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## **YOUR NOMINATION AND ELECTION** DEL TURA **COMMITTEE AT WORK!**

After months of careful planning, preparation, and hard work, your HOA Nomination and Election Committee convened on February 4, 2023 to count ballots for the annual Board of Directors Elections. As required by the HOA By-Laws, all votes were anonymously cast. The authenticity of ballots and vote count were verified by Committee members Ruth Blevins, Susan Brown, Michaelene Cruz, Lisa Gabrielcik, Linda Storma, and Daniel Cruz. The results of the election were presented to the Board, as scheduled, on February 15, 2022.

In addition to the Committee Members who worked hard to make this election run smoothly and transparently, the Committee wishes to thank Lisa Bellanca, our Committee's Board Liaison, Cindy Briton, Co-Chair of the Membership Committee, and Cindy Swisher, Tower Editor. Also, the Committee wishes to thank all the HOA office volunteers for their help in directing members who were uncertain of how to deliver their ballots. Most of all, the Committee wishes to thank the Candidates for stepping up to serve their Community and Membership for casting their votes.



Our Board of Directors is always looking for volunteers to serve on next year's Nomination and Election Committee. If you are interested in participating and having some fun along the way, or if you have any questions about the election, please reach out to Daniel Cruz at danielleecruz@gmail.com or 239.443.7278.

#### DEL TURA **ELECTION RESULTS**

The results of the recent HOA Board of Directors election are listed below:

Art Keen - President Dorothy Cook - Vice President Darlene Fincham - Treasurer Dave Tomaszewski - Secretary

Irma Backelant - Director Cindy Baron - Director Lisa Bellance - Director Nuno Hilton - Director Kathy Williamson - Director

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# DEL ALTER EAGLES

Del Tura rocked to the sounds of the Alter Eagles as the band show. And thanks to all attendees who sent in photos, especially played to a full house. Thank you Entertainment Committee, Donna Wren, Laurie Divis and Beth Wilkinson. especially Lynn Brenfleck, for bringing us such an amazing









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# Sunny Day's Ice Cream Truck!



Will drive throughout the community selling ice cream to any resident who wishes to have cold treat.

March 19thApril 23rdMay 21stfrom 5:00pm-7:00pm

# DEL MISSING

What: Del Tura Corn Hole game Where: from behind the shuffleboard shed Many Del Tura families enjoy playing Corn it to its proper home. Hole with friends or family and want this

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community resource returned. If you have any information about its whereabouts, please return Thank You

#### AROUND THE GROUNDS By Darlene Fincham DEL

of volunteers that provide regular general surveillance of common areas in Del Tura. If you are interested in making a difference by overseeing an area of your interest, to identify repairs needed, as well as repairs completed, please contact delturagrounds@yahoo.com.

Please remember that in order to keep our grounds in a condition that we are proud of, it is respectful to clean your tables, put your trash in the receptacles provided, and if you move tables together put them back the way they were for the pools, as well as the courtyard. Also, when you leave a table, please close the umbrella so it doesn't get damaged if a storm kicks up. Finally, remember that only Hometown

move umbrellas or furniture from their original location.

If you spot something in a common area that needs repair please send an email, including pictures and exact location (very important), to delturagrounds@yahoo.com and a work order will be requested through the Administration Office. For larger items, which are capital expenditures, our HOA leadership continues to work with Hometown America on a monthly basis. Residential property issues are outside the Grounds Committee and HOA jurisdiction, so please work directly with Del Tura's administrative team.



The Del Tura Grounds Committee consists America (Del Tura) personnel are authorized to

# **PRESIDENT'S KORNER**

#### By Lisa Bellanca, President - Board of Directors

I have met so many kind and generous people over the last couple of years. I could not have navigated serving the community without the help, information, and assistance provided by past board members, as well as knowledgeable residents. Thank you, thank you, thank you. I will take this knowledge and use it during my remaining two years as a director on the board.

I must thank all the board directors and officers I have served with. In a community of year.

This is my last article as President of the HOA. our size one person cannot make a difference. A huge shout out to all the community volunteers, (current, past, and future). It takes a village, and we have a great one.

> Congratulations and welcome to the newly elected HOA board members. Darlene Fincham, Dorothy Cook, Nuno Hilton, Dave Tomaszewski, and Irma Backelant. They will join Art Keen, Kathy Williamson, Cindy Baron and myself to serve you to the best of our abilities for the next



Come join us on Tuesdays, after coffee until about 3:00, in the Starlight Ballroom.

We quilt, knit, crochet, spin wool, and do other various crafts. We all work on our own projects, but occasionally have a class to learn a technique.

Bring your own equipment and supplies. If you bring a sewing machine, bring an extension cord as the outlets are few and far between.

For more information, call Wendy Wells at 309-264-9147. I hope to see you there!

#### SUGGESTION BOX TURA

In addition to the suggestion boxes in the BOD, and the Starlight Ballroom and the HOA Office, you can email your suggestions to us at DTHOASuggestionBox@gmail.com. Please include your NAME, STREET ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER along with the issue you would like the HOA to address.

Briefly describe your issue/concern and any possible solutions. You will be notified continue to make Del Tura our piece of when your suggestion is brought before paradise! ~ Your HOA Board of Directors

what actions will be taken regarding it. By sharing your concerns

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Jerry Leafer Del Tura Resident 239-567-0604 delturatech@comcast.net Credentials **MCSE** Certification A+ Certification Network + Certification Licensed MA DOE IT Instructor activities which will include a members only fashion show, luncheon, a walking tour of Fort Myers ending with lunch, and a play at Cultural Park. We will also be sponsoring two cruises at

We have many more activities that we hope you will come and enjoy. Hope to see you soon!

# **NEW STRENGTH TRAINING CLASS**

Osteoporosis Foundation. When: Tuesdays 1-2 pm & Saturdays 10-11 am. Location: Clubhouse but rooms vary due to active use of Starlight Ballroom-See locations below

#### **Equipment Needed:**

Mat, 2 sets of weights (light and heavier set) - This is dependent on your physical condition. You may want to start out without any weights and work up to using weights.

#### Why you should Safe Strength Train:

Many of us have osteopenia or osteoporosis due to our age, medications, or genetics. Strength training builds bone, slows down bone loss, improves balance and allows us to maintain an active lifestyle. Please note this class is not difficult and Susie provides modifications.

Schedule: March 4 Sat., Starlight 10-11am March 7 Tues., Starlight 1-2p March 11 Sat., NO CLASS March 14 Tues., Starlight 1-2p March 18 Sat., Royal Palm 10-11am March 21 Tues., Royal Palm 1-2p March 25 Sat., Royal Palm 10-11a March 28 Tues., Royal Palm 1-2pm April 1 Sat., Royal Palm 10-11a April 4 Tues., Starlight 1-2pm April 8 Sat., Royal Palm 10-11a Åpril 11 Tues., Starlight 1-2p April 15 Sat., Starlight 10-11am Åpril 18 Tues., Starlight 1-2p April 22 Sat., Royal Palm 10-11am April 25 Tues., Starlight 1-2pm April 29 Sat., Royal Palm 10-11a last class

Any Questions feel free to text or call 716-609-9370 Hope to see you! ~ Patty Ostertag

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#### 2022 THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS DEL TURA **BASKETS** By Charlene/Ron Ruotolo, Betty Scheetz & Ruth Anten

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This year (2022) the Basket Charity Program continued to exceed our expectations. As Del Tura continues to grow and change Del Tura residents continue to be as giving as ever. The Basket Program is now 42 years old and it appears that it will continue for a long time, thanks to the donations (food, money & gifts) by the RESIDENTS OF DEL TURA. In addition to all the donations there is also an overwhelming volunteer effort that makes programs like this possible.

