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Aberdeen Country Club News

By: Harry Seaton (Hampton)

A very Happy and Healthy New Year to you all; let's enjoy every moment of 2017! We are looking forward to the wonderful festivities and interesting events coming up!

Our golf course is again filled with players both morning and afternoon, our tennis courts are ever busy, our magnificent fitness center facilities promote classes and exercise to benefit our new and older members.

We are fortunate that the Board of Directors has taken on the planning and preparation for an absolutely new look of the Club and its facilities. During this year's spring and fall, the golf course will be fully refurbished and re-contoured with expanded tee areas and greens and elevated cart paths. Plans include a course-within-a-course for beginners and others desiring to play a shorter distance. Fourteen of our tennis courts will be refurbished with one court to be replaced with 4 pickleball courts during this spring and summer. In addition, during the summer and fall, the Clubhouse's first floor will be completely refurbished with a fresh new look; carpeting, furniture, window treatments, lighting and paint job.

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529 Plans

By: Dr. Pat Williams (Muirhead)

In a recent survey of college pricing, the College Board reported the following: A moderate college budget for the 2016-2017 academic year averaged \$24,610 for an in-state public college and \$49,320 for a private college. These prices will most likely increase in the coming years.

For many grandparents, helping their grandchildren receive the finest education possible is a top priority. One of the best ways to help with your grandchild's college expenses is through a 529 plan. Established in 1996 and named after Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code, this plan is designed to help parents, grandparents, and other relatives or friends contribute to a child's post-secondary education. Each plan has a designated beneficiary (e.g., your grandchild). There is no limit to the number of plans an individual can set up. If you have 8 grandchildren, you can have eight 529 plans.

There are 2 basic types of 529 plans: prepaid tuition plans and savings plans. The website, savingforcollege.com lists 112 available plans. Many of these are state-sponsored. However, in most cases,

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the choice of college is not affected by the state sponsoring the plan. You can be a FL resident, invest in a NH plan and send your student to college in CA. Which 529 plan is the best for you? Check out savingsforcollege.com for suggestions.

What are some of the advantages of a 529 plan?

- Income tax breaks
- The money in a 529 plan grows tax-deferred.

There is no tax on interest, dividends or capital gains in the plan.

- Additionally, distributions are not taxed if used to pay the beneficiaries college expenses.

- Some plans are also eligible for a state income tax break.

- You are in control
- As the account owner, not only do you determine the timing and the amount of the withdrawals, you can also change the beneficiary.
- Your grandchild as beneficiary has no access to the account.

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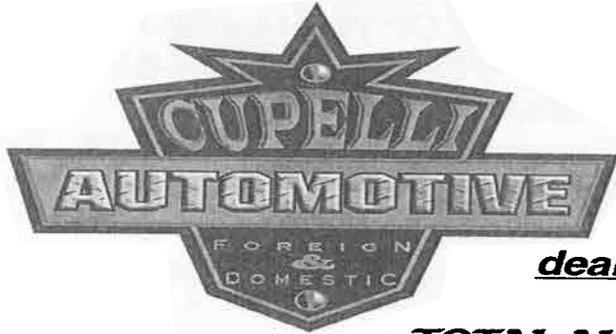
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- Low maintenance
 - Most plans allow you to “set it and forget it” with automatic deductions from your bank account going into a set of funds you have chosen.

- Scholarships
 - If the beneficiary (your grandchild) receives a scholarship or attends a U.S. military academy, the scholarship amount or the cost of attendance can be withdrawn from the 529 plan with no penalty.

- Funds from the plan can be used for all college-related expenses

- Expenses now include the cost of the purchase of any computer and related equipment and services (such as internet access) as well as room, board, tuition and books.

And the disadvantages?

- If the funds are used for other than your grandchild’s college expenses, as the account holder, you are subject to a 10% penalty plus taxes on the amount withdrawn.

- Only 529 plans owned by the parents are reported as assets on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). However, any qualified distributions from a third party 529 plan will potentially affect the following years FAFSA eligibility. You need to discuss funding with the child’s parents.

- If your contributions to your grandchild’s 529 plan plus any other gifts exceed \$14,000 during the year, you may be subject to gift tax consequences.

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A TRIBUTE

There is no doubt that the Dorchester community has paid tribute to Walter Areinoff, who passed away recently at the tender age of 95. This tribute, however, goes beyond the confines of his village. It is from Aberdeen-at-large, and, more specifically, from the staff of the Aberdeen Times.

The Times was privileged to know Walter through the Bridge column he wrote for over 20 years. Although a dentist by trade, Walter was "the Master of Bridge" in every way, and it showed in his beautifully-constructed and informative columns. In all those years, he never missed one! He loved the game, he taught the game, he lived the game, and he wrote about it in an understandable way. His contributions were not limited to the Times; the bridge books he authored were well-known to bridge-players.

Our sincere condolences to Walter's wife, Florence, sister, Selma Goldstein and the children, on this charming, warm, gracious, multi-talented man. He left us a treasure of written words, which he translated from a life-long interest into a labor of love. We, the readers, were the beneficiaries.

Ruth Krawitz, Editor

Canterbury Communique

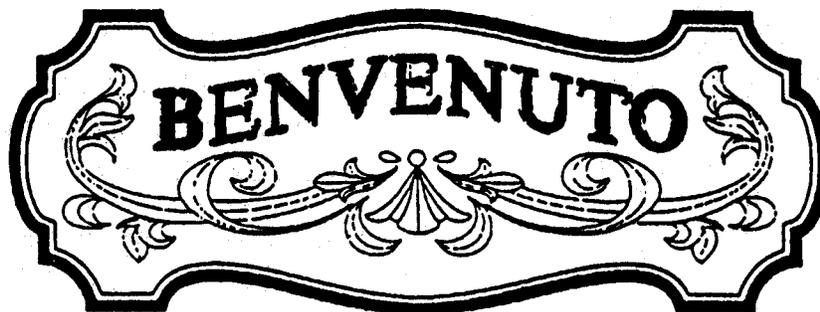
By: Dee Levy

It's the month of February ... the name February derived from the Latin word "februum", meaning to purify. In ancient Rome, Februarius was the month of purification, with the Empire's focus on righteous living. In our modern Gregorian calendar, February is the second month of the year and the shortest ... 28 days in common years and 29 in leap years. Leap Day, occurring once every 4 years, has been referred to as "a day were 'this time last year' and 'this time next year' does not apply." February holidays include Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day and Presidents' Day, a federal holiday celebrated on Feb. 22. Not to be forgotten are Super Bowl Sunday, on the first Sunday of the month, and Mardi-Gras Day, also known as Fat Tuesday, on Feb. 28.

On the local scene, the Canterbury

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Board of Directors and GRS manager Jose Armstrong continue to meet weekly as they strive to improve the amenities. The restoration of all flat garage roofs to prevent leakage, and more functional inner and outer courtyard lighting, including the use of LED bulbs to conserve energy and the replacement of photosensors, are being planned. Revision of the Canterbury Rules and Regulations is also in the offing. As the board is eager to complete the emergency contact list, they ask that all residents who haven't as yet submitted their information do so as soon as possible. Please be in touch with Lou Levy [(561)336-35.82] or Jose at GRS Management [(561.)641.-8554] for contact-forms or with relevant questions.

In getting to know our neighbors, we prevailed on Carol Collins, our Canterbury board treasurer, to share her interests or life-experiences with us. Carol retired to So. FL from CT in 2010 with her mother, Marjorie, and dog, Gizmo, a 4-year-old Shih Tzu. She has lived in Aberdeen since 2014, and in this short period of time, has become a prominent member of the Canterbury community. A registered nurse by profession, Carol's first job was in a hospital

setting, where she provided patient care in various departments. This was followed by employment in the insurance industry, specifically as a rehabilitation nurse in Worker's Compensation. She was later employed by the State of CT in the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, from which she retired in 2010.

