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President's Report

By Ray Lamoureux #9



with this house. We also found out through our lawyer that we can't do anything because it is zoned commercial. We need a plan to propose its use to the Dunedin planning board before we do anything with this land. We need your proxy to decide its use.

The annual oak tree trimming will start at the end of March. The board will drive around with the tree trimming company to decide what trees need trimming and dead wood removed from the oak trees.

We have problems with the air conditioners in the main building. The compressor on one has failed and the other one is old and could fail at any time. The air conditioners are twentyeight years old and are not worth putting more money into them. Because the cost is so high we sent out for quotes from two companies. It will not be cheap to replace them, but we have plenty of money in the reserves to pay to replace both air conditioners.

Our first event in over two years will be the board picnic. It will be held before this newsletter comes out and it is a start to get back to a normal Golden Acres.

The club house doors will no longer need someone to come up at night and in the morning to open and lock up. We had hired someone to perform this job, but we need an easier way to keep our building safe. The pool will have the same system on the gates to lock the pool at their standard hours.

The water bill went high last month, and we think it was because we water jetted all the sewer lines in the park to clean out the tree roots. We don't know of any major water leaks that would have caused these increases.

We will start to see people leaving the park next month please remember to place your entire outside things away, so they won't blow away in a storm.

#### **Greetings from the Office**

By Karin Desmone #1

Please welcome James List & Robin Jewell #19, Dan Kirkey & Jeanette Bambach #69, Michael McCallum & Susan Jarema #109, and Kevin & Diana Roggenbuck #8 to the park. Congratulations and may you find lots of happiness, fun, and laughter in your new home.

#### From the Editor's Desk

*By Sue Bailey #188 suebail@tampabay.rr.com* 

# From the Editor

appy Easter!

Well spring is officially here, although here at Golden Acres **From the Editor** we fared well during the winter as far as climate is concerned. Even before March

20th we experienced temperatures in the 80s. Beautiful weather for the beach, kayaking and boating.

Many thanks to all of you that provided articles and pictures for this month's newsletter. Please keep the articles and pictures flowing every month in 2022. This month you will read about Our New Residents; A fast-growing sport in Golden Acres; Board Reminder; What's Happening in Dunedin; and Valentine's Day 2022.

This is a bitter-sweet time when many of you will be heading back to the north and saying goodbye to all your fellow residents until fall comes again. Hopefully the spring thaw of all that snow is pretty much over by the time you get there. If you are traveling this month, I wish you a safe journey to get to your destination.

As April approaches, here are some notable events to remember:

April Fools' Day on April 1st (sometimes called All Fools Day) is one of the most lighthearted days of the year. Practices include sending someone on a "fool's errand," looking for things that don't exist; playing pranks; and trying to get people to believe ridiculous things.

National Tartan Day is April 6th and is celebrated in both the United States and Canada. It honors and celebrates Scottish culture and the role it has played in the development of both our countries. Our Delightful Dunedin is of Scottish heritage as well.

Passover starts April 15th and Easter is on April 17th: HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!

April 15th is the deadline for income taxes here in the United States, but you Canadians have a couple more weeks since your taxes are due on April 30th.

April 22nd is Earth Day, a special day that celebrates the Earth to promote environmental awareness, call for protection of our planet, appreciate nature and learn ways to protect our environment.

April 29th is Arbor Day when the Arbor Day Foundation inspires people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees.

#### Quote of the Month: "You're never too old for anything." – Betty White

Until next time, May God bless and keep you well and safe...



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#### 1 DAY TOURS

Wednesday March 9 HARD ROCK CASINO Tampa \$30 JERSEY BOYS RESCHEDUED to Tuesday May 24. Just a few seats remaining! The Story of Frankie Vali & The Four Seasons 8:00 p.m. at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater \$89 per person HARDY TOGETHER Wednesday lune 1 7:00 p.m. at Buth Eckerd Hall in

HAPPY TOGETHER Wednesday June 1 7:00 p.m. at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater \$99 per person featuring The Turtles. Chuck Negron (formerly of Three Dog Night), Gary Puckett. The Association, The Vogues, The Cowsills. The Happy Together Marketplace

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#### Third Street Has New Neighbors to Welcome!

By Elaine Janes #216

Wendy Modny, new residents in coach #49. They are from Smithville, Ontario, Canada. They found out #49 was going up for sale while talking with great friends. They made an offer, and the rest is history!

Peter and Wendy have ridden their motorcycle through all the lower 48 states and to Alaska. They have ridden through all the provinces and two territories in Canada. They enjoy all the

opportunities that traveling allows: seeing great vistas, enjoying fantastic food, and meeting people of different backgrounds.

