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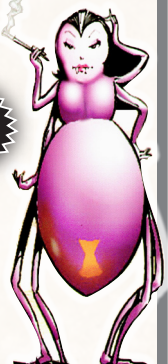


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Amazing God, we have come through the Easter Season and now is the time for reflection. Have we accepted the true meaning of Jesus' sacrifice for us? Are we living changed lives as a consequence? I pray that we are going to show greater love, not only to those close to us, but to everyone with whom we have contact now and in the future. It will take a lot of fortitude on our part and help from the Holy Spirit. Will you pray for that daily? God be with us and strengthen us in our desire to follow the teaching from his word. Amen.

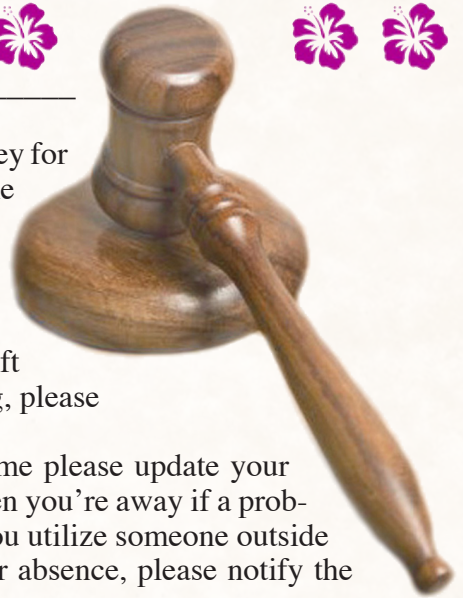
President's Message

By Acting President Rick Lopez



Iwould like to start by saying "Thank You" to Janice Zebley for her hard work and best wishes in her health. At the time of this writing, we have asked for volunteers to fill the opening of a board seat and will pick the person at the April meeting. At that time, we will also fill the open officer slot after we have a full Board of Directors. This is a reminder that the board will pick by vote the person to fill the time left on Janice's term. If you are interested in filling the opening, please drop a short Bio off to the office before the April meeting.

A reminder to all those Snowbirds, before going home please update your contact info for the office so we know whom to contact when you're away if a problem arises. Let us know if you have a local caretaker. If you utilize someone outside of Americana Cove to take care of your home during your absence, please notify the office so that the designated party can obtain a visitor's pass.



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Letter From The Manager

By Loey Antonucci

Dear Residents,

Here are a few things
we've been working
on.....



- Smith Fence will be installing a railing up to the north side Atrium entrance, due to the walkway being very steep.
- Carter's Tree Service planted an oak tree at the south side boat ramp to replace the large oak that was causing structural damage last year on Mt. Piney Ave.
- A submersible pump and motor was replaced at the storage area on Americana Dr. The bladder tank was under warranty and was replaced at no charge.
- Four new homes have come in. One on Mt. Oak Ave, two on Mt. Pleasant Rd. and one on Mt. Piney Ave.
- New water restrictions went into effect March 13, 2013. We fall under private well water table and irrigation is allowed from 5am-9am or 7pm to 11pm. Even numbered homes water on Saturday and odd number homes water on Sunday.
- The Company Curbscaping has replaced our landscaping border at the entrance.
- Three bids have been received to enlarge our sidewalk in front of the office parking lot. This will allow two people at a time to walk together along with providing ample space for scooters and wheelchairs.
- Bids have also been taken for the corner of Mt. Piney and Mt. Arlington to pour concrete for a walkway and bench area.
- A reminder that our Founder's Day Picnic will be Saturday, April 6, 2013 from 12-3pm. We hope to see all of you again this year and hopefully we will have great weather.

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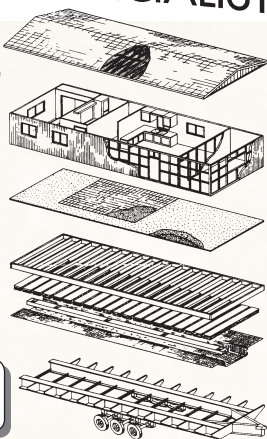
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ACA News

By Dan Dugger



More and more of our Snowbird friends will be leaving this month; but before they leave, I hope they will have the opportunity to celebrate what a wonderful life we have in Americana Cove. On April 6, Founder's Day will be celebrated with the annual MA-ROA picnic. On April 13, ACA will sponsor the Annual Street Dance in the clubhouse parking lot like we did last year. Come and enjoy Tom Stanley's music.