When interviewed, Carol recalled an incident which had occurred while she was working at the Mental Health Center. The patient, a male in his late 30s, who had been diagnosed with schizophrenia, came in with a story that he had swallowed a tube of toothpaste. It was hard to believe that this had really happened, but, after discussion with the nursing staff who were familiar with the patient's history, he was sent to the hospital for x-rays. And, indeed, he had actually swallowed the toothpaste (traveler's size), which was seen lodged in his stomach together with some coins. The lesson learned is that in working with mental health patients one must be aware of all possibilities and make educated judgements. When Carol was asked to look back upon her career as a nurse, she stated nursing was truly her "chosen"

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profession. A patient advocate, she feels a deep sense of satisfaction in knowing that she has helped to provide quality care to patients in need.

We thank Carol for sharing her life experience, and also want to wish her a Happy Birthday ... Feb. 1 being her special day.

In closing, we extend greetings to our Aberdeen friends and neighbors, and wish everyone a Happy and Healthy February. To quote the well-known Mardi-Gras saying, "laissez les bon temps rouler" or "let the good times roll". Have a great month!

The Sunny Shores

By: Estelle Morganstein

As I'm running later than usual, to get my article in on time, this month's column will be short and sweet!

All residents of Aberdeen East were invited to attend a Club Showcase and Newcomer Event that took place on Jan. 29th. This was a wonderful opportunity, particularly for our newer residents, to learn about the many activities our community offers and to meet many of their neighbors. As the Shores representative to the Villages of the East Board, it is incumbent upon me to help make your integration as easy and effortless as possible.

Many new residents have lived in areas up north where 55+ HOA developments do not exist and they are not aware of the wonderful possibilities that are afforded to them here in Aberdeen. However, along with these opportunities comes a need for participation, especially in areas such as our COPS program, to help keep us safe and aware. Please give some thought to making new friends, learning a new skill or sport and becoming a volunteer.

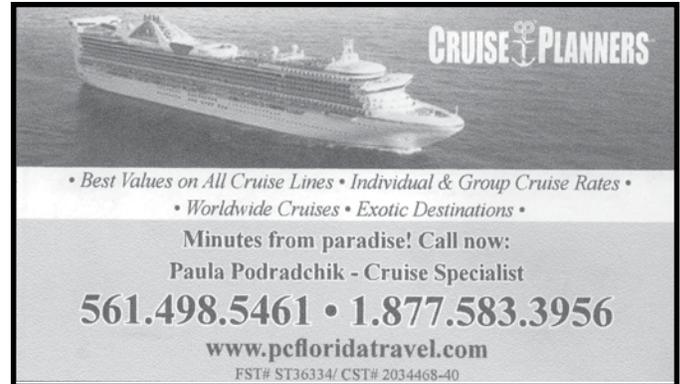
NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Welcome back to Norma and David Littman who spent 2 weeks up in NYC recently, and at a time when snowbirds are fleeing south to our balmy shores, they travelled up north to spend time with their families.

Estelle Tornick is a lucky woman - her daughter, Helene, lives only 3 doors away and Helene's twin sister was just down for a couple of weeks' visit.

My husband and I were thrilled to have our son, who flew down to attend a convention in Miami, spend several days with us. As well, we got a chance

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to spend some time with our grandchildren who are growing up so quickly, we hardly recognize them!

A hearty welcome to Christine and William Brown who chose a home in Court F and are busy renovating.

That's it for February - short and sweet, just like I promised!

Sharing With Sheffield

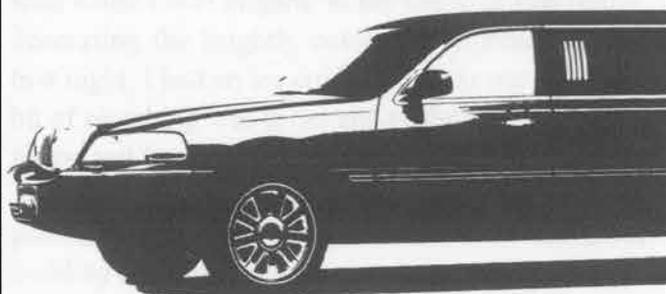
By: Ruth Krawitz

Thank you, Vincent Marini (of the Moorings) and Norman Goldman (of the Hamptons) for picking up on an article that I excerpted from Jewish Press, written by the late Arnold Fine, a staff writer. Arnold was a prolific author who passed away at the age of 90, after writing for 59 years about his beloved borough of The Bronx in NYC. His musings touched many of us who lived in The Bronx, but also affected others in the NYC boroughs where the happenings and traditions and home and street-lives were similar. Lots of memories and nostalgia!

I am a born-and-bred Bronxite who grew up in the environment of a mom-and-pop grocery store owned by my parents (a story for another column). It was in a "taxpayer", a free-standing line of stores with no buildings above it. My 2 uncles (my mother's brothers) owned a candy store in that taxpayer. Unfortunately, my memories of those uncles were far from those of the shopkeepers around the candy store mentioned by Arnold and Vince and Norman. My uncles were mean-spirited and stingy and unkind to those who dared to linger and use the store as a hang-out. As a teenager, I had to find another candy store several blocks away which became the hang-out for my crowd. However, my mom worked for her brothers because she had to contribute to the household after graduating from jr. high school. She told stories of the kinds about the things she did and sold. Charlotte Russes were her favorite treat (to sell or eat). For 5 cents, you got a small round piece of sponge cake encircled with a piece of cardboard, with a mound of whipped cream, and for 2 cents more, a cherry on the top. Hershey's chocolate came in a large, scored, square blocks, and you snapped off a rectangular piece; it cost 2 cents. Mom made malteds and egg creams and customers bought long pretzels

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for a penny to dip into them. Well, all this brings me back to Arnold Fine, who wrote a fun article about prices of things in "the good old days." It is bound to resonate with reader "who "remember when." Read and enjoy these excerpts! And write back to me if you "remember when."

"When we were kids, everything - or almost everything - cost a nickel.

The Sunday newspaper was a nickel, complete with color comics and a magazine section.

"A subway ride was five cents. You could ride all over the city in an open air trolley car for a nickel and even transfer to another line for free and ride all day long, all for the same five cents.

"In our day you could even purchase a good cigar for a nickel. An ice cream cone was a nickel. True, the flavors were limited to chocolate and vanilla, but a cone was still five cents. Ices were three cents each.

"A bottle of soda was five cents, as was a candy bar.

"Remember when those big pretzels were two for a nickel? A roll from the bakery, fresh out of

the oven, was a nickel and in some places only four cents. A pickle, a big fat juicy pickle, was a nickel.

"A box of Cracker Jack - with a toy surprise inside - was five cents. A shoeshine in the street that left you with an almost brand new-looking pair of shoes was five cents.

"A hot dog in our day was only five cents and a kosher frank was 10 cents. In fact, some stores even threw in a free glass of root beer for the same nickel or dime.

"Most of the rides in Coney Island were five cents; a roller coaster was considered an expensive ride - it cost 10 cents!

"A cup of coffee set you back a nickel. In fact, we thought inflation had set in when a cup of hot java rose to 10 cents.

"Remember those big, sturdy pencils with excellent erasers that were two for a nickel?

A glass of milk in a restaurant was only five cents and so was a cup of tea.

"ry on top, it was seven cents. For those of you who weren't around in those years, a Charlotte was a

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piece of sponge cake, cut in a circle in a little piece of cardboard and covered with whipped cream.

“A telephone call in our day was only five cents and nine out of 10 times you could stay on the phone for an hour for the same nickel.

“I’ll never forget how we shopped for our Mother’s Day present in the five and ten. Listen, for a total of 80 cents we were able to buy a kerchief with a beautiful colored butterfly printed on it, a small picture frame, and a package of clothespins because Mama was always breaking them. We got practical things in those day.

“Let me tell you, our generation warded off infla-

tion because we weren’t greedy. But then it started. One fellow simply wanted just a penny more for his product and the chain reaction was underway.