For those of you that do not know what the Basket Program is all about, we provide complete Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners as well as boxes of staple food and, at Christmas, gifts for each family member living in the household.

Many of you already know that this was our last year. For us it started in 2010 with a phone call from Babe Schwartz, the previous chairperson, asking if I would continue the program as she was moving. The rest is history.

We are thrilled that two couples have volunteered to continue the program, Bob & Judy them the same support you have shown us.

Again, our heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated to the holiday collection and to all the volunteers that collected, wrapped and packed the baskets. We would like to mention all of you by name, but the list is just TOO long.

#### Expenses Office/Printing Supplies.....\$352.48 Thanksgiving Baskets.....\$2443.86 Christmas Baskets ......\$4323.06 Christmas Gifts..... \$899.54 Suncoast Neighborhood Task Force...\$ 3,000.00 Doris Rivera Memorial .....\$1,500.00 Total Expenses ...... \$12,518.94

#### **Collections / Donations**

Carryover from Donations	\$14868.64
Thanksgiving Cash Donations	\$7001.00
Christmas Cash Donations	
Total Collections	\$12,657.00
Total Funds	\$27525.64

**Balance Carry Over for 2023** 

#### **DEL TURA FRUIT TREE PROJECT** DEL

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The Fruit Tree project had 13 dedicated volunteers, who picked fruit from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. Our thanks to the following people: Joe Pollock, Barry Plisch, Christine Yeager, Don Yeager, Stewart Williams, Maria Soper, Gail Hodge, Larry Hodge, Patt Glen, Andree Dearing, Charles Dearing, Sandy Vassallo, and Denise Rose.

The commitment for this project was for approximately one hour each time we would meet to pick fruit. The old saying, "many hands make less work" sure was true in this case.

This year we picked a total of 5,056 pounds of avocados, bananas, coconuts, mangoes, oranges, and starfruit. Most of the fruit was delivered and donated to the CCMI Café, part of the Harry Chapin Food Bank.

At one of the early fall Tuesday Coffee hour meetings, I spoke and asked for volunteers to replace me as Chairman of this committee. No one called, so I figured I'd have to keep the job a while longer, but IAN must have heard me, because he wiped out most of the fruit trees that we have picked over the years.

So...this will be my last report for the project. I believe our little group of "pickers" contributed a real service to Del Tura homeowners. Many of our seasonal residents weren't here when the fruit on their trees ripened. We're grateful for the opportunity to give back to our community and, in turn, help others less fortunate by donating the fruit.

Thank you, Sherry

#### **NIGHT AT THE RACES** By Ginnie Benjamins

#### THANK YOU RESIDENTS!

You donated \$4287.00 to the committees in Del Tura! It was such a fun night and all for great causes!

The details of the money that was handed to each committee chairperson at coffee on January 31, 2023. This money is for the committees to use at their discretion.

Save our Strays \$200.00, F.I.S.H. \$200.00, Garden Club \$300.00, Bricks for Vets. \$600.00, C.E.R.T. \$500.00, Loan Closet \$2,000.00, Christmas in the Clubhouse \$487.00

We will be back next year - get your snacks ready and your hats decorated - the committee has so much fun doing the event and we thank all that attended and/or donated! ~ *Marylou Buss* 



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# **ZUMBA/DANCE FITNESS**

**Tura Zumba/Dance Fitness Class Valentine's Day celebration Monday, Feb 13th** We shared an hour of fun dancing to stay fit which helps us both phycially and mentally. All the routines can be adapted to whatever level you choose.

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# **DEL TURA AT THE HYDRANT** By Justine Fitzgibbons





A Tale of Two Rescues

Hello everyone, my name is Clover. I am a three-time award winning AKC grand champion Beagle. I am small, tri-colored, and still in show shape. I have long white sox and ears like velvet or rabbit's fur. Unfortunately, when I was a puppy, no one wanted to adopt me, so I had to stay with my breeders. Their pack was already three strong. Being the smallest and youngest, my pack bullied me causing me to spend my first seven years either defending myself inside my crate watching the world go by or hiding under the bed in the back room in hopes of some peace. I learned to blend into the background to avoid the others. I learned to not bark as that draws the wrong kind of attention. Yes, I am a beagle who does not bark. The breeders never felt it was necessary to train me or socialize me, so I never went for walks or met any other dogs or people except for the vet. I am startled by everything, and my flight response is all I have. The house, back yard, car, and vet's office is the total extent of the exposure to the world I experienced for my first seven years. Sometime just before my seventh birthday, some portly human who smelled like sausages, showed up at the door and spent time on the floor meeting me and the pack. The others didn't care for him, but I found him to be comforting, and boy did he know all the right spots to scratch. I decided to curl up in his lap to continue my massage and maybe get some peace from the others. A week later that guy came back, the breeders got my papers and informed him I was the niece of his

first dog. He then took me to live with him at his house. Right away I had my own yard to play in, I was allowed, no, had, a place on the couch set for me, toys everywhere and a bed in almost every room. My new dad has spent so much time with me trying to get me to become a real beagle again and I must say I do enjoy the time together, but I am still struggling with all of the outside activities he has me trying. I am still absolutely terrified of other dogs, all children, most people and even little animals like birds and bunnies. My Dad has relocated us both and I am adjusting again. I like sniffing around behind my house, but when I find a bunny, see another dog or the golfers on the tee are being loud, I will dart to my back door to get back inside, tail between my legs. I love being inside my house where it is safe. I have my toys and I can lounge around wherever I want. I like to walk on my hind legs and even dance at mealtime. I still refuse to take walks on the streets, so meeting many new people becomes difficult. My dad is trying to take me for golf cart rides. When my dad first came and adopted me, I think he needed me. He had just come off Chemo, lost his mother, lost my uncle (his first dog), and survived pancreatic failure with all of the diabetes and organ failure that comes with it, but with me being a such natural sweetheart, my dad seems much happier now as well. (Who rescued who?) I really would like to meet everyone but, please don't be offended if I meet you on a cart ride and I tremble the whole time. I am still trying to adjust to normal life.

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#### **D** By Dianne J. Roderick

"March Winds"

I'm sitting here today thinking about the month of March and asking myself, "I wonder in which direction the March winds will blow this year?" Will they blow in a peaceful direction, or will they greet us with a random force that tends to rudely nudge us in a direction that we are not comfortable with? I, like the majority of us, feel that we are more than ready for March winds that bring us days that are happy, calm, and tranquil.

I think of the arrival of March and its differences to living up north as compared to living here in sunny Florida. For us here we don't think about it as the end of winter and the welcoming of warmer days, we think of it as a transition from one month to another. Maybe a little warmer temps, but not at the level of our northern neighbors. Even though there are many differences on how we welcome and prepare for spring, we still have many things in common to celebrate as we enter this new season...spring can be a new beginning for all of us!

