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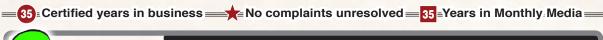
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Amen

President's Message

By Diane Brinker



t's been a dry summer here with the rainy season at our heels; watering down to one day a week is hard on our grass.

Tropical Storm Debby was located about 30

miles south-southwest of Apalachicola, Fla., and had sustained winds of 45 mph. It was moving northeast at 5 mph.

Including rain that's already fallen, Debby was expected to produce total rainfall of 10 to 20 inches across much of northern and central Florida, the National Weather Service said.

"These types of storms can produce tremendous amounts of rain".

High winds and the threat of flooding forced Florida to close the Interstate 275 Bridge that connects Tampa, including the region's major airport, and St. Petersburg.

Debby is the fourth named storm of the 2012 hurricane season, marking the first time in recorded weather history (records date back to 1851) that four storms have formed before the end of June.

Usually the fourth named storm doesn't arrive on average until Aug. 23 each year. What does this mean for the rest of the season? Not much, say weather experts:

"Early season activity is not a harbinger of activity for the remainder of the season, particularly for the peak of the season (mid-August through late October)," National Hurricane Center spokesman said.

We made it through Debby the Tropical Storm with little damage to the Cove except for some minor mishaps. It was quite scary to see the water rise so quickly and heavy winds. Everyone was safe!continued on page 6



Your Web Team has been working diligently to keep our Web Page fresh and updated. This month, in addition to new photos and updating our homes and lots for sale we have added a monthly calendar of events to the Clubs and Activities section of our Web Page. The Blog has been removed and replaced with a link to our YouTube account. Future videos of our beautiful community are in the planning stages.

We would like to get pictures from anyone that is out in the water, sandbar, movie night, or an event in downtown St Petersburg / please email to maroa@knology.net the sizing of pictures should be 640 x 480.

Be sure to check out our Web Page often.

Letter From The Manager

By Loey Antonucci



ur summer months are just flying by, and we hope you're all enjoying your time. We are staying busy here at The Cove and would just like to bring you up-to-date on what we've been doing.



 Our watering restrictions are still in place even though tropical storm Debbie dumped more than a foot of rain. State officials still claim that our rivers are dropping rapidly. The Swiftmud Board will be meeting at the end of



July, so I will keep you informed as soon as I know the outcome.



• We are still having problems with some residents placing colored glass in the recycling bin that's marked "clear glass only". The city doesn't pick up colored glass any longer and hasn't for quite some time now. It contaminates the clear glass and they want them separated; so please refrain from putting them in the bin. If you want to recycle colored glass, you may do so at your own home and then take it down to the recycle center that is located at 62nd Ave in St Pete.



• Another reminder, make sure the openings under your homes are blocked off. We found out that rabbits like to eat wires as other rodents do. So close up any gaps you might see.



• I have received many complaints regarding residents speeding and not obeying stop signs. Remember our speed limit is only 15 mph, not 20 or 30. Many bikes, walkers and golf carts are sharing these roads; and you need to yield to them. Remember, pedestrians have the right of way at all times; so let's keep them safe.



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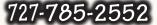
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Some of our summer projects have been completed.



- We replaced the last of the original air conditioning units in the Atrium with a 7.5 ton York unit. This will cool the 2 game rooms and the gym as well.
- The laundry room and Hobby Shop doors were replaced by C.R. Door Company and they look great.
- Alliance Fire did our annual fire alarm and sprinkler inspection. A few sprinklers were replaced.
- The home and driveway at 6904 Mt Pleasant was removed and another removal on Mt Richmond is scheduled.
- The concrete behind the Tiki Hut and grill area was extended. We replaced the white rocks that were there and extended over to the outside pool gate area, to correct the washing away of the mulch each time it rains. We then painted the concrete to match the rest.
- Our chairs in the pool bathrooms were updated with bright, beach colored paint.
- Both exhaust fans in the men's and ladies pool bathrooms were burnt out and haven't worked for years. We replaced the motors and they are now working. This will help with the moisture build up.
- We also added a new fan in the gym.
- Additional spotlights and tree lights were added at the entrance and guard house areas.
- We have rented our Mt Piney home that became available at the end of May. It is a six month lease with a strong possibility of a future purchase. We increased the rental rate to \$700 and added a new vinyl floor in the main bathroom.

