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September Birthdays

- 1 Sandra Anderson
- 1 Ken Nemecek
- 3 Don Fitzsimmons
- 7 Joan Beckwith
- 7 Linda Roethle
- 8 Jim Norton
- 13 John Anderegg
- 15 Lucy Boccinfuso
- 15 Debbie Manley
- 17 Philip Silvani
- 24 Richard Cerny
- 24 Lucy Ciresi
- 27 Jerry Simon
- 27 Mable VanDenhouten
- 29 Sandra Wills

October Birthdays

- 6 Betty Cerny
- 7 William Maegdlin
- 14 Santo Amenta
- 17 Kathryn Mtrey
- 18 Matt Schwamberger
- 19 Keith Brogan
- 28 Mary Ross
- 28 Mary Swinkels
- 29 Terrence Farmer
- 29 Mary Gilmore
- 29 William Young
- 30 Karen Hopkins



September Anniversaries

- 6 Mary & Doug Ross 1973
- 15 Mable & Mark VanDenhouten 2012
- 16 Julie & Bill Kent 1989
- 22 Patricia & Ralph Cornelius 1962
- 22 Elizabeth & Steven Power 2012
- 28 Rose & David Baldwin 1968



October Anniversaries

13	Betty & Richard Cerny	1951
13	Debbie & Jim Norton	1979
16	Carol & Butch Persons	1999
25	Debbie & Whitey Hughes	2008
26	Kathy & Dan Snitzlay	1062

26 Kathy & Dan Spitzley1963





President's Corner

Don Boccinfuso

had to be shut down due to a case of cryptosporidium. Donna had to drain and hyper chlorinate the pool a few times. It was reopened about a week later.

The second concern for the board was our swale. Due to the fact our engineers bill was in excess of \$35,000 and the fact that the county was making more costly demands, we as a board have decided to put the project on hold. Any further talk regarding our options for the swale project will take place when we return for the winter, but at this time we cannot justify spending over \$100,000.



Our trees have been cut and rebooted, and I'm told they look great.

In closing I wish everyone a great rest of the summer season and it won't be long before we will be back in the park.

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Editor's Column Roz & Brian Bogoslowski

f anyone has travelled this year and would like to share their experience with the Park Residents, please send a detailed note and a few pictures.

We are always looking for pictures from the different park activities and events. They can be sent to me as a TIFF. or JPG. file, also include the event or function along with the names of the people in the picture.

Please forward all newsletter material to: editor.bocaciega@gmail.com

All reports and any articles of interest for the newsletter must be emailed or mailed and received by the 14th of the month.

Thank You.

2017 Social Calendar

Social Committee Tidbits

Ingrid Eby

s this newsletter goes to print the summer is rapidly ending. The days are getting shorter and the nights are getting cooler -- at least up North. It won't be long and everyone will begin thinking about making their way South. Typical for July and August down South is steamy hot weather.

The year-round residents are staying in until it cools down in the evening and then they can be out riding their bikes, there has also been quite a bit of rain so everything is nice and green. The Palm trees were all trimmed and debooted. It will be interesting to see how they look when we return in the fall.

There was a fire in Unit 116 in Barbara's air conditioner. The fire department was called and everything was quickly contained. This was good news since that unit is right between ours and Walt and Marge Kiernan's. I believe this is the first time there has been a fire in the park since we have been there, eleven years. Thankfully, everything is fine.

News and Notes

Once again, the flags at the Club House and the entrance to the park are at half mast. This time it is for our dear friend Tony Dispirito. Tony passed away on August 2nd after his battle with cancer. He was such a good friend to everyone he met. Fran and Tony have been in the park for many years and were part of many activities. We extend our sincere sympathy to Fran and all the family.

Joan Love had surgery on her eye for a retinal tear. We send prayers out or a complete recovery for Joanie.



Nancy Bulmer was back in the hospital and is home now recovering. We wish her well and pray for healing.

Heard that Mike Beckwith has been very sick. I don't know any details but prayers need to go out for him.

Good news and sad news for Mary and Bill Lawrence. Good news first -- they had a wonderful visit to New Jersey and celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with family and friends. Sad news Mary lost her brother and a very close cousin after she returned to Florida. Our sympathies go out to the Lawrence's.

That's all the news I have for this month.

As always stay healthy and be safe.

