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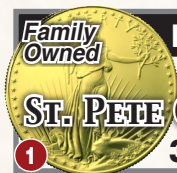
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We so soon forget that you created us and sustain us with your unfathomable gifts. March 1st is the eighth day of Lent. If we haven't already begun to prepare ourselves for the celebration of Easter, the day your Son rose from the dead and gave us the promise, that we too could live eternally, then we'd better start now. No one ever before died for our sins and rose to give us that promise. Over and over again you have told us that you are God, and if we believe and pray and seek your forgiveness, you would protect us. Yet we fail to believe. We, this Nation, the World need to repent and turn from our wicked ways or we will be led to destruction. God help us! Amen.

## President's Message

*By Diane Brinker*



**I**'d like to take this time to offer my congratulations to the three candidates elected to the Board of Directors last month: Dave Casey, Virginia Marcott and Mark Nixon. We had a great slate of candidates to choose from

and we all appreciate their willingness to step forward and work for our community. I am looking forward to working with the Board, with our management and with our community as your newly-elected President for 2012. We have a lot to accomplish and I know we have the opportunity to make the Cove the best it can be! And, I especially want to welcome the other officers elected to the Executive Committee: Dave Casey, Vice-President; Michael MacDonald, Treasurer; and Linda Lou Fairbanks, Secretary.

You will note the MAROA Board meeting has been changed for this month, delayed a week due to my vacation. Please mark your calendar for **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse**. I wish to thank Dave Casey for filling in for me while I was away. Nothing like hitting the ground running, right? We also owe a debt of gratitude to all the folks who helped make all the activities and special events so memorable over the past few months- Canada Night was, as always, another successful event, as well as Janet Pendino's Valentine's dinner. Great job to one and all!

The efforts with the beautification of our community continue and I would like to

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challenge and encourage residents to step up and offer your experience and energy to this worthy project. We can always use your help and ideas. Speak to me or one of the Board members and we will get you started in the right direction. We could really use someone who has CAD experience. If you know of someone, please let me know.

Lastly, I know it doesn't seem possible, but this will be the month many of our snowbirds will be readying for their trips up north. Please remember to let the office know your emergency information, make sure we have a spare key to your home (or have it left with whomever is taking care of your property), arrange to have your yard work taken care of (spraying, weeding, watering, etc.) and stop in to pay for the forwarding of the Forecaster. If you are a shareholder and haven't signed up for our AMCOVE email notification process, please do so. That way, you can be sure you receive updates, notices and pertinent information.

Have a wonderful March!

## Letter from the Manager

By Loey Antonucci



Well it's that time of the year again when we start planning for the Annual Founder's Day Picnic. Save the date.....Saturday, March 31, 2012. The festivities will start at 1 pm through 4 pm. More details will follow soon. I hope to see you all come out, so mark your calendar.

Just a few reminders that I have been asked to mention.....

Please respect your neighbor's property. If you haven't ordered the delivery of the Tampa Bay Times, please do not help yourself to someone else's paper.

When walking your dog, please remember to take a baggie with you – it's getting out of hand with people not picking up after their dogs, especially on the corner of Americana Drive & Mt Curve.

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## ACA News

By Paul Line



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The **ACA council** meeting will be **Tuesday March 6th, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.** and the **luncheon** will follow on **Wednesday March 7th at noon.** We will be having our annual meeting along with elections of officers for the next year. All positions are open, so if you are interested, please call Janet Pendino.

**Saturday March 3rd, 2012** will be our White Elephant Sale. This is our biggest fund raiser for the year. So come on out and lend a hand and **buy, buy, buy.** Remember, one man's junk is another man's treasure. There will be **NO Bingo** on either Thursday March 1st or Friday March 2nd due to the setup of the sale.....Thanks to Nancy Hubartt for allowing access to the hall. The **Island Bash** will be on **Saturday March 10th, 2012** so get your grass skirts and dancing sandals on and come on out for good food and a great time. Betty Chase and Krew will be putting on a touch o' the green for St. Patrick's Day on **March 17th.** The Founders Day Picnic will be on **March 31st.** March is always a busy month with activities and the final banquets for all the different clubs and activities, so be sure and keep your eye on the Forecaster Calendar.