I would like to thank Ginny Marcott, and everyone who helped, for the outstanding White Elephant Sale. March continued on with the Boat Club's Island Bash and ACA's St Patrick's Day Celebration. A good time was had by all.

ACA has completed its reorganization and conforms to all Florida and IRS requirements for not-for-profit corporations. This exercise was completed by the adoption of By-laws by the ACA Council at the March Council Meeting.

The ACA Council meeting will be at 10:00 am on April 2, and the luncheon will be at noon on April 3.

For our snowbird friends heading north:

*May the road rise up to meet you.
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Sunshine Report For April 2013

By Nancy Hubartt

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Nursing Homes

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Helen Wright..... Maria Manor Rehab
Lucille Osfar Carrington Place
Mary Boyd Bon Secour Maria Manor
Olga Bates..... Emerald Garden
Ray Kegebein..... Ivy Ridge

April Birthdays



03 Loretta Berg	10 Eva Pratt	23 Nicole Baxter
04 Dean Schirm	11 Robert Hamel	24 Robert King
05 Glenda Laidlaw	11 Mary Lavertue	25 Gilbert LeBrun
06 Greg Heath	11 Jill Marckese	25 Jerry Regan
06 Frank Masho	12 Richard Norcross	26 Howard Brown
07 Mary Bickhart	14 Sandy Shouse	26 Peggy Philio
07 Gloria Jean Lacasse	16 Ray Kegebein	29 Sue Line
07 Pam Lord	19 Patricia Gotch	29 Nan Olney
08 Dave Casey	21 Marie Sirois	30 Joan Fernandez
09 Bob Hoey	21 Doreen Moulton	

April Anniversaries



01 Jill & Gregory Moe..... 35 years	18 Harriet & Richard Burg..... 4 years
02 Jean & Ray Krapf..... 64 years	24 Dewie & Frank Masho..... 11 years
06 Bonnie & Jim Parr 16 years	27 Linda & George Bresko 50 years
11 Sheila & Tony Rosado 47 years	28 Nan & Larry Krueger..... 8 years
15 Nancy & Bill Roberts..... 41 years	29 Anne & Dick Gardner 2 years
15 Judy & Dorrance Howland .. 17 years	

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Old Timers

By Sue Line



I would like to take this opportunity to extend a big Thank You to Adele Seaman for all her hard work over the last 4 years keeping track of our finances and also to Conrad Weiser for his hard work in transcribing our minutes. Thank you, Adele and Conrad. I would like to welcome, Mike Walsh as Treasurer and Gail Jones as Secretary. Kathy Laramée, Sharon Regan and I have accepted to stay on for another year. 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 and Dance in February and more importantly for the generous donation she gave to Old Timers. Our first meeting will be Wednesday April 10th followed with the second meeting on April 24th.

Remember, we are for all the Young at Heart Old Timers! See you all there.

Terri's, "Here You Have It" April Horoscope

By me, Terri Mottl



ARIES (03/21 - 04/19) You've been wanting to do it. You've been meaning to do it. You've been planning on doing it, and, you haven't even started it yet. Do it, already.

TAURUS (04/20 - 05/20) You can be 100 percent, totally sure that you are absolutely in the "right"....willing to stand up and fight to the death for it.....and.....alas.....you are mistaken. Can this be possible? YUP!!!

GEMINI (05/21 - 06/ 20) "Easy does it" is the name of the game, but not for long. Just when you think all of your ducks are in a row, one's going to join the circus and bring the whole show home for dinner....be ready!!!

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CANCER (06/21 - 07/22) If you're just a tad crabby this month (oh, yeah!), it's not your fault....it's in the stars, it's in your planets, it's in your chart. Don't, however, use this argument..... it won't serve you well, if you know what I mean!

LEO (07/23 - 08/22) Somebody, somewhere, somehow, is thinking something that's not quite right, (a Taurus, maybe?). It's your job to set them straight. Gently. Kindly. Softly. Wishing you all the luck in the world!

