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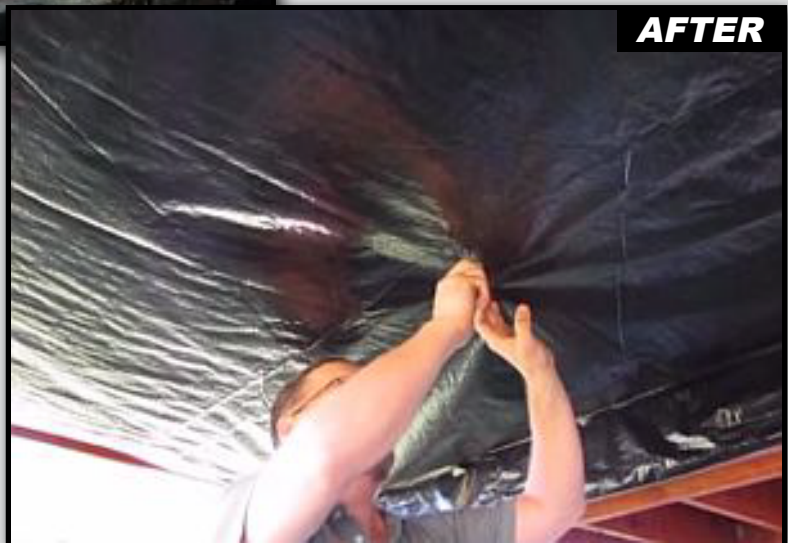
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MY UNCLE RICHARD DID NOT COME HOME

By Ann Greene



Four of my uncles fought in WW II, two from each side of my family. One of my mother's brothers, Richard Lee, was killed by a sniper while moving ammunition on the Island of Leyte on Christmas Eve 1944. (The Island was declared secure on Christmas Day). I was quite young when he left, but I do

have vague memories of him. He mentioned me and my sister, Dorre, in his letters. I remember the day the war ended, being out on the street with neighbors celebrating, and my mother in tears as her brother was lost so close to the end of the war.

He was assigned to Co. F, 307th Infantry Regiment, which included Desmond Doss of Hacksaw Ridge fame, 77th Infantry Division. My uncle was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star. He trained at Ft. Jackson, South Carolina. The 77th landed on Guam on July 21, 1944. After helping to secure the Island, they

were sent to Leyte, the first of the Philippine Islands to be regained and the site of General MacArthur's "I have returned." statement.



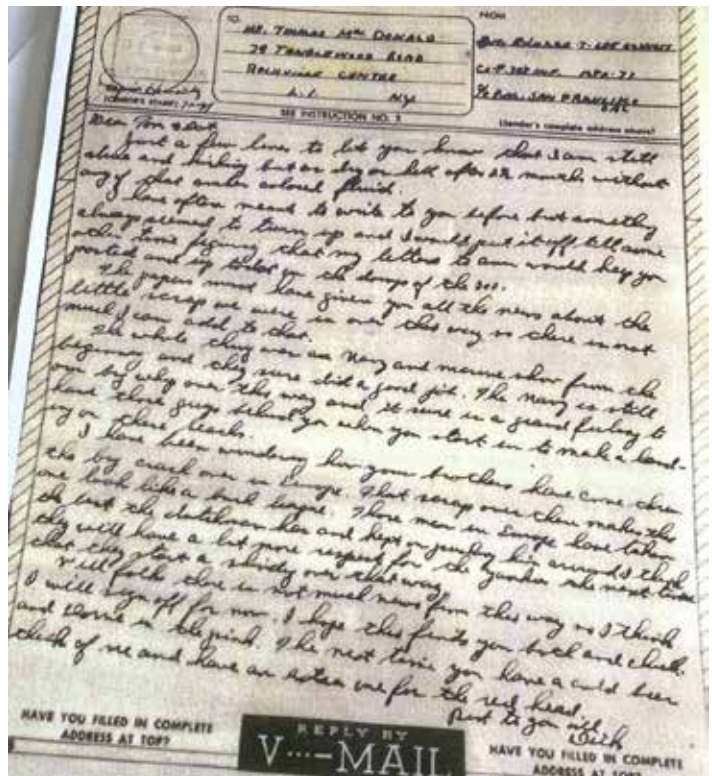
The Battle of Leyte Gulf was the largest battle of WW II, with some aspects considered the largest in history. Most importantly, the victory ended the Japanese Navy's offensive capabilities. The 77th then landed on Okinawa, the site of Hacksaw Ridge, in April 1945. They then occupied Japan from October 1945 to March 1946.

