

Outings At Grand Horizons



Rachel Gamache, JoAnn Fisher, Frankie Alexander, Joyce Billig, Mim Gardner, Joyce Bell and Shirley Carlson.

No Meal Missed With Social Groups

Submitted by **Helene Rubenstein**
Grand Horizons

On March 3, we had an egg-in-a-bag held at the community center. A nice crowd of 92 people was served omelets consisting of any or all of the following: ham, cheese, mushrooms, onions, green

pepper, Jalapeno plus home fried potatoes, biscuits and gravy plus coffee and orange juice. Before the tables were called to create their omelets, grace was said by Galen Parker while everyone bowed their heads in a moment of silence. There were several

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Catching Up At Emerald Pointe

Late Residents Remembered, Long Time Residents Honored

Submitted by **Pauline Patenaude**
Emerald Pointe RV Resorts

On Feb. 9 it was a great day for a bike ride as residents hopped on their motorcycles to Tarpon Springs. Everyone had lunch at Rusty Bellies Waterfront Grill.

On Feb. 18, Pauline Patenaude and Betty Conrad sponsored a 20-year anniversary celebration in honor of the residents who have been in our resort since beginning 20 or more years ago. There were 164 people attending. Ice cream cake was served followed by 24 door prizes and bluegrass music



Emerald • Continued on Page 6B It was a great day Feb. 9 for a bike ride to Tarpon Springs.



The Sound, comprised of the Mills family, will return to play worship music at the Easter Sunrise Service. *Photo Provided*

Sunrise Service

Florida Hospital Zephyrhills Hosts Annual Easter Event

The community is invited to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from 7-8 a.m. on April 1, at the annual Easter Sunrise Service hosted by Florida Hospital Zephyrhills and the Zephyrhills-Wesley Chapel Ministerial Association. The service will take place on the hospital's front lawn at 7050 Gall Blvd. rain or shine. Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket as limited seating is available.

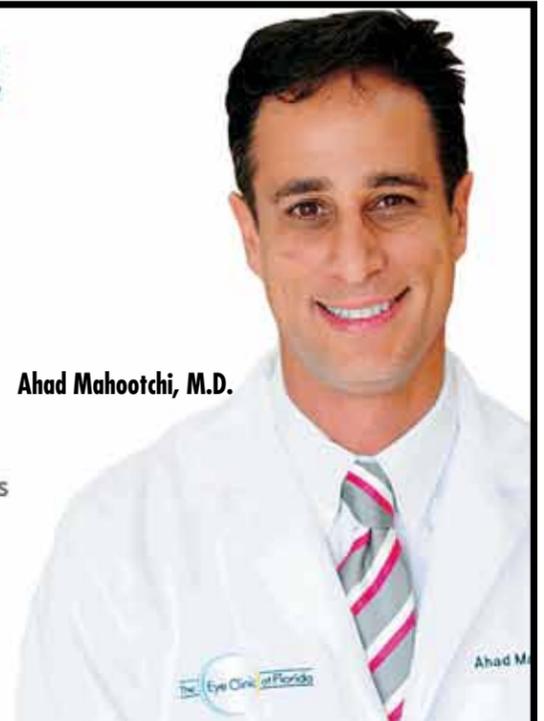
Highlights of the service include worship music by The Sound, which is comprised of the Mills family, a group of talented musicians who split their time between living in Zephyrhills and Michigan. The Sound performed in 2017 and are back because of the great performance they gave, according to Jane Freeman, FHZ's Community Relations Manager. Rev. Jim Thomas from the First United Methodist Church will deliver a special Easter message and there will be a dove release at the program's conclusion. An offering will be collected to benefit the ZWCMA and the Samaritan Project of Zephyrhills. Complimentary refreshments will be provided for guests.

Additionally, the ZWCMA has organized its traditional Good Friday Walk of the Cross on March 30. The walk begins at 5:30 p.m. outside of St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 5316 11th St. Participants will take a pilgrimage with a cross through the streets of Zephyrhills marking the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Along the way, there will be seven stops at local churches to reflect on the last Seven Sayings of Christ on the Cross. The evening concludes about 6:45 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 38635 Fifth Ave.

Children are invited to both events and there is no need to register. Questions can be directed to FHZ's Marketing Department at (813) 783-6192.