VIRGO (08/23 - 09/22) Do not a lender or a borrower be. An old and moldy, for sure, but particularly pertinent and sound advice for you Virgos this month. Hide your wallet.....AND your favorite casserole dish!!!

LIBRA (09/23 - 10/22) To be or not to be. To go or not to go. To buy or not to buy. Looks like April's shaping up to be one of those months, you poor thing!

SCORPIO (10/23 - 11/21) If you've tried absolutely everything, and you've done all you can, and you still can't get it off of your mind, go for it.....it might be fun!

SAGITTARIUS (11/22 - 12/21) They're not congregating to make plans without you, they're not conspiring against you.....it's all a figment of your imagination, and your planets playing mind games with you.

CAPRICORN (12/22 - 01/19) You're going to be so happy-go-lucky this month and so many things are going to go just the way you want them to, you'll probably wish every month of the year was April!

AQUARIUS (01/20 - 02/18) You're going to feel free; you're going to feel untethered, liberated...alive!!! The best part is that what you feel is absolutely TRUE....but, remember, this is only April's horoscope, not a life map!

PISCES (02/19 - 03/20) You're fairly compassionate by nature, but seldom show it. But this month you'll be called on to feel it and to show it....all at the same time! Let's hope you're up to the task!!!!



*Spring has returned, the earth
is like a child that knows poems.*



Hobby Shop

By Dave Bernfeld



The next and final meeting for the season for the Shop will meet on Monday, April 1, at 9 AM. As always...coffee and donuts will be available. Please attend as we will be electing officers for the next year. Also, please consider taking a position. We all need to help run the shop.

Just a reminder, please clean-up after yourself and turn-off lights, A/C, etc. when you leave. Thanks!

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, or contact one of the shop officers.

Crafters

By Ginny Marcott



It has been a great time being the President of Crafters, but it is time for a change. My time is needed at home more; so I had to step down. I am pleased to announce the new officers of the Crafters Club for the upcoming year: President- Judy Whiteford; Vice President - Joan Mahoney; Secretary - Jill Moe; and Treasurer - Ginny Marcott. The annual tasting was a HUGE SUCCESS. The crafters did their best to bring their favorite recipes from our cookbook. We love seeing everyone come and enjoy our cooking. We have 3 cookbooks left; so speak up now or you will miss out having your very own collection of some of the greatest recipes the Crafters Club compiled.

Par-Seekers

By Dave Bernfeld



As you read this, our season is about over; and tournament winners will be announced at our banquet, April 1st at 5PM. A special "Thanks" to Ed Higgins and Jean Dion for preparing our banquet dinner and to all who helped with set-up, serving and everything that goes into a successful event.

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



Vespers

By Martha Pratt



Our wonderful Vesper season has come to a close for another year. We have had new people attending and some very good speakers from our local churches. At our last business meeting, we were going to have an election of officers; however, everyone agreed to remain in their present positions.

We have planned a date for the annual Welcome Back concert, November 16. We will be working on getting entertainment set up over the next few months. If anyone would like to give their ideas on that subject, please come forward and let me know.

Again, I'd like to thank everyone for volunteering their help, from greeters, hostesses, all my officers and a special thank you to those who brought refreshments this year.

Our summer collection containers have again been taken by those willing to put their change or weekly donations in during the hiatus from Vespers. Since the only fund raiser Vespers has is the Welcome Back dinner, the summer collections we receive are a tremendous help in keeping our treasury solvent. Thank you one and all for those donations.

I wish all a very happy and blessed summer wherever you may travel, and I look forward to seeing you back safe and sound in the fall.

Boat Club

By Rick Lopez



First of all, I would like to say thank you to the following people who made the Boat Clubs 4th Annual Island Bash a complete success: Sandie, Chris, Rachel, Jake, Mark, Dave, Helen, George, Georgette, Don, Jennie, Roxanne, Linda, Nancy, Maryanne, Greg, Jill, Joan, Jack, Dennis, Rocky, Jacki, Lorraine, Fran, Liz, Tom, Gerry, Bill and Barbara. I hope I didn't forget anyone because this crew is the greatest! We now look forward to some summer outings to the sandbar and a few more boat club meetings.