“Let’s be honest - we keep talking about the “Good Old Days. Just think, today will be the “Good Old Days” in a few years. Can’t you see the kids of today all grown up and laughing, “Boy, when we were kids we could ride on a subway for under three dollars! And a chocolate bar in the movies was only four bucks!”

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

How pleased and proud we are that so many new people chose to make Sheffield their new home! A hearty Sheffield welcome to:

- Michael and Hope Mauskoupf
- Joel and Joan Ross
- Jerome and Olga Schwartz
- Steven and Jane Stravinski
- Alvin and Sheila Tannenbaum

The influx of so many new residents led to a discussion and approval by the board to hold a Block Party to get the more-entrenched and the newcomers together for a meet-and-greet. It will probably take place in the springtime before the snowbirds leave

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us. Joe and Joan Cellura have volunteered to chair the Block Party Committee. If you wish to be part of the planning, please call the Cellura's. We will keep you updated via this column and flyers.

* Joe and Joan: Telephone number listing in 2017 Directory should be 742-3400.

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Harbour Lights

By: Wendy Latman

Can you believe it's February already? So what does that mean to the residents of the Harbours? Oh no!!!! We are having another election for our Board of Directors.

Everyone is still reeling from the national election; now we need to start focusing on 4 positions that need to be voted on to our Board of Directors to serve 2-year-terms.

The positions being voted on are currently filled by Tony Demunno, Mike Caesar and Richard Gauthier, in addition to the position vacated by Jim Ohlsson. Bernie Dienstag, Gail Peele and Anita Kaplan will remain on the board for one more year.

Remembering last year's election, it was a very

long-drawn-out process. Once again, we will be having an independent monitor present to count the votes. Last year, the counting took about 3 hours. Residents started out being very social, some left, those who stayed got cranky, irritable and bored. So I am proposing that we come up with something to make it a more uplifting event.

I am looking for a resident who either is, or who aspires to be, a "Stand-Up" Comedian or Comedienne. It would help pass the time if we could get all the residents to laugh.

Laughter is good for the soul and it's cheap medicine. Did you know that some of the social benefits of laughter are that it strengthens relationships, enhances teamwork, defuses conflict and promotes group bonding. The Harbours could use a good laugh.

If we can't find a Comedian/Comedienne, I would like to find a Line Dance Leader. This would also keep everyone's blood flowing so we are not all just sitting around waiting and getting cranky. Absent a Comedian/Comedienne, or a Line Dance Leader, I am just going to have to bring a boom box and get everyone up to do some freestyle dancing to music such as, "We are fam-i-lee." Can you imagine

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everyone who you may like, or not like, dancing together! Take it from me, you can't help but smile when you are dancing no matter who you are dancing next to. Maybe we can break up the 3 hours by doing all 3 activities.

Anyone willing to make us laugh, or lead us in dancing, please call Wendy Latman at 561-752-8443.

On a more serious note, we all know we are wonderful people living at The Harbours, and we have wonderful neighbors. But when it comes to dealing with the Board of Directors, all of us seem to fall into 4 categories. The first category includes the masochists. These are either the people, currently on the board, previously on the board, or trying to get elected to the board. These people love being harassed by the next category, the sadists. They would never run for the board, or may have previously been on the board, but can't wait to see who the candidates are who want to put themselves in the VOLUNTARY position of being harassed. Then there are the complacent, who really don't care what goes on in the community or on the board. Lastly, there are those who flip-flop from being complacent to sadistic. They are generally content until a subject of interest comes up which causes a personality change and they become sadists. So which one are you?

Let's look forward to The "Happy" Harbours Annual Meeting on Wed., Feb. 15th at 7 PM (sign-in begins at 6:30 PM).

Other local news:

Anita Kaplan's son and family warmed up here for the holidays. They visited from cold MI.

Wendy Latman's son, Erik, visited from Arizona in January.

Some unfortunate news, Phyllis Lenkofsky's son passed away in December. On behalf of the

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community, we extend our condolences.

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Turnberry Isle

By: Sherry Morris

2017 has dawned in Turnberry Isle with very good memories of a very social past year. Although we lost some neighbors, who were near and dear to us, we also celebrated their happy years here. We go into the next year with hopes for calm in the face of change and a chance to replace negative outcomes into positive results.

December was a memorable month, with our first Women's Club High Tea. As the daughter of a caterer, our own Mary Wexler was the planner and hostess for a very elegant affair. Her hard-working committee produced an afternoon that was proclaimed the best function we've ever had. Thanks, Mary, for an excellent event.

As January rolled around, we looked forward to visiting the Caridad Center, which has just completed a building project to increase its size and commitment to the working poor in our community. Sheila Van Wyk chaired our tour of this facility, which includes medical and dental clinics, as well as outreach programs and educational opportunities. This marks the 20th year our Women's Club has been involved with this worthy charity.

Feb. 16 is the date chosen for our trip to the Delray Playhouse to hear the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber. The day will begin with lunch at Josef's Table followed by our second visit this club year to the Playhouse, which always provides high quality entertainment.

Upcoming are museum trips, a progressive

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luncheon and the annual pizza party. Maureen Kilar continues to plan interesting speakers and activities for each of our monthly meetings. We understand a white elephant exchange is upcoming, so members are searching their closets and cabinets for items to be "regifted."

Book Club is celebrating its longevity, and still chooses books that are appropriate and interesting for discussion purposes. We are especially proud that our members handle the facilitating duties in an admirable manner. Recent choices have included Dearest Friend and The Marriage of Opposites. Our February selection is We Are Not Ourselves. Sherry Morris and Pat Reich have been recent hostesses, with Anita Ostrow and Regina Green as facilitators.

The Turnberry annual meeting is always held in January. Results of those elections will be reported

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in next month's article. The group of volunteers who make up the Board of Directors are hard-working residents who continue to bring pride to our neighborhood. Although the complaints are numerous, many of you have taken the time this past year to say, "Thank You." It is appreciated.

Harvey Baron's Early Bird Special



Bermuda Buzz

By: Lenore Schwartz

February ... the month of love (if you're lucky enough to have a spouse, significant other or a very good friend). It's also the heart of the busy season here in FL. So much to do ... so many choices to make. We have at least one show or concert every week. Use your time wisely and enjoy life and those with whom you spend your quality time.

There's always a time in your life when you're making a big change, such as moving to a new home. Twenty two years ago, my husband and I sold our permanent residence and moved to FL. We had a tag sale, a garage sale, help from children who lived nearby, a new home down here to forward some furniture and special treasures and a vacation home in upstate NY with a big 2-car garage. Whatever we couldn't sell or were doubtful of placement, we just brought it to the "country house."

Well, this summer we really had to face the problem we created. We decided to sell this house in NY after

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36 years. The garage and full basement were incredibly filled with unwanted junk ... obsolete electronic equipment, car repair parts and tons of tools. Harvey is a hoarder. I would never throw out these items without his approval as I really don't know their use or value anyway. Since Harvey had a difficult year and was short of energy, we placed a chair in the middle of the garage and basement. He sat while I held up items for decisions. We had numerous tool sets as well as almost 100 screwdrivers (true ... some were Phillips heads). Each week our garbage man set aside one day to bring his truck and fill it for disposal of our items at the county dump. Each day I filled one garbage bag with usable items for the town thrift shop. It was exhausting and at the beginning, there was no end in sight. Since we were in a rural area, tag sales were out and we had no energy for a garage sale.

It's now done and we are relieved, but what happens to those making a move from here. We live-in,

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gated communities that do not permit garage or tag sales. It's true that shopping at some of the great art fairs is so tempting, but try not to overdo your purchasing and always spend time disposing of items you'll never use again.

Make a note when the paper-shredding day takes place, follow the mantra, DON'T ACCUMULATE!!

Here, in Bermuda Isle, we're delighted to include 2 new neighbors who have purchased homes in "The Shoe." Welcome to Lloyd and Linda Zide and Joel and Kathy Sinkin. We hope they'll join us in some of our events this season.

