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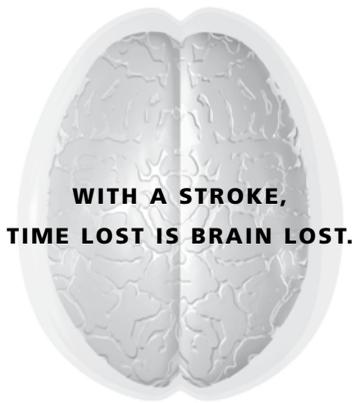


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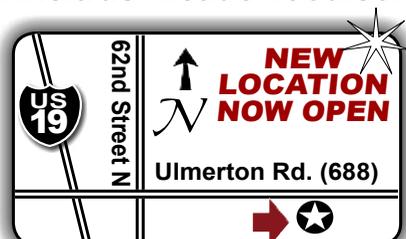
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January Anniversaries and Birthdays

Submitted by Robert Newman #46
724-6283 pcfriar64@yahoo.com

January Anniversaries

- 16 Ray & Donna Slover
- 24 Allen & Maria Platt
- 29 Fred & Carolyn Green



January Birthdays

- 3 Dennis Dumond
- 9 Sonja Payne
- 10 Robert Burke
- 11 Gerry Fisk
- 11 John Mackay
- 14 Brenda Gerry
- 15 Josephine Storey
- 21 Donald Blue
- 25 Fred Green
- 28 John Meyn
- 31 Bessie Gomez



Thank you for your support!

Submitted by The Editor

First of all, I want to say how much I have enjoyed being your Media editor for the past year. It is my belief that one should not monopolize any volunteer position. There should always be fresh ideas, “ways of doing things” and opportunities for others to participate. With that being said, I am tendering my resignation as Editor of the Media. It has been great fun! I am grateful for my wife, Chrissie, who has been at my side helping me gather information for publication when the deadline was fast approaching and content was scarce. I really enjoyed reading the articles she produced. I would also like to extend my gratitude for all of you that have helped with content contributions and the task of delivering the media from door to door.

I know with the retired professional talent that resides at Island in the Sun, my successor will continue to be a source of information and interesting reading for all of you.

Thank you for your support.
Respectfully,
Wally Riley



Food Bank

Submitted by Larry and Kris Taylor, #257, 727-286-7740

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Presidents Corner

Submitted by Larry Taylor, Lot 257, 727-286-7740

I hope everyone had a great holiday season. Now it is really party time! We have an exciting Winter Season upon us, starting with New Year's Eve, Pot Luck, Cal-Am Masquerade Dinner, "Hanging out Night at the Clubhouse" Dinner and Dance and Sunday Sundaes, and more. Come join the fun!

The HOA Dues for 2016 available until the end of the month for \$7.50 per person for the year. Join and support your neighborhood. Also, you can vote on a new Board and changing some by-laws in March.

Thanks for a great 5 years. I have enjoyed being involved with the Board since arriving five years ago. It's time for me to let some lucky person take the "ball" and run with it so I won't be



running for President again in March. We love this park and have always felt like this was home and all our friends and neighbors are like family. You all have a special place in our hearts.

Larry and Kris Taylor



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ISLAND IN THE SUN CASINO NIGHT

Submitted by Helen Dennison , #210, 727-754-6977

On November 21st we held a casino night at the clubhouse. All those who attended had a really fun time. To begin with we arrived with snacks in hand to share, but it wasn't long before the real fun began. When you made your way to the betting window, you could place your bets on any or all of six wooden horses precariously placed on a vinyl racetrack atop two tables. Three beautiful ladies were on hand at the betting window to accept any...or all, of your cash, and give you a ticket to confirm your bet, and before you could blink an eye, the race began. The crowd vigorously cheered for their favorite filly as our "Racemaster", John Mackay, rolled the dice and the horses advanced. Meanwhile, our favorite mathematician, Bob Newman, was over in his cage figuring out the odds for each horse, according to the bets placed. Soon, that race was over, the winners were paid, and a new race was underway.