Northerners look forward to the spring rains and start planning for the planting of their vegetable and flower gardens. They anxiously await the arrival of the final spring thaw so they

can seriously get out there and prepare the soil for planting... I emphasize the final because up there you just can't be too sure if it will be!

Thankfully we don't have to worry about waiting for the ground to thaw to plant our vegetables or flowers. Here in Del Tura we plant our vegetables and flower seeds in pots, or in the ground and with a little luck and lots of T.L.C. they actually grow into beautiful plants. Well, most of us because my thumb has never been green, but I will never give up!

I think of all the time we put into our gardens and how beautiful they turn out. If we put that effort into our well- being I truly feel we would be so much healthier and happier with ourselves. Like our gardens we need to weed out the things that interfere with our growth and focus on the things that allow us to blossom. Yes, spring is a time to connect with Mother Earth wherever we may be but it's also a time for new beginnings for all of us. A perfect time to reconnect with ourselves and personally reflect on the things that will allow us to grow and give us peace.

Happy Spring Everyone

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#### EUCHRE By Marcella Carothers

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Jan. 17: First: Dick Boesel Second: John Thayer Third: Sherry Leverre, Jeff Czuchaj, Lynn Everett, Kathy Williamson (tie)

Jan. 31: First: Jeff Czuchaj Second: Jim Rhinehart, Third: Jim Yarian Fourth: Joan Kachel

Feb. 7: First: Lynn Everett / Tony Winn (tie) Second: Laura Zocco Third: Jeff Czuchaj / Scott McCorvel (tie)

#### PINOCHLE DEL TURA

By Marcella Carothers Jan. 11: First: Sonny Jelonek Second: Ken Nicolosij. Third: Tom Demshak

Ian. 18: First: Greg Roberts Second: Sonny Jelonek, Third: Kathy Boesel

Jan. 26: First: Diane Nicolosi Second: Tom Demshak, Third: Linda Scibilia

Feb. 1: First: Sonny Jelonek

Second: Rocco Guerreri, Third: Tom Demshak Feb. 8: First: Greg Roberts

Second: Linda Scibilia, Third: Rocco Guerreri Fourth: Fran Rhinehart

#### **MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION** DEL TURA By Donnie Soper

tournaments. We just finished our Member-Member on February 2nd. The second round started out as a regular day and then it was different! An airplane landed on 9 West! (See photos on page 12) The 9th hole was part of play for the day and then it was not! The pilot had an emergency landing; a perfect landing with no one hurt, and no damage to the fairway or green. The hole had to close for the day pending an investigation. This led to a reroute of play, and made an extra-long day. I want to thank Mike Overholser, the West Starter, who helped the tournament work its way to the end.

Blue Flight: 1st Skinner / Miller 187, 2nd Buonfiglio / Hill 188 T-3 Stockinger / Berlin & Wedge / Evangelist 194

White Flight 1: 1st Snyder / Hill 179, 2nd Liddle / Soper 183 3rd Volz / Gayan 187

White Flight 2: 1st Jager / Polglaze 182, 2nd Nugent / Angelilli 184, 3rd Roberts / Smith 185

White Flight 3: 1st Ellmann / Woodruff 176, 2nd Schaub / Mc Learnon 184, 3rd Boesel / Waterbury 189 Gold Flight: 1st Ashe / Baskerville 81

T-2 Ross / Bellanca & Hoffay / Greenwood 88 As I write this article on the afternoon of February 9th,

many of us just had a great day of golf in the morning playing the Ladies 18 Hole Valentines Tournament. It was fun for all... thank you ladies.

The next Pro Shop tournament is the Divorce Open on Saturday February 11th. Just a note on the Divorce Open.

The DTMGA has now played three of our six scheduled It was not always called the Divorce Open, the tournament started as a Couples Scotch back in 2009 here at Del Tura. My wife, Maria Soper, and I brought the idea to then Head Pro Jeff Nixon. We explained about the fun tournament we played at Olde Salem Greens, in Salem, MA. Jeff loved the idea and we had a summer and winter Scotch for a number of years. Jeff saw all the fun, or not so much fun, the couples were having and he named it "The Divorce Open".

> The DTMGA 2-Ball will be played February 15 & 16, 2023, followed by the DTMGA Member Guest on March 3 & 4, 2023. Our last tournament of the year will be the DTMGA Club Championship on March 15,16 & 22, 2023. Mark Reimer and Jay Fitzgerald have sat down with me to come up with pace of play rule for tournaments and every day play, info to follow.

> DTMGA elections are March 29, 2023, at 1:00 PM in the Starlight Ballroom. I encourage all members to vote at the meeting. Bill Ahrens, Treasurer and myself (Donnie Soper), President are stepping down. Dave Daniels will oversee the election. We need new blood and new ideas to move forward.

> I would like to thank all the members going back to 2010 when I first became a board member and later President for a number of years. It was fun, but now it is time to step away and just play golf.

Thank you, Donnie Soper



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Front Gate Guard	Barbara Schmoltze	239-731-2523
HOA Website	Cindy Brinton	267-642-6477
HOA Membership	HOA Office	239-731-3461
HOA Office - Clubhouse Lobby	Tuesday after Coffee until 12pm Wednesday 8 am-12pm Thursday 4pm-6pm	239-731-3461
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## HOA OFFICE HOURS

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WEDNESDAY9:00am - noon
THURSDAY Closed
FRIDAY9:00am - noon
SATURDAY & SUNDAY Closed
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Any resident wishing to purchase a "Name Tag" may do so on Tuesday mornings at coffee, before the start of announcements, or call Wendy @ 309-264-9147. A name tag with magnet backing is \$8.00, cash only. Tags are normally available for pickup the following week.

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# **BEGINNINGS**

By Karen Handley and Cindy Swisher

Little did I know when I wrote last month's article about the fiery plane crash Del Tura experienced in June of 1991 that history would soon repeat itself. The results of this version, however, were quite different from the first.

Just before noon on February 2, as golfers were enjoying a morning of play, a Piper PA-28R flown by pilot Peter Stern made an emergency landing on Nine West after experiencing mechanical failure. Stern was heading from Venice to the airfield across US 41 when the aircraft's engine gave out and he was forced to bring it down on the fairway.

Unlike the plane that came to rest nose first in a Del Tura home injuring three people, destroying one home and damaging three others, this aircraft glided gently across the grass and came to rest at the edge of the green. "He did a great job of landing it," witness and resident Dick Rose told WINK News. No one was hurt and there was no property damage, a real blessing considering how close the plane came to the crowded Pickleball courts nearby.

Soon after it landed, Del Tura golfers helped push the craft off of the green so play could resume. After all, "Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor planes on fairways will stop a golfer from finishing his round."

~ Cindy Swisher











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#### DEL **BLOCK PARTY** TURA



Audrey Martin has done a fabulous job in getting block captains all around Del Tura to invite their neighbors to the "Largest Block Party in the World!". If you haven't received an invitation yet, you need to contact Audrey at 239-464-1507 to see who your Block Captain is. We want to make sure EVERYONE is invited somewhere!

