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Happy New Year 2021

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Christmas Entrance Lighting



THANK YOU to all the residents that donated money and display items. You make the display possible. THANK YOU to the residents that participated in the State Wreath Challenge and voted. THANK YOU to the residents that attended the lighting of the entrance.

500 plus man hours were donated by the Elves. The new additions this year were the expanded snowman village, the igloo, and the dancing tree. We hope you all enjoyed and

continue to enjoy the lights.

A special THANK YOU to the Elves - you make it happen!

Mark and Char Maaske, Dan and Sue Larson, Beth and Greg Wilkerson, Gary and Debby Peck, Jim and Jackie Hinrichs, Marylou Buss, Dottie and Frank Barilla, Ray and Karen Hahn, Ed Urbanke, Betsy Bartoletti, Kay Trombley, Jim Stenzel, Ed Laurie, Chuck Reese, Gail Lawrence, Al Wells.

Thank you all - Leon Buss



Wreath Winners:
1st place - Ohio
2nd place - Florida
3rd place - Michigan



TOWER DEADLINE: The 9th of the month, for the following month's issue. All articles and flyers must be submitted in a Microsoft Word document format, or you may drop off at the HOA office in a TYPED or HAND PRINTED format only. Questions - please contact us via e-mail: Towereedit@yahoo.com or drop them at the office. Thank You



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Sheila Doublé - 239.628.7786 or Dorathy Biddinger 239.980.2775

Check out our new Facebook page - **Del Tura Events**

Saturday, Jan. 30th, 2021

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We'd like to invite all

Motorcycle & Car

enthusiasts to our 2nd

Del Tura Community Event

at the Clubhouse

parking lot!

Come check out all the different types of classic cars & motorcycles and a variety of vendors along with free desserts/snacks for all.



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PRESIDENT'S KORNER

By Tracy Messina

A new year is upon us, FINALLY! I'm sure you are as tired as I am of this pandemic. Thankfully, it looks like there is hope. I can't wait until we can be together at the pools, pub and club house without restrictions.

In the meantime, the HOA BOD is preparing for that day. Committees are being formed, ideas are flowing, and we are working to make this community active as soon as we get the official okay. We can't wait for Morning Coffees to resume and meetings held where you all can attend. Until that time, the HOA BOD ask that all of you continue to take all precautions such as masks, handwashing, and social distancing. It is not the time to let our guard down.

Please remember we are having an election for new board members. We now have five positions we need to fill. An application to serve as an HOA Director is available from the HOA officer or may be downloaded from the Del Tura HOA website. Once you have completed your application, you can mail it to or drop it by the HOA office at 609 Sierra Madre, North Fort Myers, FL 33903. If you have any questions regarding the election, please contact the Nominating and Elections Committee Chair, Daniel Cruz, by phone at (239) 443-7278 or you may email him at danielleecruz@gmail.com.

If you're not interested in serving on the board, why not volunteer to help. We have many committees that could really use some man or woman power. Drop any of the board members an email with your area(s) of interest or expertise and we'll make sure to get you in touch with our committee chairs. If you would like to chair a committee, let us know. The more the merrier and diverse.

Just a friendly reminder that HOA dues should be paid for the year 2021. The dues are a mere \$12 per household. There are perks to being an HOA member! Early access to tickets to functions and events, 10 issues of the Tower and access to the HOA website (to keep you up to date on the latest here in Del Tura). Again, you can drop off or mail your dues to the HOA office.

The HOA Board of Directors is here to help you. Please don't hesitate to contact us. Don't forget, we have a Suggestion Box at the HOA office, or you can make suggestions via the website. All ideas and suggestions are welcome.

Now, I would like to wish you all an incredibly happy and healthy New Year. Let's hope it is much better than the last one. Though it's hard, keep your spirits up, a spring in your step and a song in your heart (I personally prefer Metallica). At any rate, take care of yourselves.



NEW SUGGESTION BOX

You can now send your suggestions to your HOA office at the following email address: DTHOASuggestionBox@gmail.com. With the current pandemic situation and everyone not readily having access to suggestion boxes in the Starlight Ballroom and the HOA Office the HOA Board created the new email address to make it easy for you to send your suggestions to us! Each Suggestion MUST have your NAME, STREET ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER on

it along with your suggestion that you would like the HOA Board to address with Hometown America. Along with the suggestion you should write a brief solution to help us address your concerns more quickly. You will be notified upon receipt, when your suggestion is brought before the BOD, and what actions will be taken with it. Please let us know what your concerns are so we can make Del Tura our continuing Paradise! ~ Your HOA Board of Directors

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REFLECTIONS

By Dianne J. Roderick

“So Long 2020, Hello 2021!”

Each one of us has so many different thoughts on how this past year’s Pandemic has impacted us. The one thing we can all agree on is that we are not unhappy to see it gone and look forward to a more hopeful outlook in 2021. I am amazed, but not surprised, at the positivity of the many people I have come in contact with, and how strong we can be when faced with adversity. Our actions here in Del Tura are a wonderful example of that! I can’t imagine how many of our residents would have made it through this year without the kindness of their neighbors. There are many angels among us that so humbly give of themselves all year long and spread hope and light into many lives. I know you will all join me in giving a heartfelt thank you to each of them.

We know every day was not easy during this past year and even though we all tried to be strong there were days that were overwhelming. Being isolated from our families and our friends is not what we are used to here in Del Tura. Many of us felt helpless and the constant news about the virus just added to our anxiety. Going to the Dr.’s, or to the grocery store became an outing ...and it took lots of work to get ready. Well for some of us it did! Not mentioning any names!

Just saying, staying in comfy P.J.’s for most of the day and binging on missed T.V. series is something people can get use to! I know a few people that can agree with that!

Yes, things were definitely, different here during “2020” but we are survivors and there’s not anything that we cannot overcome together as Delturians! Just think of all the activities we could all still participate in to take our minds off the doom and gloom of the day. How about all the wonderful events that have lifted our holiday spirits? Maybe things looked a little different than they did in 2019, but so many volunteers came together to lift our spirits and got us through the most difficult times of the year. It was certainly the shot in the arm that we all needed! Kudos to each and every one of them!

So here we are in “2021” still positive and Del Tura Strong because we know that things will get better and we will get through this together. As I write this the news of the vaccine is looking hopeful and our winter neighbors are returning to enjoy the beauty that we are blessed with each day. I have one resolution in this new year and that is to breathe, take in the beauty that surrounds us, and enjoy the moments of each day.

May you all be blessed with peace, good health, and happiness in this new year!



GATE GABBER

By Michael Johnson

It’s your old storyteller, The Gate Gabber Here’s another story from the front gate: With apologies to Edgar Allan Poe, I’ll call this one... THE BLACK CAT.

So, as you faithful readers know by now, my name is Mike Johnson, and, I work the overnight shift Friday and Saturday nights at the front gate. One night, about midnight, I was outside the gate house, when I noticed a small moving shadow. I was doing my nightly wandering...(which I do about every two hours just to keep the blood flowing and to keep me awake). I never venture too far from the gate house in case the phone rings or a visitor needs to be admitted...But, this little shadow was creeping along the pavers in front of me.

