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President's Message

By Diane Brinker



Whoever said March comes in like a Lion? I don't think we will ever know what came through the middle of our Cove early in the morning when the winds started and at 5:00 am it sounded as though a train was coming right through the middle of our community. Our community sustained damaged roofs and trees, as wells as chairs and furniture swept into our canals. What a very scary time for our Residents. Thank goodness not one person was hurt! I saw neighbors helping neighbors, concern for each other and pulling together to make sure everyone was safe. As Loey and I rode through the neighborhood, we just could not believe the damage one storm could do! Let's hope that March goes out like a Lamb!!!

Thank you one and all for helping clean up and especially our Maintenance Staff: Bill, Gary and Paula for giving of their time and compassion to chop down tree limbs, carry debris to the dumpster and providing a very calming force to our neighbors.



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If you need any help or have questions, please don't hesitate to call the office; or if I can be of service to answer any questions, don't hesitate because we are here for you. As we move on to the end of March and elections are taking place for Club Activities, I would like to say "Thank You" for those who are stepping up to the offices for the first time; and I especially would like to say thank you to Paul Line in ACA for the many years that he has served on the Board as President. I don't think we can ever appreciate enough what the Volunteer Organization gives back to our community.

What Is A Volunteer?

A volunteer is a person who has a spirit of service, creativity, sensitivity for human pain, strong moral values, the ability to work in a team, and a social conscience. They practice solidarity, leadership, good interpersonal relationships, discipline, communication skills, and care for themselves and for others.

What Is Volunteer Work?

Formally, volunteer work is work done not for profit. It contributes to a greater cause that is for the good of your fellow man and society in general.

So the next time you are speaking with a volunteer – please take time to say "Thank You"

Safe Travels to our Snowbirds and see you in the fall.

Letter From The Manager

By Loey Antonucci



It's getting around that time of year when many of our residents will be leaving us for the summer season. Please keep us informed as to who will be keeping up the maintenance on your property while you are gone. Also, due to hurricane season beginning on June 1st, please secure all outdoor items.

I would like to keep the momentum up on making positive improvements in our community and would appreciate some of your suggestions as to what would be a nice added feature, or what needs to be refreshed, removal, updating and/or attention.

Please feel free to come by the office and pick up an incident report (which we use for non-emergency problems) to make your suggestions. All suggestions will be taken into consideration.

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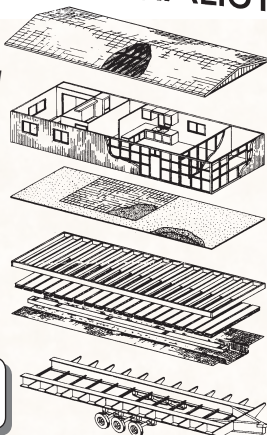
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ACA News

By Dan Dugger



The first thing I would like to do is thank Paul Line, Gail Jones and Pat Silva for their service leading the ACA. A thank you also goes to Nancy Morris for her service in the past and also for agreeing to continue as treasurer of ACA. As we go forward, Carol Risley, Lori Casey, Nancy Morris and I will work hard to provide leadership to ensure that all residents of Americana Cove may continue to enjoy our lives in the beautiful Florida sun.

The next ACA Council meeting will be held **Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Atrium. The Council will be working on next season's calendar. Please bring your schedule for next season to the Council meeting. Our monthly luncheon will be **Wednesday, April 4th at noon** in the clubhouse. We look forward to seeing everyone at our luncheons!

As the season winds down, and our friends and neighbors head back north, we hope everyone has enjoyed a wonderful winter. To celebrate this year, ACA is sponsoring a Street Dance on **Saturday, April 14th at Founder's Park from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.** The food and music is provided and you must bring your favorite beverage, a chair and an appetite. The cost will be \$7.00 per person. Tickets may be purchased at Bingo, Old Timer's, or ACA luncheons from Adele Seaman. Please come and celebrate the efforts of all our organizations and volunteers as they have provided us with delicious food, enjoyable entertainment and magnificent activities this season!