In order to recycle your plastic bags that your newspaper comes in, we would appreciate if you would please keep them and give them to Paula in maintenance for her to put on the pet side for people to use for poop and scoop. Enjoy the warm weather and golden sunshine.

*May the wind at your back always be your own*

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# Sunshine Report for February 2012

By Nancy Hubartt

## Deaths

Roger Leberge (former resident)

Walter McKenna

Frank Wright (former resident)



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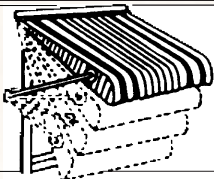
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01	Joe Hebbard	12	Anne Kocher	22	Barbara Strehl
01	Rick Lopez	12	Norm Begin	23	Drew Fairlie
02	Jerry Mussman	13	Norm Nemi	23	J.R. Trimm
02	Mark Nixon	13	Carol Deatherage	24	Bobbi Rogers
02	Pauline Begin	14	Bill Kocher	24	Helga Frank
05	David Cook	14	Lois Vogle	25	Bob Larsen
05	Rick Nangle	14	Bill Johnson	25	Joan Mahoney
06	Jim Tanner	17	Pat Porretto	25	Richard Marcott
06	Dave Brinker	17	Luella Briggs	25	Nancy Morris
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## March Anniversaries



05	Mary & George Davey.....	24 years
06	Nicole & Murray Baxter .....	30 years
08	Liz & Tom Constant.....	4 year
09	Astrid & Jack Dye.....	16 years
10	Mary & Fod Wright .....	68 years
16	Pat & Chuck Schmidt.....	50 years
25	Betty & Jim Chase .....	58 years
25	Virginia & Dick Marcott .....	24 years
28	Barbara & Rick Tumminia.....	34 years
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## Old Timers

*By Sue Line*



The March 14th meeting we will have our elections for the next year. Your current Old Timers board has all agreed to stay for another term, but if anyone else is interested, please contact Diane Massey, Phyllis Conlisk or Maureen DeSilva. Our second luncheon will be Wednesday March 28th. Hope to see you all there. Please remember to turn in your aluminum to be recycled.

## Boat Club

*By Rick Lopez*



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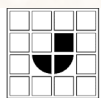
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# Terri's Sorta-Kinda-Almost March 2012 Horoscope

By Terri Mottl



**PISCES (02/19 - 03/20)** It's time to get rid of all those foggy, cob-webby, dusty old belief systems and ideas that no longer work for you. **BUILD YOUR OWN SHIP!**

**ARIES (03/21 - 04/19)** It's time! It's here! Finally! You can be the leader you always knew you were! State your views and they will listen! Yes!

**TAURUS 04/20 -05/2)** Keep your head up. Make a fresh start. Get your head out of the sand. Platitudes? Yes. Truth is truth.

**GEMINI (05/21 - 06/20)** It's your month to heal through hearing. Listen. Coo. Sigh. Hold a hand. Be a friend. You are a bouquet of love and understanding.

**CANCER (06/20 - 07/22)** Mercury goes retrograde this month. **DON'T** learn anything new. **DON'T** buy anything new. **DON'T** start anything new. **DON'T**.

**LEO (07/22 - 08/22)** There's a secret family issue. Don't scratch the itch, don't open the gates, and don't let the dog out. Invest in real estate instead.

**VIRGO (08-22 - 09/22)** Something hidden comes to light....causes turmoil, then sweet release. Open your door to abundance and, maybe, travel a distance.

**LIBRA (09/22 - 10/21)** Gather your resources, rearrange your budget, sell some old coins, and if that's not enough, ask someone you trust for financial help. And, try to remember, this is only ONE month, not your whole life.

**SCORPIO (10/22 - 11/22)** There's that ONE person who criticizes everything you say, everything you do, and everything you want. Time to let go and fly away. You're worth more than that and you know it.

**SAGITTARIUS (10/02 - 11/22)** The only way to solve relationship problems is to focus on your OWN behaviors and to change them. You know I'm right. Try it.

**CAPRICORN (12/21 - 01/20)** A time to discover new interests and new friends, expand your circle of support. Light. Love. No napping, now.