“What is that?”, I asked myself. It looked like a small racoon or maybe an opossum. It was very dark outside and whatever I was seeing was very dark. It took a bit of close observation before I realized it was a black kitten...!

Now, you DelTurians know we have a feral cat population here...And as a matter of fact, my wife Margaret and I have adopted one, Peaches. But I digress. I’m a superstitious

person. I’ve just witnessed a black cat walk in front of me...It’s crossed my path!! What am I to do? How do I get back into the gate house? What if the phone rings? Will the person on the other end of the phone line understand my predicament? Well, I thought it would be possible, if I hurried, to zigzag my way to the safety of the gate house. I went left, the kitten went left. I went right, the kitten went right...I could have sworn I saw a smile on this devil kitten’s face. I faked a step to the right and took three quick steps to the left and was home free! Back to the safety of the gate house. Thankfully, no one had observed my outlandish behavior, lest an ambulance be called and I’d be hauled away..

I’ve seen the kitten three more times... And, each time, while it passes by the gate house, it looks back over it’s shoulder and I swear it smiles. Once, I thought I heard a meowing laugh... I have been tempted to bring in a can of cat food to work and befriend this little kitten... But, I immediately come to my senses and recall my superstitions. I’m sure it’s found a good home, as I have not seen it for about four months. Let’s get together next issue... for THE LEGEND OF FABIO!

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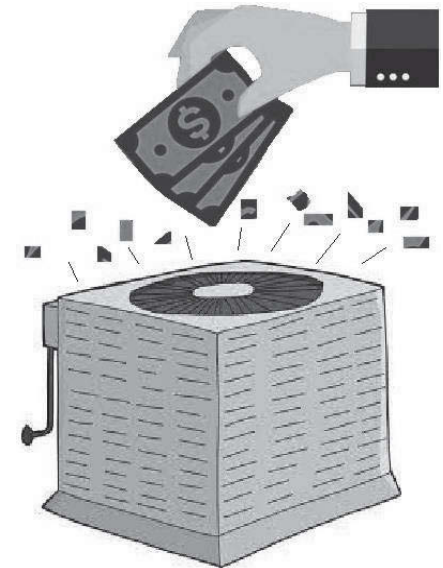


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WANT TO SERVE AS AN HOA BOARD MEMBER?

By Daniel Lee Cruz

Would you like to serve your Community as a Director of your Homeowners Association (HOA)? Now is your big chance!

An application to serve as an HOA Director is available from the HOA office or may be downloaded from the Del Tura HOA website. To be eligible for a position on the Board you must be a homeowner of Del Tura and a member of the HOA in good standing. Once you have completed your application, please mail, or deliver the application to the HOA office at 609 Sierra Madre, N. Ft. Myers, 33903.

Please include with your application a brief resume and/or your platform (approximately 150 words). Applications may be provided up to the date of the regular Board of Directors meeting on January 13, 2021*. Nominations will also be accepted at the regular Board of Directors meeting on January 13, 2021. At the regular Board of Directors meeting on January 13, 2021, all nominated candidates will be introduced, and each will be given 5 minutes to speak.

Nominations will be closed upon the adjournment of this meeting.

A Candidate Meet-and-Greet is planned for Saturday, January 16, 2021, from 6-8 p.m., below the Clubhouse entrance canopy (weather permitting) *. Residents are invited to attend and become acquainted with the candidates and current Board of Directors. Should an election be necessary, the list of candidates will be posted on the HOA Clubhouse Bulletin Board following the January meeting. Should the Clubhouse still be closed owing to Covid-19, the Nominating and Election Committee will look for other means to post and publicize this list.

Voting ballots will be mailed during the week of January 25, 2021*. Ballots must be returned by the date stipulated on the ballot in order to be considered. In order to assure security over the ballots, the ballots and ballot envelopes will be numbered*. Ballots must be returned in the numbered envelope provided. Voting ballots which are not returned in the envelope provided, or where the envelope number is unreadable, or after the deadline for submitting

ballots, will be disqualified. All voting ballots will be counted and verified by the Nominating and Election Committee in strict accordance with the HOA By-Laws and the Committee will present the results at the Annual HOA Board Meeting in February.

Pursuant to the HOA By-Laws (Article X, Section X-2), "The election of officers shall take place at the first meeting of the Board of Directors which shall immediately follow the adjournment of each annual meeting of the members. No notice is required for this meeting and except for the election of Officers; no business of the Board will be conducted. Attendance and participation at this meeting shall be restricted to Board members only."

If you have any questions about the election process, feel free to contact the Nominating and Elections Committee Chair, Daniel Cruz, by phone at 239.443.7278 or email at danielleecruz@gmail.com.

**Note: This is a correction from what was provided in the December Tower article.*



HEALTHCARE CORNER

By Eileen Hagenbrock, RN

AGING IN PLACE SAFELY

It's pretty safe to assume that most of us want to "age in place", in other words stay living in our own homes as long as we possibly can. There are plenty of ways to do so but be sure to keep YOUR safety in mind.

The two most common types of help in senior homes (after your trusted handyman, of course) are home health care and home care. Here's a little info about them.

HOME HEALTH CARE VS. HOME CARE

The terms home health care and home care are not as interchangeable as they might seem. This makes it

confusing for individuals searching for the right type of care – and the right care providers.

Home health care refers to skilled medical services that require a written order from a Florida doctor. This type of care is usually ordered for someone who may be recovering from an injury or operation on a short-term basis; patients are often coming home after hospitalization or from a rehab facility and need extra support at home while they are recovering. This service is covered by Medicare and some insurance plans.

Home health care services include nursing for wound care, medication instruction, or intravenous therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, home health aide for safety with showering.

Home care is non-medical and provides companionship and assistance with activities of daily living. These services do not require a prescription from a doctor and are most often paid for out of pocket but may be covered through a long-term care insurance policy. Home care aides provide the care which includes companionship, housekeeping, grocery shopping, meal prep, shower assistance or bed bath, and personal care

It is possible to receive a combination of these two services and it is often beneficial to do so. When looking for care at home it is best to understand what type of care you will need to make the best decision for you or your loved one.



THE DEL TURA REPERTORY COMPANY

By Jacqueline Keen

As most of you know we will not be presenting a show next February. It was a very difficult but necessary decision for me to make. However, I am working on another musical that I would like to bring to the stage in February 2022. A long, long way off I know BUT I will be auditioning in the Spring next year (2021). Hopefully, we will have a vaccine by then. Rehearsals beginning in December 2021. These kinds of shows take a long time to put together.

So, during the next months I would like to hear from anybody who would be interested in auditioning. I am looking for singers and actors

I need a strong male and female chorus as well as both genders who can take on a starring role.