Thank You From Paul Line



Well, the time has come to say Goodbye. The past four years have gone by quickly. Lots of projects and new clubs have happened, and I am happy to have had a hand in helping them along. I have made many new friends and it was all very enjoyable.

I wish to extend congratulations and best wishes to Dan Dugger and the new ACA Board and am sure they will do a great job.

Again, thank you all for your support. See you around the Cove!



Sunshine Report For February 2012

By Nancy Hubartt

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03 Loretta Berg

04 Dean Schirm

05 Glenda Laidlaw

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By Nancy Hubartt

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By Nancy Hubartt



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Sunshine Special

By Nancy Hubartt



Olga Bates will turn 100 on the 14th of May, 2012. To send her a birthday card, please send it to: Olga Bates, I/C Sandie Wilkerson, 6721 Americana Dr., St. Petersburg, FL 33702.

Old Timers

By Sue Line



I would like to thank Lori Casey for all her help this past year. Lori has moved on to be ACA Secretary and we wish her all the best. Thank you to Beverly Johnson for her many years as Membership Chairperson. Adele, Conrad and I have accepted to stay on for another year. We welcome Kathy Laramée as Vice President and Sharon Regan as Membership Chairperson. A very big thank you goes to Janet Pendino and all her helping hands for the wonderful job she did for the Italian/Valentine's Dinner Dance in February and more importantly for the generous donation she gave to Old Timers. We would like you to think about some suggestions as to what we could do with these funds. It would be great to do something for the community from our club. Please feel free to contact myself, Kathy, Adele or Conrad with your suggestions. Our first meeting will be Wednesday April 11th followed by the second meeting on April 25th.



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Terri's Favorite Day.... April Fool's..... Horoscope

By Terri Mottl



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TAURUS (04/20 -05/20) You've got 'em., those wild fantasies! If you can just stick your head out the door, your feet will follow and voila..... life!

GEMINI (05/21 - 06/20) Here it comes.... two years of changes. I'm not saying they're good, but I'm not saying they're bad either....YOU decide!

CANCER (06/21 - 07/22) It's not good news. It's not bad news either. It's just blah, blah, blah, yawn, yawn, and yawn. Too uneventful to complain about.

LEO 9 07/23 - 08/22) Jupiter is in your sign. That means good luck, sudden wind-falls, and hot air balloons in your skies. Or maybe just a new sweetheart. We'll see.

VIRGO (08-23 - 09/22) Dig deep.....into the earth that is. Time to weed, plant, till, and be creative with nature. You could organize closets, but gardening is more fun.

LIBRA (09/23 - 10/22) That achy, empty feeling you have will be filled by going through old photo albums, diaries, and dusting grandma's China sugar bowl. Food for the heart!

SCORPIO (10/23 - 11/21) Put down that racy novel and delve into something a little more educational. Haven't you always wanted to learn about Phrenology?

SAGITTARIUS (11/22 - 12/21) Bring out the ledgers, the calculators, the bank statements and know where it all is. It won't solve anything, but, you'll know.

CAPRICORN (12/22 - 01/19) You're not known for your wild abandon, but you can loosen up just a tad, can't ya honey-bunny? Go dancing.....go twice.

AQUARIUS (01/20 -02/18) Rough month on the emotions. Family stress, lower than average self esteem. Spend time with a good friend with a kind heart. This won't last long.

PISCES (02/19 - 03/20) Vivid dreams lead to visions of success! Listen to your heart and follow your intuition.....it's your time to shine!





Beautification, Benches And Blessings

By Mary Bickhart

We here in Americana Cove are blessed to have generous neighbors who have donated 15 benches for the rest and enjoyment of residents. We have received: from Linda Gillies to be placed near Founder's Park to honor Crailey; from Michael Walsh and Chuck MacDonald to be placed in the Dog Park; and from Faith Scribner for all of us to wait for visitors.