I have included a picture of my uncle with some of his buddies at Ft. Jackson. He is the second from the left in the first row. I have also included a letter to my parents. Judging from some of the events he describes, it appears to have been written shortly before his death. What makes me proud is his acknowledgment of the efforts of his fellow armed forces accomplishments and his confidence that their combined efforts on both fronts will bring victory! He was right!

We will have one for the red head on Veterans Day!



Uncle Richard



A THANKSGIVING BLESSING

By Jeanie Scionti



At Thanksgiving, we celebrate the blessings in our lives - both past and present. This year, I find myself reflecting on a past November and the blessing of meeting a young woman who would become my friend for life.

My husband and I had moved to New England from New York in early September 1968. At first, I was busy setting up our apartment but once that was done, I had decided it was time to seek employment. So, on a very fine fall day, I strolled into an office building in front of our complex. Then it happened. I met a nineteen-year-old redheaded girl sitting on the floor in front of a five-foot-long and four-foot-high row of file cabinets. I tried to get her attention, but she just looked up at me and quickly turned back to her filing.

Finally, an older woman approached me asking what I wanted. I said, "I am looking for a job. I can type, and take dictation, along with any other secretarial duties you might need."

After about ten minutes, the woman came back from the manager's office and said, "You've got the job. You start next week." Thrilled, I called over to the young girl I first saw and said, "Wow! That was easy." She smiled.

Now I had an apartment and a job but not one friend. So, my first day in the position, I approached that same girl. For some reason I was drawn to her. When I told her that I was new to New England, she took me under her wing. I think she was impressed with my New York accent.

My new friend Patty was bent on showing me around all the beautiful areas surrounding Framingham during those first weeks.

It was nearing Thanksgiving when she took me for a drive through some back roads into Sudbury, MA. Driving through a light snowfall, amidst the very fine snowflakes, I spotted an old colonial building with many windows. Each window showcased a single white candle in a forest green balsam wreath. I was in awe - between the snow falling and the view of this 18-century establishment. I had never seen anything like it, such a beautiful and peaceful New England setting.

Patty commented that it was not only an historic inn but also a restaurant. Feeling hungry, we pooled our cash and found six dollars between us. We



sat at a small table near a lit fireplace in the pub area, where we talked, laughed, and even had the waiter joining in on the laughter. I had my very first... not quite a meal... but half of a turkey sandwich at the historic "Longfellow's Wayside Inn."

This Thanksgiving Day, we want to wish Patty and all the community at Plantation Oaks a very 'Blessed Thanksgiving'.



"LOOK for the HELPERS."

*You will always find people who
are helping." Fred Rodgers*

Here's a big shout out to all the kind folks in our community who rode and walked around to check in on neighbors and help prepare for Milton. We had several folks come by to make sure we were ready, and then several came after the storm to see if we needed any help and how we fared. We know this was happening all around Plantation Oaks. This is what makes this community special. There are so many caring and helpful neighbors here. Thank you to all the helpers! *Bob, Dana & Cat Matlock*

BEAUTY TIPS

By Terry Johnson



SPEED UP NAIL-DRYING TIME

If you need to head out the door after a DIY manicure and don't want to wait too long for the polish to dry, try this: When the polish feels tacky but not wet, dip your newly painted nails into a bowl of ice water. The ice-cold water will fuse the polish pigments together, so the nails are dry in no time!

MY LIFE WITH PARKINSON'S DISEASE

By Jim Schroeder



(Penned by a layman, not a medical professional, who only desires to share experiences in hopes it may help another)

In mid-March 2022, I finally received a medical explanation for the strange and sometimes alarming symptoms I had been experiencing over the previous two years. These symptoms included:

- Frequent loss of balance and unexpected falls, whether standing or walking.
- Difficulty walking even short distances (at one point, I could barely make it across our quarter-acre yard).
- Failing to pick up my feet properly, resulting in a scuffing noise but not quite the typical "shuffle" often associated with Parkinson's.
- Repeated falls, especially when standing up from low positions, such as when gardening or sitting on a small rolling cart.
- Misjudging the last step when descending a ladder, leading to dangerous falls.
- Sudden, urgent bowel movements, to the point where I needed to wear Depends whenever I left the house to avoid an embarrassing public accident or ruining my car's upholstery.
- Contemplating canceling a long-planned trip to Paris because I could no longer walk on cobblestones or handle the physical demands of travel.
- Experiencing a mix of apathy and depression caused by my having to sit out a major home renovation. While I made occasional trips to Home Depot or Lowes, my wife, with her boundless energy, handled most of the work, including painting and decorating the entire interior.