There was a woman's luncheon at the Banana Boat on Jan. 11th and one this month on Feb. 16th at the Chesterfield Restaurant in Palm Beach. Don't miss it. Palm Beach is always a nice area to visit. Thanks Julianne for arranging everything! The Big Band Dinner Dance is Thurs., Feb. 2nd at Benvenuto. We all danced to great music last year and we'll do it again.

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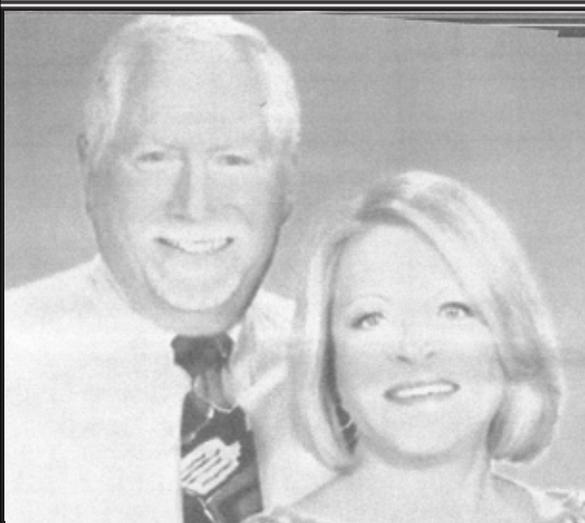
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party will be held on Mar. 18th at 2:00 PM., catered by Lucilles' BBQ and includes entertainment. Notices will be forthcoming and a great time awaits us all.

Accolades to Jake Kamp who was the net golf winner of the first Presidents' Cup of Aberdeen. Eric Strom (not in B.I.) the son-in-law of our own Marilyn and Shelly Feld, was the gross winner. I'm so proud to live near such a celebrity. Celebrities abound in our community. Susan Tabin is the author of a very interesting novel called "The River Beneath the River." It is available on Amazon.com. I read it on my Kindle. The PAP Corps had Susan as the speaker at their Book and Author event on Mon. Jan. 16th. She is a delightful, interesting gal.

Congratulations to Arlene and Jerry Solomon on the wedding of their granddaughter, Dr. Danielle Solomon. She and her future husband, Gary, will be married on Mar. 4th.

At this time we're all well on the island and hope it continues with only happy times ahead. Enjoy those visitors coming down for intersession week and HAPPY VALENTINES' DAY!!!

Addison Green

By: Marilyn Benvenuto

Well here we are 2 months into 2017! Where did the time go? I'm sure everyone is asking the same question. Hoping this year brings our families and friends closer and let us enjoy every moment we can. My husband, Steven, (Max) and I recently moved to Addison Green and are thrilled to live our dream in Aberdeen. We have met great people and are looking forward to meeting many more. It is definitely a change to see the palm trees swaying and sunshine in November and December as opposed to what is gray

and cold up north!

Addison Green has some wonderful neighbors and friendly dogs which is great to see. I feel there are many great things happening at Aberdeen and it makes me proud to live here. It is an attraction for others to come live here as well.

Valentine's Day is here and my question is: Is it more important to love ... or to be loved? On Valentine's Day, we can experience both. Some creative ways to tell your spouse, "I love you" -

1. Surprise your spouse with a getaway together.
2. Give your wife a dozen roses. On each stem attach a note for a future date - to do something that she would enjoy.

3. Write a poem for your spouse and frame it. No it's not corny, it's doing the unexpected!

4. If you don't feel like getting away, plan a dinner for 2 in any of these So FL restaurants: Sera Turkish Mediterranean Grill (Delray), Casablanca Cafe (Fort Lauderdale), Eduardo De San Angel (Fort Lauderdale), Casa D'Angelo (Boca), Cafe Vico (Fort Lauderdale), Agliolio Italian Bistro and Bar (Boynton Beach).

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Every other month, I would like to share Marilyn's monthly tips. Simple tips can create a happier healthier home so here is the one for February.

TIP: How to keep some of your appliances in tip-top shape and humming for years.

Clean your refrigerators coils once every few months. Coils are located at the bottom or in the back of most models and can build up dirt and dust fairly quickly.

Inspect your dishwashers for any leaks, especially in the hose, and make sure the spray arm is free of debris.

Keep your garbage disposal clean and fresh by feeding it half of a lemon every month.

If there is news you want shared in an article please feel free to contact me and tell me your good news. My email is miagirl11020@gmail.com.

Brittany Lakes

By: Judit Ungar

My mother used to tell me that I will meet most of my good friends while I am a young girl in school. She was almost always right, but with this wise saying she was not completely correct.

On New Year's Eve, one of our wonderful neighbors, Bobbi Lachs, the hostess with the mostest, the Pearl Mesta of Brittany Lakes, threw a party for some of her friends and neighbors. This was perfect for Jack and me, since we rarely travel on New Year's Eve.

We met some people we can now not only call neighbors, but friends. We were treated to a delicious dinner. As usual there was just too much food, but I must admit we made an amazing dent.

People were mingling, laughing, telling stories.

"Where were, you born?"

"Which HS did you go to?"



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"Where was your favorite place to get an egg cream?"

The atmosphere was wonderful. We all enjoyed each other's company and were very grateful to our hostess for bringing us together.

It was a great way to bring in 2017. Jack and I felt grateful that we found a home we love and a group of people we can now call Friends.

One of my favorite activities at Aberdeen is being an ambassador for new residents at the Club. This activity gives me the opportunity get to know many of our new members. Allow me to introduce you to 2 of our new members at Brittany Lakes. They are Jacqi

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and Dave Roseman.

They have been together for 14 years and live at 7796 Rockford Rd with their little dog, Peaches. Jacqi is originally from Hartford, CT and David is from Cleveland, OH.

Jacqi's interests are interior design, women's fashion and entertaining. She is employed full-time at Evelyn & Arthur in the Manalapan location.

David's interests include golf, tennis, gin rummy and sports in general. He is employed by North Star Memorial Group of Houston, TX. His prime work, however, is driving clients to and picking them up from, all airports in the area.

Although they have been here a short time, they love the Aberdeen community along with their new friends and neighbors.

Be open to friendship; you never know where your next friend is coming from.

On. Sun., Jan. 28, Brittany Lakes scheduled a Block Party. I will report on this in the next newsletter. From our family to yours, we wish you a wonderful, healthy and happy 2017.

Waterford

By: Cathy Goldenberg

It was a lazy Saturday morning, a partly cloudy day with the sun waiting its turn to shine, as I recall. I was taking a time-out sitting in the Queen Anne chair in the corner of my den. I was conversing with my family and friends concurrently on my phone. Yes, I was text-messaging.

My quiet space imploded in a flash. From beyond my window children joyfully shouting sounds of play. It took some time to register. Children laughing. Giggling? I peered out the window facing the cul-de-sac. I wanted to run out to play with them, to frolic in the grass, to be free in the wind like a bird soaring with the rising air current.

Remember your childhood? Wasn't it a grand time. My electronics was a portable FM radio. The phone was a land line in one room of the house. We played outside more than today's generation. Oh yes. Good memories. I, myself, climbed fences, trees, searched for treasure and rode my bike everywhere in the boroughs of NYC. Childhood is a magical time. We get to imagine ourselves in faraway lands as a princess, pirate or maybe an astronaut.

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Now, as adults, we don't think about imagination or creative play. But maybe we should. It relieves stress and improves brain function. So maybe we should give ourselves a break and have some silly fun. Who's with me?

I'll be walking in Waterford. My husband and I find it refreshing to stroll through our community. It always takes longer than we intend and we love it. We meet our neighbors along the way and stop to greet and speak with them. Also, our Property Association is updating some landscaping and residents are keeping up with them and planting flowers. It wonderful to see our improved community and the range of people that reside here.

It's our part-time residence. It's our full-time residence. We work here. We learn here. We retired here. We live here. It's our home and sanctuary. Many of us have moved here in recent months and years. Some have been in Waterford from the beginning.