And a very special thanks to Rick Lopez!!!!!!!



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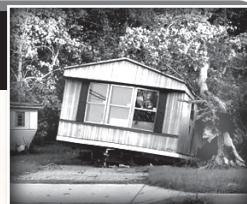
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Cue Club/Banquet

By Sandie Reid and Debbie Gottardi

The Cue Club Season 2012-2013 has come to an end. Our tournaments results are as follows:

Women's Singles:

- 1st place Jennie Wosil
- 2nd place Rita Hahn.
- 3rd place Debra Craft

Women's Doubles:

- 1st place Nancy Hubartt and Nola Brunelle
- 2nd place Debra Craft and Paula Barrows
- 3rd place Debbie Gottardi and Louise Pickett

Men's Singles:

- 1st place Ed McGrath
- 2nd place Dave Cook
- 3rd place Dave Laramee

Men's Doubles:

- 1st place Dave Cook and Jerry Wiglund
- 2nd place Mike Wagner and Dave Edwards
- 3rd place Paul Line and Ed McGrath



We also can't forget our 4th place people who were also there from the beginning, Sue Wagner, Debbie Lamont, Mike Wagner, Tony Daleo and Frank. A big thank you to our refs: Sterling, Tony G, Brian, Terry and Dave C.

We honored all our winners at our cue banquet on the 28th of March. We had excellent catering by Flemings. Our servers for the banquet were Roxanne and Linda Cook. A job well done and thank you for helping us.

The women plan on having a summer best average league. If you are interested, please contact Sandie or Debbie; and we will let you know when it will start.

We are still missing some billiard books from our library in the cue room. Please look around and see if maybe you do have them and return them for others to use. Thank you.

Final 2012-2013 Cue Club season meeting will be held on Monday, April 1, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in the Atrium. All members are asked to attend . . . as your input is needed to ensure that our Cue Club continues operating efficiently for the fun and enjoyment of its members!!!!



Bowling

By Peg Farmer and Debbie Gottardi

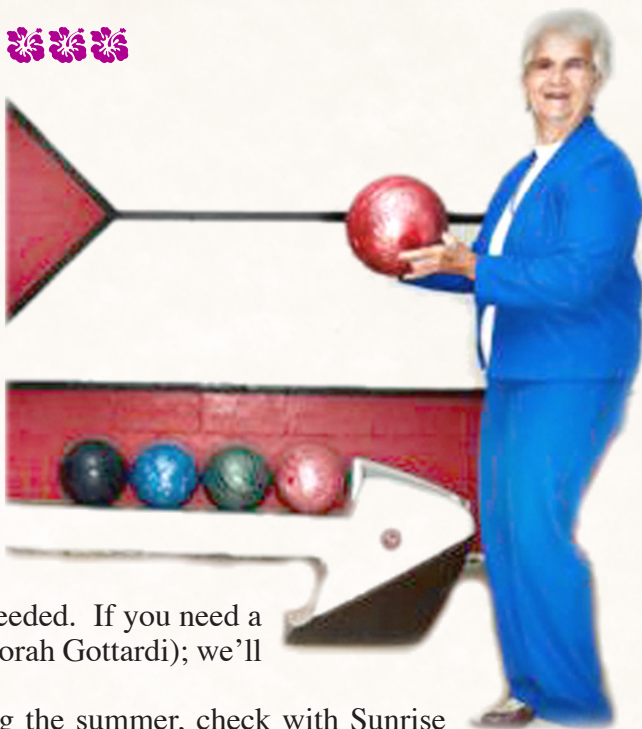


We have had a great bowling season. We've had an increase in the number of bowlers showing up on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. at Sunrise Lanes. We had as many as 22 bowlers one Tuesday! Some of our "regulars" even invited their Florida visitors to join us.

We met at Harvey G's on Wednesday, March 27th, at Harvey G's on 4th Street to celebrate all of our "turkeys" and time together.

We may bowl for several more weeks in April; so join us if you'd like. Cost is \$8.00 for three games, plus cost of shoe rental if needed. If you need a ride, contact either of us (Peg Farmer or Deborah Gottardi); we'll get you there and back.