So far on the left of the Southside boat ramp, we have Vespers' and Russ Steel's bench in remembrance of Norma. On the right side of the ramp, Jane Ather a "Don't Worry Be Happy" bench for Ray who always sang to his grandchildren. On Mt Isle, Roger LaRochelle's bench welcomes residents. Jeanette and Ed Imbrogulio have honored her three brothers with a bench. All four of these benches have a peaceful view of the water and offer a place for a quiet moment to say a prayer or reflect. If you'd prefer to sit in the shade of a tree, Dottie Love has placed a bench under the tree opposite Founder's Park to honor Jim. She would "Love" it if you came and sat a spell. While you're at it, give the Jones Boys bench at the Rose Garden a sit and admire the roses.

Diane Brinker has some great ideas to spruce up our "home", but the Beautification Committee needs some help to achieve their goals. The Committee is open to all who wish to attend. I must say, I am proud to be a part of such an enjoyable group that works with such harmony. Right now we really **need a point person to organize plantings. If you can help, please call me @ 368-3432**

The next phase is planting. So Diane is asking for donations of trees, bushes, grasses and flowers to make our environment Florida Friendly and Park-like.

Thank You

By Jeanne Sheppard



Thanks to everyone who has donated plants to Jeanne Sheppard for planting in the Lot at 200 Mt. Piney. Thanks also to people stopping to say "Hello" and our friend who waters the barrels for us. We are far from the finished product but very grateful for what we have.



Nifty 90'S Celebration

By Mary Bickhart



Four years ago, Betty Chase originated the 90's Bash to celebrate and honor our residents who have achieved their 90th Birthday and beyond. This year, we had 18 guests to honor, the oldest of whom was 98 years. The Party included: a Kate Smith rendition by Betty Chase; wonderful music by Claire Mosakowski and Bob Niblick; songs by Mike Regan, Jack Young, Sandy Shouse, Louise Pickett (age 94) and Jeanne Sheppard. Our MC Paul Line became Rudy Vallee to serenade us, and the Nightmare Sisters (Mary Bickhart, Sue Line and Jerry Regan) were outrageously almost in tune. Sue line gave us some nostalgic history, and Mary Bickhart gave us some laughs with a "remember" poem.



The Kitchen Krewe worked diligently to feed us and we obliged. The very diligent workers were Betty Chase, Jim Chase, Tom Lambert, Nita Lambert, Sue Dugger, Dan Dugger, Murray Baxter, Charlie Petrites, Nicole Baxter, Peggy Church, Adele Seaman, Nancy Hubartt, Pauline Begin and Barbara Young.

We would also like to express gratitude to those who donated to the Gift Bags.

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- Crafters - \$10 for Village Inn, Tissues, toiletries and trinkets.
- Village Inn - \$5 for Village Inn.
- Kitchen Krewe – Wrappings, stationery and candy



Vespers

By Martha Pratt



Happy Easter to all. Vesper season is nearly over--two more services left. It has been a very successful year with new people attending, wonderful speakers and very generous helpers behind the scenes including those signing up to bring refreshments, serving as hostesses and greeters. Even though there'll be no more services after the Easter sunrise service, we'll be busy during the following months planning and organizing the Welcome Back get-together being held on November 17th, as well as the 50th anniversary of Vespers being held on January 13, 2013. I'd like to thank those taking the summer donation containers again this year. Last year's donations definitely helped us getting started this season. Thanks to all who contributed during their summer hiatus.

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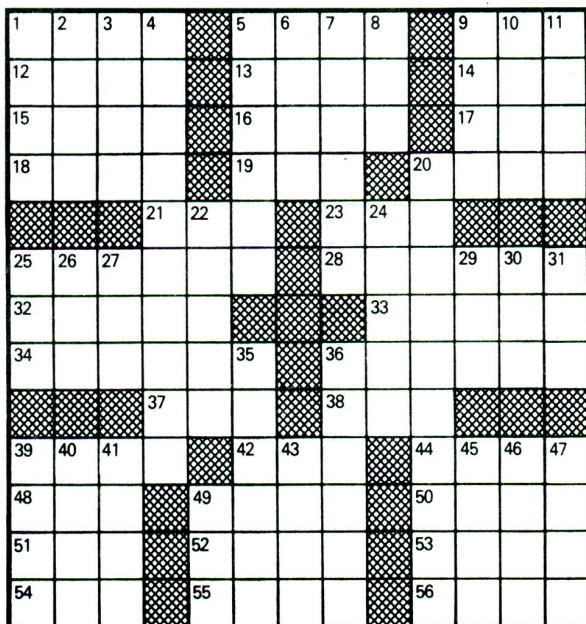
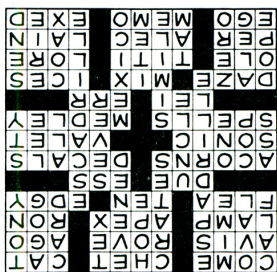
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At this time I'd like to wish everyone a happy, healthy and blessed summer and safe traveling to those headed elsewhere as well as those staying put right here in the Cove. I look forward to seeing everyone again in the fall.