While we each experience our community in different ways, we all share a common element. We are neighbors. We are family. We are Waterford. Happy Valentine Day from Waterford At Aberdeen to you. Will you be Our Valentine?

The residents of Waterford ask you to join us in sending prayers and well wishes to Beverly and David Kennedy's daughter, Laura, as she battles a tough illness.

Circling The Coves

By: Mary Chuzi

In spite of being the shortest month, February is filled with holidays. Some, of course, are far more well-known than others (Valentine's Day on the 14th, as opposed to National Wear Red Day on the 3rd, or National Margarita Day on the 22nd), but if you like

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to have a reason to celebrate, the more holidays the merrier.

Celebrate we should as January through April are our busiest months here in the Coves and all of Aberdeen. The Aberdeen East News is thicker than ever with announcements of upcoming events, shows, and club meetings. It is available in The Coves Mailbox the first of every month right along with The Aberdeen Times. Both are also accessible online.

What a terrific job East Clubhouse Director Lisa Stoler does in making sure we are all kept in the loop. She is in her office 5 hours a day M-F, and is accessible by phone (561-734-0113) and e-mail. I hope you took advantage of attending the Aberdeen East Club Showcase & Newcomer Event at the Clubhouse this past weekend. Impressive!

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In neighborhood news, longtime residents Bob and Lucille Barrella recently returned from celebrating Lucille's birthday at the Westbury Inn on Long Island,. Planned by their daughter and surrounded by friends and family, several of whom traveled from out of state, the occasion marked a special milestone for a special person.

By this time, most of you have received your annual Pest Control Service, which was scheduled for Jan. 31st. This is an integral part of maintaining the interior of your unit and is included in your maintenance payment.

The Dryer Vent Cleanings have JUST begun and will continue throughout February. This annual service, which is in its third year, is also included in your maintenance, helps prevent fires and damage to your unit.

As of the writing of this article (a month before publication), the 3rd annual Coves Party is under discussion. If it becomes a reality, you will receive an e-blast &/or a flyer.

Outside lights have been changed to yellow bug lights at the suggestion of our Pest Control company. Our B.O.D. is always trying to improve items that make for a pleasant environment in The Coves. You are asked to keep those lights on at night for security and safety purposes.

Last but not least, Coves Elections are just around the corner. 4 (2-year) positions are expiring in March with opportunities for directors to indicate they'd like to run again, or for others to run for the directorial openings. Watch for notices of intent to run to be arriving in the mail from Capital Realty Advisors. More information will be forthcoming.

With only January behind us, it is not too late to wish all our Coves residents a Happy and a Healthy New Year. Please submit any announcements or news for the March issue to phcmhc@comcast.net. We'd love to get to know our neighbors a little better and are interested in news they're willing to share.

Sharing a Bit of Aberdeen History

As I was sorting out my Aberdeen folder today, I came across an article I've saved for over 20 years. (Due to the fact that we became year-round residents in 1994, although we'd owned our condominium in the Coves since 1991.) The Real Estate section of the Sun-Sentinel for Saturday, Oct. 29, 1994 featured Aberdeen. The "occasion" was the unveiling of two new neighbors - Sterling Lakes Estates and Muirhead Estates, Phase II. Aberdeen, so far, had been a winner of more than 50 building industry awards with its fine collection of villas and estate homes featured at the 1400-acre country club community in the Boynton Beach area. I don't know if anyone saves archives of articles about Aberdeen, but I would be happy to give this to them if they do.

Happy New Year!

Mary Chuzi

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Moorings Matters

By: Eileen Hahn

I am writing this while in recovery mode from December's visitors. Our children used to come with adorable little grandchildren. As the years pass, they come with good-looking adults who are a head taller than their grandparents. Isabelle and Don Rubinstein faced this last month and included in the package were girlfriends. Marilyn and Alfred Lubell had visits from children and granddaughters Rachel and Simone, who had to do a comparison between doctors of NYC & St. Marys in WPB. Luckily, all went well; Simone is



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Welcome to Liam, the first great-grandchild for Charlotte and Jerry Kahn who previously had a "revealing" party and an erroneous arrival announcement by yours truly. He will probably visit one day and steal the show! Florida is so nice that Carol Carleton's sister,

Barbara, returned from Seattle to celebrate Carol's birthday. Simon Glastein's son and family were back in town from N J hoping to soak up some sunshine and spend time with Dad and Mitzi going from restaurant to restaurant. Arthur and Sandy Lowe have returned and now we know Arthur has another sport besides tennis; since he was seen in the card room in an unnamed game. Marilyn and Alfred had a wonderful cruise through the Panama Canal for a belated 50th anniversary celebration. The seas were so relaxing that they disembarked and joined Laura and John Unger and the rest of the group from the Men's Club on the Allure of the Seas. From coast to coast, Sally Sage and Herb Schwab were in the air again, visiting her children and grandchildren in Santa Barbara. If you have enough kids you can go north - south - east - west.

Now for our local pleasure of the month -- Jane Halley's granddaughter, Veronica, a junior at Atlantic HS in Delray, was one of 20 recipients chosen from Palm Beach County high schools to visit the Holocaust Museum and Black History exhibit at the Smithsonian by winning an essay contest about the importance of learning about the holocaust. The all-expense-paid trip takes place this month. Kudos to this young lady, but then we know it's in the genes.

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Ashford

By: Leah Keitz (Ashford)

The season is in full swing here in Ashford. The Thornhill Blvd. entrance to our shared community with Ashford Green is ablaze at night with lots of snowflakes of the LED variety. There is no wet stuff here!

Many of our residents have decorated their homes with LED lighting at night that twinkle, blink and move at night. It is quite festive going into the holiday season. Holiday visitors will be arriving soon and we are all looking forward to the fun, love and excitement that comes with the influx of grandchildren and extended family.

Through my professional design organization, I have been fortunate to be introduced to a wonderful charity, Kids Sanctuary Campus. It is a residential facility in West Palm Beach for children in the Palm Beach foster system who must be raised by other than their own parents. These children are removed from seriously negative living situations and moved into housing that is newly built just for them with house parents who are loving and caring. The rooms in the houses are designed by noted interior designers in South Florida. The age range varies and at any given time there might be pre-school to seniors in high school living there. The wholesome atmosphere of these homes, which are built in a campus like setting with many volunteers and needed services for their wellbeing, assures that these children will grow to be healthy, productive adults.

If you would like to learn more about this incredible organization/foundation, their website is: www.kidsanctuarycampus.org

From fundraising to volunteering, there are many ways to help these children. I, personally have been involved by participating in several events with this organization and have had the pleasure of visiting the campus. The children are delightful and appreciate everything that is done on their behalf. Please keep them in mind this post holiday season as well as throughout the year.

A new year is here and let me take this opportunity to wish each and every reader of this publication a Happy and Healthy 2017.



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It's Happening in Dorchester

By: Carol Baron

PHEW!! We made it through Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, Christmas and New Years. Amazing! Now we can sit back, relax, enjoy ourselves and not feel responsible for celebrating another occasion except Valentine's Day. So do not forget to tell those in you life who you love just how much you love them and why.

OMG! There have been more than just holiday celebrations. Here in Dorchester our friends and neighbors have been enjoying their lives with their friends and family. And just in case we forgot, we want to welcome Wendy and Ira Springer, who have moved into 7669 Dorchester Road. You will see them at the club and on the golf course. Say "hi" and welcome them to Aberdeen.

All is well with Betty and Herb Kaufman. They do not run around a lot, but do you know that Betty has knit over 2 dozen sweaters over the past few months. They have also been visited by their daughter, Edie Kobrin, who keeps checking in on them and also, their son, Dr. John Kaufman. Lucky folks!

Rita and Don Zide had their daughter, Diane, from Newtown, PA visiting. Along came their granddaughter, Hannah, who was on winter break from Ithaca College. Yes, they had a great time together as they enjoyed each other and all the Aberdeen facilities.