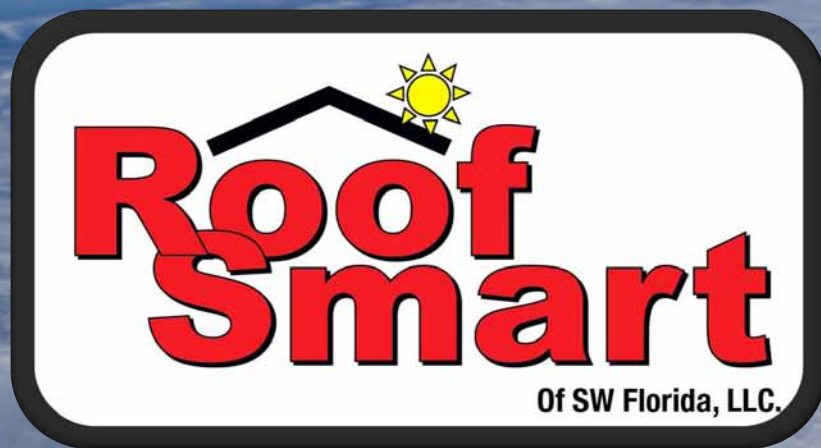
Give me a call (239 464 5544) and I will give you all the information. You do not have to have experience, but you do need to be able to sing. Most members of the chorus will not have lines to learn. There are a few actors who do not sing

at all. I would love to hear from you, what have you got to lose? Nothing! My cast and crew last year had such fun. I enjoyed every moment I spent with them. I was filled with admiration as I watched them blossom and grow during our rehearsals. SO, COME AND JOIN US AND LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!!

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- reduced ticket prices to entertainment offerings

- With the new website now operational only paid HOA members will have access to the Tower online, you will also have access to HOA agendas and minutes to meetings and to the HOA directory. The "free" Tower on the website will no longer be available to non-HOA members.

Don't miss out on the best value around. HOA dues are by calendar year so your dues for the year 2021 are due by January 1, 2021 for that year.

Remember, if you are not a paid HOA homeowner you will not be able to vote in any election. Only paid members get one vote per household.

If you are a renter, you are still able to join the HOA for the \$12 and get all the benefits except you are NOT allowed to vote. But that \$12 is still worth a lot so please join and keep apprised of all the happenings here in Del Tura.

You can drop off your dues at the HOA office at 609 Sierra Madre any time, but if you drop them off on Wednesday or Friday from 10-12pm, I'll be there with Membership cards for your signature. When the clubhouse is open, you will be able to obtain your Membership cards at Coffee hour from 8-9am. You will need your membership card from now on to purchase entertainment tickets.

My goal is to have 100% membership this year - help me in getting all of Del Tura to be a part of our HOA community. Thanks, and hope to see you soon!

Meg Valentino - Membership Chairperson

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Tura Lighting Committee and have performed with the Del Tura Repertory Company. I have played for the Del Tura softball teams. I have seen and participated in a lot of great things happening here and want to be part of many more. Prior to retirement, I was a retail manager, a Naval Officer and a schoolteacher. I am a team player and can get the job done. I would appreciate your vote in the upcoming election.



I am Marylou Buss and want to be a member of the HOA Board. My husband and I bought our home in 2012 and enjoy living here. We have been active in various committees and have enjoyed the many activities and the comradery that is part of all this. I believe it is important for the board to promote a positive and inclusive attitude to all Del Tura residents. I also

believe that open and honest communications and our availability are paramount to all Del Tura residents. The residents deserve our time and attention. I received my nursing degree and worked in that field for a few years. Then I worked in the criminal defense field at several levels negotiating - managing - resolving and tracking cases with several agencies.



My name is Will Rossman. I am running for the HOA Board on a platform of transparency, communications, and clarity. My primary experience is six years of board service for a national hobby organization with 30K members, a

\$100 million dollar endowment and a \$10 million-dollar annual budget. My forte is strategic planning and consensus building. I am a veteran, business owner, sportsman, musician, and avid golfer (currently VP of the men's golf association). My wife and I retired here for all the attributes that make Del Tura wonderful and I would be honored to serve everyone's interests in maintaining that lifestyle and our special sense of friendliness and community. Please give me your vote!



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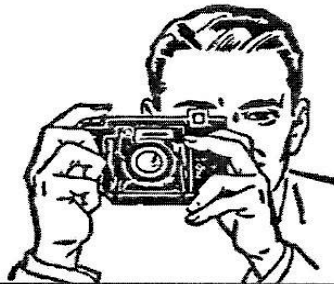


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There are so many wonderful friends in our Del Tura Community! (if I missed anyone I am so sorry)

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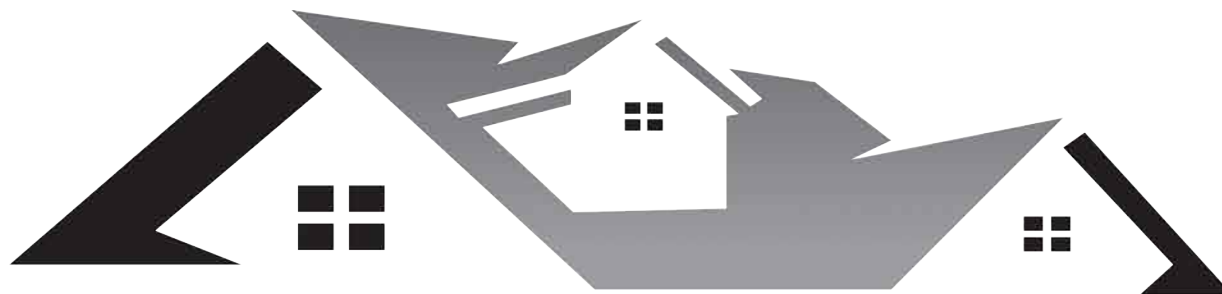
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CREATIVE WRITERS WORKSHOP

By Nancy Davy

I'd like to report that our 2020-2021 Creative Writer's group is doing well. We are continuing to meet outside and social distancing, at a location that is perfect for golf cart gathering. We will likely continue in this fashion for some time, as we all seem to love the fresh air and creative atmosphere.

Please email me if you are interested in joining our group. My email address is ndavy01@gmail.com. If you will be new to our group, please provide me with your name, your email address, and your cell phone number. I will reach out to you before we meet in January (1/14 and 1/28) with any time or location updates.

I have provided some wonderful responses to three challenges that were presented to our group. I hope you enjoy them.

As always, I know I speak for all our group in extending our best wishes for your safety and good health as we venture into the New Year.

A LETTER TO MY DOG, "COOKIE"

By Bev Swisher

The Challenge: An Open Letter to a Pet (a practice in free-style writing and expressing gratitude)

Most of us have had at least one pet in our lifetime that we have shared a special bond with. This exercise is about unconditional love, and how we might express our gratitude for the many ways in which a pet's love can take our life, and our outlook on life, to a different level.
Cookie,

Thank you for your devoted attention and desire to understand me! Always in my heavenly thoughts is that cocked head, showing the extent of your effort to communicate with me. We journeyed together for 15 years and shared simple pleasures; chasing a ball; a walk in the park, pool time; relaxing on a chaise lounge while I read for hours; just staring out the window at snowflakes; your playfulness with a gecko after moving to Florida; ALWAYS curious about the world we live in.