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One of the two tables we had with several of the women enjoying themselves with food and drink.



On the left are Danny, Marty, and Helene with Helene Sheehan, Elaine and Laurie on the right side of the booth.



Part of the group that attended with Helene Rubenstein smiling at the camera. *Photo by Tita Mauk*

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helpers and since everyone had a specific job to do, it all went very smoothly and efficiently. This was a lovely way to start the morning and everyone had a nice time.

On March 4, Marty and I decided to visit with our cousins. Once a year we try and meet at some location that would be convenient for all. Our cousin, Helene Sheehan, came in from Hawaii to stay with

her sister, Elaine Cunningham and they met with Marty and Helene Rubenstein, Danny Redak and Laurie Kruh. We all had a lovely lunch at the Myakka River Restaurant that is located right on the water. So, being that we were on the water, we had lunch while seeing a fantastic view. We spent a lovely afternoon together and Danny was the perfect host while the rest of us talked and caught up on past news and reminisced of days gone by

Then, on March 6, the Ladies Lunch Bunch got together to have lunch at Sergio's in Zephyrhills. There were approximately 25-30 women who attended this

luncheon that was put on by Helene Rubenstein. The dining room was decorated with pictures on the wall. The menu was varied and included dishes such as sandwiches, salads and soups. There were also main dishes such as eggplant Parmigiana, baked manicotti, lasagna, baked ravioli with meat or cheese and several other dishes. They started off the meal with delicious rolls and butter.

There was much banter going on during the meal and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. A door prize was awarded to the person with the closest birthday to St. Patrick's Day. The winner was Mary Wurpts. She received a drinking cup with a cute saying on it.



Betty Cooper, left, and Dana Outman just making the finishing touches on their meals.



Pictured, from left, are Danny Redak, Helene Rubenstein, with Marty Rubenstein behind her, Laurie Kruh, Helene Sheehan and Elaine Cunningham.



Pictured, from left are Nancy Huey, Linda Hillman and Rae Rice.



Danny Redak.



Mary Wurpts won the prize.



Laurie Kruh.



Elaine Cunningham, left, and Helene Sheehan.

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Pot Luck, Trivia Brings Everyone Together

Submitted by *Helene Rubenstein*
Grand Horizons

On Feb. 25 approximately 55 people got together at the community center for a pot luck. The pot luck was hosted by Nancy Huey and what a fine job she did. She did have some help from the people who attended but Nancy organized the entire lunch, which consisted of many breakfast items plus so much more.

There were some eggs, sausage, quiche, deviled eggs, biscuits and gravy and more. There were so many desserts you had trouble choosing. There was a cake, cheese twirls, Watergate salad, muffins and several other desserts. There also was some coffee.

Before tables were called to get their food and fill their plates, Jim Leitzke said grace while everyone observed a moment of silence.

After the pot luck, we had a trivia contest and this was put on by Dick and Connie Kingsbury. Not everyone stayed but we still had a good turnout of approximately 40 people and some more people came in later. This was loads of fun and it definitely was a good mixture of



Nancy Huey was the host and planner of this pot luck.

questions. Teams picked a name for our group and the contest consisted of three parts with 10 questions and a bonus of five more questions for each group. A Dairy Queen gift card went to the grand winners.



People getting their food after tables were called.

GEM ESTATES

Gem Estates Sets New Attendance Record



On March 8, Gem Estates set a new record for attendance at our Thursday morning coffee hour. We had a total of 138 neighbors and guests enjoying the camaraderie our community is known for.

Submitted by *Mabel Budzinski*

Weekly Bingo At Gem Estates

Weekly Bingo started at Gem Estates on Jan. 9 with a new day and new time. Located at 39415 Elgin Drive, Gem Estates will host Bingo every Tuesday with regular games, specials, jackpots and lucky dabs. Doors will open at 5 p.m. Early bird starts at 6 p.m. with regular Bingo beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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Music Lovers Love Hillcrest

Volunteers Keep Entertainment Coming

Submitted by Carolyn Ledford
Hillcrest RV Resort

What a delight it is to live at Hillcrest RV Park where music is number one! Just check the activities calendar and you will see how true that is.