WHEN: SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH TIME: 4-7PM WHERE: Somewhere in YOUR neighborhood! WHY: To meet your neighbors and to have fun! WHAT TO DO: Bring a chair, your beverage and a dish to pass. Have a great day!



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# **DEL HOUSEHOLD TRASH PICKUP**

#### **Attention Del Tura Residents:**

America regarding trash pick up in our communitu.

Regular Houhold Trash - Monday and Thursday (Must be curbside by 6:00am) - Bright Star #941-276-9578.

Bulk Trash - Every Other Tuasday & must be curbside Monday by 6:00am for Tuesday pick up (Household items only - limit (2 pcs) (no whole house clean outs) Please consider local nonprofits for furniture donations. Bulk pick up schedule is available in the administration office.

Horticulture Pick up - Wednesday only (must be at curbside by 6:00am)

Loose Horticulture - all must be in containers with holes for drainage. No plastic trash bags. (No water filled containers will be picked up.) All tree limbs must be bundled, 2 foot in length, no bigger than 8 inches thick and weight must ne 40 pounds or less. (No stumps, root balls, dirt, or any plastic bag containing these items, will not be picked up.) All palm fronds must be bundled, 4 foot in length and 40 pounds or less and facing the same direction. (Please don't block sidewalk or road.)

Recycling - Monday (Addresses 1-3999) and Wednesday (Addresses 4000-6110) (Must be curbside by 6:00am) Waste Pro # 239-337-0800.

Construction Trash - Any construction residents must contact Dennis with Bright Star to schedule a pick up time 941-815-6208. (This is for homeowner small projects only.) All contractor's / handymen must take their trash with them, no exceptions.

Please don't mis household trash with bulk, construction or horticulture in same container or trash bag, the mixed bags / containers will not be picked up.

Please do not put anything on vacant lots or in any common area. These areas don't have trash pickup.

Resident or Resident's contractor Below is the schedule from Hometown can contact All Star's Office for a reduced rate for a special dumpster pickup. (941) 743-0855.

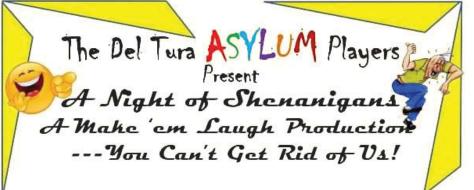
> Waste Pro will pick up appliances for you (No dishwashers.) Please call (239) 337-0800.

> Dishwasher pick up please call the admin office (239) 731-3433.

> Please call administration office for holiday trash pickup schedule (239) 731-3433.

NO TRASH DUMPING ALLOWED ANY WHERE IN DEL TURA COMMUNITY. 2023 BULK PICK UP SCHEDULE:

> February: Tuesday the 7th Tuesday the 21st March: Tuesday the 7th Tuesday the 21st April: Tuesday the 4th Tuesday the 18th May: Tuesday the 2nd Tuesday the 16th Tuesday the 30th June: Tuesday the 7th Tuesday the 21st July: Tuesday the 25th ONLY August: Tuesday the 8th Tuesday the 22nd September: Tuesday the 5th Tuesday the 19th **October:** Tuesday the 3rd Tuesday the 17th Tuesday the 31st November: Tuesday the 7th Tuesday the 21st December: Tuesday the 5th Tuesday the 19th





Sat, March 18th at 7 PM Sun, March 19th at 2 PM Sun, March 19th at 7 PM In The Starlight Ballroom



SHOW DATES - MARCH 9TH 10TH 11TH TICKET PRICE \$15 TICKETS SALES FOR HOA MEMBERS FEBRUARY 21ST AT 7.30AM AT TUESDAY COFFEE BOX OFFICE 603 398 8001 FROM 10AM - 5PM WE WILL ALSO HAVE A BOX OFFICE IN THE FOYER ON THURSDAYS AT IPM - 2PM DURING THE CABARET WE WILL HAVE AN INTIMATE DANCE FLOOR FOR YOUR PLEASURE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY.

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Sign up and get your balloons at Tuesday Coffee starting Feb. 7th. or		Official HOA Email
email your address to Lisa Bellanca at Ilbellanca@comcast.net We will drop off your balloons on Before March 10th		Ufficial HOA Email ure must be obtained if you want official HOA email. You may
		ng the HOA office or emailing <u>DTTechSvcs@delturahoa.com</u> .
A list of addresses and a community map will be available March 9th on the HOA website at www.deltura.hoa.com	My signature signifies that Lam requesting the	e receipt of official HOA email:
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Wednesday March 22, 2023	Please return t	his form to the HOA Office, 609 Sierra Madre
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Tickets go on sale: Tuesday 2/28/23	below & return this portion	STAMP! You can join on the 21st Century FMO Website - www.fmo.org
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## Saturday, March 25, 2023 Starlight Ballroom @ 7:00 PM

**Ticket Sales** HOA Members \$22 ..... Tuesday March 7th @ 7:30 AM Non-HOA Members \$24 ... March 14th & 21st @ 8:00 AM

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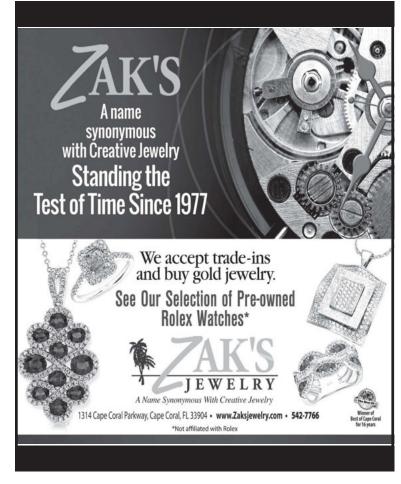
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# **CERT INFORMATION**

During February your community CERT team co-hosted a community pancake breakfast. Thank you to the Homeowner Association who splits the profits from these events in order to help groups within the community to raise money. The extra funds we raise help us to resupply the community CERT closet. We also purchase items for future use as needed. CERT organized a Blood Drive on February 17th.

As I write this article, neither of the above events has taken place. I will provide more information on the results of these

events in the April Tower.

At our February 1st monthly committee meeting, Amy from the Deaf & Hard of Hearing (DHHC) gave a fun and interesting presentation on signing. Amy provided us with basic information on how to correspond with people with hearing deficits. She also provided us with information on the services and information DHHC provides to Ft. Myers and surrounding areas. It was very interesting. I have heard from several residents suggesting this seminar is something they would be interested in attending if it were to be offered in the future. We are looking into organizing another presentation. We will post event details if this is something CERT can offer.