We shared the final step together in human and dog form. How can there not be tears and hesitation when memories sort through a lifetime of love and affection?

Your pawprints and heart-warming photo adorn the Christmas tree with "Love," doing what you do best - being yourself, devotion in all forms.

You are the BEST sugar Cookie ever.

BLINDS

By Nancy Ashe

This challenge is to observe an area within your home. Then describe it, trying to give life to inanimate objects, without showing your own feelings.

The function of a command hangs by a string. Control is not your domain, but the request is always obeyed. Periodically, you hang halfway, seeking exposure or privacy from the outside world. Your mood depends on your operator, as you seek to please.

Much weight sits on your shoulders from time to time as you perch between light and darkness, prohibited from fully engaging in one or the other. That represents the limbo you are positioned to rest in for a specific moment in time.

You speak clearly to the world as people stroll by. You convey your present frame of mind as open, closed, sad, or undecided. No words are needed in your form of communication. You clearly express

events behind your slats that are lowered and closed in restful sleep or open, at attention, welcoming the light.

With the pull of a string in either direction, you reveal the mood from within.

MUSINGS OF THE JUNK DRAWER

By Rachel Rosenbaum

Here is one more example of bringing an inanimate object to life. This is written in the first person (the writer assumes the identity of the subject). As you look around to select a subject, imagine that they all have a story to tell.

I am one of the many drawers in this house. I have heard that most houses have one like me and some have many more. Unlike the other drawers, such as the silverware drawer where the knives are with the knives, the forks with the forks...you get my drift. I am usually rather disheveled.

Oh, I start out somewhat organized but usually in a few days or weeks I become discombobulated, to say the least. I hold many odd things. Nothing really goes together.

For example, I have many pens. Some work, some don't. Scads of those things you put on chairs, so they don't scratch the floor and slide easier. An old tube of

glue, hardened! Hooks of many kinds and many sizes. Some that you screw into the wall. Some that stick to the wall... you know, the kind that supposedly comes off without taking a coat of paint with it!

Let's not forget the ruler. The rusty measuring tape. Screws and nails of all sizes, including at least three screwdrivers! A piece of screen repair. One of those things you can light candles with. Some old birthday candles that have seen better days.

Every year or so I have to go on a diet and lose a few pounds, so I get cleaned out and somewhat organized, only to gain the weight back in a few weeks!

But I am not one to complain! I have the satisfaction of knowing if they need a certain screw, or that measuring tape, I am the drawer they come to and I always deliver!



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Thoughts on the Pandemic... author unknown
By Dianne J. Roderick

T'was a month before Christmas
And all through the town,
People wore masks,
That covered their frown.

The frown had begun
Way back in the Spring.
When a global pandemic
Changed everything.
They called it corona,
But unlike the beer,
It didn't bring good times,
It didn't bring cheer.

Airplanes were grounded,
Travel was banned.
Borders were closed
Across air, sea and land.

As the world entered lockdown
To flatten the curve,
The economy halted,
And folks lost their nerve.

From March to July
We rode the first wave,
People stayed home,
They tried to behave.

When summer emerged
The lockdown was lifted.
But away from caution,
Many folks drifted.

Now it's November
And cases are spiking,
Wave two has arrived,
Much to our disliking.

It's true that this year
Has had sadness a plenty,
We'll never forget
The year 2020.

And just 'round the corner-
The holiday season,
But why be merry?
Is there even a reason?

To decorate the house
And put up a tree,
Who will see it?
No one but me.

But outside my window
The snow gently falls,
And I think to myself,
Let's deck the halls!

So, I gather the ribbon,
The garland and bows,
As I play those old carols,
My happiness grows.

Christmas is not cancelled
And neither is hope.
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MOVEMBER "WOODSTOCK REVISITED"

By Bart DeGraaf

On Saturday November 21, the skies over Del Tura exploded in vivid laser light colors and patterns in a musical tribute to the event remembered simply as Woodstock. The tribute took place on and over the Number One Fairway of the South Course of DTGCC. The weather was perfect, the moon bright, and more than 300 socially distanced and masked guests watched, listened, and rocked to the soundtracks of the original performers.

This performance was the Del Tura 10th annual fundraiser for MOVEMBER, an international charity to benefit research for the cures and prevention of

men's cancers as well as mental health and suicide prevention. In the previous 9 years the community has supported the charity with more than \$24,000. For 2020 the donations after expenses totaled an amazing \$12,500. MOVEMBER announced this single donation ranks as the 15th largest this year.

The event Was sponsored by The DT HOA, Hometown America, and Daddy Dee's Ice Cream Parlor. Special thanks to Teri Miller, Bob Frantz and Joan Nitka, George and Marianne O'Malley, and Al and Wendy Wells.

"Woodstock Revisited" was developed and presented by LaserNet of Miami, FL with sound and support by Thunder Audio of Bonita Springs. Both

have international experience in laser light and concert performances. Without their help, cooperation, and generosity this show would not have happened

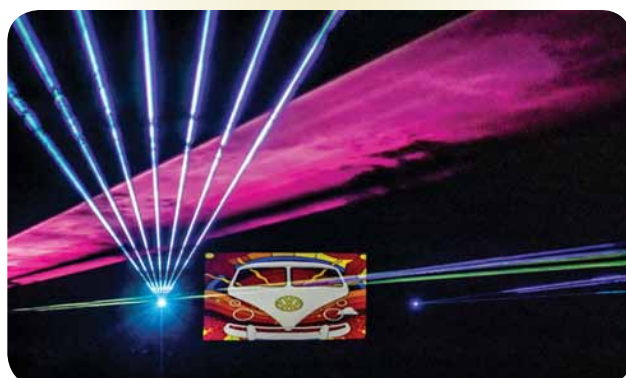
It is the Del Tura spirit of volunteerism that made this program the success it is. Thank you to the long list of volunteers that worked ceaselessly to make this event memorable. Their names are listed below but there is the chance, even though I worked to be sure not to miss anyone, that I missed someone. If so, I am sorry and please know that your contribution is appreciated.

On behalf of our sponsors, donors, volunteers, and friends of MOVEMBER, thank you.



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HOLIDAY CART PARADE THANK YOU!

By Linda Storma

A busy time of year?...Covid 19?...A little rain?...

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I look back with gratitude to all the wonderful volunteers who helped make it a success.

Our team: • Dusty Laurie • Barb Schmoltze • Beth Wilkerson • Sheila Double
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Also Thanks to our traffic controllers:

Greg Wilkerson, Ed Laurie and Erv Storma (Who also got the Fire Truck)

And of course, our judges Barb Schmoltze and Ann Drysdale

And 24 participants in this year's parade! Great turn out and awesome support from Del Tura residents as we went around to cheers (and some treats too!)



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OUR RESIDENT BUTTERFLIES

By Rosemary Eiden

The zebra butterfly was designated the Florida state butterfly in 1996.

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Did you know we have a family of zebra butterflies living in Deltura? They live in the hammock with the nature walk. Their food is there, the passion vine. The young caterpillars feed on it till it is time to make a chrysalis. Then they can come out as a butterfly.