Just around the corner, Judy and Alan Katcher will have their 2 grandsons, Daniel and Adam Katcher, visiting them this month and making sure that their grandparents get them involved in everything here.

By the way, our neighbors, Susan and Ollie Klapper, will now be spending more time with us here. Ollie is now retired as a college professor from

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Kingsborough Community College where he taught psychology, was assistant to the president and had his own cable TV show for 12 years. On that show, he interviewed elected officials and spoke with many other professors about their positions and books they may have written. Maybe we can get him to do a show about Dorchester. We certainly have some interesting folks here.

Welcome back, Iris LeVine from your trip to

Trivia

Submitted By: Pat Bergrin (Waterford)

1. If you wanted to see the largest collection of Rembrandt paintings in America, where would you go?
2. What great painter of Americans gained fame for his Saturday Evening Post covers?
3. Who, on her 1st date with the future president, went to a Spike Lee movie?
4. The Tournament of Roses is held in what California city?
5. What New England's state's song is "Yankee Doodle Dandy"?
6. What patriotic song did teacher Katherine Lee Bates pen in 1893 after viewing Pike's Peak?
7. "Red Stick," translated into French, is the name of what Louisiana city?
8. What Rocky Mountain capital is in the Mile High City?
9. If you are riding on the Overseas Highway, U.S. I, what scenic part of Florida are you in?
10. What famous baseball stadium is the "House that Ruth Built"?

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Israel with your family. Now that wall must really be wailing since you left. We will look for you on the tennis team and on the golf course.

YES, this is one fantastic community. Many residents and friends and visitors come speeding down our streets. SPEEDING IS A NO NO! We want you all here, but the speed limit is 20 MPH. We are concerned about a potential accident that puts our residents walking, riding or out with their pets in jeopardy. If this speed limit is not adhered to, we will be forced to put in multiple speed bumps. Safety is our primary concern. Help us keep Dorchester safe and free from those who speed down our streets in their cars. It is all up to you.

Happy Valentine's Day! We all have something/someone to love.

Sterling Lakers

By: Sheila Hyman

WO W!! We started again. Our Social Committee has been resurrected. We had a community dinner in December and 46 people showed up. That was great! It was a time for our members of long-standing to meet and greet our newer members. It was a great success. I personally thank Carole Wallach and Leah Bulgher for their help is pulling this off. The last time we had a community activity must have been 8 years ago. SO, this is good. I do hope the committee will continue to plan activities over the next months.

I am pleased to let you all know that Bobbie and Allen Pilnick's grandson, Bryan, was married to Ashley. Mr. and Mrs. Adamowitz, the newlyweds, live in NC.

We wish Happy Birthday to Joyce Newman. She is the only one from our community born in February ... at least the only one I know about.

Things keep on changing and as such, I am quite busy now because I am the new president of our Simcha Hadassah chapter. I was wondering if anyone within our community would like to continue writing our column for the Aberdeen Times, at least for a short while. If so, please contact me and we can discuss what it entails.

As you see, it is not difficult to do.

I hope you have plans to celebrate Valentine's Day.

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I am sure I will see many family members here during the President's Week holiday. Enjoy your time with friends, families and neighbors.

The Hamptons

By: Nancy Rosenstein

The Annual Hampton Social Event is here!! Sat., Feb. 11, rain date Sun., Feb. 12 - 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Bring hors d'oeuvres for yourselves and 2 more people. Soda and tableware will be provided.

Irene Bolnick is our chairperson. R.S.V.P. to Janet Friedman, 561-777-8977 or Ellen Gold, 561-374-7459. Questions about the event, call Alyce Simons, 203-858-3641, Connie Lamendola, 585-259-2814. Thank you to our hard-working committee. Come and meet and greet our Hamptonites.

It's visiting time in Florida. Betty Lou Davis has her twin sister visiting her. Carol is from Tom's River, NJ. Betty Lou is planning to visit Austin TX to see her grandchildren. I never asked if she was an identical twin? Check it out!

Claire Slade was happy to have some great company visiting her from Potomac, MD. The Golds had their children and grandchildren visiting from Dallas. Those kids grow fast, don't they? I think that it was those holiday cards you all sent out with return addresses, easy to find us.

On a sad note, we report the passing of Robin Gerson, who was a snowbird for 15 years in the Hamptons. She is mourned by her husband David. They were married for 51 years.

I hope you all made a note of the book clubs in last month's column. Thanks again to Connie Lamendola for hosting these.

Also, a special "Thank You" to John Pagliarini for keeping us posted on the events in the Hamptons. He is fast, isn't he?

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Bleacher Seats Splinters

By: Rob Tanenbaum

The large ball of tagliatelle (long, flat ribbons of pasta) was coated with a lemon cream sauce and sprinkled with fresh basil. It was served in a cialda (a wafer). In this case, the wafer was bowl-shaped and made from local Parmesan cheese. I covered the pasta with freshly grated Parmesan and delighted in each savory bite. Fractionally, it was the best meal of many during a recent trip to Italy that I couldn't wait to tell you about, along with some obligatory observations about sports.

Our third trip to Italy was my son Andrew's idea. The objective was to spend Christmas with our friend Afro Mazzoni and his family in the tiny town of Baragazza (between Florence and Bologna). I wrote about Afro in the November edition recounting his trip to Aberdeen and explaining how our 10-year friendship began at a baseball game in Bologna.

Naturally, the first stop in our adventure was at the

Florence soccer stadium. Getting to the game, getting to the seats and the tenor of the crowd was nothing like you can ever experience at any U. S. sporting event.

Here we buy the tickets online or at the stadium; take public transportation or park expensively in a large lot; pass through one gate flashing tickets; eat gourmet fast food inside the stadium and sit through a TV-commercial elongated game amongst fans from both teams.

It didn't work that way in Florence. We arrived in the area of the stadium at about 4:30 pm for an 8:45 pm start. It took us about 50 minutes to find a parking space that was a 15-minute walk away. Although the neighborhood was largely residential with many restaurants and shops, public transportation wouldn't have gotten us any closer. Many fans drove motorbikes to the game.

The tickets, bought in advance, had our names printed on them and security checked the tickets and

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a photo ID at 3 gates that surround the stadium.

We ate at food trucks outside the stadium. Adventurous Andrew had Lampredotto, a panini whose main ingredient was from the fourth stomach of a cow. He declared it wonderful compared to the offerings in the stadium, which included according to a sign: The Genuine Hot Dog of America by Oscar Mayer.

The game was as good as soccer gets. A wide open affair with all kinds of scoring chances for both teams that delighted the hyper-passionate crowd. The Fiorentina home crowd seized on every opportunity to parolacce (curse) the referee, the Napoli players and thrust their middle fingers to the tiny fenced-off stadium area where only Napoli fans could sit. In the end, the hated ref decided the outcome by awarding Napoli a questionable penalty kick in the dying seconds so the game ended 3-3.

That was the first of many highlights. Christmas Eve mass began with a procession of about 40 worshippers through the streets of Baragazza as

Afro's father Angelo (portraying Giuseppe) led Maria through town (it took just 7 minutes) riding on Romero, the Donkey, one of 4 Angelo owns. Romero left his mark on the short walk so, it can be said, the streets of Baragazza are lined with donkey poop.

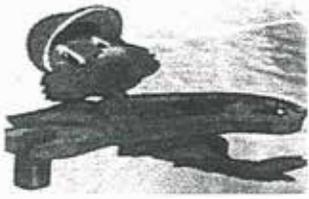
Christmas Eve 7-course dinner was at Angelo's house and included salsiccia mafia (a sausage with all parts of the wild board and garlic). He's the town butcher and his two sisters own the grocery. Libero, Afro's 90-year-old grandfather, made us lunch with spaghetti with sausage, sauteed chicken and fried zucchini flowers.

But almost all the meals were at Giampi's (Afro's mother's) restaurant Bruschino da Mikele near Castiglione Dei Pepoli. The pasta, the truffles, the

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pizza and the desserts were to die for.