**AQUARIUS (01/20 -02/18)** High level people take kindly to you this month. Bosses, spiritual leaders, you name it. Grab the glory and hang on tight!



*May God bring good health to your enemies enemies*



## Cue Club

By Sandie Reid



**W**e are coming to a close with our cue club league. March is our month for our tournaments. Men's singles with double elimination will be on Monday February 27 and March 1 at 7:00 pm., and the Men's doubles with single elimination on Monday March 5 and Thursday March 8 at 7:00 pm. Our women's singles with single elimination tournament will be on Wednesday February 29 at 4:30 pm and the women's doubles with single elimination will be on March 7 at 4:30 pm. We are having our cue club banquet on March 29, 2012.



We still have a few books missing from our library in the cue room. One has been returned and thank you. Please look around if you would to see if maybe you have one of our cue books that you may have forgotten to return. The books are important and used by Brian to teach and for resource of billiards. Brian will continue to teach pool until he leaves to go north.

## A Big Thank You to All

By Jean-Guy and Patricia Finn



**W**e would like to say thank you to the neighbors, friends and park residents who assisted when we had a fire at our house on Saturday, January 14, 2012. Your help and kindness were very much appreciated.

## Thank You Americana Cove Residents

By Ed and Jeanette Imbroglio



Dear Friends,

**T**hank you very much for all the cards, telephone calls, DVDS, balloons, fruit, flowers and homemade soup I received after my operation. It's so great living here in the Cove where so many people care. Friends are great treasures!!

*"In life, you're going to be left out, talked about, lied to, & used. But you have to decide who's worth your tears and who's not."*





# Vespers

By Martha Pratt



This month I'm starting out with some BIG kudos to those who contributed to our summer donation containers. Thanks for helping our treasury start off in such good shape. Unlike some of the other clubs, Vespers doesn't have any functions other than the Welcome Back Concert to raise funds. Many weeks we don't take in enough to cover the payment of the speaker and organist, so the containers were very helpful in giving a cushion in covering these expenses. We will continue to do this again this year. Keep the one you have and those who need one, we'll have them available at Vespers on Sunday until Easter.

Vespers was also able to donate the price of a bench. The plaque will read 'From Vespers and Russ Steele in memory of Norma Steele'. Thanks Russ for your donation towards this purchase.

Plans are in the works for celebrating 50 years of Vespers in January, 2013. Anyone having information from the earlier years of Vespers please let John Hill, Russ Steele or Arlene Harmon know.

Pastors for March are:

March 4th	Maurice Carun, NE Park Baptist
11th	John Ekers, Wesley Memorial United Methodist
18th	James Jones, Crossroads Christian
25th	Brent Anderson, Retired Methodist



# Cribbage

By Donna Tanner



The Cribbage Club will have its year end dinner gathering on March 15, 2012 at 5 p.m. at the American Post 14 1520 4th St N St Petersburg. We will have a roast beef dinner with all the fixings, salad and dessert included along with waitress service for \$12.00 per person. Dinner will be served in a non smoking dining room. If you would like to join us for dinner please notify Donna Tanner @ 954-8264 by March 8, 2012. After dinner, we will return to the Atrium to play cribbage. Cribbage play will continue through the end of May and resume November 1, 2012.



## Par-Seekers

By Dave Bernfeld



Our season continues with the league championship remaining. So far, the weather has been perfect. The season concludes with our banquet April 2nd. Tickets are available.

League members sadly remember the loss of our former treasurer, Roger LaBerge who recently passed away. Roger held the position of treasurer for many years, and always enjoyed being on the golf course. He will be missed.

Remember, a sign-up sheet will be posted in the club house for each week. Please sign-up by the Sunday before. Also, all Americana Cove golfers are welcome.



*“Worry about your character, not your reputation. Your character is who you are. Your reputation is who people think you are.”*

## Hobby Shop

By Dave Bernfeld



The next Hobby Shop meeting is on **Monday, March 5, at 9 AM** in the shop. As always, coffee and donuts will be available.

Please remember, if you have not so already, please pay your dues for this season. If, you cannot attend the meeting, please see Dan Craft, Ruth Healy, or myself.