ACA News

By Carol Risely



ello" to you snowbirds. I hope you are all having a good summer. I can understand why you go north. Sometimes I miss my roots - Pennsylvania and New Jersey - especially in the spring and summer. We had a saying, "Corn knee high by the 4th of July." Was the corn knee high on the 4th of July? The Florida corn has been very good this year but nothing comes close to the taste of Pennsylvania "Silver Queen" corn. I'm feeling a bit nostalgic; but as we say down here, "It's nice to go home and visit but nice to come back."continued on page 10





Our snowbirds don't know how quiet and peaceful it is here in the summer. There is no traffic in the Cove, no waiting in restaurants, no waiting anywhere. Even the beaches are not crowded. There are no lines anywhere except at the big attractions like Disney World. You can play 9 holes of golf around the corner at the Mangrove Golf Course and be done before 10 am – before the worst heat of the day. It cools off a bit around dinner time, and we enjoy the peaceful evenings. This is when we can sit outside, take a walk or take our golf carts for a ride around the park. Those of us with boats and kayaks enjoy being able to use them year-round.

Tranquility abides. We are resting up for when the snowbirds return. Living here year-round truly gives us two seasons – fast and slow. We enjoy both!

And rain! I almost forgot to tell you the summer rains did come. Everything is lush and green.

Thank You Betty Chase And The Kitchen Krewe



ACA Executive Committee

Betty Chase and the Kitchen Krewe have decided that they will no longer be able to provide meals and produce events. According to Betty, "It is time after all these years that we bow to health and age and acknowledge the fact that we can no longer continue this lifting and toting!! We need some time to go fishing, swimming, impromptu trips, etc."



As the chairperson of the Kitchen Krewe, Betty has provided many hours of community service. The present ACA Executive Board, as well as past leaders of ACA, appreciates her contribution to this organization. We fully understand her reasons for canceling her participation in future events.

The ACA Executive Board wishes to assure residents that ACA desires to maintain the level of entertainment to which they have become accustomed. Oktoberfest, Halloween, the Craft Bazaar and the White Elephant Sale will go on as scheduled. With the help of our many clubs and other talented individuals, we also aspire to add new events to our calendar.

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- 01 Ray Krapf
- 02 Marilyn Waltz
- 02 Charles Hansen
- 03 Dorrance Howland
- 06 Susan Audy
- 07 Arthur Scott
- 08 Kim Nemi
- 09 Irene Brandmark
- 11 Bertie Tameris
- 12 Barbara Young
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20	Gay & Spike Marlin 52 years
20	Georgette & George Meade 18 years
30	Jerry & Mike Regan 55 years
30	Lola & James Stake 70 years
30	Helga & Robert MacPherson 59 years
30	Gerry & Steve Levkulich



Terri's Hot, Hot, Hot August Horoscope By Terri Mottl









LEO (07/23 - 08/22) Picky, picky, picky, and it's about time! You want everything perfect; and if you pay attention to detail, it can be!

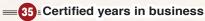
VIRGO (08-23 - 09/22) Remember that old flame? You could be getting a phone call this month. Only YOU know if this is good or bad news.

LIBRA (09/23 - 10/22) You want to party. You want to play. But, wait, a young person needs your guidance. I know you'll do the right thing!

SCORPIO (10/23 - 11/21) Write to that old friend; it's important. But don't lend them, or a family member, money this month.....you'll regret it, and so will they!

SAGITTARIUS (11/22 – 12/21) Be careful who you hang with.....your reputation is on display this month, and, like it or not, things rub off. You've been warned!

CAPRICORN (12/22 - 01/19) History repeats itself. You'll know what I'm talking about soon enough. So, let's hope it was a joyful past event!continued on page 16





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AQUARIUS (01/20 -02/18) Make up or break up; that's the ticket! You'll encounter some relationship issues. Resolve them to live happily ever after.

PISCES (02/19 - 03/20) Be extra nice, kind, thoughtful, and grateful to your business associates this month. If you're in love, it's serious business! Yep!

ARIES (03/21 - 04/19) Change your routine--cake for breakfast, dance in the rain, or come up with something more creative. Come on...get out of the slump!

TAURUS (04/20 - 05/20) You just can't help it; you're ready for a big, big change. Do it quickly, cleanly, and firmly, or forever hold your peace.

GEMINI (05/21 - 06/20) If you've been working on it, it will pay off. If you've been waiting for it, it will arrive. If you've been wondering, you will know. Yahoo!

CANCER (06/21 - 07/22) It's time for simplicity. Peel it off, whittle it down, send it packing. Peace. Love. Harmony. It's not 1969, but it could be.