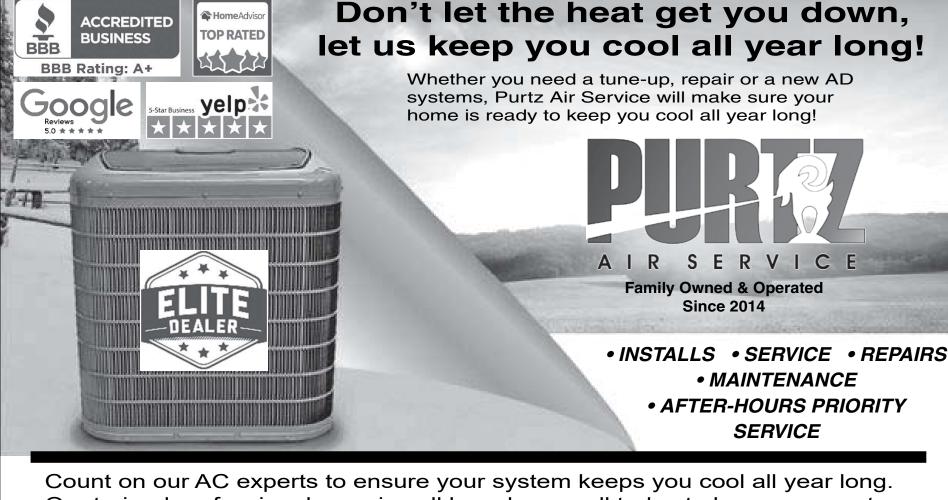


We appreciate "everyone" who has made donations to the CERT committee. We would like to thank both the Thanksgiving Dinner HOA Committee and the Night at the Races group. These two events recently made substantial donations to the CERT team. Donations are greatly appreciated since we are still replacing items that were provided to Del Tura residents in need after hurricane IAN. Our current shopping list includes heavy duty tarps, radios, and lanterns. All our

committee expenses are paid from income generated at fundraisers, and donations.

In March the North Ft. Myers Fire Department is hosting a fun and educational luncheon for the local area community CERT teams. It is always a fun day, and photos will follow in the next issue of the Tower.

During the HOA Health and Wellness Event, Lisa and Frank Bellanca were able to speak with many residents regarding the CERT team's work in the community. They were also able to secure some future CERT members. Thank you to everyone who stopped by the table. If you are interested in joining the Del Tura CERT team, you can reach out to Bertie Dugo at 617-974-8502.



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Tai Chi		Marjorie Lord 543-9072	8:00-9:00		8:00-9:00		8:00-9:00		
Tap Dancing	Starlight Ballroom	Deb Cali 239-567-2925				11:45-12:45			
Tura Zumba / Dance Fitness	Starlight Ballroom	Adele Guthreau 973-865-8336	9:00-10:00		9:00-10:00		9:00-10:00		
Water Arthritis (Feb-Apr)	Main Pool	Laura Strickland, Certified Water Arthritis Instructor, 614-805-2173		10:00-11:00		10:00-11:00			
Water Aerobics	North Pool	Betty Scheetz 609-477-9147	11:00-12:00		11:00-12:00		11:00-12:00		
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Water Walking	North Pool	Marylou Buss; 617-718-7878	8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00
Yoga Relaxation	Starlight Ballroom	Dea Wells 283-5603			10:30 - 11:30		10:30 - 11:30		
		Spo	rts						
Billiards, Men's	Billiards Room	Harry Christopher 997-7345	1:00-3:00						
Billiards, Women's (Nov-Apr)	Billiards Room	Ann DeGrande 989-2206			6:30-9:30				
Bocce (Nov-April)		Peggy Terrasi 603-236-2209	4:00 PM						
Deserved Deserved (Cont Mass)	Bocce Ball Court	peggyterrasi@gmail.com							2.00
Bocce and Burgers (Sept-May)		Janet DeCosmo 239-776-9161						0.00	3:00
Bowling For Fun	Bowland Cape Coral	Denise Goodell 614-792-3024						2:00	
Bowling Mixed League (Nov-Mar)	Bowland Cape Coral	Denise Rose 815-222-6466		1:20					
Golf, Men's 18 Hole League		Bill Gronek 810-990-5878			8:00				
Golf, Men's 9 Hole League		Bart De Graaf 239-599-4404			8:00				
Golf, Women's 18 Hole League		Margie Blackwell 239-789-8060				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	Pickleball Court	Janice Dodge 608-225-5227	open play	open play	open play	open play	open play	open play	open play
Ping Pong	Jacaranda Room	Lois McDonald 505-228-1222				2:00 - 4:00			
Shuffleboard	Shuffleboard Court	Glenn Tointon 920-309-1294					12:30		
Shuffleboard, Fun Couples	Shuffleboard Court	Darlene Brinker 586-431-0022	7:00 PM						
Shuffleboard, Open (Oct-Mar)	Shuffleboard Court	Judy Lessard 239-217-0924		2:30					
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Shuffleboard, Traveling Team (Dec-Mar)		Glenn Tointon 920-309-1294			12:30				
	Punta Gorda		5:30		5:30				
Softball		Jim Hamilton 208-313-1321 Alice Harmon 954 478 4033	5:50		5:50				
Tennis, Mixed, Open		allieoop33@gmail.com	8:00-10:00		8:00-10:00		8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00	
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**DEL** NATIONAL KIDNEY MONTH

By Margaret Hill

National Kidney Month is recognized each March. Did you know that during its early stages, kidney disease is often referred to as a silent disease because frequently there are no symptoms during the early stages? Of those Americans who have chronic kidney disease (CKD), 90% are not aware of it until the disease is advanced. CKD affects more than 1 in 7 adults and is the 9th leading cause of death in the US. Poorly functioning kidneys cause waste to accumulate in the blood, leading to a weakened system and other issues such as anemia, nerve damage and high blood pressure.

The good news is that it is possible to slow the progression of the disease if found in preliminary stages of development. For those over 60 who have risk factors such as diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease or a family history of the disease, be sure to address kidney health during appointments. Generally, your health care provider can rule out CKD through urine and blood tests. The recommendation is that if you have diabetes, you should be assessed for the disease annually. For those that have heart disease or a family history of kidney issues, your health care provider can help to determine how often you should be tested.

To optimize your chances of maintaining kidney health, work to avoid high blood pressure and diabetes. Also recommended is that you maintain a healthy diet, remain active daily, sustain appropriate weight, do not smoke, limit alcohol consumption, reduce stress and get at least 7-8 hours of sleep per night.

This year, World Kidney Day is Thursday, March 9th. This year's theme is "Kidney Health for All--Preparing for the Unexpected, Supporting the Vulnerable". I encourage everyone to wear green on the 9th to increase awareness in our community.

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# **GARDEN CLUB'S BIG EVENT**

By Rosemary Eiden

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Ever wonder what plants grow best, here in North Fort Myers? The Del Tura Garden Club is hosting a special opportunity for you to see the plants that are successful in Del Tura. The Garden Stroll, March 20th, 9-2pm. Five residents are opening up their yards for you to see first hand. This is a one day event. Gardens that you will see feature Florida natives, a butterfly garden, orchids, and vegetable gardening. You will be able to see color and texture combinations.

Gardeners will be present for you to ask questions. Please note that these gardens did survive hurricane Ian. Also, on the tour is our Demonstration Garden on the corner of Gran Via and Escorial. We have tweaked it this season with annuals that do well in our winter months. The annual plant sale will also, be set-up on the garden grounds. There will be an assortment of plants to choose from with affordable prices. Tickets for the event will be sold at the Tuesday coffee on March 7 & 14th. They will also, be sold at the Demonstration Garden the day of the event. Your ticket will be punched at each garden you tour. Be sure to drop them in the Demonstration Garden box at the end of your tour for the drawings at the end of the day.