If you have any useable tools and no longer want them, please donate them to the Hobby Shop. Also, have any lumber left over from a project?? The Shop could use that as well. It can be left on the outside of the shop's side door near the dumpster. Thank you. Hope to see you there.



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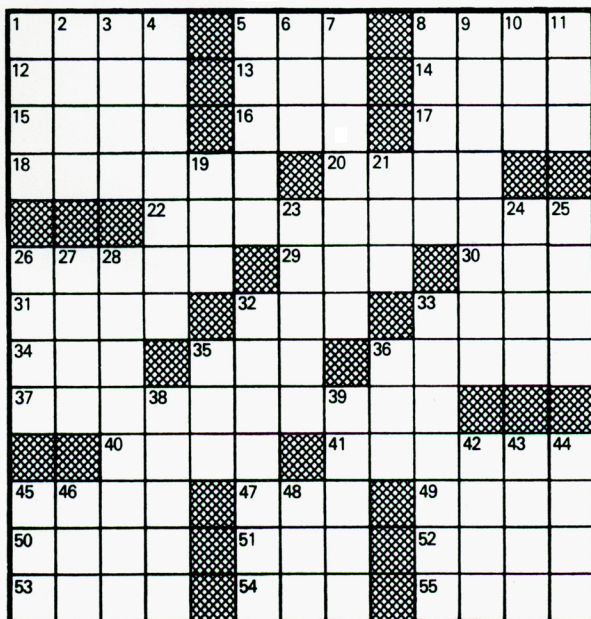
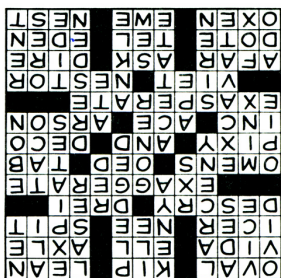
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## Red Hat Chilies

By Adele Seaman



**T**he Red Hat Chilies are going to the Theatre Sunday March 18th at 2:00 PM. See How They Run a comedy is playing and the cost is \$22.00 and rides will be available. We'll leave the park around 1:15 PM from the Clubhouse. Thank you.

## Line Dancing

By Norine Fisher



**I**t doesn't seem possible that March is here already. This will be our last month of line dancing. What a great season this has been. My how times flies when you are having fun. It's nice to see the new line dancers as well as my prose doing so well. Anyone is welcome to come and listen to the music and watch the dancers. Come join us every Monday at 12:30pm in the clubhouse.



## AARP Tax-Aide

Information from Peg Farmer



**A**ARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free federal tax preparation with electronic tax filing for older taxpayers and people with limited incomes. The service is available every Thursday from 9am to 5pm thru April 12th at Riviera United Methodist Church 175 62nd Ave North. This is a new location this year. It is also available at other sites in the county on other days of the week. Check the AARP website for other locations and times.

They request that you bring your social security card or other official identification, a copy of last year's income tax return, W-2 Forms, Social Security benefit statements, all 1099 forms for interest, dividends, pension & annuity income along with any receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions.



## Walking Off the Pounds

By Daisy Dean



**W**ow!!!! Can't believe the turnouts we have been getting at Walking off The Pounds. So Proud of you all for wanting to have a Healthier You, Remember Every Body needs to move & you All do a Great Job!!!!

Welcome to Nancy, Proud of you for setting your alarm to join us at such an early hour, you did great for the first time. Also welcome back to June & Gloria.

Thank You Diane for taking over in the Morning while I was away & to Doreen for doing the afternoon class. I really appreciated it.

Also a Big Thank You to Phyllis for coming early every morning to move the tables & to all those that help put them back.

See You All at the next Walking off the Pounds.



## Veterans Seminar

By Jim Tanner



**A** veterans seminar sponsored by the Disabled America Veterans will held in the Club House at 10 a.m. on Monday, March 5, 2012. Coffee and bagels will be available from 9:30 a.m.

All veterans, spouses and widows of deceased veterans are invited to attend. Topics to be discussed include VA comp, hospital, widow, funeral and burial benefits. For example WWII, Korea and Vietnam veterans may be eligible for hearing aids. Veterans that served in Vietnam are automatically service connected for Type 2 Diabetes, Coronary Artery Disease, Parkinson's disease 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. The DAV will have Service Offices to speak one on one to answer questions and assist attendees.