There are planned jams Sunday and Tuesday afternoons on the "patio" of the clubhouse, and Friday nights in the clubhouse. We are so grateful for our volunteers who make all of these happen: Omer and Sylvia Mathieu on Friday nights, Carmen Colwell on Sunday afternoons, and Bruce Martin and Robin Bierworth on Tuesday afternoons. There is always a line of residents eager to participate in these.

Then on Wednesday afternoon there is a huge fiddlers jam under the leadership of Astrid Bierworth and George Bartrum. Of course, all these musicians need to keep their skills fresh so if you wander the park morning, noon or evening you just might



Sunday night hosts Emma Jean Cook (entertainment) and Wayne and Della Edgett (venue and ice cream).

hear some practicing going on or come upon a group all gathered to enjoy yet more music.

On Tuesday nights, many gather at the hall to enjoy Karaoke thanks to the leadership of Gordon Beausoleil. Residents have a great time belting out favorite tunes while others just enjoy watching them.



Volunteers Rika Grant, Frank Huckabone and Bill Hofmann dish up a variety of flavors of ice cream for residents who wait patiently in line.

On Thursday mornings the choir gathers to practice special music for the weekly worship services held at the clubhouse on Sunday mornings. They also keep busy preparing music for two programs they put on for the park in December and March. Shirley Brendel leads the group and Rosemary Couture provides the piano accompaniment.

Three times a season special entertainment comes into the park for a

two-hour program. For this, you need a ticket which gives you an assigned seat for a minimal charge. We don't need to go to Branson or some expensive venue – just walk over to the hall and enjoy a fantastic program. The best part is no traffic jam afterwards to return home.

This week we were entertained by Cahal Dunne, an Irishman who is now

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The clubhouse fills to capacity as residents gather to enjoy their ice cream and chat with one another.



Sunday night entertainer Debbie Myers on the guitar along with Fred Tommy Thompson on the steel guitar.

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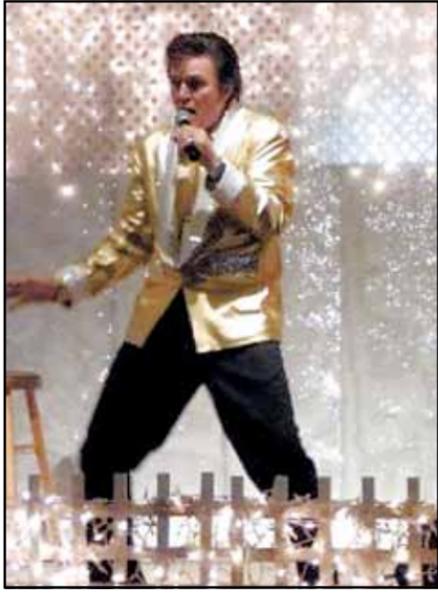
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One recent Sunday evening entertainer was Gene Styles with a tribute to Elvis.

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an American citizen. He provided a wide variety of music along with some great jokes all with a bit of Irish flavor. Thanks go to Heather Penton and Margaret Smith for doing the “shopping” for entertainers and then getting the hall set up for the performances with all seats lined up auditorium style with their row and seat numbers on the backs. It is a huge job but oh what a joy for all of us who love to come and be entertained!

And then, there are our Sunday ice cream nights. Every Sunday we look forward to a bowl of ice cream – with a variety of flavors to choose from – and an hour musical program including such programs as bluegrass music, a tribute to Elvis, country music, and favorite songs from our younger days all through those who have come to entertain us with their talents. Many nights the musical entertainment lends itself to dancing so the floor fills with those enjoying time moving to the music doing everything from line and jive dancing to polka and waltzes.

Emma Jean Cook, who is in charge of the program, has a knack for finding a huge variety of entertainers from the



Wednesday afternoon fiddlers jam.

surrounding area. She is supported by Wayne and Della Edgett and their group of volunteers who handle all of the hall preparation and clean up along with ticket sellers and ice cream servers. Long lines are known to form long before the doors open – in fact, sometimes so long, Wayne has to go out and do a count to be sure we don’t allow in anymore than the capacity of the building.