In order to lure them out, all you need is a passion flower, (*passiflora incarnata*) growing on a trellis. The flower is so exotic. It is full and lush in the summer months. During the winter it is dormant & will thin out a bit. They sip nectar from a wide range of flowers; some of their favorites are Lantana (*Lantana, Verbenaceae family*) and Shepherd's needle (*Bidens pilosa, Asteraceae family*). It is also possible that they develop a sort of symbiosis with those plants that provide their preferred pollen. You can also, see them nectaring on a Peregrina, or Spicy Jatropha (*Jatropha integerrima*) which are planted here and there in the Del Tura community. They are a popular plant for the zebra. They have been choosing these specific plants for hundreds of years.



We have it in our power to contribute to their existence. By planting more of their specific diet we could increase their population.

Del Tura Garden Club Activities.....

January 5th - club meeting at Fort Myers Butterfly House

- Website: thebutterflyestates.com
- Address: 1815 Fowler St, Fort Myers, FL 33901

January 18th - Tony Mauriello presentation, "Butterflies of SW Florida"
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DEL TURA FALL FISH NEWS

By Ginny Benjamins

FISH members no longer need to write up time slips. We will not be tracking hours anymore. We did that for RSVP and since they have dissolved their community work, we do not need the time slips. I would like to thank our members for their volunteer work on behalf of FISH. Because of the Covid-19 virus we have had some drivers who feel it is not safe for them to drive our residents. That is quite understanding at this time. I am hoping that when the vaccines are finally given to us we will once again have a full rooster of drivers. FISH has also stepped back from delivery of dinners to residents who have been hospitalized for the same reason. We must retain the social distances that the CDC recommends. Hopefully this will change later this year. So, with gusto I wish all of Del Tura a very HAPPY NEW YEAR.

To our residents, if you need a ride to an appointment, please call our FISH line at 997-3474. You will reach a prompt that will ask you some questions. Just give your reply and one of our FISH bookies (a bookie is someone who will begin to take care of your needs) will find the right person to help you. If you need a piece of medical equipment just call the same number (997-3474) and leave your request. Neil will get it to you as quickly as possible. We have so much to look forward to in 2021, so once again I wish everyone a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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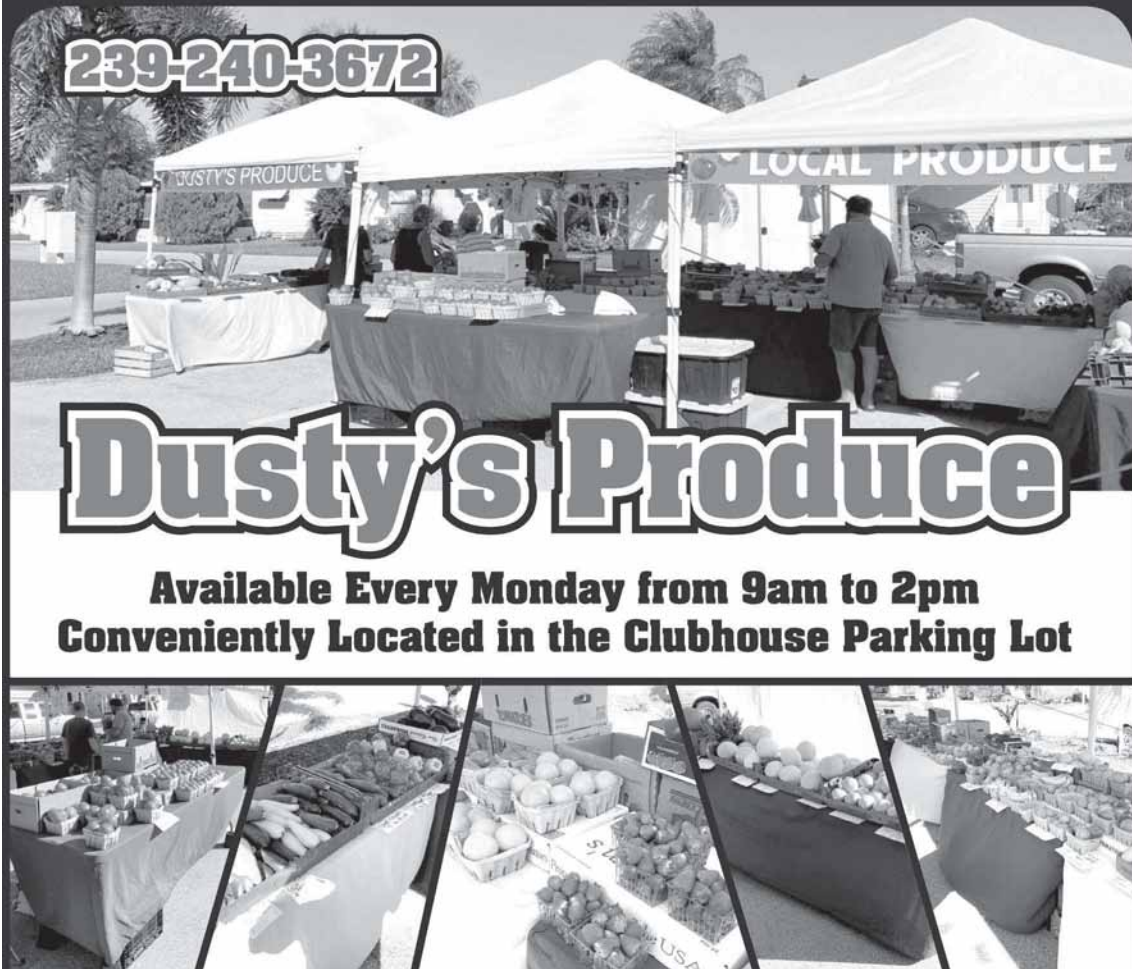
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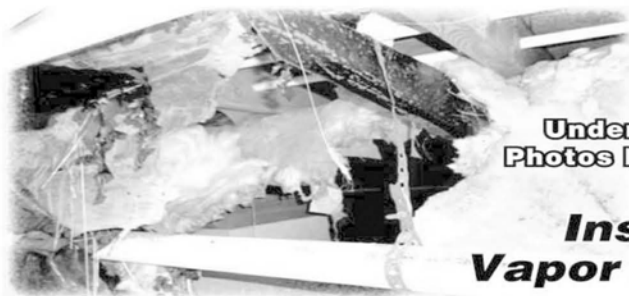
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DEL TURA TENNIS AT DEL TURA

By Jacqueline St-Jean
 President, Del Tura Tennis Association

WELCOME TO WINTER TENNIS

A year ago, we were oblivious to all the changes that would start at the beginning of this year. Hometown America has been very diligent in trying to keep all Del Turians safe during this pandemic. The restrictions have affected us in a number of ways, the most direct one being the inability of hosting players from outside the country club.

Still, the Del Tura Tennis Association will continue to host a number of activities throughout the winter season at our tennis courts situated by the North Pool.

There is Open Tennis on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays for anyone wanting to play from 8:00 to 10:00 am on Courts 1 & 2. Come and join us. Just show up during these times and you will automatically be included in the group.