If a veteran resides in Americana Cove and wants their name added to the Veterans Plaque in the Clubhouse please attend this meeting. Contact Jim Tanner, 102 Americana Court if you have any questions.



# Shuffleboard Club News

By Barb Bowen

First and foremost, we owe a big thank you to Jo Waldron.

Jo has been the Shuffleboard Club Reporter for many years. Every month, when the Forecaster came out, I would always read Jo's report first. Her reports were interesting and up-to-date on all shuffleboard events. We will miss your personal touch on these reports, Jo, but we will always see your smiling face around the park. Thanks again, Jo.

Both Pancake Breakfasts were a success. Thanks to everyone for supporting them, and to all the help received from organizers and workers. Ed Mosakowski was the 50/50 winner at the January Pancake Breakfast.

The Trophy Party will be held on March 31. Put this on your calendar, to attend this event.

## League Standings:

Pat Vargas - Nova: 3rd place

Ed Walter - Friendship I: 5th place

Pat McCarthy - Friendship II: 3rd place

Ruth Healy - Blue Sky: 3rd place. The Blue Sky Tournament will be March 8 & 9, at Fairway Village.



## PARK "SINGLES" TOURNAMENT WINNERS (February 4, 2012)

### NOVA

#### Main Event

1st Place Debbie Gottardi

2nd Place Rita Hahn

3rd Place Dave Casey

4th Place Sterling Lilly

#### Consolation

1st Place Lori Casey

2nd Place Chris Kelley

3rd Place Ken Powell

4th Place Chuck Weaver

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## **“B” TEAM**

### **Main Event**

1st Place Leonard Schmitz  
2nd Place Jo Waldron  
3rd Place Mary Wright  
4th Place Nick Volk

### **Consolation**

1st Place William Buckland  
2nd Place Theresa Volk  
3rd Place Fern Deschamps  
4th Place Scottie Scott



A special thank you to Frank Pereira for preparing the coffee, waxing the disks and setting up the tables. Unfortunately, Frank was too sick to play or watch and went home.

## **PARK “DOUBLES” TOURNAMENT WINNERS**

**(February 11, 2012)**



### **Main Event**

1st Place Pat McCarthy and Sterling Lilly  
2nd Place Scottie Scott and David Casey  
3rd Place Nikolaus Volk and Anthony Daleo  
4th Place Leonard Schmitz and John Foley

### **Consolation**

1st Place Fod Wright and Rita Hahn  
2nd Place Fern Deschamps and Ken Powell  
3rd Place Lillian Harris and Pat Vargas  
4th Place Ronnie Sheppard and Lori Casey

Thanks to everyone for helping with this tournament.

Every Sunday at 1 pm, Fod and Mary Wright run Hoss Collar games. Bring 50 cents because there are cash prizes. This is great practice for all levels. You do not have to be a club member to play in this get-together. Every Monday at 1 pm, Leonard Schmitz runs the The Hall of Fame games. Two names are now on the Hall of Fame Wall Plaque – Frank Pereira and Lillian Harris. Congratulations to you both.



### **Reminders:**

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 7, at 10:00 am, in the Atrium.  
Trophy Party will be held on Saturday, March 31.  
Blue Sky Tournament March 8, 9 at Fairway Village.





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## Crafters

By Ginny Marcott



What a great group of talented members we have in our Crafters Club. Our talents were displayed at the Florida State Fair and the entries will set up for viewing at the



March ACA Luncheon. From the 22 entries we had 13 ribbons. These consisted of FIRST PLACE RIBBONS for Debbie Craft, Martha Pratt, Annette Solomon, Cierra Whitener and 2 for Ginny Marcott. SECOND PLACE RIBBONS for JoAnne Wallace, Mary Ann Foley and Joan Martin. THIRD PLACE RIBBON for Joan Martin. HONORABLE MENTION RIBBONS for Jean Hughes, Annette Solomon and Joyce Wollermann. Other entries were by Jean Birtcher, Nancy Hubartt, Mary Rose Randazzo, Peggy Turk, Diane Turner and Pat Vargas. We enjoy what we do and we especially enjoy showing it off. Now it is time to start thinking about next year's Fair entries. Let's have some more names and beautiful items entered next year. I am glad I am not a judge or we would have been showing off 22 ribbons.