As a disabled veteran, I have the benefit of receiving medical care and prescriptions through the VA, which has been invaluable. But I'm also extremely fortunate to be married to a woman who, as a former registered nurse and hospital administrator, has guided me through these challenges with expert advice and support – directing me to the appropriate medical care. In March 2022, my primary care physician insisted I see a neurologist. I scheduled an appointment, and that visit turned out to be one of the most unusual medical experiences I've had. The neurologist, an older doctor, didn't rush to examine me physically. Instead, he asked me to sit in the room while he observed me for about

10 minutes. After this brief observation, he told me he suspected I had Parkinson's Disease, something I had not known of before. He prescribed medication - three pills, three times a day - and asked me to call his office in three days to report any changes.

Stay tuned for next month's update in Episode #2.



By Rich Bencal



Greetings once again from the land of Trivia. This month's questions are all about Thanksgiving. It is a day to gather and break bread with family and friends. It is also a day to reflect on the good things and people that are a part of our daily life and to be thankful for all we have. Best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving!!

As always, the answers will appear on another page.

QUESTIONS:

1. What year was the first Thanksgiving celebrated?
2. How long did the Mayflower voyage take to reach the US?
3. Where did the Pilgrims first land in the US?
4. How long did the first Thanksgiving celebration last?
5. What utensils were not used by the Pilgrims during the first Thanksgiving?
6. What US state was the first to adopt an annual Thanksgiving holiday?
7. Approximately how many turkeys are consumed in the US during Thanksgiving?
8. Who is credited with declaring Thanksgiving a national holiday?
9. What year was Thanksgiving declared a federal holiday?
10. What is the name of the large parade held in New York City on Thanksgiving Day?



They say every piece of chocolate eaten shortens your life by two minutes. I've done the math. Seems I died in 1537.

A GREAT SIDE DISH FOR HOLIDAY COOKING

By Chef Kevin Gallagher MS, CEC



Native Americans once believed squash was so nutritious that they buried it along with the dead to provide them nourishment on their final journey. Squash was originally grown for the seeds because they were believed to increase fertility; however, with the evolution of the butternut squash, plants produced fruit that had a thicker skin, fewer seeds and less waste. Butternut squash has a buttery orange flesh and a sweet taste.

Butternut squash is a truly Native American gourd, which wasn't commonly eaten until the 19th century, but is now "the most widely grown winter squash." They are planted during the summer months and are in full season during October and November, although they can be eaten year-round. Florida is the largest producer of butternut squash in the United States.

The following is one of my favorite recipes. I learned a variation of this when we were stationed in London, England. There's something almost magical about the pairing of a beautiful butternut squash with salty Mediterranean cheeses like feta and Italian parmesan and sweet caramelized onions. Baked until browned and crispy, this gratin works equally well as a side dish or a light main course (with a small side salad).

Butternut Squash and Feta Gratin

Servings: 4

Ingredients

- 1 large butternut squash
- 1 tablespoon butter, to grease the casserole dish
- 2 medium onions, peeled and thinly sliced pole to pole
- 1 tablespoon butter + 1 tablespoon olive oil, to sauté the onions
- 1/2 cup parmesan cheese, grated
- 1/2 cup panko breadcrumbs
- 2-3 tablespoons olive oil
- salt and pepper to taste



Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Peel butternut squash with peeler. Halve the squash and remove seeds. Cut into long thin slices or 1" chunks. Use the 1 tablespoon of butter to grease casserole dish. Add squash to casserole and set aside.
2. Sauté onion in butter and oil in frying pan over medium heat until soft and caramelized, about 10-15 minutes. Add to squash in casserole. Top with crumbled feta cheese. Season with salt and pepper.

Mix the parmesan with the panko breadcrumbs and olive oil. Scatter mixture over squash. Bake for about 45 minutes, until squash is very tender, and the gratin is evenly browned and crisp on top. Serve hot.



Again this year there will be a box for donations in the clubhouse for *Christmas Come True*, the nonprofit that serves Flagler County Children only.

We are looking for donations for all ages up to age 18.