When Wendy and Peter are not traveling, they enjoy time with their family, especially their grandchildren.

Wendy and Peter: We are glad you found Golden Acres. We hope you have many happy years of traveling, but always call Golden Acres home.

#### **Picklers in the Park**

By Bruce & Staicy (Boyd) Gunter #46

olden Acres has been infected with the Pickleball Flu. Now don't be alarmed. This Flu Bug is one we're happy to catch; one where folks are picking up paddles and discovering that exercise is finally fun.

We've had 34 residents express interest in playing Pickleball. A few haven't made it out yet, but our number of regular players is increasing weekly. A new sport to some and a chance to work on skills for the more seasoned players.

It's amazing how quickly people are learning the game and its unique scoring system. For those of us already addicted, we certainly understand why those new to the sport are excited to come out each week and want so badly to be in the winner's circle. Friendly competition abounds with a flying combo of whiffle balls and wise cracks alike.

We welcome onlookers so if you are curious and need a few chuckles, we'd love to have you cheer us on!

Golden Acres...... Welcome to America's fastest growing sport!

Editor's Note: I don't know where you play, but I came across an article in the Dunedin Patch that I wanted to pass along in case you are unaware: "Dunedin Parks & Recreation is now offering Pickleball three days a week at the MLK, Jr. Recreation Center for residents







18 and older. Pickleball has recently grown in popularity. It's described as a cross between badminton, tennis, and ping-pong and is played with a paddle and a whiffle ball. Games will take place on Mondays and Wednesdays between 2:00 and 4:00 PM, and Saturdays between 12:00 and 3:00 PM. (Dunedin Patch) 2/18/22."

#### **Recreation Report** By Mark Johnson #174

*By Mark Johnson #174 Recreation Chairman* 

he past two years have been challenging for the Recreation Committee, due to the impact that the Coronavirus pandemic has had on our ability to plan and schedule park activities.

It would appear that we are now emerging from this horrible pandemic phase and moving towards endemic status.

We have tried to ease back into some of our activities, such as coffee hour, aqua fit, shuffleboard, exercise classes, darts, etc., but these have been limited to smaller groups. These limitations have diminished our responsibility to welcome new members to the park, which are many. It has been no one's fault, just a condition of the times in which we live. Large group settings, within the confines of an indoor environment, have been a recipe for disaster for the spread of the coronavirus, particularly in our age group. The health and safety of our residents has rightly been the top priority.

With some position terms expiring, the formation of the committee going forward has been a key focus. Some talented people have stepped forward to fill these vacancies as we formulate next year's calendar of events.

The Recreation Committee sends a special thank you out to Cindy Hubbard, #114 for the stellar job she has done, in her role, scheduling and organizing events for our summer residents. Her time and efforts will be greatly missed. Thank you Cindy!

As my two terms, as Recreation Chairman come to an end, I want to sincerely thank and acknowledge the multitude of team members, who have assisted me along this journey. I have nothing but the fondness respect for them, and they have given me a lifetime of memories. It has been more than a pleasure for me to play a small role in the recreational activities here at Golden Acres.

Have a safe and fun filled summer, and my wife Lin and I look forward to seeing you all this Fall.



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## **Our New Neighbors: Chris and Sheryl**

By Elaine Janes #216

Houston, unit #103. They are from Hamilton, Ontario. They found Golden Acres through Sheryl's brother and sister-in-law, Craig and Kathy Houston. Two years ago, Chris and Sheryl stayed here for a month and loved it.

Chris is a retired high school teacher, and Sheryl worked in the insurance industry.

Chris is a golf fanatic. He joined the Tuesday and Thursday leagues as soon as they arrived. He also enjoys cooking. Sheryl likes reading and walking. Both enjoy biking, traveling, checking out the local restaurants and craft breweries, and hanging out with family and friends.

The residents of Golden Acres are so glad you are here. We hope you have only happy and fun years ahead.



## **Board Reminder**

#### **Closing your Coach**

- 1. Any items left outside of the coach or in the carport must be secured. Garbage containers must be tied down or left in the shed. the park is not responsible for any items
- 2. All other outdoor items must be put inside the shed or coach (Chairs, tables, flowerpots, figurines etc.)
- 3. Trim all shrubs, plants etc. Make sure gutters and downspouts are clear
- 4. Make sure water is Turned Off
- 5. DO NOT leave any items unsecured behind the coach
- 6. Make sure the office has your summer telephone number and address and or any local contact that is taking care of your coach
- 7. Make sure the post office has your change of address
- 8. If you get a local newspaper, cancel it
- 9. Call the Sheriffs dept. **non**-emergency number ask for communications and tell them you want a house check , they will ask questions,(ex. when you are leaving, when will you be back, any lights on etc.) Call them when you get back. They do a FREE check of your property while you are gone. They walk around try the doors and make sure everything is ok
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## What's Happening in Dunedin

By Sue Bailey #188

was asked if I would include events happening in Dunedin and surrounding areas in the newsletter. Due to the timing of the deadline and the publishing of the newsletter, most of the events will have already occurred, so the alternative is to subscribe to their newsletter "The Dunedin Patch". It is free to subscribers with an email address and access to the Internet. To subscribe, go to <u>https://patch.com/florida/dunedin/subscribe</u>. At this same website, you can view the weather, local news, neighborhood posts, local businesses, etc. For those without an email address and access to the Internet, you can pick up a free printed copy where most newspapers are sold.