Now if racing was not your favorite way to gamble, you could make your way to the roulette table, where, Larry Taylor was happy to oblige as you placed your bets on your favorite numbers. The roulette wheel was spun and winners were paid.

I must admit however, that the poker table was a huge draw for many, including myself, and even some who had never played before. Poker dealer, Tom Clark, could deal those cards with such speed, you would think for sure that you had encountered him in Vegas or at the Hard Rock. This game was so popular that Tom hardly had time for a short break before he was back dealing again.

All in all, what I'm trying to say, is that if you were not there, you missed a fun night. Everybody stayed until the last minute, and almost had to be kicked out of the place because of time to lock up.

Another Casino Night is being planned in the near future, and you can bet your boots.....I'll see you there.



Thank You!

Submitted by Judy Koonter, #81

A big thank you to Chrissie Riley, #290, and our Manager, Julie Sanders, for a wonderful afternoon at the Ladies' Tea. Many were dressed in their finest "duds", many hats worthy of attendance at derby races were seen, and everyone seemed to have a great time. Although Chrissie Riley was not able to attend, Julie gave credit where credit was due in telling us that Chrissie gathered and wrapped many of the gifts and door prizes that were given.



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Baked Potato Salad Bar Supper

Submitted by Pat Henderson, #266, 727-400-6002

I had the pleasure of attending this recent event, which was an outstanding success. Many commented on how the potatoes were cooked to perfection. The toppings -sour cream, grated cheddar, purple onions, bacon bits and chili made the potato a meal in itself. In addition, we had a choice of salad fixins and dressings to create a masterpiece salad. A variety of desserts completed the meal. I heard comments that \$5 sounded a bit much for this, but it was well worth the price.

To top off the evening we had a superb female duo sing a wide variety of songs much like karaoke. The girls' voices were so nice and blended well in harmony. These gals sing on Sundays from noon until three pm at Nauti Nancy's in Clearwater. I have not been there yet, but do plan to go sometime soon. I hear it is just a little hole in the wall type restaurant, but great food and service.



I heard so many great comments that this is by far one of the best entertainment venues we have had. Many are tired of having the same music month after month. These gals did lots of line dances, fast dances and slow dances for the mature folks that, are not able to participate in the other dancing. They were also up and mingling among the people. A big crowd stayed until the end of the evening at 10 pm, including myself.

Hats off to those on the activities committee for planning this great menu and entertainment.

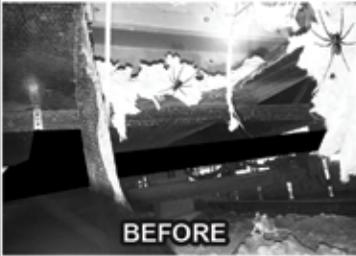
Full Circle

A poem written by Sharron Hendrixson, #28

We have a new kind of love. Yes, one that will last through eternity. But when we were young, our love was always fueled by passion. It was always something to look forward to. Children came and went. It felt like it all went so fast! Now, we're in our December years and there's a knock on the door. Oh what a blessing! Grandchildren! We're baking cookies and playing games. But time goes so fast. Now they hardly come around but we're back where we began. Just you and me. The love we make now isn't hot and heavy, but peaceful and content. There is no place I'd rather be than sitting here in your love that surrounds me. A life well spent. Now we're full circle and what a blessing to still be here with you in the twilight of our years.



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Spotlight on Residents – Mary Jane Baxter

Submitted by Pat Henderson, #266, 727-400-6002

You have probably seen a tiny little lady with sparkling eyes, chiseled jaw and huge smile at various events in the park. Or perhaps you've seen her riding a golf cart around the neighborhood. Wherever you see her, she is the center of attention as she is so talkative and has such a bubbling personality. She is 93 years young, but you would never guess it from looking at her. If you don't know her, perhaps you know her daughter, Kim, whom she lives with, or grandson, Eric, who visits Island in the Sun and is loved by so many.