The people I met were to live for. Afro's extended family were warm and giving and understood my bad jokes thanks to his translation. So were the people of Baragazza, who I met at church and one evening in the town's bar.

I ordered hot chocolate, which was so thick it was served with a spoon. The 30 or so patrons were playing cards or Foosball but when that game was over many went home.

Ten guys organized a game called Marella, which involved tossing a taped-up panforte cake box four meters, where it had to land and stay on a table to score a point for the team. This was real sport. The 2 teams of 5 men each battled for almost 2 hours to reach the winning 30-point level constantly chiding, harassing and insulting each other in a most affectionate way.

The game was almost over and one player hadn't scored a point for his side. His nickname was Gufo. (You can't make this stuff up). And the biggest celebration of the night didn't come, when the last point was finally scored but when Gufo finally got his first point.

Like Super Bowl winners, members of both teams lifted Gufo, hugged, kissed and praised him so he knew how much he meant to all of them.

So, I saw in Baragazza that human kindness and true friendship are still alive in the world. It tasted even better than tagliatelle served in cialda.

Bridge - Try It, You'll Like It

By: Lew Roth (Sheffield)

Opening Leads

Making or setting a contract very often depends on the Opening Lead. I know I've discussed Opening Leads before, but they are so important, they are worth repetition. This month I'm going to give you a few generalizations and then a list of what has been termed "Standard Leads."

The generalizations first:

1. Try not to lead from a doubleton unless it is a suit your partner has bid. If you do lead a doubleton, lead the higher first and then the lower. Your partner will recognize the high/low and know that you have no more in that suit.

2. Lead your partner's suit unless you have a very

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good reason to lead a different suit. Help your partner establish his suit so that he can help you establish yours.

3 .Lead the top card from a run or a near run. The exception here is lead the King from an Ace, King run. The corollary here is lead the top card from touching honors even if there are only 2 in your sequence ... but again the exception is lead the King from Ace, King.

4. Lead fourth best from a broken sequence, such as J,9,7,5,2 against either a no trump or a suit contract. Fourth from your longest and strongest is a well known phrase when leading against a no trump contract, but when your partner has not bid, it is a good lead even against a suit contract.

5. Except against a No Trump contract, Don't lead any card in a suit where you hold the Ace unless you also hold the King. Don't under lead the Ace and don't lead the Ace. The exception here is, of course, unless it is your partner's suit. There are other exceptions to this rule. Perhaps you have a singleton Ace or even an Ace doubleton and believe you can get a ruff or you have a long suit headed by the Ace and perhaps you can give your partner a ruff. However, in any of these cases, lead the Ace. Don't under lead the Ace, however, from A,K lead the A, but. from A K x x x, lead the K. Who said Bridge was easy?

Here now is the short list of Standard leads. The list assumes you have chosen a suit and that your partner has not bid.

	Versus	Versus
	No Trump	Suit
A K Q 6 4	K	K
A J 10 9 4	J	A
A 9 7 5 4	5	A
K Q J 6 3	K	K

K J 10 6 2	J	J
K 8 6 5 2	5	5
Q J 9 5 2	Q	Q
Q J 7 5 2	5	Q
Q 8 5 3 2	3	3
J 10 9 5 2	J	J
J 10 5 3 2	3	J
J 9 5 4 3	4	4
K 9 8 5	5	5
10 9 8	10	10
A 8 2	2	A
A 2	A	A

Some players have agreed with their partners that certain leads have special meanings. For example, the lead of a Q usually implies that the leader also has the Jack. If the partner has the Jack, he is being asked to unblock and discard the Jack on the Queen. The leader's partner needs to be on the lookout for these situations where unblocking is necessary. For a full discussion on unblocking, refer to my article on Unblocking in the June, 2016 edition of the Aberdeen Times.

If you have lost or discarded that copy of the paper you can go to www.aberdeentimes.org and read it there.

Historic Event: Part VI. Investigation on Sinking of Battleship MAINE: Raising the MAINE

By: Mickey Gussow (Waterford)

After the Spanish-American War of 1898, retired Rear Admiral George W. Melville, former Chief Engineer of the Navy, wrote in 1911 that raising the MAINE and examining the damage would provide the best assessment to what caused the ship's sinking. Captain Charles Sigsbee, commanding officer of the MAINE and Captain French Chadwick, a member of the Court, also were convinced that if the MAINE were raised, an examination of the wreck would confirm the findings of the Court of Inquiry.

Eventually some action had to be taken on removing the wreck. It was occupying valuable space

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in Havana harbor and silt was building up around the hull creating a shoal. Further, many patriotic groups wanted souvenirs of the ship. Finally Congress in 1910 appropriated \$650,000 to remove the MAINE, recover an estimated 70 bodies still in the ship, and transport them and the ship's mast to Arlington Cemetery. The Army Corps of Engineers was assigned to do the work. Congress had no intention of calling for a new investigation.

Brigadier General William H. Bixby, Chief of Engineers, selected three experienced Army officers to form the MAINE board to plan and supervise the effort. Captain William Black, board leader in charge, requested and received permission from Cuba to work in the harbor. Spain was asked if they wanted to send a representative but refused, thinking the matter would only reopen old and painful wounds.

President William Taft received a detailed plan on Oct. 10, 1910. It called for constructing a cofferdam (watertight enclosure pumped dry to permit

working on a ship below the waterline) around the MAINE, pump out the water, expose the hull, cut away and remove the most damaged parts, and then refloat the rest. Taft approved the plan. In early December, tugs, launches, dredges, barges, and scows' surrounded the hulk.

Although it was the Army's assignment to raise the MAINE, the Navy was involved. It provided the plans of the ship, lists of equipment, and weights of various components believed still on board. The Navy sent a naval constructor, William Ferguson, to advise the Army on matters dealing with the ship's structure. He was tasked also to prepare a report on the condition of the MAINE for later use by the naval board of inspection and survey. Ferguson had impressive academic and work credentials.

Difficulties grew quickly when pumping out the water, showing signs of leakage from the cofferdam. But even at this stage it was easy to see that damage was greater than anyone visualized. Barnacles encrusted the wreck, thick layers of silt covered the

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decks, and other areas were severely corroded. The deterioration was so great that it was believed if the cause of the explosion could never be determined. Nevertheless, under these appalling conditions, Ferguson photographed the wreck from various angles, painted marks on the hull to indicate keel and frame numbers, and made models to help explain what may have happened.

The Vreeland Naval Board of Inspection, headed by Rear Admiral Charles Vreeland, was tasked in 2011 by an order signed by the Secretary of the Navy:

“The Board will, make an exhaustive examination of the wreck of the MAINE and state whether in its opinion there is anything shown, or any new evidence developed, that would indicate the cause of the explosion which destroyed the vessel.”

The board, consisting of four other members, all very technically competent, arrived in Havana on Nov. 20, 1911. They frequently visited the wreck and studied the material which Ferguson had provided.

In summary, the Vreeland board found that the

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general condition of the wreck was not very different from that described by Captain Sampson’s Court of Inquiry except that the damage was more severe than expected. The board believed that a magazine explosion could account for the upraised keel. There was no other way, the board found, to account for the damage except by a mine.

The Naval Board of Investigation of 1911 thus confirmed the finding of the Naval Court of Inquiry of 1898.

Didja Know

Submitted By: Pat Bergrin (Waterford)

1. Scientist have developed a mind-controlled robotic hand that allow people with certain types of spinal injuries to perform everyday tasks such as using a fork or drinking from a cup. By wearing a cap that measures brain activity and eye movement the users could send signals to a tablet computer that controlled the glove-like device attached to their hand.

2. The Navy is preparing to commission its newest high-speed ship, at a cost of \$475 million, the USS Gabrielle Giffords, named for the U.S. politician who survived an assassination attempt in 2011.

3. The Walt Disney Co. tops the list of Fortune 500

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companies Americans say they most want to work for; tech giants Alphabet, Amazon and Apple took 2nd, 3rd and 4th place respectively.