Here are a few items that are requested each year: hoodies all colors and sizes, Bluetooth ear buds, Bluetooth headphones, Bodywash and cologne sets for male and female, and Kindle Fire.

I will place a list in the clubhouse with additional items in the coming weeks.

Restaurants in Flagler County will have trees with cards where you can also adopt a child and purchase specific gifts for a child.

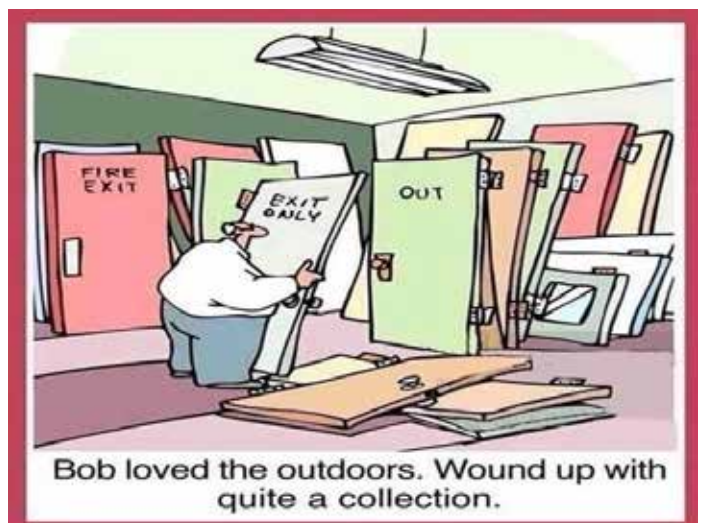
We CANNOT accept any stuffed animals - we have received all we need from a generous vendor.

We will also be looking for volunteers to help wrap these gifts starting in late November through Mid-December, please consider helping.

Any questions feel free to give me a call.

Donna Copeland

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FEDERATION OF MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS (FMO)

By James Pursley, Plantation Oaks FMO Rep



Hello, I hope everyone is doing great. For some people summer is over. I've known people in the past that, when Labor Day is over, so is summer. Where I came from, the nights start to get a little cooler, the leaves on the trees start to change colors and then start falling off the trees. There will be Fall Festivals where the "home folk" (as we call our locals) will be selling their jams and jellies that they had put up over the summer. That's what we call Autumn in the mountains.

Another thing you can count on is the FMO, Federation of Manufactured Home Owners. FMO is the only statewide, consumer advocacy association dedicated to protecting the rights and lifestyle of manufactured homeowners in the state of Florida since 1962 - that's strange . . . that was the year I was born. FMO has an attorney and legislative counsel to advise them. Yes, for the price of \$30.00/year or \$75.00/3 years. This is a service that you don't want to go without. Just think about the benefits you will receive. To get this great service contact me, James Pursley, Call or text, 386-986-9632, email jpinvest129@gmail.com. It is well worth the money.

In the last few articles I've written, I have mentioned my good friends and their crazy bird. I got to thinking - a stretch for me to be thinking - several years ago my lovely wife and I adopted a "Rescue Kitten". If you are thinking about adopting a kitten or an adult cat, give this agency a chance. They know what they are doing. They are a class act. The name of their agency is "Community Cats of Palm Coast". They are very professional. We would not adopt from any other adoption agency, and they make sure they all are going to be indoor cats - the only way to go. Our adoption was a male kitten named Dewey. He seemed to fit the name, so we kept it. One night, we were sitting in our living room, and it hit me. Our friends, Joyce and Al, that had Buckaroo - their last name was Dewey. Yes, they were Joyce and Al Dewey. What a small world!

As I was growing up, my grandmother had a cat. Years ago, my children wanted



a cat so we got them a kitten. Several years ago, Carol and I decided we wanted a kitten and ended up getting two, a brother and sister. We have become *Cat People*. Cats are very interesting animals; they are unique and very funny, to say the least.

Well, everyone be- safe until next time and don't forget to sign up for a FMO membership. Your FMO representative, James

THE PURPOSE OF PORA

By Rosi Reese, President PORA



The holidays are among us and, with that, comes more social involvement with others. It is a proven fact that people with a good social life, regardless of their financial situation, are happier than others. This community continues to have such a variety of activities that there is something for everyone to enjoy. The nice thing is that you can pick and choose what you want to do.