Pastors for April are:

April 1 - Roger Watts, Retired Methodist

April 8 (Sunrise Service 7:00 A.M.) - Jerry Strasheim, Retired Lutheran



Red Hat Chilies

By Adele Seaman



Red Hat Chilies are having their annual Meeting and Pizza Party on April 19th (Thursday) at 5:00 PM in the Clubhouse. Don't forget to bring your money for dues. The club will buy the Pizza, but help will be needed for salad and desserts. A signup sheet will be posted. Thank you, and I hope to see all members come.

Par-Seekers

By Dave Bernfeld



As you read this, our season is about over and the league championship winners will be announced soon at the season banquet, April 2nd. Our weather has been perfect, without one rainout! Members have been playing very good as well...many birdies, and even an eagle!

Stay tuned for who won our finals and we hope to see you at the start of next season.



Genealogy

By Pat Ruedy



It has been a great year. We have enjoyed spending time together learning better ways to look for bones. The Pinellas Genealogical Society has been very helpful by furnishing speakers for our meetings. Peter Sommers' seminar on the 1940 Census prepared us for using this census when it comes out this month. Bob Bryan reviewed the familysearch.org website, which is a very valuable free site for genealogists. Remember to bring your "Brick Wall" to the April meeting, 10:00 am, April 18, in the Clubhouse.



Cue Club

By Sandie Reid



Well our cue season is over and it was really a "GREAT" season. Our election of officers is as follows....President Sandie Reid....Vice President Jennie Wosil....Secretary Debbie Gottardi....and Treasurer Terry Campbell.

Our tournament results were as follows...**Men's Singles**....1st Dave Cook....2nd Frank Hommel....3rd Dave Edwards....**Men's Doubles**....1st Bill Sanford and Terry Campbell....2nd Dave Cook and Paul Line....3rd Tom Fielhauer and Murray Baxter...**Women's Singles**...1st Debbie Gottardi....2nd Jennie Wosil....3rd Arlene Harmon....**Women's Doubles**....1st Debbie Gottardi and Pauline Begin....2nd Nancy Hubartt and Linda Campbell....3rd Chris Mahoney and Louise Pickett. Congrats to all!!! Next is our Cue Banquet on March 29, 2012. I'd also like to give a big Kudos for our Cue Club replacing the T.V. in the cue room. Final 2011-2012 season meeting on Monday, April 2, 2012, 10:00 a.m. in the Atrium.



Continuing The Stretch

By Sharon S. Miller



Our classical stretch class continues when or if one chooses to follow these **classes at 7:30 am on Channel 16 on Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., and Fri.** This exercise series has been aired on American Public Television since 1999. Miranda Esmonde-White developed these exercises as a workout to increase flexibility, improve posture, develop overall strength, encourage weight loss, and relieve pain. These exercises are particularly designed as an anti-aging program to help turn back the clock and help us keep young and active. They were designed with the help of a physician and physiotherapist as simple, safe, effective, and appropriate for all ages and fitness levels.

Let's continue our **FITNESS** habit. Our current class in the Game Room ends March 30th. I'll be back to continue our Class in the **FALL**. If questions, please be in touch or visit this on-line resource www.classicalstretch.com Sharon Miller 527-8150



Hobby Shop

By Dave Bernfeld



The next Hobby Shop meeting is on **Monday, April 2, at 9 AM** in the shop. As always, coffee and donuts will be available.