We were able to have intra-mural fall leagues. All of it went well and people were respectful of safety concerns all around.

The winter intra-mural leagues will be starting January 11. The participants will be posted in the screened room by the tennis courts.

Our AGM is scheduled for January 10, 2021. We will be sending more information to members as to the format of the AGM in a little while.

The Friendship tournament has been held in January for many years and is being planned once again but with much fewer numbers as in the past. There seems to be a good level of interest in hosting it although it will be held without outside players or spectators. Denny Erickson and I have been discussing ways of hosting this in a safe and friendly manner.

Six (6) new FREE lessons each Tuesday for beginners or people who need to refresh their skills will start Tuesday, January 19 from 10:00 to 11:00 am and end on February 23.

This is a year like no other and hopefully things will get back to normal by next fall. If you have any questions, please contact Jacqueline St-Jean at 239-599-4468 or jacstjean2016@gmail.com or the Del Tura Tennis Association at DelTuraTennis@gmail.com.

DEL TURA FRIDAY SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE

By Glenn Tointon

Our twelve team Friday shuffleboard leagues got underway as planned on Friday the 13th without any problems.

After three weeks of play we have three teams tied at the top with identical 7-2 records. They are Jack and Janet Blevons, Judy and Dave Lessard, and Glenn and Mary Kay Tointon. Following close behind are Fred and Carolyn Brueggeman at 6-3 and Craig and JoAnn Evans at 5-4.

With many weeks to go for this league, the following teams are still very much alive and in the hunt. They are Marcella Carothers and Kathy Boesel, Denny and Louise Major, Mary Pimental

and Nancy Chomo, Bruce Blackmore and Lynn Brenfleck, Ted and Barb Luke, Lynn Sabel and Barb Jones, and Jean Wiley and LuAnn Condon.

Getting bored?

Thinking of learning shuffleboard?

Just a reminder that there is a fun gathering for anyone, with or without experience, on Tuesdays at 2:30. We play two games, always with different partners. We limit play to the first 24 people, but we've never met that number yet, so no worry of not being able to play. We play on every other court for social distancing and masks are optional, but you are always welcome to wear one.

So, come join us for an enjoyable fun day.

DEL TURA BOWLING LEAGUE

By Cindy Baron

League play continues at Bowland Cape Coral with 8 teams competing for Top Honors. Based on the standings as of Week 4, Spare No One (Betsey Donovan, Kevin Trombley, Sue Smith and Dan Larson) is in first place. Individual High Average for the Men is Tom Demshak and for Women is Janet Huss. High Handicap Series is Tom Demshak for the men and Cindy

Baron for the women. High Handicap Game is Bob Harmon and Marianela Tamayo.

We are always looking for additional players. If you are interested in bowling, please contact the league Secretary, Denise Rose, at 815-222-6466. The league plays every Tuesday till April (except December 21 and 28) at 10:30am.

Financial Moves for the Recently Divorced

Divorce is common in our society, but that doesn't make it any easier to navigate. If you've recently finalized a divorce, you've likely been coping with uncertainty and tension, but you can still avoid turning an already difficult situation into one that's even more challenging.

How? By making the right financial and investment moves, including the following:

- **Establish your separate financial presence.** Even when you were married, you and your spouse might have maintained some separate accounts. But if you only had joint accounts, now is the time to open your own checking, savings and credit accounts.
 - **Update your budget.** It's likely your budget needs updating. Your household income may be lower or may need to be adjusted for alimony or child support (paid or received). Additionally, your living expenses may have shifted, either higher because you're no longer splitting expenses such as housing or utilities, or possibly lower because you're no longer supporting your ex's spending habits. Understanding your new budget will help you feel better informed about your financial options and more in control of your new situation.
 - **Prioritize emergency savings.** Divorce is expensive and may have depleted your savings. To get back on your feet, you may want to build an easily accessible source of funds for unexpected drops in income and/or spikes in expenses. If you're not retired, you may want to keep three to six months' worth of expenses in emergency savings, although even much smaller amounts can boost your feelings of financial security.
 - **Evaluate your retirement plan contributions.** When you were married, you may have been counting on sharing resources and expenses with your spouse in retirement. But now, you may be solely responsible for your retirement, so if you can afford it, you may want to ramp up your retirement plan contributions. You may want to consult a financial professional about setting and achieving new goals.
 - **Think about Social Security.** Your divorce could play a role in the benefits you can receive. Once you are eligible for benefits, if you were married at least 10 years and you haven't remarried, you might be able to receive up to 50% of your ex-spouse's benefits, offset by your own benefit. If your ex passes away and you haven't remarried (or you remarry only after age 60), you could receive 100% of their benefit in place of your own. This could be beneficial if your ex-spouse had a higher income or spent longer in the labor force. Since rules can be complicated, contact your local Social Security office to better understand your situation, and keep a record of your ex's Social Security number.
 - **Review your beneficiary designations and legal documents.** You'll likely need to revise the beneficiary designations on your retirement accounts and life insurance policies. These designations carry a lot of weight and can even supersede the instructions in your will. And, speaking of your will, you'll likely need to revise it too, along with other legal documents, such as a living trust.
- Consult with your legal professional to make these revisions.
- It can feel like a long road to stability after a divorce – but by following the above suggestions, you may be able to make the trip a little less bumpy – and hopefully shorter – as well.

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DEL TURA 18 HOLE WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

By Margie Blackwell

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

NEW OFFICERS

The 18-holers held their holiday luncheon in December and installed officers for 2021. Sandy Vassallo and Margie Blackwell will continue to serve as President and Vice President for a second year. The two new officers are Linda Beiermann, Secretary, and Denise Rose, Treasurer. A big thanks goes to Linda and Denise for stepping up! The volunteer chairs for the past year have agreed to continue in their positions for 2021 - Bobbie Asper as Rules Chair; Pat Bedard as Tournament Chair; Gail Gulino as Welcome Chair; and Jean Reimer as Handicap Chair. Thank you to all!

Many, many thanks to the outgoing officers, Bertie Dugo and Sherry Leverre, for all of their hard work. They devoted many hours to the league over the last few years.

And by the way, the pasta meal prepared by Nick's Restaurant in Del Tura was delicious.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

The Member-Member Tournament will be played on Wednesday and Thursday, January 27th and 28th. The sign-up sheet will be in the breezeway very soon.

POSTING SCORES

To provide a fair playing experience for all members of our league, it is important that



players post every golf score played. It is the responsibility of players to post their own rounds in the GHIN system on a personal device/computer or in the computer located in the pro shop. Thursday golf rounds will continue to be posted by the pro shop.

NEW MEMBERS

Two new ladies have joined our group - Barb Faber and Dawn Kilgore. Welcome to both of you!

DEL TURA 9-HOLE WOMAN'S GOLF ASSOC. (DTNHWGA)

By Sandy Gove

HAPPY NEW YEAR, 2021!

Swinging into the New Year, more snowbirds have returned, including some of our Canadian friends, and it's great reconnecting as well as meeting new people while golfing in the fresh air, here in our little paradise.