Yes, it is a very popular event but then how could it not be when for only the cost of a bowl of ice cream or a dollar raffle ticket, you can enjoy a couple of hours with friends chatting together and then

enjoying music and often some dancing. What a special opportunity for all of us from November till the end of March.

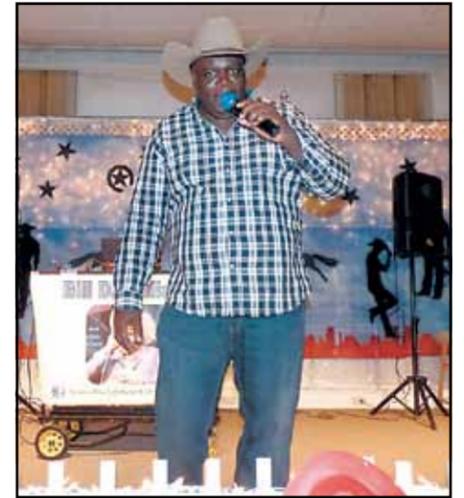
So yes, this really is a park that loves its music and finds a great deal of joy in playing as well as simply sitting back and humming along. Thanks to all at Hillcrest who make this possible.



Cahal Dunne belts out a song while playing his “grand” piano at a Wednesday night special entertainment program.



Just a few of the many jam players on the patio.



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Judy and Jack Pechaski.



Brenda Brady, Barbara Morningstar and Molly Rowe in their derby hats on Feb. 10.



A memorial service held for lost residents was held on Feb. 25.

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by our residents. Sam Giardina sang his popular "I Don't Look Good Naked Anymore" and the Walmart song.

Six lot owners were honored that evening that are still here since 1997. It was an eventful evening. Thanks to all those who made it possible.

A great evening of races was had on Feb. 10. A few ladies enjoyed the horse races in their derby hats. It was a great way to spend the evening with lots of laughs and loads of fun.

A memorial service was held on Feb. 25 sponsored by Karen Deitrich and Judy Armstrong. It was a heart warming service and lots of residents attended in memory of our lost residents this past year.

During the Feb. 26 coffee social the King and Queen committee met and crowned the 2017-2018 King and Queen as Patrick and Susan Riley.

On March 4 Emerald Pointe held a classic car and trike show in the clubhouse parking lot. The show was followed by the usual make your own ice cream sundaes by Judy and Jack Pechaski.

There were a bunch of nice looking bikes and trikes and interesting cars. One to mention was a white Tesla that performed and kept us in awe. The show was sponsored by Larry Hughes.



King and Queen Patrick and Susan Riley, center, accompanied by members of the King and Queen committee, from left, Claudia Bond, Virginia Hughes, Betty Conrad and Pauline Patenaude.



Trikes set up outside the clubhouse.



Nice looking cars that showed up for the March 4 show.



A white Tesla was the star of the March 4 car and trike show.

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FOREST LAKE ESTATES

Meet Dick And Mildred Fox

Residents Share Their Journey To Forest Lake Estates

Submitted by *Judy Thiese*
Forest Lake Estates

Today, I am feeling so grateful for the opportunity to write this column. Each month I have the pleasure of inviting myself into a neighbor's home and asking some sometimes very personal questions about their personal lives. Who are they? What brought them to Forest Lake Estates? How long have they lived here? Where did they come from? How old are they and how many years married or how many children, grandchildren, etc. etc. And it never fails to surprise and impress me how very interesting each one is and what stories each could tell.

Meet Mildred and Dick Fox of Spring Lake Circle! First, in July they will celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary!

They have no children but are very close to and very proud of their 37 nieces and nephews. Mildred and Dick came to Florida from Flint, Mich. They first met in 1934 when Mildred was in Kindergarten and Dick in second grade in Mayville, Mich. and both graduated from Mayville High – Dick in 1945 and Mildred in 1947.