Please remember, if you have not done 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.

Walk Off The Pounds

By Daisy Dean

Ican't believe we are almost to the end for this year for our Walking Class. Where has the time gone? My last class will be April 13th.

Thank you all so much for showing up & being a Walking Buddy. You all inspire me.

Thank You, Neil & Maureen, for moving the tables. We miss you Phyllis. Netta--good luck with your knee.

God willing, I will be back in November & will start again. Here is a picture of some of my Morning Walking Buddies. Sorry a few were missing that day, but it was so hard to get everyone together. Next month, I will have a picture of my afternoon Buddies.

Thanks again, everyone.



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Shuffleboard Club News

By Barb Bowen



Joke of the day. “How would you describe your wife?” asked John. “Well,” said Thomas, “I would say she was an angel.” “You mean beautiful?”, said John? “No,” replied Thomas, “I mean she’s always up in the air harping on about something!”

March is always a busy time for most activities in the park, including shuffleboard. In summary, all our teams did well, the two pancake breakfasts were successful, and all tournaments have been completed. Hope everyone had fun this season. Joining a shuffleboard team gives everyone a chance to learn how to play the game and an opportunity to meet new and interesting people. Why not consider joining a team next year?



League Standings

Final Team Standings, as of March 7 (with the exception of Nova as they have a few games remaining)

Pat Vargas - Nova: 2nd place (hope you bring home a league trophy)

Ed Walter - Friendship I: 5th place

Pat McCarthy - Friendship II: 3rd place

Ruth Healy - Blue Sky: tied for 5th place



Congratulations to everyone. You made your Team Captains very proud.

Ed Walter will remain as President, and Leonard Schmitz as Vice President, for the next term.

A big “THANK YOU” to everyone who helped make the Pancake Breakfast a success, and to the Americana Cove residents for their support. Congratulations to our 50/50 winner - Julia Davis.

Our Banquet/Trophy was held on Saturday, March 31, at 5 pm. More on this next month.

Arthur Scott (Scottie) was nominated to become a Lifetime Member. As a result of the vote, we are proud to say that Scottie will become a Lifetime Member.

A lot of shufflers are getting ready to return north. Have a safe trip back. Look forward to seeing everyone again in the fall.

Reminders:



Banquet/Trophy party Saturday, March 31, 5 pm.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 4th, 10 am, in the Atrium. Happy Shuffling



Bowling

By Peg Farmer and Debbie Gottardi



Over 20 of us celebrated our bowling achievements at Cody's on Wed., March 14th. We hope that more of our Americana Cove residents will join us on the first Tuesday in November 2012 at Sunrise Lanes at 9:00 a.m. Any questions, contact either: pegfarmer@aol.com or deborahgottardi@yahoo.com.

Line Dancing

By Norine Fisher

March 26th was our last line dance class for this season. What a wonderful time we had doing some new and old dances. A great 13 weeks that went by too fast.

I would like to thank all those who helped take down and then put back all the tables and chairs. Without you we could not have had our line dancing this year.

What a great bunch of people we have at the Cove, always ready to lend a hand. Just remember this summer, let's keep dancing.



White Elephant

By Betty Chase



I am so proud to live in Americana Cove! Do you people know what you have done? You came up to the Club House and gave your brains, your brawn, and your heart; and we took in around \$4,800.00 before expenses! Most of all, we enjoyed each other's company. There was no bickering or petty gossip. Just a feeling of camaraderie. While I was called Chairperson, all I did was run around like a chicken with its head off while YOU did all the work! On Friday, we had 72 people to set-up and price. Most everything was done by 11:00am. On Saturday, the workers arrived at 8:00am. Doors opened at 9:00; and when we closed at 1:00pm, everyone joined in the clean up and setting back the hall. By 2:00pm, we were done and ready to sit down with our feet up and relax.

There are no words to express my thanks to all who made this day go so smoothly. The list is so long that there is no way to name each person. Love and thanks to ALL!