If you are interested in bowling during the summer, check with Sunrise Lanes for a list of their summer leagues. It is a lot of fun, as well as a good way to exercise!



Red Hat Chilies

By Adele Seaman



Red Hat Chilies will be having our annual Pizza Meeting Thursday, April 11, at 5:00 PM in the Clubhouse. This is the time for all new members to sign up please. We need suggestions of what everyone would like to do for our outings. Also if you would like to sign up to bring a dessert for this meeting, I'd appreciate it.

Thursday, April 25th, PO KE NO in the Clubhouse 6:30 PM. Please remember to bring your pennies and a snack to share.

For our members who will be leaving to head north, I wish you a safe and healthy summer and we will see you when you return.

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A Wonderful Friend

By Tom Wallace



I write this article as a friend of Jean Dion, but I don't think for one moment that I have a monopoly on that title. There are so many who grew up with Jean, worked with him, served with him in the army years or met him in the years he has been in Americana Cove. They all have one thing in common, they consider Jean their friend. There is no better example of Jean's fidelity than to his friend Joe Gerhart, a long time resident of Americana Cove who was hospitalized and then placed in a nursing home.



Joe soon realized that when you have Jean as a friend, you are not about to be forgotten. Week in and week out, Jean is there for Joe as long as there is need. Of course there are many other acts of thoughtfulness, but they are known only to Jean and those fortunate enough to experience Jean's kindness.

Just about every family has been touched by cancer. It seems that the world is filled with cancer survivors and many of them are in the park. However, Jean and his good wife Pat of almost six decades were not so fortunate. They lost their grandchild Jessica at the age of nine to this dreadful disease. From that moment on, Jean decided to do whatever it takes to fight cancer in children. He retrieves and sells golf balls, markets annual raffle tickets, writes and presents proposals to charitable foundations. It must give Jean a great deal of satisfaction to know that so many of his friends in the park have and will continue to support Jean's tireless efforts to help children have a fighting chance.

There are so many exceptional statements that we could make about Jean, including the fact that he rose to rank of Full Colonel in the United States Army. Another thing that stands out is his constant good nature. This likeable perfect gentleman doesn't need to talk about himself. Instead he is a very attentive listener who takes to heart what is said and when there is a problem he is always willing to help. Simply put, when you talk to Jean Dion you know "someone is home".

On behalf of all of us who like and admire Jean Dion and we really do, we would like to say thank you Jean for being the way you are! We really wouldn't want you any other way.


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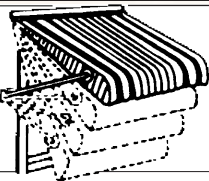
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A Special Thank You

By Janet Pendino



BRAVO to one and all for making our 5th Italian & Valentine Dinner such a tremendous success! I will try to put this in some kind of order, as there are many, many to thank: First, I would like to thank the OLD TIMERS for sponsoring this wonderful event; Linda Lou for making/printing our tickets and Adele, our super sales lady, who also watched over me. A special thanks to the men who helped set up the tables Friday night, and of course, I must especially thank Tony and Jack for setting up and bartending every year. GREAT JOB GUYS...

Most importantly, I wish to extend my "heartfelt thanks" to all my devoted and faithful assistants, who, with aprons and knives in hand, accomplished wonders and helped make it possible for us to serve over 220 meals! Led by our "matriachs" Dottie and Joyce, and assisted by the "youngsters" Carol, Shirley, Joan, Dawn, Judy, Diane, Bunny, Sue, Jill, Linda Lou, and our "newbie" Charlie, we had "many hands on deck to make light(er) work".

Thank you also to the fabulous multi-taskers who wore two different hats all night: Rita, Sterling, Mary, Nelson, George, Claire and Mary B; to Ed for his loving, caring Grace before our meal, and to Paul for serving as Master of Ceremonies. Thanks to those who helped pitch in at nights' end to straighten up and put things back in place! I honestly could NOT have done it without each and every one of you...

I sincerely apologize to those I may have missed--as you can see, the list goes on and on and on... But one thing is for sure--it takes kind and caring friends and neighbors to join together to make an event like this so delicious and so successful.

PLEASE...ACCEPT MY MOST SINCERE "THANK YOU" TO ALL!!!