Funds from this event help support the many projects we are involved with: the garden pots at the Veterans area, the bench and planting at the Banyon tree, the orchids we plan to hang in the southern oaks, the herb "sensory garden" planters, and the sail cloth for shading at the Demonstration Garden.

Hibiscus Class March 15th Poinciana Room 1-3pm





Apr – 2 mows May - 2 mows Jun – 5 mows Jul – 4 mows Aug – 4 mows Sep – 5 mows Oct – 2 mows





# GARDEN STROLL & PLANT SALE MARCH 20, 9AM – 2 PM

The **PLANT SALE** located at the *DEMONSTRATION GARDEN* offers a variety of plants, grown and/or donated by club members---perhaps something new for your garden?

The **GARDEN STROLL** is a self-guided tour of six of your neighbors' gardens offering a peek at plantings that include native plants, perennials, orchids, vegetables, and more...possibly inspiration for your own garden!

#### TICKETS \$5.00 PER PERSON

AVAILABLE: TUESDAY COFFEE HOUR ~ FEB. 28, MARCH 7 & MARCH 14 Or, by contacting: After March 6 ANN COLSTON (614) 561-4066, 4071 Avenida Del Tura \*DAY OF TOUR: TICKETS AVAILABLE AT DEMO GARDEN UNTIL SOLD OUT.

Funds raised from this event help support the gardens planted and maintained by the Garden Club, Gardening Programs, Demonstrations and Special events.



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# **PICKLEBALL FUN** By Jamie Wyman

Hey Pickleballers, it's been awhile. I hope you all had a great holiday season and are finding yourself enjoying this beautiful sunshine state. Time sure is flying by.

Before we start with more "playing the game", I want to bring up a few small but important things. The first is, knowing where your closest AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) is located in relation to the pickleball courts. This device is located by the main pool against the west wall going into the pub. It is in a metal case that is clearly marked. In the event of an emergency requiring this device, you should send one person quickly over to retrieve the AED while someone else is calling 911. Another thing to maybe brush up on would be CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation). Again, if you need to perform this, the AED should be on its way to you. Many accidents can happen on the courts, from minor to serious, and we must be as prepared as possible to handle them with the proper tools as quickly and efficiently as possible. I certainly don't mean to scare anyone, but I want us all to be as prepared as possible in the event of an emergency. The AED, along with CPR, can be an important part of saving someone's life.

On another note, as long as we are talking about AED's, please make sure you know where they are located throughout Del Tura. There is one located at every pool somewhere.

Finally, if you ever want to go over the AED or CPR, I would be more than happy to do that with you.

Sorry there wasn't much about the actual "game" of PB, but I felt this was very important to mention this month. Until next month.....

#### CANADA DAY in MARCH Sunday, March 12th, 2023

2:00 - Golf - 18 Hole Scramble - pay green fees in Pro Shop (tee times 7 teams will be posted in breezeway by the pro Shop on March 10th).

6:15 - Starlight Ballroom - Get-together for ALL CANADIANS (non-golfers too) BYOB. 6:30 - Pizza - \$7.50 per person.

For information contact: Greg and Donna Roberts 239-308-8955 (donnagregroberts@gmail.com) or Cam and Carrie Smith 239-771-9595 (carrielsmith58Wgmail.com)

Sign-up & payment for pizza must be made by March 8th at: 2226 Del Mar Drive (the Roberts or 1012 LaPloma Blvd. (the Smiths).



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#### NINE HOLE WOMEN'S GOLF By Sandy Gove DEL

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JAMIE WYMAN, 2023 CLUB CHAMPION

**Championship Flight Winners:** 

Flight 1: 1st Diana Zograto 2nd Kathy Klein 3rd Sue Hooper Flight 2: 1st Karen Brennan 2nd Ann Abramczyk 3rd Debby Peck

Flight 3: 1st Wendy Shore 2nd Donna Roberts 3rd Debby Taylor

The Nine Holers' Club Championship, one of the major events of the season highlighting friendly competition, was held January 18/19 followed by a salad bar luncheon that finished with assorted homemade cookies - who knew our golfers were such great bakers!

Kathy Klein, Membership, reported three new members, Julie Kohn, Betty Radosevich and Gloria Titone. New members are always encouraged to participate in our extra events. Kathy can be reached at (715-927-1163) to answer any questions about the league and/or membership.

February 8, the VALENTINE COUPLES' SCRAMBLE and SOCIAL was held and attracted great participation. As usual, players enjoyed beautiful weather for a relaxed game of golf.

AND THE WINNERS ARE: South Flight 1: Jan & Tom Hoffay South Flight 2: Marcy & Sunny Wagner T - Justine & Mike Fitzgibbons

West Flight 1: Martha & Greg Stockinger West Flight 2: Luann Condon & Thomas Miller

Valentine hearts later greeted players in the ballroom where the Social Committee offered a hearty Hogbodys pulled pork dinner with all the "fixings" topped off with a fun cake that put the finishing touch on a delicious meal. Thanks to all who worked behind the scenes to make it a success.

A serious moment was taken as President Justine Fitzgibbons recognized Jamie Wyman and her husband, Bruce, both EMTs, who because of their quick response and efforts were able to save the life of a player at a recent pickleball tournament. We are fortunate to have them residing in our community.

Justine, along with Debby Taylor, Tournament Chairman, and Pat Dinitto, Awards Chair, completed an already great evening by presenting the 2022 awards to the many winners attending.

An altogether great night for the Nine-Hole Women's League.

See you on the tee!

#### **TENNIS AT DEL TURA** By Stuart Rosenthal DEL TURA

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tournaments in January, sponsored by Denny Erickson. The winners of Division A were Denny Erickson and Nancy Josephs, second place went to Mike Raymer and Amy Stephens, and in third place were Steve Moore and Ruth Sarno. Division B winners were Woody Cook and Brenda Lazure, taking second place were Steve Spoeri and Ann Stephens and third place went to Jim Lamon and Rob Stephens.

Our next friendship tournament will be on Saturday, March 13th and the cost will be \$10.00. Our annual banquet will be held in April in the Main Ballroom. The cost will be \$25.00/person. Roy Musgrove will be in charge of contacting

We recently had the first of two tennis the caterers for this event. Posting of the next Friendship Tournament and banquet will be in the tennis room. You may purchase tickets from any Board member (board members include Stu Rosenthal, President, Patty Sommers V.P., Karen Waterbury Treasurer, Eric Ellman Secretary, and Roy Musgrove.) I have made Maryanne Tecum my liaison to the women's leagues.

In the coming months, I will be writing about the playing of tennis, its rules, and whatever things I can think of to get more people to play and enjoy the sport of tennis.

Lastly, thanks go out to my predecessor, Jacqueline St. Jean.... she did a great job as President and was much appreciated!







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# BOWLING By Cindy Baron

The Del Tura bowling league meets Tuesday afternoon at 1:30. After 11 weeks of play, "Hurricane Alley" is in first place with team members Nancy Ashe, Chris Bunker, Jane Larsh and Steve Stigall. "The Underachievers" are in second place, consisting of Ruth Bone, Mike Goodall, Bob Harmon and Tom Demshak.