December is our annual call for applicants to join the board of directors. You do not have to be living here for a long time to get involved, you just need the desire to share your talents for the good of the community. We will be looking to fill 3 spots on board, one of them being for treasurer. If you are good with numbers and can use a computer, we can train you and give you all the support you need.

We hold meetings quarterly, so for most of the directors, the position is not time consuming. If you are interested, or know someone who might be interested, please let me or any of our board members know.

This thanksgiving, let us all give thanks for living in this great community with some of the nicest people in Florida. On behalf of myself and the entire PORA Board of Directors, Happy Thanksgiving to all our residents.

THANKSGIVING TRIVIA

Answers

1. 1621
2. 66 days
3. Plymouth, MA
4. 3 days
5. Forks
6. Connecticut
7. 46 million
8. President Abraham Lincoln
9. 1941
10. Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade



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MEN ARE JUST HAPPIER PEOPLE

Submitted by John Mercurio



What do you expect from such simple creatures? Your last name stays put. The garage is all yours. Wedding plans take care of themselves. Chocolate is just another snack. You can never be pregnant. You can wear a white T-shirt to a water park. You can wear NO shirt to a water park.

Car mechanics tell you the truth. The world is your urinal. You never have to drive to another gas station restroom because this one is just too icky. You don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt. Wrinkles add character. Wedding dress-\$5,000. Tux rental-\$100. People never stare at your chest when you're talking to them. New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle your feet. One mood all the time. Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat. You know stuff about tanks.

A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase. You can open all your own jars. You get extra credit for the slightest act of thoughtfulness. If someone forgets to invite you, he or she can still be your friend. Your underwear is \$8.95 for a three-pack. Two pairs of shoes are more than enough. You almost never have strap problems in public. You are unable to see wrinkles in your clothes. Everything on your face stays its original color. The same hairstyle lasts for years, maybe decades. You only need to shave your face and neck. You can play with toys all your life. One wallet and one pair of shoes - one color for all seasons. You can wear shorts no matter how your legs look. You can 'do' your nails with a pocketknife. You have freedom of choice concerning growing a mustache. You can do Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on December 24 in 25 minutes. No wonder men are happier.

NICKNAMES

- If Laura, Kate and Sarah go out for lunch, they will call each other Laura, Kate and Sarah.
- If Mike, Dave and John go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Bubba and Wildman.

EATING OUT

- When the bill arrives, Mike, Dave and John will each throw in \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will admit they want change back.
- When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.

MONEY

- A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs.

- A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.

BATHROOMS

- A man has six items in his bathroom: toothbrush and toothpaste, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel.
- The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify more than 20 of these items.

FUTURE

- A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband.
- A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

MARRIAGE

- A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't.
- A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change, but she does

DRESSING UP

- A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the trash, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail.
- A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

NATURAL

- Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed.
- Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

OFFSPRING

- Ah, children. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments and romances, best friends, favorite foods, secret fears and hopes and dreams.
- A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.

Marriage isn't about a beautiful wedding, fancy homes, cute kid, nice cars, and white picket fences.

Marriage is hospital stays, working long hours, fighting through struggles, setting up life insurance, paying bills, keeping the love, and staying together through it all.



ROOFING SCAMS

Submitted by Dana Matlock (Source: Roof Top Services)



We've all heard the saying, "There's no such thing as a free lunch," and the same goes for roofs. Unfortunately, there's several unsavory roofing contractors out

there who would have you believe there is. Meanwhile, they dine out on your dime and leave you with problems with your insurance company or a shoddy "new" roof.

Roofing scams happen everywhere, but in Florida, where we experience extreme storms with wind and hail, roofing scams can be a particularly lucrative business for unprofessional contractors. Many of these scams begin under the guise of a free roof inspection after storms have passed through your area. They will post notices on your door or stop by unannounced, claiming you have roof damage or offering to look for you. If they do approach you claiming roof damage or come back after a free inspection with "proof" of damage, it is important to know that the Insurance Information Institute considers these as major red flags. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has stated there has been no increase in hailstorms, yet insurance claims for hail damage have dramatically risen. A major reason appears to be unprofessional roofers exaggerating hail damage, and the scam is more than just exaggeration. Many of these fraudsters are known to fabricate evidence in what is called manufactured damage. When they get up on your roof, they can tear off shingles to "prove" wind damage or use items like dimes or ball peen hammers to simulate hail damage. They might even just show you pictures of hail or wind damage on another roof that looks like yours. The Florida Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractors Association (FRSA) reports these door-to-door scams threaten to increase insurance premiums for all consumers by as much as 10 percent.