Another great source of events happening in Dunedin is the "Dunedin News". You can subscribe to this newsletter at <u>https://www.dunedingov.com/live-work-play/residents/</u><u>subscribe-to-dunedinews.</u> I subscribe to both to stay informed of what's happening in our neighborhood.

#### Valentine's Day 2022

By Gail Tasior #36

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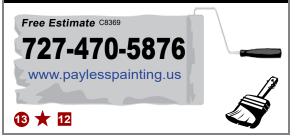
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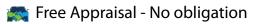


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- Watch for symptoms of an allergic reaction. These include rashes, hives, itching, swelling, wheezing, lightheadedness, or difficulty breathing.
- Seek immediate medical help if you have a severe allergic reaction after taking any medication.
- Talk with your health care provider about any possible drug allergies. Ask if they recommend allergy testing, especially for penicillin allergy.
- Consider retesting for confirmed drug allergies. Some allergies fade over time. Inform all future health care providers about any drug allergies.

## No relief from Sham Debt Relief Offers

*By Sue Bailey #188 as an AARP Fraud Watch Fighter Free Helpline at (877) 908-3360 or https://www.aarp.org/benefits-discounts/all/aarp-fraud-helpline/* 



ebt is something that can creep up on anyone, and before long, you are looking for a way out of it. But use caution — sometimes, tempting offers of debt relief will only make your own problems worse, while lining the pockets of scammers.

#### How it Works

- Debt relief scams promise "guarantees" to get you out of debt quickly and cleanly.
- You may be asked for advance payment, or to pay ongoing fees, for the "services" they provide.
- You may receive an offer to enroll in a debt relief program without having your own financial situation specifically reviewed.
- You may even be told to stop paying your creditors.

#### What You Should Know

- There simply is no guarantee that any debt relief program will get you out of debt or stop collection calls or lawsuits. Anyone promising this is lying to you.
- Debt relief plans can only work for you if they are based on your specific financial situation. Offers to enroll you without considering that are bogus.
- It's illegal for debt relief companies to seek upfront payment before they provide services to you.
- In a scam scenario, you might be led to believe fees you are paying to the debt relief company are going to your creditors. If you follow their guidance to stop paying your creditors, those creditors could bring a lawsuit against you.



#### What You Should Do

- Check with your state Attorney General's office before working with a debt relief service to see if it has been the subject of complaints.
- Consider negotiating with creditors directly or connect with a debt counselor through a nonprofit credit counseling organization, such as the National Foundation for Credit Counseling.
- Report any debt relief scams to the Federal Trade Commission by calling <u>1 800 382 4357</u> or going online to <u>reportfraud.ftc.gov</u>.

#### **Active-Duty Soldiers to Remember**

Please take a moment to offer a prayer of thanks and remembrance to all those who help to protect our way of life. Keep them in your prayers until they return safely to their loved ones.



- Adam Coburn (British Army), Nephew of Mildred and David Todd, Lot #2.
- Damien Fitzpatrick (Tech Sgt. USAF) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.
- Eric Fitzpatrick (National Guard) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.
- Sean Fitzpatrick (Major US Army) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.
- Daniel Jones (US Navy) Grandson of Carol Diniz, Lot #25.
- Matthew Jones (US Navy) Grandson of Carol Diniz, Lot #25.
- Brian Karhoff (US Army Major) Son of Nancy Karhoff, Lot #67.
- Jeffery Richardson (USN Color Guard) in Bremerton, WA, serving on the USS Nimitz. Grandson of Kathleen Gilliam Lot #204.
- Jacob Smith (PE3 Army M. Police) Grandson of Valerie O'Farrell, Lot #31.
- John Wilson (PFC lst Class USMC) Iraq Grandson of Jean Key, Lot #138.

So that we might get to know these courageous soldiers better, I would like to add their pictures to this section. Please forward any photos to Sue Bailey suebail@tampabay.rr.com

For changes to the list of soldiers, please contact Sue Bailey suebail@tampabay.rr.com

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries

By Norma Moore #54

#### **Golden Acres April Birthdays**

re want to mention all those who are celebrating this month and send them our very best wishes.