Individual high average for the men is Tom Larsh with 172.76 and for the women, Janet Huss

with 173.67. Handicap series high for women is Julie McDonald with 661 and Dave Traver for the men with 710.

League officers are Cindy Baron, Sue Baron and Denise Rose. We are always looking for new players to add to our sub list. If you are interested in joining or would like additional information, please contact Denise Rose at 816-222-6466.

# THURSDAY NIGHT BINGO By Jack Blevons

March will be the last month of HOA Sponsored Bingo on Thursday nights. Starting in April, the same people who run Thursday night bingo during the summer months will be running it again. Up until now we have been having fantastic crowds at our bingo with over a 100 people coming to play, and because of those large crowds, we have been passing out large amounts of money in the pots to those lucky people who have been winning which makes it even more fun playing. So, keep coming up to the clubhouse to play on Thursday nights.

Again, we want to thank all those people who come early to help us set everything up before

we start to play and to those who stay later to help us take everything down and put it all away again. Also want to thank all our helpers that are part of our team that run our bingo. It takes a dedicated team of people to make it fun for everyone who comes to play. I will try to mention everyone's name in the April Tower who is part of our team and also all of those that help set up and take down when we play every Thursday night.

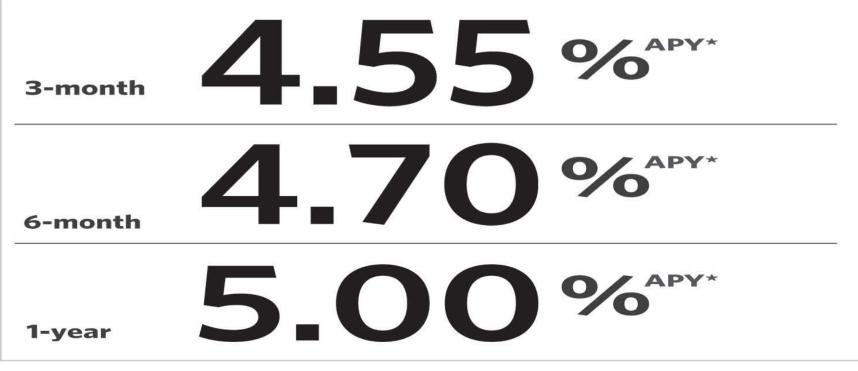
There are five Thursdays in March so I hope to see you all there to enjoy our bingo and hopefully go home with more money than you came with. ~ *Jack & Janet* 

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#### SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE By Glenn Tointon DEL TURA

#### SHUFFLEBOARD TEAMS BEGIN AIMING FOR THE TOP

When there are eighteen teams in a league, one doesn't expect a log jam at the top like the Del Tura Friday league is showing. After nine weeks of competition and six weeks remaining, here are the top teams:

Glenn and Marykay Tointon at 23-4 Cam Smith and Martha Anneshansley 21-6 Bernie and Cyndi Grilli at 20-7

Bruce Blackmore and Lynn Brenfleck at 20-7 Dave and Judy Lessard at 19-8

Ken Trombly and Darlene King at 17-10 Kathy Boesel and Marcella Carothers at 16-11

It should be noted that we have several beginners and second year players this year with quality records. They include in no particular order:

Dave and Amy Hehl, Dave and Jeanne Csuy, Ken and Janice Dodge, Jeff and Nella Meehan, Kathy Zittani and Jane Sheaffer, John and Denise McGraw, Jean Wiley and Lu Ann Condon, Craig Evans and Debra Morman, Ted and Barb Luke, Larry Camper and Jim Miller, & Lynn Sabel and Barb Jones.

Also to note is that our pro, Jack Norton, and Glenn Tointon paired up in a PRO/ AM tournament held at Lake County and though they didn't place, they did quite well. They went three and three in the thirty-seven team tourney! Also, our pro, Bill Hamilton, should be congratulated for taking first in consolation at a highly rated state tournament.

Reminder to all: Every Tuesday is open shuffleboard for all levels, beginners to experienced. Starting time is 2:30. Please be there by 2:15

#### SAVE OUR STRAYS DEL TURA

committee. They put on Night at the Races and it any veterinarian services needed. We appreciate was so much fun! Save Our Strays, among other groups, was given a donation by the committee from the event proceeds, which will help with

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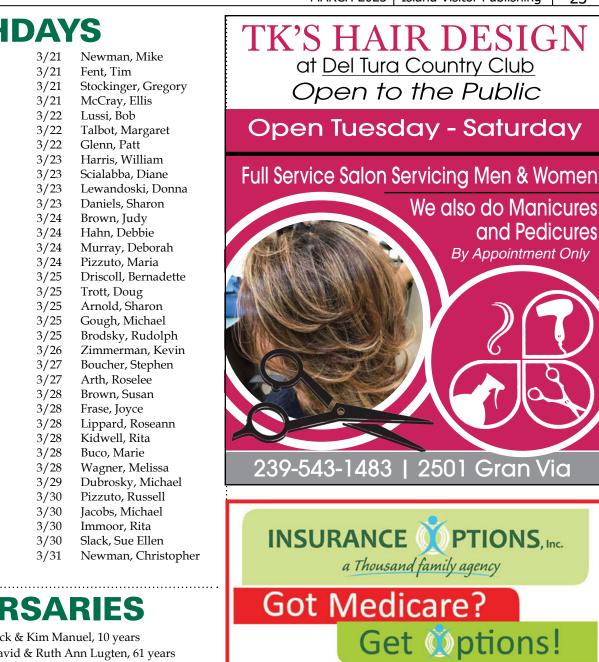






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3/02	Smith, Terry	3/12	Thomas, Anne
3/02	Clayton, Jim	3/13	Glenn, Ricky
3/02	Brown, Donna	3/13	Daniels, Olivia
3/03	Dorsey, Neil	3/13	Lazarczyk, Stan
3/03	Tetreault, Christine	3/13	Cruz, Mickey
3/03	Storminger, Patricia	3/14	Giannantonio, Toi
3/03	Fiedeke, Cindy	3/14	Bennett, Andrea
3/03	Trott, Lexie	3/15	Antaya, Rick
3/03	Drew, Jacquelyn	3/15	Henches-Moore,
3/04	Page, Ernie		Christine
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3/04	Reimer, Dick	3/15	Mannion, Patti
3/04	Mineo, Anthony	3/16	Ashe, James
3/04	Randolph, Sandy	3/16	Durand, Tony
3/04	Baron, Cynthia	3/16	Cusack, Jennifer
3/05	Christopher, Harry	3/16	Van Fleet, Pat
3/05	Seales, Tom	3/17	Schroll, Donna
3/05	Higgins, Maureen	3/17	Davy, Nancy
3/05	Kenney, Judy	3/18	Bagshaw, Jim
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3/08	Quinn, Peggy	3/19	Brady, Pam
3/09	Cahill, Bill	3/19	Apshaga, Judith
3/09	Turner, Barbara	3/19	Tointon, Glenn
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# **CREATIVE WRITERS** By Nancy Davy

We kicked up the pace a bit in January, meeting two weeks apart to help regain some lost time due to taking December off. During those meetings we faced what may have been the two toughest challenges we've done to date - free-writing (illustrated in the February Tower), and the one you'll see below. We again enjoyed some inspiring reflections and commentary as everyone shared their responses with the group. Just a reminder that if you'd like to join us as a new member, please text me (607-769-5766) OR email me to let me know you are interested. My email address is ndavy01@gmail.com. You'll need to provide me with your name, your email address, and your cell phone number. We try to meet twice a month, and I routinely contact everyone with reminders before each meeting.