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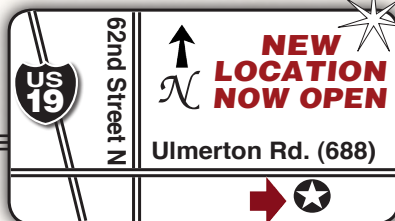


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The Rosebuds

By Peggy Church



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Americana Cove Boat Club “Island Bash” 3/10/2012

By Rick Lopez

Our third annual Island Bash went off this year but with a hitch. This year we did try something a little different and a little easier on the boat club members by contracting out the food to a caterer.

We entered into a contract; and unfortunately, it had not turned out as well as planned. There was a shortage of food which caused a few people not being served dinner. I, Rick Lopez president of the boat club, take full responsibility for this although the cause for this came from something that was beyond our control,

People understandably upset left the island bash early. For those people who left early and/or decide to remain and stay but did not receive dinner, we the boat club did reimburse those their ticket price.

Please remember that we, like all the rest of the clubs are volunteers and we all put in long hours and hard work in order to put together a most enjoyable evening for everybody.

As for those others who had dinner, drinks and a wonderful time on the dance floor with the Island Boys, we want to give our whole hearted thanks for attending our event. We do look forward to putting this on again next year. We do plan on cooking ourselves next year!! Again my most sincere apologies and my most humble thanks to those who stuck with us.





Crafters

By Ginny Marcott



The time seems to fly by faster and faster. Before we know it, crafters will soon be busy with fall holiday items. Marcia Fay taught us how to recycle the old web chairs into beautiful macramed treasures. Our 2nd tasters sampling evening was another success and will be an annual event. A fun time was had by all who attended. We are almost out of cookbooks; so be sure and contact a member or stop by our weekly meetings and get one before they are gone. We held our elections and the new slate of officers is: Ginny Marcott - President, Sharon Regan - Vice President and Diane Turner - Treasurer. April 9th we will be having a cereal drive to benefit the Free Clinic. Please drop off cereal, peanut butter and jelly, Pop Tarts, etc for this worthy cause. The clinic uses these items to feed the children who stop by for their shots. Also it is time to start preparing for the journey north. As you find items you need to clear out of the cupboards before you leave, let us know and we will gather them for the homeless shelter. Our membership has increased to 69 members but we have room for more. Come on down and check us out. If you like what you see, it is only \$3 for the yearly membership. Hope to see new faces as well as the wonderful group we have now.



“Keeping In Touch”

By Conrad Weiser



Are you heading north for next season? One free and easy to use media, to keep in touch, is our Americana Cove Listbot. A brief e-mail of your name and local address to me, (conrad33702@verizon.net), is all it takes to be a subscriber to our “Bot”, (listserv robot).

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Karaoke By Roland 'N Sandie

By Sandie n Roland



Roland and Sandie are going to try and entertain you with some Karaoke!! Of course, we hope that we won’t be the only ones singing and having fun. So you all come join us at 7:00pm in the Clubhouse on Saturday April 7, 2012. Bring snacks, drinks, your singing voices and, of course, a lot of laughter!



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“Attitude Of Gratitude” Corner

By: Terri Mottl (with gratitude)



I’m grateful....infinitely grateful for our Board. (Please don’t shoot me!). I have no earthly idea what would possess someone to aspire to invest hours and hours and days and days of their much-earned retirement and leisure time to attend meetings and meetings to prepare for meetings and committees and discussions and investigations into financial or legal positions, and initiating reports on actions, and taking actions, and, oh..... on and on and on, while they could be freely floating in the pool with the rest of us. And, I’m not saying that I agree with everything they’ve come up with, or every less-than-brilliant decision that has been made in the course of history; but, I’d be willing to bet my bippie and my 1914 Hoosier Cabinet that every single board member, from the most-loved to the hardest-hated has sincerely and whole-heartedly believed, at all times, that they were working earnestly and diligently for the best interests of the community. Now, that being said--Who the Sam Dicken’s decided that we don’t need a hot tub, anyway? “KUDOS from Paula for all the “poop bags” that you’ve given”



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