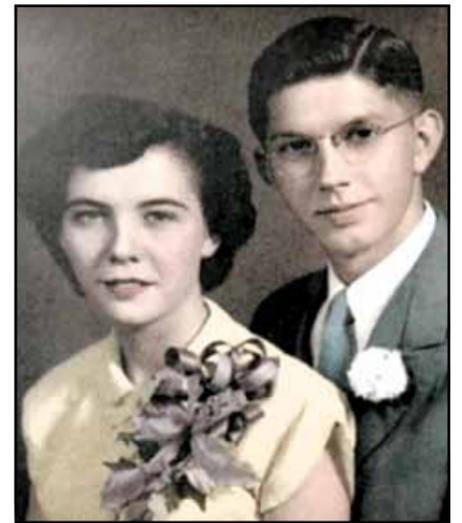
After graduation, Dick went to work

for Consumers Power in Flint working in the engineering department until he was laid off in 1948. In 1949 he was hired into the Chevrolet Manufacturing Plant. Meanwhile, Mildred worked as a clerk, salesperson, or bookkeeper for numerous local businesses in Mayville and surrounding towns. On Jan. 2, 1950 Dick and Mildred shared their first date and after a short courtship became engaged and then married at the Lutheran Church in Mayville.

Dick was drafted into the Korean Conflict on Feb. 20, 1951 and spent two years at various Army locations in the United States.

Upon discharge in February 1953, Dick returned to his job with General Motors while Mildred worked at Day-Fox Industry as a machine operator in Mayville. In 1954 Dick was transferred to the Chevrolet V-8 plant as a production supervisor where he worked until 1960 when he was transferred once again and assigned to labor relations in the personnel department. Dick and Mildred lived in various locations in Mayville for 14 years with Dick making the arduous and tiresome long drive daily to work in Flint. In April 1964, they moved to Flint, which they still call home today.

After 20 years as labor relations representative, Dick retired July 1, 1980 thus ending a lucrative 31-and-one-half years with General Motors.



Dick and Mildred Fox will be celebrating their 68th wedding anniversary in July.

Since retirement they have enjoyed traveling, playing cards, attending Detroit Tigers games, working jigsaw puzzles, walking and visiting family, friends, and neighbors both here at FLE and in Michigan. Upon retirement, Dick and Mildred had as many as 15 friends and family members who would come south mid-winter to the warmer Florida climate in Port Richey. Mildred and Dick would eventually join them, at first visiting, until in 1982 when they bought their first Florida home. Both enjoyed going to the baseball games and travel to and from required traveling through Zephyrhills.

Mildred's cousins, Russell and Arlene Hopp lived at FLE and introduced them

to FLE founder, Henry Viau. In November 1989 they ordered their new home and on Jan. 2, 1990, they took residence on Spring Lake Circle, where they remain today.

Mildred also notes the most impressive things about FLE are the spacious lots good street light with sidewalks, and continuous maintenance and steady improvements around the park. Today, Dick enjoys walking around the park, talking to neighbors and friends while Mildred still enjoys those card games. She plays Horsethief at the clubhouse on most Thursday evenings unless there are too few players available, to which she beckons, "you should join us! We need more players!"

Ladies Who Brunch Sets Sail In March – Reserve Your Spot Soon

Formerly known as "Ladies Who Lunch," Florida Hospital Zephyrhills will host "Ladies Who Brunch" from 8-11:30 a.m. on March 21 at the First Assembly of God, 36322 S.R. 54. This year's accent will be a cruise theme.

An outdoor health fair will take place rain or shine

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COMMUNITY & CLUB NEWS

Ladies Oriental Shrine Cairo Court #97

A benefit with entertainment and dancing will be held on March 15 at the Zephyrhills Lions Club on Dean Dairy Road featuring local singer/songwriter Karl Sapp. This benefit dance is being held to raise funds for the purchase of a Motion Analysis Laboratory for the Shriners Hospital for Children in Tampa. The dance will be held from 6-9:30 p.m., with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 each and may be purchased from any member of the Zephyrhills Ladies Shriners group, at the Lions Club or at the door, if still available. The Lions Club will be serving food for purchase, to include hot dogs, hamburgers, French fries, a pulled pork meal, and delicious strawberry shortcake. Contact Dawn Bartels at (813) 395-6767 for information or tickets.

The local LOSNA group, Cairo Court #97 of Zephyrhills, meets on the third Wednesday of each month (September through May) at the Zephyrhills Masonic Hall at 5950 12th St.