Increased premiums aren't the only threat to your insurance coverage. Filing a claim goes on your insurance record, which could affect future claims you file, and if you're insurer finds out about the fraud, they may not renew your coverage or may cancel it outright, forcing you to find a new carrier. It is important that you protect yourself and your insurance coverage from these kinds of scams. Never sign any contract with a roofer until your insurance company has inspected the roof or you've allowed a licensed and trustworthy third-party inspector to look. And keep control of your claim! Never allow a roofer to talk you into signing an AOB (Assignment of Benefits) contract, which allows them to collect the claim money directly from your insurer. Remember, if a roofer offers to waive your deductible or pay it for you, that is FRAUD.

You don't only need to worry about fabricators and liars though. Some actual roofers may take advantage of your real need for a new roof after a storm. A lot of out-of-town roofers may flood your area after a major storm, and in your desperation, you might be willing to forego your regular due diligence. These "contractors" will take your money, and when you realize there is something wrong down the road, they will be nowhere to be found. If they come to you offering a deal that sounds too good to be true, it is probably the case. Many times, they will calculate the bare minimum cost for a new roof based on your square footage without addressing any other problems or restoring your roof to its original condition. You also want to make sure that whatever roofer you hire is the one doing the job. Sometimes these fraudsters subcontract the work out to another contractor who might use substandard materials and rush the job for 25 percent less. They might not even get paid, and your "new" roof might only last 5 to 7 years.

The best way to guarantee you are working with a contractor on the up-and-up is to only hire approved FRSA roofers who are licensed and insured. If that isn't possible, always make sure you are working with a local roofer. Do not trust someone who only has a PO Box address and go to the roofer's office whenever you can to get a good look at their operation. Always investigate your potential roofer. Check online reviews and consumer websites. Do everything you can to ensure your money and roof are in good hands. Ask friends, family, and neighbors for referrals – there are many good, honest roofers out there.

What Is A Veteran?

A "Veteran" - whether active duty, discharged, retired, or reserve - is someone who, at one point in his life, wrote a blank check made payable to "The United States of America," for an amount of "up to, and including his life."

That is honor. And there are way too many people in this country today, who no longer understand that fact.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Porcia Morrow
- 1 Dennis Tull
- 2 Fran Irizarry
- 2 Toni Stearns
- 3 Robert Greenlaw
- 4 Elise Berry
- 4 John Paletar
- 5 Joan Edwards
- 7 Anna McDonald
- 9 Sam Miller
- 10 Karyl Ferguson
- 10 George Niedhammer
- 11 Donna Dallatore
- 11 Fred Mason
- 11 Raylene Messina
- 12 Willis Card
- 12 Bill Hepworth
- 13 Jerry Meek
- 14 Joan Correll
- 15 Kevin Brown
- 18 Judy Behanick
- 18 Mike Kahn
- 19 Susan Bataille
- 19 John Shoemaker
- 20 Kathy Krug
- 20 Steven Cina
- 21 Anna Glauda
- 22 Tom Ledwith
- 22 Richard Raleigh
- 23 Doug Mahoney
- 24 Joe Bartolotta
- 24 Bob Kelley
- 24 Richard Rabuazzo
- 25 Paul Przybysz
- 27 Marilyn Campbell
- 27 Norm Wendorf
- 30 Al Knopf

Michale Dowing

7 Morington Lane
(No picture available)

Michale comes to Plantation Oaks from Palm Bay, FL

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NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 9 John & Diane Pires
- 9 Roy & Joan Salthouse
- 9 Mike & Chris Amodio
- 11 Keith & Anne Mowling
- 11 Fred & Carol Mason
- 11 Sam & Nena Miller
- 22 Bob & Sharon Avery
- 25 Bob & Elise Berry
- 25 Glenn & Deborah Woodall
- 29 Richard & Janet Bancroft
- 31 Stephen & Gail Pulak



HOLIDAYS WITH OUR NEIGHBORS

I'm writing this from NH where the weather is beautiful, and our trees have begun to change into the brilliant colors of fall. It seems appropriate to begin to think of the holidays and our second annual holiday house tour. Terry has posted the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse for those interested in opening their homes to share their traditions and decorations with us. You do not need to provide any food, just be willing to open your home. We will have refreshments at the clubhouse at the end of the tour. The sign-up sheet will remain up until we have all the homes we need.