Social Calendar 2017 / 2018

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Labor Day	Sept. 4/17	Pancake Breakfast	Jan. 27/18
Potluck	Nov. 6/17	Dance	Jan. 27/18
Poolside BBQ	Nov. 12/17	Horse Racing	Feb. 3/18
Early Bird Dinner	Nov. 16/17	Dinner / Play	Feb. 8/18
Ice Cream Social	Nov. 19/17	Potluck Dinner	Feb. 12/18
Thanksgiving	Nov. 23/17	Early Bird Dinner	Feb. 15/18
Tree Trimming	Nov. 25/17	Italian Night / Dance	Feb. 17/18
Pancake Breakfast	Nov. 25/17	Pancake Breakfast	Feb. 24/18
Potluck	Dec. 11/17	Pizza /Beer Casino Nigl	nt Feb. 25/18
Xmas Dinner	Dec. 25/17	Cruise	Mar. 3-8/18
New Years Party	Dec. 31/17	Poolside BBQ	Mar. 11/18
Meet & Greet	Jan. 7/18	Potluck Dinner	Mar. 12/18
Potluck	Jan. 8/18	Early Bird Dinner	Mar. 15/18
Poolside BBQ	Jan. 14/18	End of Year Party	Mar. 24/18
Early Bird Dinner	Jan. 18/18	Pancake Breakfast	Mar. 31/18
Rummage Sale	Jan. 20/18	Easter Dinner	Apr. 1/18
Ice Cream Social	Jan. 21/18	Potluck Dinner	Apr. 9/18

A Complete Listing of Resident Services can be found on the page before your calendar







Resident of the Month

September 2017

Tur resident of the month for September are actually a couple, Bill and Mary Lawrence.

Originally both from New Jersey, Bill, a businessman met Mary, a waitress and the rest, as they say, is history. They have just celebrated 65 years of marriage. They have 2 sons and one grandson and always look forward to their visits.

Another of our now longtime, permanent residents at Boca Ciega, both Bill and Mary have been active, involved members in our community. Players of cards and shuffleboard, they also love the many dances, bingo, coffee klatches, pancake breakfasts and other activities.



Bill has served on the Board and they have both organized and looked after Memorial Day celebrations for many years as well as running bingo, the yearly garage sale, and pancake breakfasts previously. Bill is also in charge of the disaster plan when the snowbirds are in their northern locals during the summer months. Mary, with her great smile and wonderful thoughtful nature, remembers everyone's birthday.

Thanks for all that you have done!

Rummage and Bake Sale

Committee

ust a friendly reminder, Our Annual Rummage & Bake Sale will be held January 20, 2018. A committee meeting will be held in November, date TBA, everyone is invited to come and share their ideas. Thank You







Nordic Adventure Ingrid & Dennis Eby

ur trip to Sweden came about because of a Foreign Exchange student that lived with us for a year in 1982-1983. This was our third trip to Sweden and the most time spent there. After a brief lay over in Reykjavik, Iceland we arrived in Stockholm, Sweden and our travels began.

The next day we boarded the Symphony Cruise ship for our over night journey to Helsinki, Finland. Because we were in the land of the Midnight Sun there was light all night so we could see all the small islands in the archipelago. Once in Helsinki we got on the Hop on Hop off bus to take in all the sights. Back to the pier and onto the ship for our journey back to Stockholm.

Once in Stockholm we did a tour of the city and saw some amazing old architecture. Their buildings are hundreds of years old and very ornate. The castle was very impressive.

On a plane and off to Oslo Norway the next day. Hopped on the tour bus once again to see the city sights. So many interesting things to see that sometimes it was hard to take in all the new experiences.

From Oslo, we traveled to Tromso, Norway to see the Midnight Sun. This is in the Arctic Circle -- way up North. Unfortunately, the weather didn't cooperate -- too much cloud cover. We did take a gondola to the top of a mountain and saw the beautiful surrounding mountains. Even though the weather was chilly the amazing sights more than made up for the clouds.

Our next adventure came after a five-hour train ride across Sweden to Hellsingborg. While there we visited our friends and more sightseeing. It's always nice to have local residents to take you to all the places that tour companies don't take you.

Back to Stockholm and then off on a road trip to Harnosand and visiting another friend. While there we visited an old car museum which made Dennis' day. Never thought he would see that many old cars in one place in Sweden.

From there we drove to Vemdahlen to spend time in the winter cabin of Jonas our exchange student. Everyday, sometimes three times a day the reindeer came to see us. It was amazing how close they were to us. Their horns were so massive that we wondered how they could hold up their heads.

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Before we knew it our relaxing time in the mountains was up and we were back in the car on our way to Stockholm. Along the way we came to the town of Rattvik where they were having a week long gathering of old American muscle cars. Dennis was in his glory once again. We couldn't believe there were so many old American cars in Sweden -- about 10,000.

Back in Stockholm, I had the unbelievable opportunity to meet a first cousin of mine for the first time. We managed to communicate with the help of Jonas. I was able to find out so much about my Swedish heritage.

Our trip was soon coming to a close. After four countries and fifteen different beds we are back in the USA. A little weary, but now reflecting on all the wonderful experiences we had.

September Sudoku

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## Chocolate may be good for your heart

n case you're looking for an excuse to eat some chocolate, consider this: It may reduce your risk of irregular heartbeat.

An analysis of some 55,000 adults from Denmark found that eating 2-6 ounces of chocolate a week was associated with a 20 percent decreased risk of atrial fibrillation, or A-fib, otherwise known as an irregular heartbeat. A-fib can compromise blood flow in the upper chambers of the heart—the atria. People with A-fib are five times more likely to suffer a stroke, according to the American Heart Association, and have twice the risk of a heart-related death.