Mary Jane grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana. Her mom died when she was only 12 years old and she went to live with a sister who was 14 years older. She graduated high school there. She worked for the navy for 8 years in Naval Aeronautics. She also worked for the army as a pay clerk.

Her husband sold life insurance and became a life member of the Million Dollar Round Table. He was head of Sears men's wear department and later owned his own business, Baxter's Men's wear, specializing in men's suits. They had locations downtown and on the north side of town and Mary Jane did the bookkeeping for both stores. For many of the 27 years of marriage she did not work outside the home and they were able to make many trips.

They had two children, son Rick, who was born on Christmas Day- what a gift that was. He died in a scuba diving accident at only 21 years of age. Daughter Kim has three sons Ryan, Adam and Eric, all of whom live in Indiana.. Kim and Mary Jane moved to Clearwater about 2 years ago and joined the Island in the Sun family and they have loved it here, but sadly they will be moving to Sarasota as Kim has purchased a home there. Mary Jane and her husband had visited this area many times, so there was no hesitation when they picked a new place to move..

A "social butterfly" describes this feisty, little, full blooded Italian lady. She has been a member of the Goodwill Service Guild, the Hospital Service Guild, the Sunnyside Guild. She is a "people person" and loves to volunteer to help others as she has a huge heart and lots of compassion.

After her divorce Mary Jane worked at St. Vincent's Hospital in accounts payable for 10 years. When Kim graduated high school, she and her mom spent 6 weeks touring Europe during the summer visiting such places as Athens, Greece, the Greek Islands, Florence, London and Rome, where they saw the Italian opera "Aida". Mary Jane made a really fun trip to Estes Park, Colorado with sorority sisters. I can only imagine the mischievous things they might have done. She also cruised the Caribbean to Puerto Rico.

After her divorce, Mary Jane met a fellow named Bob who loved to dance. That is one of her favorite activities. You have probably seen her on the dance floor at the clubhouse and she can out dance everyone there, even the younger folks, and you don't see her panting for breath either.

She and Bob were members of the Continental Dance Club and at the Sweethearts Dance Club, they were voted King and Queen one year. They spent 7 yrs. doing the rumba, tango, cha cha, etc.. She loves big band music and one of her prized possessions is a Glenn Miller collector's album of 70 of his recordings and the small record player given to her by Kim's friend, Glen. I was asked to interview Mary Jane by someone in the park who knew they would be leaving us soon. She and her family have been such an asset in the community. She told me she misses her many friends in Indiana, but loves the Florida weather and she will certainly miss her many friends at Island in the Sun.

2015 Christmas Tea

Submitted by Karen Custy, #229, 727-729-3441

Saturday, December 5th was a special day for IITS ladies. Cal-Am hosted our ladies Christmas tea and it was a big hit with the residents. Julie outdid herself in the beautiful décor and the wonderful delicious food that was catered by Orange Blossom Caterers. We were serenaded by lovely harp music. It was quite a fun filled afternoon with games, prizes, laughs, good conversation and all the ladies decked out in fabulous hats and attire. It was nice to see both old friends and new ones as a few new residents attended and our northern friends returned to reconnect with the full time people. Julie made sure that we all felt appreciated and we want her to know we feel that she did an outstanding job on the party for us. Julie thanked Chrissie Riley for the work she did prior to the tea with the shopping and preparation of the prizes for the games we played. We look forward to more events like this one. It brings forth a great camaraderie among the women. Thanks to Cal-Am and especially Julie for making this event over the top amazing.



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Submitted by Pat Henderson, #266, 727-400-6002

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The reason is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a run of 10 to 12 feet. Without space to run, as is its habit, it will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jail with no top.

THE BAT

The ordinary bat that flies around at night, a remarkable nimble creature in the air, cannot take off from a level place.

If it is placed on the floor or flat ground, all it can do is shuffle about helplessly and, no doubt, painfully, until it reaches some slight elevation from which it can throw itself into the air.