CraftersBy Ginny Marcott









It doesn't seem possible that July flew by so quickly. We no sooner got done celebrating the 4th and we are already coming into August. We only have 3 months before the Christmas holidays are right around the corner and another year is peeking in the window. Crafters are busy making exciting things for the fall and Craft Fair. We took time out of our busy schedule to have a demonstration on folding napkins to make our dinner tables fancier. It is nice when a fellow crafter is willing to share their ideas with the rest of us and to be able to do something different periodically. We have a great group of ladies who have so many talents. The ca-



maraderie is amazing. A few of our crafters are facing some health issues and they are thought of lovingly whenever they miss our meetings. We always have room for more crafters; so come in on Mon evenings at 6:30 and join the fun.



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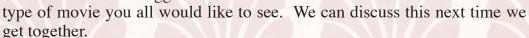




Movie Night By Sandie Reid



ovie night will be Thursday August 16,2012, at 7:00pm. Haven't decided yet what we will be showing; so keep your eye on the info board out front. I would like some suggestions about the





By Sandie and Roland



The next karaoke night will be Saturday August 18, 2012, at 7:00pm. You all should come out and join us. We have one heck of a great time!!!

Thank You

By Jim Chase



sincere thank you for all the cards and best wishes I received during my recent accident. I received a partial shoulder replacement and I'm doing fine. Should be back to normal in a few months. Thanks again.

Are You On The "Bot"?

By Conrad Weiser



ver a decade ago, we established a private e-mail system for Americana Cove. Originally a free Microsoft offering, it is now hosted by Yahoo Groups. Currently, there are 224 Cove residents who share this party line technically known as a listsery, robot or just "Bot" for short. It's a very simple mechanism, any subscriber who sends an e-mail to the address: maa2001@yahoogroups.com will find their message instantly forwarded to all 224 of the others. [You don't need to know their addresses.]

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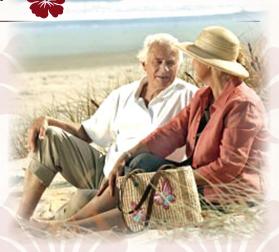


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SUMMER AFTERNOON, SUMMER AFTERNOON, TO ME THOSE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN THE TWO MOST BEAUTIFUL WORDS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

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Serves 4 By Jeanne Sheppard



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- 2. Let the corn sit in the pot for a few minutes (or until dinner's ready).
- 3. Serve with butter and salt.

Russ On The Road

By Russ Steele



NO SMARTER!!

It is nice, even flattering, for others to think that we "computerites" are among the smarter portion of the general population. Probably not true, from my own experiences and from gems we find in print now and then.

The following came to me this week from a faculty friend in Normal,



Illinois, after making the rounds of some church newsletters, etc., started with the Wall Street Journal, then to an Iowa group and on to the University of Washington.

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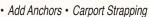
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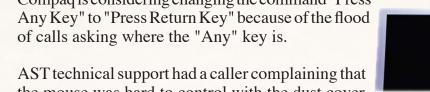
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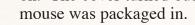


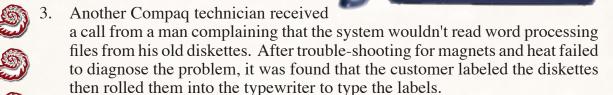
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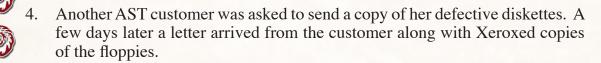
1. Compagis considering changing the command "Press Any Key" to "Press Return Key" because of the flood of calls asking where the "Any" key is.



the mouse was hard to control with the dust cover on. The cover turned out to be the plastic bag the







- A Dell tech advised his customer to put his troubled floppy back in the drive and close the door. The customer asked the tech to hold on, and was heard putting the phone down, getting up and crossing the room to close the door to his room.
 - Another Dell customer called to say he couldn't get his computer to fax anything. After 40 minutes of trouble-shooting, the tech discovered the man was trying to fax a piece of paper by holding it in front of the monitor screen and hitting the "send" key.
 - Yet another Dell customer called to complain that his keyboard no longer worked. He had cleaned it by filling up his tub with soap and water and soaking the keyboard for a day, then removing all the keys and washing them individually.
 - A Dell tech received a call from a customer who was enraged because his computer had told him he was "bad and an invalid." The tech explained that the computer's "bad command." and "invalid" responses shouldn't be taken personally.continued on page 28





9. Another customer called Compaq tech support to say her brand-new computer wouldn't work. She said she unpacked the unit, plugged it in and sat there for 20 minutes waiting for something to happen. When asked what happened when she pressed the power switch, she asked, "What power switch?"