Moderate consumption of chocolate, especially dark chocolate, appears to reduce that risk, although binging on larger amounts can obviously lead to weight gain and associated problems.

## Carbon monoxide safety tips for your home

arbon monoxide (CO) is a colorless and nearly odorless gas that's created by the incomplete burning of solid, liquid, and gaseous fuels. Appliances that burn LP gas (liquefied petroleum), oil, coal, kerosene, coal or wood may produce carbon monoxide. Carbon monoxide is also poisonous to animals and people. Symptoms of its effects include:

- Headache
- Fatigue
- Shortness of breath
- Nausea
- Dizziness

To prevent CO poisoning, take these precautions:

• Buy and install a CO alarm. Make sure it is listed with Underwriters Laboratories or that there is information on the package that indicates that it meets the requirements of IAS 6-96 standards. Follow the directions for placement and installation.

• Install appliances properly. Most of them should be installed by a professional.

• Practice good maintenance. Have your heating system (furnaces, flues, and chimneys) inspected and serviced by a professional every year.

• Burn charcoal outdoors only. Never burn it in a tent, home, garage, vehicle, etc. Don't use portable fuel-burning camping equipment indoors or inside tents, etc.

• Make sure you turn off fuel-burning engine equipment when you are inside a garage or basement. Just having the doors open does not ensure your safety.





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## Did you know that September is also...

**Blood Cancer Awareness Month**. Lymphoma is a type of blood cancer that occurs when lymphocytes—white blood cells that help protect the body from infection and disease—begin behaving abnormally. Lymphoma may develop in many parts of the body, including the lymph nodes, spleen, bone marrow, blood or other organs. This year's theme for Blood Cancer Awareness Month is "Light it Red for Lymphoma."

**National Child Awareness Month.** During National Child Awareness Month, a wide array of organizations set aside their individual agendas to focus on the bigger picture of children in America today and what can be done to address their growing challenges and needs tomorrow.

**National Cholesterol Education Month.** National Cholesterol Education Month is a good time to get your blood cholesterol checked and take steps to lower it if it's high. It's also a good time to learn about lipid profiles and food and lifestyle choices that will help you reach your personal cholesterol goals.

National Piano Month. A good month to sign up for piano lessons. Although invented around the year 1700, the piano took several decades to become a favorite of composers and performers alike. In the 19th century the instrument grew larger and more powerful. At the same time, the instrument became the primary source of home entertainment, and learning to play the piano became an important part of childhood education.

**Substitute Teacher Appreciation Week, Sept. 3-9**. Five days dedicated to the hundreds of thousands of education professionals who fill in at the schools every day across the United States. This nationwide event is recognized by the U.S. House of Representatives, schools, and school districts around the country.



**National Suicide Prevention Week, Sept. 10-16**. High schools, colleges, and universities can create their own activities for National Suicide Prevention Week. These locations are ideal to promote public awareness of the goals of suicide prevention, educate the public about the prevalence of suicide, and involve young adults in prevention activities.

Child Passenger Safety Week, Sept. 17-23. Car crashes are a leading cause of death for children up to 13 years old. Many deaths and injuries can be prevented by proper use of car seats, boosters, and seat belts. Getting safety information and car seat instructions to parents and caregivers is crucial to saving young lives.

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## Complete dinosaur skeleton is spectacular find

ost dinosaur fossils consist of a few bones or teeth, but in 2011 a heavy-equipment operator in Alberta, Canada unearthed something unique—the complete fossilized remains of a newfound type of nodosaur, part of the anklyosaur family, which lived between 100 million and 112 million years old.

As reported on the National Geographic website, the dinosaur is still getting paleontologists excited today. The dinosaur is so well preserved that it "might have been walking around a couple of weeks ago," says paleobiologist Jakob Vinther, who's studying the ancient beast at Alberta's Royal Tyrrell Museum.



Because of its preservation, the fossil is providing new insights into the structure of nodosaurs' armor, letting paleontologists see how sheaths of keratin—material also found in human fingernails—exaggerated the armor's size and shape.

## Robot can grasp complex objects with new hand

ost robotic hands are clumsy and have a hard time picking up odd-shaped objects like shoes or spray bottles. But according to the Science News website, roboticists at UC Berkeley have created a robot that can pick up and move awkward objects with a success rate of 99 percent.



The robot, DexNet 2.0, uses a process called deep learning to handle objects. The roboticists created a database of three-dimensional shapes using 6.7 million data points. A neural network learned ways to grasp, lift, and move irregularly shaped objects, and then was hooked up to a robotic arm with a 3D sensor. DexNet 2.0 studies an object placed in front of it and then chooses the right grasp to pick it up and move it.

DexNet 2.0's success rate could be applied to industry, possibly revolutionizing manufacturing and supply chains.

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