Then, at once, it takes off like a flash.

THE BUMBLEBEE

A bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler, will be there until it dies, unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

PEOPLE

In many ways, we are like the buzzard, the bat, and the bumblebee. We struggle about with all our problems and frustrations, never realizing that all we have to do is look up!

That's the answer, the escape route and the solution to any problem....just look up! Sorrow looks back, Worry looks around, but faith looks up! Live simply, love generously, care deeply, speak kindly, and trust in our Creator, who loves us.

Help Me!

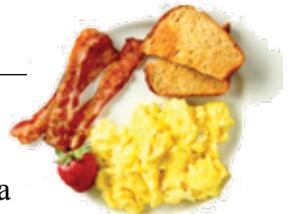
A poem written by Sharron Hendrixson, #28

Some days are worse than others Lord. Help me through the day. In desperation, I seek You to help me through the day. I know I seem ungrateful Lord for all I've received in life, but only in You can I make it through my daily strife. I praise You in the highest for You are all supreme. You are my love, my life, my eternity.

Men's Breakfast

Submitted by the Editor

Richard Oliver was recovering from hip replacement surgery and was unable to attend the November Men's Breakfast. We look forward to next month's report. Best wishes to you Richard for a speedy recovery!



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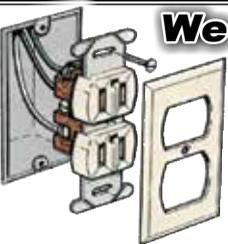
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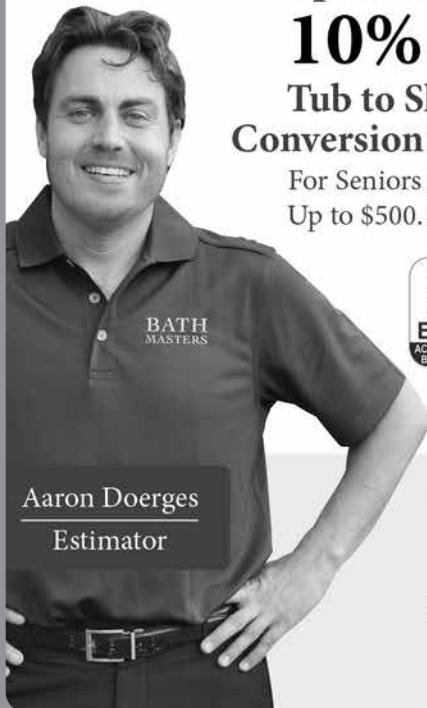
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Submitted by Patricia Clark

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Ladies Breakfast Bunch

Submitted by Karen Custy, #229, 727-729-3441

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Gene and Lee Ecker Celebrated 70 Years of Wedded Bliss

Submitted by Pat Henderson, #266, 727-400-6002

A little bird informed me that long time residents at Island in the Sun celebrated 70 years of marriage on November 24th. I spoke with Lee and Gene and was told that their daughter and son-in-law from New York came to visit and they celebrated at the Beachcomber Restaurant on Clearwater Beach.

Gene and Lee bought one of the first 3 bedroom homes in the community where they have lived more than 25 years. They have both been very active residents. Lee served as Librarian for several years. Gene has served on executive boards for Home Owners Association, Co-op Association and as Parliamentarian. Gene has sung with the Island in the Sun chorus and he sang as a soloist with his church choir for 74 years. Gene said they have enjoyed many years of traveling and he retired in 1988. They have loved living in this community.

Seventy years of marriage is almost unheard of today. One of their friends told me that Gene and Lee's faithfulness in the Lord has helped them sustain all the obstacles that couples face through the years. Gene said they occasionally had some disagreements along the way, but they never went to bed angry. Any problems were solved before retiring for the night.

We hope this romance continues to grow and it is evident that it will when you see these two together.