The tour is December 6 and begins at 5:15 PM. For those who want to join the tour, you must have a ticket. The tour is free, but we must know how many are going and those who need a ride. Tickets will be available at the clubhouse Monday, Nov. 25 from 10-11 AM and Wed. 27 from 12-1 PM. If you have any questions, please contact Terry or Pam, Co-Chairs.

Pam Wiggin – 207-615-6904
Terry Johnson – 609-876-0837

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, or have the dates wrong or name misspelled, please contact the editors, Dana or Jo at dbmatlock@live.com or jokegel@comcast.com

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

By John Clabaugh & Christine Davis



Join us for our Social Committee meetings the first Monday of each month at 2 PM, except when it lands on a holiday. **The next Social**

Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, November 4, at 2:00 PM. All are welcome.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with each event, especially for cleanup teams. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Contacts for the social committee or cook's team are John Clabaugh 570-772-2499 jclabaugh7@yahoo.com, or Christine Davis 508-901-3628 c.davis16@comcast.net

NOVEMBER EVENTS:

November 8 - Murder Mystery by the C with a Spaghetti dinner beginning at 5 pm. Deb Pate. \$15 PORA Members, \$17 Non-Members.

November 11-Veterans Day service at 11 AM then lunch. Lunch is free for all Veterans, \$5.00 all others. Pay at the door. Ceremony at 11 AM, is free and open to all. Ceremony will include music, pledge of allegiance and presentation to honor all Veterans.

November 12 - Free Coffee & Doughnuts

November 22 - Thanksgiving Dinner. 5 PM. More details to follow. Need help from all cooks and clean-up crews.

DECEMBER EVENTS:

December 1-Christmas Tree Decorating

December 2 – Social Committee Meeting 2 PM

December 6 – Gingerbread House Making event. 10-Noon. (See info on next page.) Bring your own kit, & something to put your house on, i.e. cardboard or baking sheet. Contact Terry Johnson 609-876-0837

December 6 - Christmas House Tour – 5-9 PM. Details to follow. Co-Chairs: Pam Wiggins and Terry Johnson. *(See info on previous page.)*

December 7 –Christmas Pajama Party–Pyramid DJ 7:00-9:00 PM. Light Snacks, BYOB. Betty Vandermyn and Patty Watkins. *(Change from previous announced date)*

December 7 - NO Monthly Breakfast.

December 20 – NO Monthly Dinner.

December 31 - New Year's Eve Celebration - Pyramid DJ will perform. \$30 per ticket. More details to follow.

Check out the calendar of events on ourpora.org website and bulletin boards in the clubhouse for additional activities.

New Social Committee Chairperson(s) will be Terry Johnson and Cyndi Easter effective January 1, 2025

PLANTATION OAKS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP



Happy Thanksgiving everyone! We invite everyone to join us on Sunday November 10 to our monthly Christian Fellowship gathering at the Clubhouse from 4:00-5:50.

Come and bring your neighbors & friends to enjoy this special time together.

The Plantation Oaks Christian Fellowship is a non-denominational group, and everyone is welcome. Contact: Carol Cerney 507-213-0121

CHRISTMAS PAJAMA PARTY



Christmas Pajama Party
December 7, from 7-9 PM
Plantation Oaks Clubhouse.

Remember: Get out your favorite Christmas jammies and get prepared to dance, play silly games, sing and laugh with your neighbors as we welcome in the Christmas holiday season. And, of course, we can't forget our snowball fight!

Pyramid D.J.'s will be performing for our listening and dancing entertainment. Appetizers, light foods, snacks, desserts as well as soft drinks and of course our Christmas wassail.

Please BYOB.

Finalization of ticket price and more info will follow very soon. Please watch your emails, and check for flyers at the clubhouse.

Ticket Sale Dates

Monday, November 18, 11 AM-12 Noon
Wednesday, November 20, 10-11 AM
Thursday, November 21, 6-7 PM

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SAVE THE DATE!!!

December 6, 10 AM - 12 Noon.



Gingerbread House making party at the clubhouse. It has become a yearly event sponsored by Terry Johnson. All you need is a house to build and a plate to put it on. Last year houses were left in the clubhouse to be used as a display for all to see. I know it's early but start thinking and looking for your house. More info to follow. Contact: call Terry at 609-876-0837.



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Quarterly meetings will be the first Sunday of the month: Next scheduled for **December 1, 2024.**

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