## Bingo

By Nancy Hubartt



There will be no bingo on either Thursday the 1st of March or on Friday the 2nd of March due to White Elephant set up. This will give everyone time to get the clubhouse ready for the Saturday sale. Come on down and help on Friday to display all the items for sale and then come back on Saturday to buy. Just think of all the good things the ACA does with the money raised during the White Elephant and the fall Craft Bazaar.



*May the horns of your cattle  
always touch clover*





## Garden Club

By Gail Jones



**T**uesday, March 13th will be a planning meeting for the garden club members as they formulize different ideas to enhance the all around beauty of Americana Cove. We will meet in the Atrium at 9:30 A.M. for coffee and donuts.

A nominating committee will announce names for the upcoming election of officers to start the 2012-2013 year.

Tuesday, March 27th the guest speaker is Doris Heitzman. She is Pinellas County Extension Community Outreach Coordinator for Florida Friendly Landscaping Programs. She has been to our park, has vital information about uniform design and will bring a power point presentation. This will contain information and guidelines that will be helpful to any planning activity that we may choose to do. By now our Rose Garden should be in season for its showiest attractive time.

All roses symbolize love, but their colors have special meanings

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*Cream: thoughtfulness, charm, graciousness*

*Orange: admiration, fascination, enthusiasm, desire*

*White: innocence, purity, secrecy, reverence*



## White Elephant

By Don Delzell



**M**ark your calendars, clean out your closets and sheds. Bring your white elephant stuff to the back of the clubhouse or if large wait until Friday March 2 at 9 AM for setup. Check the ACA bulletin board in the Clubhouse for committee sign-up. If you want a table in the atrium to sell your own stuff, sign up @ \$15 per table - only 12 available. AND if you can distribute flyers to your church, lodge or any other organization, contact Don Delzell at 526-2410 or e-mail [ddelzell@tampabay.com](mailto:ddelzell@tampabay.com)





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## Bowling

By Deborah Gottardi and Peg Farmer

**W**ow! We have had twelve bowlers on four lanes at Americana Cove in February. A couple of them got new bowling shoes and bowling balls. We've celebrated some "turkeys" since we began in November. Come on out and join us for three games at a cost of \$8.00 on Tuesday mornings in March at 9:00 a.m.



## Genealogy

By Dan Dugger



**W**hy should you want know who your ancestors were? There are a number of reasons.

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## Drinks 10 Cents

By Unknown



Four old retired guys are walking down a street in Yuma, Arizona. They turn a corner and see a sign that says, Old Timers Bar - ALL DRINKS, 10 CENTS.

They look at each other and then go in, thinking, this is too good to be true.

The old bartender says in a voice that carries across the room, "Come on in and let me pour one for you."

What'll it be, gentlemen?"

There's a fully stocked bar, so each of the men orders a martini. In no time the bartender serves up four iced martinis, shaken, not stirred and says, "That'll be 10 cents each, please."

The four guys stare at the bartender for a moment, then at each other. They can't believe their good luck.

They pay the 40 cents, finish their martinis, and order another round. Again, four excellent martinis are produced, with the bartender again saying, "That's 40 cents, please." They pay the 40 cents, but their curiosity gets the better of them. They've each had two martinis and haven't even spent a dollar yet.

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## Americana Cove “ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE” Corner

By: Terri Mottl (with gratitude)



I just love, love, love the Listbot.....the whole wild, wacky, convoluted mess of it! We have the funny ones, the crabby ones, the political ones, and the informational ones. What's not to love? Conrad lovingly passes on community information about events and volunteer opportunities, others offer us thought-provoking thoughts, we get rumors, and rumors of rumors, and the ever-provocative posts AGAINST rumors while propagating new fire to the very rumors the post is against! We've recently had a big tado about the evils of public smoking, the rights of smokers, the dangers of balloons in the clubhouse, and the pros and cons of private parties, with strong activists both for and against all of the above, with the added tongue-in-cheek, ( I hope ) suggestions of banning grandchildren and guests. Who can get so much entertainment for free? I say, "Bring it on"!!!

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