The Zephyr Sound

The Zephyr Sound, an informal ladies barbershop chorus, entertains at various parks in the area. Practices are held each Monday afternoon from 2-4 p.m. at the Zephyrhills Wesleyan Church, 38924 C Ave. We welcome women of all ages who love to sing harmony. Call Peggy Shear at (813) 991-9326 or come to our next rehearsal. If you wish to book a Zephyr Sound performance for our 2018 season, please call Peggy to request a date for March or early April.

Centennial Eagles #4399

Friday Fish Fry is back every Friday from 4:30-7 p.m. serving fish, shrimp and chicken strips. Meal also includes choice of baked potato, French fries or Onion Rings; cole slaw or applesauce; hush puppies or yeast roll; and dessert.

Other activities include Sunday bar Bingo at 1 p.m.; dart tournament on Mondays at 7 p.m.; pool tournament on Tuesdays at 7 p.m.; nickel Bingo on Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; bar Bingo on Thursdays at 6 p.m.; Friday fish fry from 4:30-7 p.m. followed by a pool tournament at 7 p.m.; and nickel bingo on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Located at 10549 U.S. 301. Call the club at (352)567-9755 for information.

Zephyrhills Garden Gate Garden Club

The next meeting will be March 15 at 10 a.m. at the Magnuson Hotel, 5734 Gall Blvd. We will have a fun day celebrating Spring with a high tea and bonnet fashion show. Contact Vicky Keffer at (813) 782-3798 for information.

Kiwanis Club of Dade City

This service organization meets every Tuesday at noon at the American Legion Hall, located at 37745 Church Ave. in Dade City. Lunch is followed by a speaker on current topics of interest to the club.

Kiwanis is a worldwide organization whose focus is on the children of the world. The Dade City club's primary focus is on helping the children of east Pasco County. Guests are welcome to come to a meeting and learn more about how we support children in our community.

American Legion Post #15

Join Dade City Post #15 every Saturday night for Karaoke with Rick starting at 6 p.m. Saturday dinners are available from 5-7 p.m.

Music jams are every Wednesday night, but when the snowbirds go home we will have to practice Karaoke for those who want to try new songs, just watch, or sing Karaoke for the first time in a friendly environment. Refreshments available for purchase along with a full-service bar.

Regular business meetings are conducted on the second Monday of each month. All members are encouraged to attend. We are located in beautiful downtown Dade City at 37745 Church Ave. Join us in support of all veterans and hometown heroes. Call (352) 518-0021 for information.

Community Gardener Master Course

Find out how to start and sustain a community garden with the UF/IFAS Extension Pasco County, Community Gardener Master Course; composed of three 4-hour sessions, taking place over successive Saturdays from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Stallings Building, 15029 14th St., Dade City. The class schedule is as follows: How To Create A Community Garden on March 17; Vegetable Families, Different Gardening Techniques, Harvesting, and IPM on March 24; and Composting, Garden Maintenance, Seed Saving, and Preparing for the Off Season on March 31.

Course fee is \$200, which covers all materials. Contact Eden Santiago-Gomez at esantiagomez@pascocountyfl.net for more information. Discounts offered for groups of 5+ people employed with a 501(c)3, the public school district, or a county government, and approved low income applicants.

Pets of the Week

CHERRY

Cherry is a 6.5-year-old female shepherd mix. She does well with older children, knows some basic commands and seems to be house trained. Cherry needs to be the only animal in the family. She full of energy and likes sprinting through the yard.

MONSTER

Monster is a senior kitty about 15 years old. He will need some follow up veterinarian care. Monster needs someone who knows he needs a little space sometimes. Every Friday is \$5 Feline Friday, including spay/neuter, microchip and vaccinations.

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COMMUNITY & CLUB NEWS

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Zephyrhills Lions Club

On the first Thursday of each month from 9-11:30 a.m. applications are accepted from Pasco County residents for basic eye care through our Sight Program. To qualify please see a list of required documents by visiting www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/zephyrhills or by contacting our clubhouse at (813) 788-1441. Clubhouse hours are 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The clubhouse is located at 5827 Dean Dairy Road.

Come join our Tuesday and Friday night Bingo, the largest Bingo in east Pasco. Doors open at 3 p.m., first Bingo session begins at 6 p.m., second session begins at 8 p.m. so come for one session or stay all night. Our kitchen opens at 4 p.m. with a delicious array of freshly prepared foods and desserts. Daily Specials, when available, are \$5.