Marketing Committee

By Dave Casey



The Marketing Committee encourages all residents, especially snowbirds, to take copies of the "new" Americana Cove brochure to distribute to anyone interested in our beautiful waterfront, gated community! You are the Cove's best advertisement! Please pick up several brochures from the office and distribute them.

Residents also have access to another marketing tool called, Constant Contact. Upon signing up you will receive a monthly email featuring some of the homes available in our community. Cove dwellers may easily forward this email to friends or relatives encouraging them to become residents. To sign-up by providing your email, call or stop by the office. The committee will announce other marketing plans soon; but for now, also tell others about our website! www.americanacove.com



Shuffleboard

By Barb Bowen



The next Shuffleboard meeting will be held in the Atrium on Wednesday, April 3, at 10:00 am.

Ed McGrath came in 3rd in the Main Event, in the West Coast District Tournament. Congratulations to Ed.

Team Reports, as of mid March:

The season has been completed, except for Nova. Here are the final standings (except for Nova):

Blue Sky: Captain Ruth Healy - 3rd Place

Friendship I: Captain Ed Walter - 7th Place

Friendship II: Captain Pat McCarthy - Tied for 2nd Place

Nova: Captain Pat Vargas

- Currently in 3rd Place. Nova has 2 more games left and could move up to either 1st or 2nd Place. Let's cross our fingers and wish them luck.

The Shuffleboard Club Banquet was held March 23. Everyone had a great time. Thanks to everyone who helped make this a success.

The new Shuffleboard season will start again in November, 2013.

Reminder: Open games at 1:00 pm. Everyone is welcome. Every Sunday, "Hoss Collar": Directors - Fod and Mary Wright. Every Monday, "Hall of Fame": Director - Lennie Schmitz.

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Real Estate Trends

By Barefoot Realty Group



There are two very effective ways for obtaining potential buyers for homes in a manufactured home community — through the Internet and through residents.

According to a January 2013 joint study completed by the National Association of Realtors and Google, 90% of home buyers look to the Internet first to view homes for sale. Buyers then contact a Realtor when they see a home they want to view. (The National Association of Realtors represents most real estate professionals in the U.S., and they constantly study the market to better understand buying decisions.)

In addition to the Internet, in a manufactured home community, the overwhelming majority of new buyers have heard about the community through friends and family who live there. This isn't a new trend as mobile home communities were developed in this manner. Just ask any mobile home developer, owner or broker—they will all say the same thing. Our sales staff has told us that the majority of buyers coming through the door at Americana Cove are friends and family of those who live here.

To tap this “friends and family” market Barefoot Realty Group will begin sending monthly e-mails to residents to let them know of homes for sale and other important sales information. We find these e-mails are an excellent way to reach friends and family who may be interested in Americana Cove, as we ask residents to forward these e-mails to people they know who may be interested in homes in the community. This program will begin in April.

If you are interested in receiving this e-mail, either e-mail debbie@americanacovesales.com or call Debbie Brown at 727-528-8809 and we'll add your name to the list. Your privacy is important to us and we will never sell or distribute your e-mail address. This e-mail is strictly for residents in Americana Cove.

Open Houses

Although our company and other real estate professionals in Americana Cove have been conducting Open Houses to draw more people into the community, residents and home sellers should understand that you don't have to wait for an Open House to visit homes for sale. Our saying is that “It's always Open House” since there is always a salesperson available to show homes every day in the community. Stop by the office or call Debbie Brown at 727-528-8809 to schedule an appointment.

Internet

Be sure to check out the homes for sale at www.americanacovesales.com. We have created this website to showcase the homes for sale in the community, and it has been receiving a lot of traffic since its inception. Since 90% of home buyers look at the Internet first, it will become one of the best tools for buyers!

Sales Statistics

Our Sales Staff keep statistics as to how many people are coming into the community to look for homes. During the month of February, 46 people came in to view homes. The majority of these people were friends visiting residents; many said they saw homes for sale on the website. A minority were people coming to Americana Cove for the first time. We will continue to update you on statistics each month and through our monthly sales e-mail.