Caller: Hello, is this Tech support? Tech: Yes, it is. How may I help you?

Caller: The cup holder on my PC is broken and I am within my

warranty period. How do I go about getting that fixed?

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Caller: Yes, it's attached to the front of my computer.

Tech: Did you receive this as part of a promotional, at a trade show? How did you get this cup holder?

Does it have a trade mark on it?

Caller: It came with my computer; I don't know anything about a promotional.

It just has '4X' on it.

At this point the Tech had to mute the caller, because he couldn't stand it.

The caller had been using the load drawer of the CD_ROM drive as a cup holder and had snapped off the drive!

These examples may indicate that we "computerites" are not much different than the general population. We just play with a lot of more expensive toys!!

NOTE: This summer series in The Forecaster comes from the files of Russ Steele, former editor and writer and co-producer of the 2003 community video history Americana Cove Yesterday and Today.

This was written in 1997.

The New Alphabet















is for apple, and B is for boat, that used to be right, but now it won't float! Age before beauty is what we once said, but let's be a bit more realistic instead. Now The Alphabet:

A's for arthritis; B's the bad back, C's the chest pains, perhaps car-di-ac?

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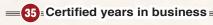
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S is for sleepless nights, counting my fears, T is for Tinnitus; bells in my ears! U is for urinary; troubles with flow; V for vertigo, that's 'dizzy,' you know.

W for worry, now what's going 'round? X is for X ray, and what might be found. Y for another year I'm left here behind, Z is for zest I still have-- in my mind!

I've survived all the symptoms, my body's deployed, and I'm keeping twenty-six doctors fully employed!

What's So Hot About August? By Terri Mottl



here's not a holiday to be had, unless you count "Women's Equality Day" on the 26th, and who wants to be equal? I'd rather remain quite superior! (Sorry, guys).

It's hot, humid, and heavy, and, if that's not enough, the thunderstorms come like a mega-display of fireworks in the middle of Niagara Falls, and never, ever, nevernever cool anything off at all!

But, hark! There are a few things that can be said

about our eighth month. Most of our northern family and friends have scurried back home to their cooler climates. (Yes, I know, the joke's on them this year), and if there are a few stragglers still here, very few of them are demanding that you take them to the theme parks or on long nature hikes. Most are content to sit at home and play Rummy Cube in the air conditioned den or watch old videos of almost anything, as long as they're cool!

It's also a great time to do all of the things that you didn't get to during your spring cleaning fiasco. Clean those kitchen cabinets clear out the multi-function guest/broom/Christmas wrapping/old shoe closet or go through all of your old photo albums and love letters.

And, of course, it's the perfect month to take a trip "up there" to re-bond with the gang...you will probably be able to avoid the embarrassment of being the eccentric person wrapped up, head to toe, in a down comforter while the rest of the family is in shorts and tank tops.

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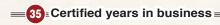
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Recycling
By Joan Martin











ity recycling site at 1000 62 Ave N is open 7 days a week Mon to Fri 9am to 5:30pm and Sat and Sun 8am to 5:30pm.

- 1. Newspapers and cardboard
- 2. Clear, green and brown glass
- 3. Phone books and magazines
- 4. Tin cans, soda and beer cans
- 5. They also have free mulch but you must take your own shovel and can.

Public's grocery store has containers outside for plastic and paper bags and foam egg cartons and foam trays.



Home Depot has containers for light bulbs and batteries.

Americana Cove "Attitude Of Gratitude" Corner

By: Terri Mottl (with gratitude)



It's August, and mostly what I'm grateful for is air conditioning, and water. I know that I should probably have a few higher-minded thoughts about thankfulness; but, like I said, it's August.

In August, water is my main obsession. Tall glasses of it with clinking ice, pools filled with the turquoise promise of instant relief, a delightful shower that starts off with warm and sudsy, and completes itself in a cool, refreshing rinse! A clean washcloth soaked in it and draped across my forehead, or a steady stream flowing from the faucet to splash across my face after a long, hot, dog walk in the morning sun.

Water provided to us from the glorious gulf.....lapping up on the beaches, splashing against the hull of our boats and kayaks, or rippling around our canals.

Water misting from the sky, or spilling from the clouds, or pummeling us in torrents; it's all water, and it's all good. Oh boy, oh boy, oh boy!



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