Pasco County Historical Society

The next meeting will be held March 16 at 7 p.m., Pioneer Florida Museum & Village, 15602 Pioneer Museum Road. Greg Gude, retired battalion chief with Pasco County Fire Rescue, will speak on this month's program: "Where's the Fire? Talk About the Embers!" Gude will discuss the history and related stories of the fire protection service in Pasco County which occurred during his tenure with PCFR.

Meetings are free and open to the public. A covered-dish dinner precedes the program. Please bring your own cutlery for your personal use. Contact Madonna Wise at (813) 782-0246 or cell (813) 469.8627 or MadonnaJWise@gmail.com for information.

Zephyrhills Family Moose Lodge

Mondays – Corn Hole Toss, 7 p.m. in the SQ and spaghetti/chicken dinner from 5-7 p.m.; Tuesdays – Ship Captain Crew at 2 p.m. in the SQ, darts at 7 p.m. and taco Tuesday from 5-7 p.m.; Wednesdays – Dance on Hall Side and Karaoke with Cathy on SQ Side Wind Night from 5-7 p.m.; Thursdays – Live music in SQ from 2-5 p.m.; and burgers from 5-7 p.m.; Fridays – Fish Fry 4-7 p.m. every Friday.

All events are for members and qualified guests. Public Bingo on Thursdays at 6:30 pm is open to the general public. The lodge is located at 3211 Gall Blvd. and can be reached at (813) 782-1771.

Heartbeat Support Group

Facilitated by Dr. Jaime Caballero, a Board Certified cardiologist. Bring your cardiac-related questions and tick them off your list. No reservations are necessary. Held March 28 from 3-4 p.m. at the Creation Health Wellness Center, 38233 Daughtery Road.

Marine Corps League

The Sgt. Maj. Michael S. Curtin Detachment #1124 of the Marine Corps League (MCL) are looking for a few good Marines and Fleet Marine Force (FMF) Navy Corpsmen to join their ranks. The MCL meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #8154 located at the southeast corner of State Road 39 and Tucker Road at 3954 Paul Buchman Highway in Zephyrhills. Call (813) 788-5676 for information.

East Pasco Democratic Club

The next meeting will be March 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Omari's Grill at Scotland Yard Golf Club, 9424 U.S. 301, Dade City. The guest speaker will be Brian Tager, candidate for U.S. House of Representatives. All friends of the Democratic party are invited. Dinner, a la carte, will be held 5-6:30 p.m. Visit www.eastpascodems.com or call (813) 383-8315 for information.

Marine Corps League Auxiliary

The Marine Corps League Auxiliary meets the first Saturday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Zephyrhills V.F.W. Post #8154 located at 3954 State Road 39. Call Vanice Holland at (772) 480-0658 for information.

American Legion Post #118

The honor society of American veterans, the 40/8, is now in Zephyrhills. Our promenades are the third Saturday of each month at 9:30 am. at American Legion Post #118. American Legion Zephyr Post #118 meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 5340 Eighth St., Zephyrhills, at 7 p.m. Auxiliary meets at 1 p.m. the third Wednesday. The club is open for Legion members, veterans and guests at 3 p.m. Monday-Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. Canadian veterans are welcome. Membership is open to all eligible veterans. Call (813) 782-0481 for information.

Zephyrhills Eagles #3752

Smoking and non-smoking Bingo is held every Saturday at 1 p.m. Come early to enjoy our kitchen's burger sliders – two for \$2. Friday fish fries are from 5-7 p.m. and stay for Billy Cole Karaoke from 7-11 p.m. Monday night is home cooking for \$6. Wednesday and Thursday are open menu items, and Sunday morning breakfast from 8-11 a.m. Calendars are on Facebook at Zephyrhills Eagles #3752 or call (813) 780-1558 for information.

VFW #8154

Located at 3954 Paul S. Buchman Highway (State Road 39). Post and Auxiliary meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Wings and Things will be from 2-6 p.m. on Sundays with music from 5-8 p.m. Monday Meat Drawings begin at 4:30 p.m. with music by Billy Cole from 4-7 p.m. Fish Fries are served on Fridays from 4:30-7 p.m. with music following from 7-10 p.m. Come enjoy and participate in Karaoke on Saturdays from 5-8 p.m. Call (813) 782-7194 for information.