Thank You Everyone

By Ginny Marcott



I want to take the time to thank EVERYONE who helped in any way to make the WHITE ELEPHANT SALE such a huge success. It takes many people working together to achieve the results we had this year. So many people did things such as publicity, collecting for the bake sale, donating items for sale, pricing, working in the kitchen, selling, setting up and taking down, clean up, picking up larger items, handling the money, and even purchasing the items so we didn't have to pack them up again or donate them to the homeless shelter.

I wish I could name everyone individually, but the Forecaster won't give us that much room. Please know that I know who you are and so do you. Thank you a million times over for all you did. Your efforts helped us make \$5536 for ACA.



Walk Away The Pounds

By Daisy Dean



Where has the season gone? Seems like we just got here. One more month and we will be heading north. Time sure flies when you are having fun.

As most of you know, I am always at the front of the class; and I do not see what goes on behind me. Well last week because of my knee, I got to be at the back and got to see you all workout; and really I can't tell you how PROUD I was to see you all work so hard. Way to go, ladies--and yes, you too, Joe. Jean Latreille, you amaze me. Hoping I can move that good when I get your age. You are a perfect example of when you lead an active lifestyle you can still move like that at any age.

Again, Ladies & Gentlemen, thanks for showing up every morning. I hope you all have a safe and healthy summer. God willing, I will be here to do this again in November.

April hath put a spirit of youth in everything.

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Important News From The Garden Club

By Linda Lou Fairbanks, President

The trip scheduled for March 26, 2013, unfortunately had to be cancelled. That's the bad news. The good news is we will have a special meeting that day (Tuesday the 26th) in the Atrium at 10:00a.m. We will be electing officers for 2013-2014. We also have a special program planned, so please join us. Coffee and donuts at 9:30a.m. (a donation of \$.75 greatly appreciated). Our annual Picnic will be held at Sawgrass Park on Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. We'll furnish the fried chicken, drinks and paper goods. Please bring along a passing dish and folding chair (walking shoes optional!). If you plan to attend, please sign the sheet in the Clubhouse so we can get a count for ordering the food/drinks.



Now, I saved the best for last...on April 20, 2013, Betty Chase and her Krewe will host a dining feast extraordinaire for our Club! A prime rib dinner will be served in the Atrium. Social hour will begin at 5:00 p.m., and dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased for \$15.00 per person from our Treasurer, Adele Seaman, at luncheons/meetings. Don't wait too long to get yours, as only so many can be sold! I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and wish to thank Betty, Marge, Ed, Nita, Ralph, Jim, Diana, Jolee, Rita, Don and Nancy for going the extra mile last month to help with Club "stuff". I appreciate it!

Americana Cove Attitude Gratitude

By Terri Mottl



A downtown parking space.....with time left on the meter! Popcorn.....hot.....buttered! Puppies.....of any shape, size, or color.....kittens, too! Neighbors who always smile and say a hearty, "HELLO"!!! Downtown Abbey! Flowers popping up in the garden, overnight! Laughter...spontaneous....hearty.....loud! Music...for dancing.....for relaxing.....for working....for romancing....for remembering! A surprise phone call or "Thinking of You" card from an old friend! Church Bells! A really, really, really good book or movie! A meal with friends! Coming across an old childhood photo or memento...unexpectedly! Clean sheets! A Starbucks peppermint mocha frappuccino, no whip, (yes, it's personal, but it is MY column, after all)! Going to bed early! Staying up late! Sleeping in! A long walk on the beach! Light traffic on the Howard Franklin! A brand new pair of sneakers.....that feel like your old ones! That one person who KNOWS why you're smiling! The season premiere of your favorite show! BOGO! Going on vacation! Coming home! Finding money in the pocket of an old jacket! Getting a compliment or a big "Thanks a lot"! Being there for someone! Having someone to count on! Moving to Florida! Ahhhhhh.....isn't life wonderful?????

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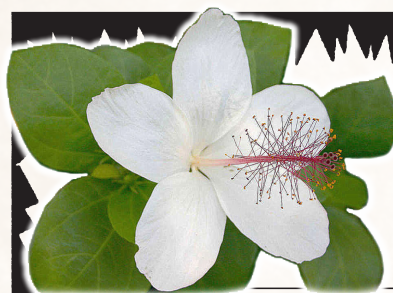
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