Wendy Modny	April 2
David Merriam	April 5
Jeff Zehnder	April 5
Ed Richtmyer	April 7
Robert Sheire	April 8
Ronald Vito	April 8
Rita Syroteuk	April 9
Linda MacDonald	April 10
Kevin Rainsforth	April 10
Vincent Anton	April 11
Anne MacDonald	April 11
Valerie O'Farrell	April 11
Gerald Baker	April 13
Christine Sprague	April 14
Rose Franco	April 16
Carole Doyon	April 17
Belinda Sezbenski	April 19

Staicy Boyd	April 20
Denis DeLuca	April 20
Lori Barnes	April 21
John Cobb	April 21
Kevin Purssell	April 21
Phyllis Cullen	April 22
Elaine Mackey	April 23
George Moore	April 23
Jeanette Bambach	April 25
Jackie Cunningham	April 25
David Todd	April 26
Jack Bailey	April 27
Mary Orman	April 27
Linda Clark	April 28
Stephen Cockerill	April 28
Anna Karlnoski	April 28
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#### **Golden Acres April Anniversaries**

Let's wish these couples a very happy wedding anniversary.

Alan and Barbara Zunich	April 6
Dennis and Jackie Cunningham	April 8
Bruce Gunter and Staicy Boyd	April 11
Denis and Anna-Lisa DeLuca	April 23
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- 8. Do you have any difficulty getting to and from your doctor?
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- 10. Is your doctor offering to help you get your medications delivered?

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- 6. Algonquian Indian
- 10. To tax or access
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- 15. Harvest
- 16. Pledge
- 17. A drama set to music
- 18. If not
- 19. Largest continent
- 20. Denote
- 22. Eccentric person
- 23. Condition
- 24. Weakling
- 25. Vipers
- 29. Continuing forever
- 31. Not success
- 33. Famous
- 37. Paroxysms of chest pain
- 38. Shooting star
- 39. Break
- 41. He fights blazes
- 42. Type of hat
- 44. Lady
- 45. Humorous
- 48. Under a spell
- 50. Fragrance
- 51. State of being a dad
- 56. Not yours
- 57. Savvy about
- 58. A tea-like beverage
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- 60. Somersault
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- 2. Fully developed
- 3. Biblical garden
- 4. Relating to aircraft

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- 5. Trolleys
- 6. Anagram of "Reenact" 27. Swine
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- 10. Changed into a solid 34. Chancel
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- 21. Go over again
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- 53. Killer whale
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- 55. Fathers

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## The coolest Beatle

When drummer Phil Collins was 19, according to a story from The Poke website, he got a call to go out to former Beatle George Harrison's house to play the congas for a track on Harrison's album *All Things Must Pass*. Collins was excited, but when the album came out, the song had no congas in it.

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Twenty years later, Collins met Harrison at an event and reminded him of the session, asking him what happened to the conga track. Harrison said he didn't remember, but he still had the master tapes and promised to take a look.

Three weeks later Collins got a package from Harrison with the master tapes from the session. When he listened, though, he realized that the congas sounded terrible. He also heard Harrison tell producer Phil Spector, "Get rid of that lad with the congas, he's absolute crap."

Mortified, Collin called Harrison to apologize. After a few minutes, though, Harrison started to laugh. "Those tapes I sent you, they're not the real sessions." He'd hired a band to re-record the song and played the congas himself as badly as he could, then said the line about Collins being useless. "I wish I could have seen your face," Harrison said. "I'll send the real sessions to you, you sounded great."

George Harrison had taken a day out of his schedule just to pull a prank on Phil Collins — proving he was the coolest Beatle.

## The black dot

ne day a professor entered the classroom and announced a surprise test. The students got nervous. The professor distributed a sheet of paper to each one, then told them to turn the page over and start the test.

To everyone's surprise, there were no questions in the test paper, just a black dot in the center of the page. Startled, the students looked at the professor in confusion. The professor told the students: "I want you to write a few lines about what you see on the paper."

The students were puzzled but started writing.

Once everyone was finished, the professor collected all the papers and started reading each answer aloud in front of the whole class. Without an exception, all the students had written about the black dot, describing its position, size, etc.

After reading all the answers, the professor addressed the students:

"Don't worry, none of you will be graded on this test. I just want you all to think about something. All of you wrote about the black dot, but none of you wrote about the white paper.

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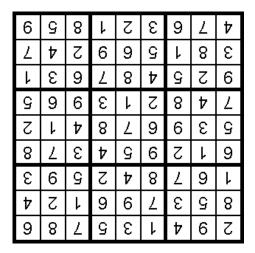
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