Our last event for 2020 was the Holiday Luncheon, General Meeting and Awards Presentation held December 10th in the Starlight Ballroom. Tables were decorated for the holidays, and there was a festive atmosphere despite our need to follow all the necessary protocols, and everyone seemed to enjoy the opportunity to get together. Lucky for us Ken Baron, our "Barista

Extraordinaire" was in charge of the Poinsettia Punch!

During the meeting portion, Kathy Klein, Membership, reported we have several new members including: Marty Riley, Linda Czuchaj, Janice Dodge, Betsy Donovan, Martha Stockinger, and Rosemarie Egizi: welcome all! Should you have an interest in joining our group on Thursday mornings please contact Kathy (715-927-1163) who will gladly answer any questions you may have. We were saddened to learn of the passing of Joette Fabbri: a plaque with her name will be added to our memorial bench.

The 2020 Awards were presented by President Justine Fitzgibbons as follows with congratulations to each recipient.

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SPORTS & EXERCISE



**Club Champion:
Mary Kay
Tointon**

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
MARY KAY TOINTON, CLUB CHAMPION

FLIGHT 1:

- 1ST PLACE: KATHY KLEIN
- 2ND PLACE: LINDA SADOWSKI
- 3RD PLACE: JAN WALIMIRE

FLIGHT 2:

- 1ST PLACE: KAREN BRENNAN
- 2ND PLACE: SHARON DANIELS
- 3RD PLACE: DOROTHY COOK

FLIGHT 3:

- 1ST PLACE: BARB JONES
 - 2ND PLACE: DONNA ROBERTS
 - 3RD PLACE: JAN HOFFAY
- MEMBER/MEMBER CHALLENGE

FLIGHT 1:

- ANNE STEPHENS/IRENE WEST
- IRENE WEST/ANNE STEPHENS

FLIGHT 2:

- MARY KAY TOINTON/MARCIA PETERSON
- MARCIA PETERSON/MARY KAY TOINTON

FLIGHT 3:

- WENDY SHORE/LUCY SCHAEFER
- LUCY SCHAEFER/WENDY SHORE

Pat DiNitto then distributed pins to the many members who've had Birdies or ChipIns during play the past year. Donations received from members were contributed to Del Tura's fundraiser for the Food Pantry and Toys for Tots.

2021 starts off with the Club Championship on January 13 and 14, and lunch will follow in the Starlight Ballroom at noon. Whether you are a new member or a long-term member, you're encouraged to sign up for this event of friendly competition.

Looking ahead, the fun Couples Challenge will be held February 17 at 2:00 and those crazy flamingos will return to be seen everywhere fundraising for a good cause, so watch for further details.

Golfing allows us many opportunities for exercise, meeting new people, and developing new friendships, new skills, and patience, so get out and enjoy!

See you on the tee!



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DEL TURA MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

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Tim Trout 1st place
Tom Miller 2nd place

White Flight 1
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White flight 2
Rick Antaya – 1st place
Roy Schuetz---2ndplace
White flight 3
Paul Nolan 1st place
Tony Ragone 2nd place

DEL TURA SOFTBALL UPDATE *By Art Keen*

Play Ball!

Hello softball fans and players. As you are reading this the Del Tura softball teams are playing their first games of the season. The below is the January portion of the schedule for the Amigos and the Diablos. Plan to come out and root for one or the other of our teams as we battle against the forces of evil! (The surrounding communities) Our games are played on Monday and Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm during the months of January, February and March at Carmalita Fields in Punta Gorda. We will be taking temps and providing wrist bands to players and fans in an effort to protect our most valuable commodities, our residents.

At this time, there is still room on our rosters

for a few more players. If anybody is interested in playing, please contact either Jim Hamilton (208)313-1321 or Art Keen (210)279-2093.

To be eligible to compete in the league, team members must have reached fifty (50) years of age prior to January 1st of this year (2021), complete an eligibility form and reside or rent in the community for a minimum of three months (90 days) during the League's scheduled playing dates. (*the residency requirement has been waived this year to accommodate any COVID-19 related delays in arrival this year only)

Hope to see you on the field or in the stands!

Art Keen (210) 279-2093
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SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Amigos	Diablos
Jan 4	vs. Diablos	vs. Amigos
Jan 6	vs. Pine Lakes	vs. Tara Woods
Jan 11	vs. Old Bridge	vs. Heron's Glen
Jan 13	vs. Buccaneer	vs. Pine Lakes
Jan 18	vs. Lake Fairways	vs. Old Bridge
Jan 20	vs. Heron's Glen	vs. Buccaneer
Jan 25	vs. Tara Woods	vs. Lake Fairways
Jan 27	vs. Heron's Glen	vs. Tara Woods

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DAILY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

The Daily Activity Schedule is updated on a monthly basis. Contact Dennis Cottini 847-707-1435 or dcottini@comcast.net for any changes prior to the 9th of each month.