I'm attaching our challenge, which was to write an eight-line composition using the following constraints:

- 1. First and last lines use only one syllable words.
- 2. Second and seventh lines use only two syllable words.
- 3. Third and sixth lines use only three syllable words.
- 4. The fourth and fifth lines use only four syllable words.

You can count hyphenated words as one word. You can look up one, two, three and four syllable words and make a pile of each to draw from, or type in specific words for your search engine to define and provide synonyms in varying lengths. I should warn you that this challenge will drive you crazy. It is like doing a tough jigsaw or word puzzle, and it's hard to put it down or to stop with just one. There is a huge benefit in studying lists of words, so we can hone our descriptive skills by selecting words that most closely convey our meaning. In addition, examining words of varying lengths helps us find the right tempo within our work (especially helpful with poetic expression). Hint: Be very careful to go back and re-count the

syllables in every single word of every line- it's easy to accidentally slip in a twosyllable word in a one-syllable line! Choose a topic, then draw from your groups of words to build your composition. Try doing more than one if you can.

Example One: by Nancy Davy 1 How do I tell you how I feel? 2 Blistered; broken inside. 3 Existence overlooked, 4 Undervalued, disrespected, unimportant. 4 Overwhelming condescension, 3-Depression unending 2 Blistered; broken inside. 1 There! That's it! I tried. (Sigh)

Example Two: *by Nancy Davy* 1-What a fun task you gave us this time! 2- Kidding!! Writing metered verses?! 3- Difficult annoyance overload!! 4-Examining grammatical,

- syntactical compositions,
- 4-Meticulous undertaking notwithstanding – interesting discovery!
- 3- Limitless expressions, including accurate selections
- 2- Really exist! Teaching moment!
- Finding wordage showing exact meaning! 1-This trick will help me as I learn to write. Now I get it.

I hope you'll enjoy the following responses.

The Dog is Out! by Maureen Monroy "Oh, NO! The dog is out!!" Danger looming, frightened poodle running crazy! Expecting disaster, collision imminent Anticipate difficulty over-taking Unexpected reinforcements! Fortuitous recovery! Conflicting emotions – Gratitude,

annoyance, happiness Cuddle escaped puppy. Shut the door! Time to rest.

Loss by Colleen Parks Andriano There are no words for the loss. Although trying, trying becomes hopeless. Wordlessly wordsmithing becoming ludicrous, laughable, Impossibly inadequate, inexpressive, ultimately unbearable. Disconsolate, melancholy, miserable, Sorrowful, dolorous, despairing bereavement.

Voiceless mourning, never ceasing. Sis, I miss you so.

Love by Dianne J. Roderick Love is... Fondness, caring, sharing, passion. Empathy, tenderness, devotion. Unselfishness, togetherness, encouragement. Compassionate, affectionate, respectable. Trustworthy, tolerant, forgiving. Friendship, patience, support, kindness. Love is all that and more!

Home by Cindy Swisher They say home is where the heart is, Except feeling, subtle, cunning, directs away. Sentiments oftentimes meander faraway. Untrustworthy; disembarking substantially disconnected, Discovering isolation, separation, devastation. Affection's residence located alongside humankind – Giving shelter, comfort, respite. Home is where those who love us are.

> Childbirth by Nancy Ashe When a child is born Every mother panics Willingly, shockingly Undertaking parturition Amazingly, responsibly Comforting Bambino Within loving Arms, heart and soul.

Mary by Maureen Monroy Most Pure Rose of God Loving Mother, Blessed Vessel Trinity's Beloved Eternally Immaculate Humanity's Benefactor Poverty's Dignity Angel's Delight Cloak of Love, Hope for All

Golf by Colleen Parks Andriano Just hit the ball! Inner parley, coaching myself daily. Bantering, affable, wisecracking amateurs, Enterprising accomplices participate passionately Resolutely, purposefully positioning, calculating Eagerly, doggedly, steadily advancing. Target drawing nearer, flagstick waving. We won't tell the truth: golf sucks!

Dance by Dianne J. Roderick Dance is on my mind... Music playing, mindless swaying. Creative, Inventive, physical. Spontaneous, choreographed. Rhythmically, intimately, self-expressive. Descriptive, gracefully elegant. Modern, Classic, Ballroom, Latin. Swing, spin, whirl, twirl, Dance!

Writing by Cindy Swisher Words flow free from my mind to my pen. Compose, create; sometimes freely, Normally challenging; becoming frustrating. Captivating motivation: COMMUNICATE! Dissertation fascination. Constantly contriving expression. Refrain? Futile. Desist? Absurd. Woe is me, my fate is sure, ever fixed, set fast.

#### Green by Nancy Davy

I dreamed that as we slept we all turned green. Racial bias vanished!! Imagine!! World-reaching empathy!! Universal equality! Nonexistent hostility! Implausible? Impossible? Ridiculous? Radical idea? Silliness? Negative. Merely wishful thinking...... It would be nice if we could all be friends.

# March 2023

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5	6	7 MAJESTY OF ROCK TICKETS FOR HOA MEMBERS 7:30AM STARLIGHT BALLROOM ASYLUM PLAYERS TICKETS STARLIGHT BALLROOM	8 HOA BOARD MEETING 7PM STARLIGHT BALLROOM	9 ASYLUM PLAYERS TICKETS 5:30-6:30 PM CLUBHOUSE LOBBY MAJESTY OF ROCK TICKETS 6-7 pm CLUBHOUSE LOBBY	10	1: COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE PLAY FOR PINK
12 DAYLIGHT SAVING (START)	13 JEWEL DAY	14 ASYLUM PLAYERS TICKETS STARLIGHT BALLROOM MAJESTY OF ROCK TICKETS FOR NON HOA MEMBERS 7:30AM NATIONAL PI DAY (3:14)	15 MOVIE NIGHT 7PM MOVIE TBA STARLIGHT BALLROOM FREE POPCORN!	16 MAJESTY OF ROCK TICKETS 6-7 CLUBHOUSE BOX OFFICE	17 SAINT PATRICK'S DAY	۱ ASYLUM PLAYERS STARLIGHT BALLROOM
19 ASYLUM PLAYERS STARLIGHT BALLROOM 2PM OR 7PM SUNNY DAYS ICE CREAM TRUCK 5-7PM	20 EARTH DAY GARDEN STROLL AND PLANT SALE 9AM-2PM	WORLD POETRY DAY MAJESTY OF ROCK TICKETS FOR HOA MEMBERS 7:30AM	22 SPAGHETTI DINNER 5:30 STARLIGHT BALLROOM	23 MAJESTY OF ROCK TICKETS 6-7 CLUBHOUSE BOX OFFICE	24	2 MAJESTY OF THE ROCI STARLIGHT BALLROOM 7PM
26	27	28	29	30 TAKE A WALK I N THE PARK DAY	31	