4. Cornell University researchers calculated that it may take 1,500 years for extraterrestrial civilizations to detect our signals and contact us. "Space is a big place" the researches said, "but that doesn't mean no one is out there".

5. A photo of Mark Zuckerberg sitting at his desk, revealed that the Facebook CEO has small pieces of tape over his laptop's camera and microphone, a well-known trick to help keep hackers from surveilling you.

6. The National Hot Dog and Sausage Council declared that ketchup is unfit for hotdogs and should be used as a condiment only by people under the age of 18.

7. Keurig Green Mountain announced that it is discontinuing the Keurig Kold, a \$370 home soda maker that delivers cold, carbonated beverages via flavored pods like the coffee pods. Keurig invested more than \$100 million developing the Kold, but the device was swamped with negative, reviews when it debuted.

Questions for Prof Pat

"Prof Pat is Dr. Patricia Williams, a retired financial accounting professor, who has graciously consented to write a column from time to time, answering questions concerning financial matters. Prof Pat also blogs on her website www.profpat.com on money issues for those in or near retirement. If you have a financial question that you would like answered in this column, please send it to questions4profpat@gmail.com."

8. The overall cost of the gifts listed in "The Twelve Days of Christmas" increased 0.7% from 2015. The rise is attributed to the increase in the cost of two turtle doves from \$290 to \$375 this year.

9. There are now more marijuana dispensaries in Colorado than there are Starbucks coffee shops.

10. An international study found that highly intelligent people tend to be happier when they spend more time alone, working on their goals and interests, and less time socializing with other people.

Hadassah News

By: Bea Lewis (Lancaster)

Simcha Hadassah is on a roll - (although we do serve bagels at our Monday morning meetings!)

President - elect Judy Price has temporarily stepped down as president due to her surgery - but until she gets back on her feet, Sheila Hyman will take her place. So Hadassah, will seamlessly continue to have fun in all its fund-raising endeavors.

There are so many important causes to which Hadassah has - and continues to - contribute. At a recent World Stem Summit held at the Convention Center in West Palm Beach, Hadassah members learned that their support for stem cell research and immunotherapy studies are being conducted at Hadassah hospitals in Israel. These findings hold huge promise for millions of patients and their families who struggle with such devastating diseases such as muscular sclerosis, ALS and macular degeneration. In an upcoming Simcha Hadassah meeting, recipients of some of these studies will share success stories of their treatments.

Make sure to mark your calendar with dates of upcoming meetings - always the first Monday of the month at the Aberdeen Clubhouse. (You don't need to be a member of the Club to attend.)

If you are interested in protecting yourself against identity theft, senior scams, and financial fraud, then you must attend our Feb. 6 meeting. Ira Slakter, a volunteer for the state-wide Seniors vs. Crime program, will show us how to avoid such disasters.

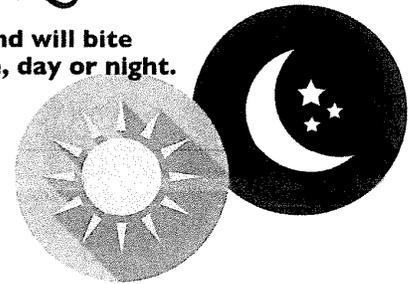
You do not want to miss our March 6th meeting as Andy Greenberg, a popular speaker on the So. FL lecture circuit will give a fascinating talk on Jewish mysticism and its affect on Jewish practices.

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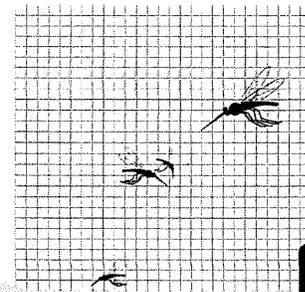
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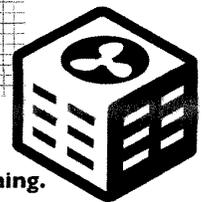
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windows shut.

Keep mosquitoes **outside**.

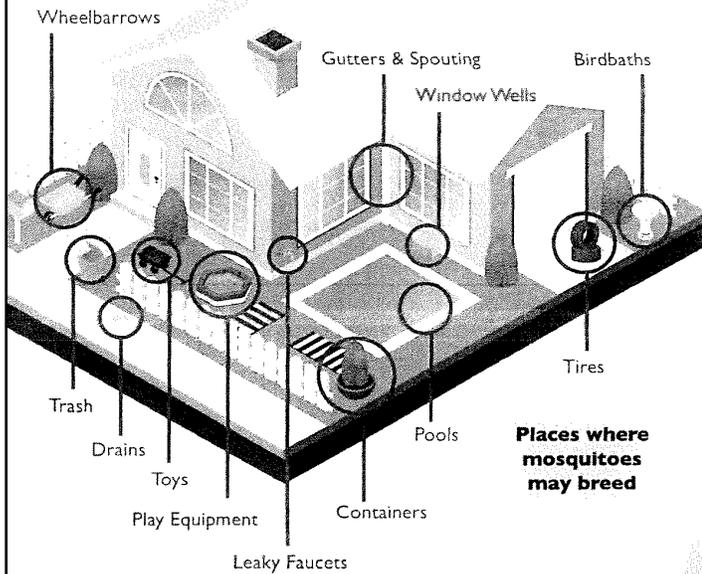


Keep screens
on all
windows.

Repair holes
in screens.



Use air conditioning.



Places where
mosquitoes
may breed



Cover
Skin with
**long-sleeved shirts
and long pants.**
**The arms, legs and
heads of babies and
small children.**
**Cribs, strollers or
baby carriers with
mosquito netting.**



Use EPA-approved **insect repellents**

Follow package label instructions.

Do not use on babies younger than 2 months.

Do not put on a child's hands, mouth, cut or irritated skin.

Do not spray onto a child's face—spray repellent onto your hands and then smooth onto the child's face.

Spray clothes and gear with an EPA-approved insect repellent like permethrin for extra protection.

Preventing the spread of mosquito-borne illnesses is a two-step approach:

- 1. Protect yourself from getting a mosquito bite** using methods outlined on the right.
- 2. Prevent mosquitoes from breeding** around your house by eliminating sources of water they can live in. Spraying with insecticide does not eliminate "container mosquitoes," the type of mosquito that could carry Zika Virus, Dengue Fever, and Chikungunya.

Check around your home and yard to remove any standing water that is accumulating in containers.



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“It’s Happening” at the Pap Corp

By: Marcia Levitz (Muirhead)

... Continued from last Month

Benefits of the Site Disease Group program:

- Serves as the first point of contact within the hospital
- Provides faster, more efficient access to cancer care
- Facilitates communication between patients, family members and treatment team to insure highest quality of patient care
- Helps identify patients who may be eligible for clinical trials
- Provides individual and support group services to oncology patients and family members
- Offers patient education specific to the disease process, treatment and procedure
- Assists the patient in working with community organizations
- Helps access additional care services for the patients, such as nutritional counseling, psychosocial counseling, complementary medicine, educational and nursing care services.

Trivia Answers ... (continued from page 24)

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| 1. The National Gallery of Art in D.C. | 6. “America the Beautiful” |
| 2. Norman Rockwell | 7. Baton Rouge |
| 3. Michelle Obama | 8. Denver, Colorado |
| 4. Pasadena | 9. The Keys |
| 5. Connecticut | 10. Yankee Stadium |

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Alzheimers Request

Submitted By: Sheila Hyman (Sterling)

Do not ask me to remember,
Don't try to make me understand.
Let me rest and know you're with me,
Kiss my cheek and hold my hand.

I'm confused beyond your concept,
I'm sad and sick and lost.
All I know is that I need you,
To be with me at all cost.

Do not lose your patience with me,
Do not scold or curse or cry.
I can't help the way I'm acting,
I can't be different though I try.

Just remember that I need you,
That the best of me is gone.
Please don't fail to stand beside me,
Love me till my life is gone.

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