Lunch Bunch

Submitted by Rose Montgomery Oliver
301-332-9358 or 727-726-0637

The Ladies Luncheon was held November 19th at the Ozona Blue which is located on 125 Orange Street in Palm Harbor.

Rose Oliver was very happy today at the progress Richard has made from his hip replacement and that two of his daughters are visiting with him. They also are at the luncheon! Stephanie Street from Maryland and Mary Jo Vaughn from Virginia had a fun time at the luncheon. They were so glad that Dad is walking well and is in great spirits.

Mary Jane Baxter #180, was looking forward to the luncheon next month as that will be her last before moving to Sarasota.

Julie Taylor #181, was feeling blessed to be here with such a wonderful group of ladies. She, along with all the ladies, give many thanks to Sally for her many years of being our luncheon planner.

Marcy Shiels, #133, welcomed Bella to our Ladies Luncheon. She is new in our park and a great addition to our wonderful luncheon.

Jean told us that it was good to be back and share the fun times with great friends.

Kris also thought it was great to get together with our neighbors.

Sarah Pree, #313, also wanted to thank Sally for finding such good places to eat and that even though she will be leaving, she will continue to come to the Ladies Luncheon.

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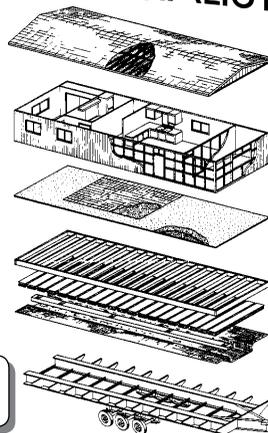
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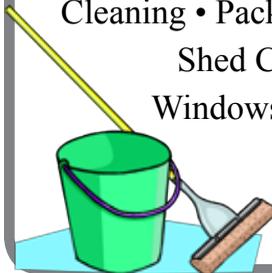
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Remembrance and Concerns

Submitted by Rose Montgomery Oliver, #184
301-262-3057 or 727-726-0637

We were sorry to hear of the death of Joyce Nauheimer on November 6th. At that time her wishes were unknown. Per Joyce's wishes, there will be a gathering in the summer of 2016 at Thousand Island Park as a remembrance of her life.



We were sorry to hear that Pat Troise met his death early in December. He had lived in #66 for some time.

Gerry Fisk, #275, had surgery on his arm December 5th. His arm has been hurting for months.

Take it easy Gerry.

Our President, Larry Taylor, #257, had another fall. He is mending again. Take it easy, Larry.

Liza Crane, #193, is now home from an extended stay in the hospital. We are glad you are doing better, Liza.

Mari Sorell, #289, had a hip replacement. Mary has had a difficult time recovering. Please keep her in your prayers.

Richard Oliver, #184, also had a hip replacement on his left hip. He had surgery November 26th and was up walking the same day. Richard came home the next day to start Physical Therapy. He was very fortunate to recover so quickly.

Patrick King, #90, needs our prayers also. Patrick had a stroke in October.

Karen and Keith Custy, #229, had a heartbreaking thing happen. Their little Molly had to be put to sleep on October 23rd. We all know how much love they have for animals. Many of us know the pain that one goes through at such a loss.

Please let us know if someone close needs a card or call. It is easy to miss someone. Keep those in your thoughts and prayers.





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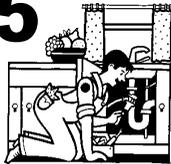
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National Home Office Safety and Security Week, Jan. 3-9. Thousands of people working from home face risks in their residential workplace: clutter that can cause trips and falls, inadequate electrical wiring that presents a fire hazard, and other dangers. Take some time this week to ensure that your home office doesn't endanger your health and safety.

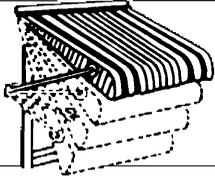
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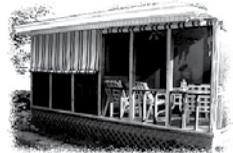
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