 17th, but, anybody can write about that, right?

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