AMVETS Post #550

Monday is Bingo from 1-4 p.m. and the kitchen is open from 12-2 p.m. Every Tuesday is Karl Sapp from 4-7 p.m. with the kitchen open from 4-6:30 p.m. Wednesday is Ship, Captain and Crew from 1-3 p.m.; the Queen of Hearts is at 5 p.m.; and Corn Toss is also on Wednesdays. Thursdays from 4-7 p.m. is a meat raffle. Friday is our famous Fish Fry from 4-7 p.m. with other menu choices available. Saturday steak dinners are from 4-7 p.m. Entertainment is from 7-10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. On Sundays join E-bowling at 1 p.m. AMVETS is located at 4645 Airport Road in Zephyrhills. Find us on Facebook or call (813) 780-8180 for information.

Elks Lodge #2731

The Zephyrhills Elks Lodge is located at 6851 Wire Road. A fish fry is held every Friday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. with music and dancing. Menu is fried or baked haddock, shrimp or baked chicken, baked potato or French fries, coleslaw or applesauce. Cost is \$10. All events are open to Elks and their invited guests. Karaoke with Dudley is every Tuesday beginning at 5:30 p.m. Call (813) 782-4604 for information.

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Valleydale Golf Tournament A Success

Submitted by *Dotty Copeland*
Valleydale RO

We ended February with a few street picnics. Martindale Avenue had a cocktail party at Mary Jo and Dave Webster's home. Nancy and Vern Noble and Ralph and Linda Harvey were co-hosts. Approximately 20 people came, had some great food and beverages and stayed till sunset.

At the Feb. 25 ice cream social, we celebrated February and August birthdays. We had a special head table for 90th birthdays, consisting of Jane Morin, Sylvia Kallgren, Irene Middleton and Josie Gifford. On the other half of the head table were 50th anniversary couples Diane and Craig LaCourse, Susan and Paul Chapman and Dotty and Bill



Valleydale Chorus at the memorial service led by Gisela VonSchilling.

Copeland.

The other couples who could not attend were Gary and Pattie Vandervest, Carlo and Emma DeAngelis and Bruce and Mary Lou MacLeod. Each couple received a gold bell and candle and the birthday ladies got a 90th birthday glass and flower. All the honorees were interviewed by Nancy Noble to tell where they were from, date of birth for the birthdays and how the couples met and when they got married. Some of the interviews were really eye opening. All was done in fun. Thank you for a great night to all that helped set this up.

On March 3 our golfers had their Valleydale Open and banquet at

Silverado. Seventy-six played golf and approximately 90 attended the dinner. The weather was great for this outing.

On March 4, we held our memorial service for 14 former and current residents who passed in 2017. The turnout was a wonderful tribute to these folks. A slideshow was presented and Vera Wilson and Linda Smith read some personal information on each person. Anyone from the park had a chance to say a remembrance of individual persons. Sonja Faulkingham and Wes Smith played "This is my Father's World" and "A Mighty Fortress is our God" on the trombones. Don Huffman played the "Old Rugged Cross" on the harmonica.



Linda Smith reads information about late residents during the March 4 memorial service.

The Valleydale Chorus, led by Gisela Von Schilling, sang the "Rose" and "Blessed Lord". They were all very moving.

After the service an open house was held at Vera Wilson's for all to attend. Quite a few were there to enjoy the friendship and food and beverages. Thank you, Vera and Linda for another wonderful day.

As the season is quickly passing, there is quite a few activities happening. More picnics, banquets and dances. There will be more information on this later.

Till next time.



Bill and Dotty Copeland celebrate their 50th anniversary.



Diane and Craig LaCourse celebrate their 50th anniversary.



Paul and Susan Chapman celebrate their 50th anniversary.



Jane Morin, Sylvia Kallgren, Irene Middleton and Josie Gifford celebrate their 90th birthdays.



The Valleydale Open was held on March 3.



Nancy, MaryJo and Linda Martindale were the cocktail party hostesses on Feb. 23.



Sonja Faulkingham and Wes Smith playing hymns at the 2018 memorial service.



Vera Wilson presents a slideshow during the memorial service on March 4.

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