Activity	Location	Contact	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Exercise									
Jane Fonda Aerobics		Teddy Reid, 239-770-3838	10:00-10:45		10:00-10:45		10:00-10:45		
Line Dancing Advanced Class	Starlight Ballroom	Jackie Hinrichs, 616-916-7796			3:00-4:00 PM				
Line Dancing Beginners Class	Starlight Ballroom	Jackie Hinrichs, 616-916-7796			4:00-5:00 PM				
Tai Chi		Marjorie Lord, 543-9072	8:00-9:00		8:00-9:00		8:00-9:00		
Tai Chi Chuan Instruction NEW	Royal Palm	Dr. Charles C. Longworth, Ph.D. 239-945-2106	8:00-9:00 AM		8:00-9:00 AM		8:00-9:00 AM		
Therapeutic Yoga Instruction NEW	Royal Palm	Dr. Charles C. Longworth, Ph.D. 239-945-2106	9:00-10:00 AM		9:00-10:00 AM		9:00-10:00 AM		
Tura Zumba		Teddy Reid, 239-770-3838	9:00-10:00		9:00-10:00		9:00-10:00		
Water Aerobics (Oct-April)	North Pool	Betty Scheetz 609-477-9147	11:00-12:00		11:00-12:00		11:00-12:00		
Water Noodle Aerobics	North Pool	Marylou Buss, 612-718-7878		11:00-12:00		11:00-12:00			7:00 PM
Yoga Relaxation	Starlight Ballroom	Dea Wells 283-5603		10:45-12:15		10:45-12:15			
Sports									
Billiards, Men's		Harry Christopher, 997-7345	1:00-3:00						
Billiards, Women's (Nov-Apr)		Ann DeGrande, 989-2206			6:30-9:30				
Bocce (Nov-April)		Peggy Terrasi, 603-236-2209 peggyterras@gmail.com	3:45-5:30						
Bocce and Burgers		Janet DeCosmo, 239-776-9161							5:00
Bowling For Fun	Call for location	Cheryl DeCara, 543-8751						2:00	
Bowling League (Oct-Mar)		Dave Csuy, 770-6254		10:30					
Fun Couples Shuffleboard League	Shuffleboard Court	Darlene Brinker 586-431-0022	7:00 PM						
Golf, Men's 18 Hole League		Steve Doyle			8:00				
Golf, Men's 9 Hole League		Bart De Graaf 239-599-4404			8:00				
Golf, Women's 18 Hole League		Sandy Vassallo, 248-755-1176				8:30			
Golf, Women's 9 Hole League		Kathy Klein 715-927-1163				8:30			
Horseshoes NEW	Horseshoe Court	Bob Brinker 586-431-0022							3:00
Pickleball		Dick & Denise Rose, 815-978-4907	open play	open play	open play	open play	open play	open play	open play
Ping Pong	Jacaranda Room	Lois McDonnell, 505-228-1222				2:00-4:00	2:00-4:00		
Shuffleboard		Jack Blevons, 731-0892					1:00		
Shuffleboard NEW	Shuffleboard Court	Darlene Brinker 586-431-0022	7:00-9:00PM						
Shuffleboard, Open		Glenn Tointon 920-309-1294	9:00	2:30					
Shuffleboard, Traveling Team (Dec-Mar)		Glenn Tointon 920-309-1294			12:30				
Softball	Punta Gorda	Jim Hamilton 208-313-1321	5:30		5:30				
Tennis, Mixed, Open		Linda Laird 239-850-2632	8:00-10:00		8:00-10:00		8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00	
Games									
Bingo, doors open at 6:00pm, sales end at 6:45pm (Oct-Mar)	Starlight Ballroom	Jack & Janet Blevons 731-0892				7:00-9:30			
Bingo (all year)	Starlight Ballroom		11:00-12:00						
Bridge, Duplicate	Poinciana Room			6:00-10:00					
Bridge, Open	Jacaranda Room	Ken Knight, 305-746-3782			1:00-4:00				
Bunco, (*All year, 1st & 3rd Wed of each month)	Poinciana Ballroom	Patti Watson, 608-358-7709 / Darcie Rockenbough, 239-938-6865			6:00 to finish*				
Canasta	Jacaranda Room	Norrine McLaughlin, 543-1276		1:00-4:00					
Dominoes	Royal Palm Room	Ruth Anten, 997-9779			5:30-9:30				
Euchre	Poinciana Room	Marcella Carothers, 731-3315		7:00-9:00					
Farkle	Poinciana Ballroom	Ruth Anten, 997-9779	6:00-9:00						
Hand & Foot Card Game	Jacaranda Room	Betty Scheetz, 609-477-9147		1:00-4:00					
Hand, Knee & Foot Card Game	Poinciana Room	Donna Moore, 543-5262	1:00-4:00			1:00-4:00	1:00-4:00		
Mahjong	Card Room II	Marianne Denman, 543-5968				7:00			
Mahjong	Card Room I	Dianne Bevilacqua, 567-2234		1:00-5:00					
Mahjong	Card Room I	Rheta Kanen, 731-0809	7:00						
Mahjong	Card Room II	Ruth Anten, 997-9779		6:00					
May I Card Game	Jacaranda Room	Norrine McLaughlin, 543-1276	1:00-4:00						
Pinochle	Jacaranda Room	Marcella Carothers, 731-3315			6:45-10:00				
Rummi-kub	Jacaranda Rroom	Jean Cornwell 731-1580			1:00 - 4:00				
Texas Hold 'Em	Card room 1	Joette Fabbri, 239-560-3324	4:00		4:00		3:00		
Other Activities and Clubs									
Blood Pressure Readings (before coffee)	Starlight Ballroom	Carolyn Bruggemann		8:00-9:00					
Card Making (Nov-Apr)	Call for location	Mary Kay Tointon, 920-309-2121 Gay Dye, 614-861-0007			9:00				
Ceramics	Across from bocce court	Ruth Ann Blevins 239-220-9381 Janet Ragone 856-693-8341	9:00-12:00	9:00-12:00	9:00-12:00	9:00-12:00	9:00-12:00		
Choralaires, (Sep-Mar)		David Adams, 508-284-6107		6:30 - 8:30					
Coffee & Social Hour	Starlight Ballroom	Barbara Schmoltze, 239-218-9413		8:00					
Creative Writers Group (*2nd & 4th Thurs)	Craft Room	Nancy Davy, 239-599-4631				2:00-3:30*			
Garden Club, (*1st Mon. of month)	Jacaranda Room	Ruth Ann, 239-292-6299 Dorothy, 239-850-2306	10*						
Good Timers, (*1st Tues. of month)	Poinciana Room	Liz Poniatowski, 800-2935		4:00*					
Del Tura MotorCycle Club Ride NEW	ClubHouse Parking Lot	Sheila & Tony Doublé - 239.628.7786							1st & 3rd Sundays, 8 AM
Library, open every day		Barb Jones, 543-6922 Kathleen Quigley, 543-1067							
Quilting/Sewing Club	Starlight Ballroom	Wendy Wells, 309-264-9147		AfterCoffee Hr					
Video Corner (check hours in the Library)		Elaine Schnur, (239) 464-0623						1:00-3:00	
Wood Carving (Nov-May)	Ceramic Room	Bernie Forsey, 239-217-6024	9:00-12:00						



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AT THE HYDRANT



By Justine Fitzgibbons

If Dogs Could Talk

Jeff and Laura Intini 2 fur babies:

These are our best friends, Lexi and Nova. We are fairly new to Del Tura. Lexi enjoys the dog park and is quite the lady, she greets everyone with a smile, then sits and watches the other dog's play. Lexi is a pure breed Golden retriever and has been in our family since she was 8 weeks old.

After our family dog, Mercedes, of 16 yrs passed over the rainbow Bridge, our home felt empty without a dog. A year later we saw a posting for Golden retriever puppies and knew a Golden retriever would be a great family dog around our grandchildren.

As Jeff and I were touching up our home for resale, at the age of 6, Lexi started having seizures. We took her to the vet, and they couldn't find anything wrong. We thought maybe the paint or sheet rock dust was causing it. We moved to Fort Myers from Long Island NY when she was 7 and she continued to have seizures. 6 weeks later we moved to Del Tura and she still continued to have seizures.



In March my daughter was having problems with her dog Nova, a sheltie. My grandson, a 3 yr old was too rough with Nova, and Nova would bark constantly at him and try to nip him. My daughter has 4 children and Nova only growled at my grandson. So, in March of 2020 Nova join our home and is much calmer.

When Nova joined our home, Lexi stopped having seizures and has not had a seizure since March. Nova enjoys playing

fletch and being a lap dog. Although Nova is 80lbs less than Lexi, Nova holds her ground and steals the ball from Lexi. Both dogs are lap dogs, lol, and very spoiled. They make our home here in Del Tura a delight.

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
						
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		Jan. 12, 1988 Florida Lottery debuts 	BOD Applications must be in by today HOA MEETING 7pm			BOD Candidate Meet & Greet 6pm to 8pm Clubhouse Portico
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
			January Birthday "CELEBRATION" Starlight Ballroom 1pm to 3pm			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
						2 nd Annual Del Tura Classic Car & Bike Show w/ Vendors 4pm-6:30pm In Main Parking Lot
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