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# **BETMAR COFFEE NEWS**

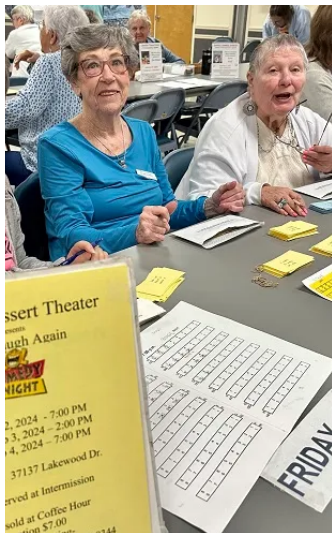
## **Jan 23, 2024**

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Videos Betmar Video Club

## **GOOD MORNING BETMAR FRIENDS!!**

## **TUESDAY AT COFFEE:**









MICHELLE'S MESSAGE

Go Lions-WIN





### MICHELLE'S MESSAGE

Happy Tuesday! It's so cold outside, I just saw a teenager with his pants pulled all the way up!! I hope you are all staying warm and you covered your plants to protect them from the frost freeze warning we had. It's been so cold for so many days, I must be careful not to burn my skin the next time I'm at the pool. The tan base I had is gone. Make sure you wear your sunglasses so not to be blinded. I'm so ready for the heat!!! Please check out all the activities this week-no matter what the temperature! Have a great week!

COFFEE NEWS-OVER 6000 HITS IN THE LAST 28 DAYS-THANK YOU!!

### VOLUNTEER SHOUT OUT



\*he's volunteering from afar (for free- doing something that would cost us dearly if it were hired out)

\*Spends countless hours every week supporting all of us.

\*He's impacted almost every single day. And how his wife is affected as well. It's not unusual for him to interrupt their trip to a grocery store or out to eat in a restaurant when a request to "get something out ASAP" comes in and he works on it then and there on his phone.

\*He is constantly looking for new ways to improve the website and the way Clubs can keep us all informed.

\*CREATED The new Friday Notes

\*Planned training sessions

WHO IS HE?

BARRY MOHLMAN

## NEW RESIDENTS:

Rod and Sally Magoon on Dina from Michigan





New Residents -Anita Desmaraig and Steve Huntley  
from Maine

New residents-Trish and Jeff Holcomb from Indiana





New residents Patty and Tim Baker from Indiana



New residents-Denise and Terry Craney  
from Indiana





New Residents-Sally and Rod Magoon  
from Michigan

## ACTIVITIES:

**PAVILLION MUSIC**-Fridays from 2-4 John Perry -Tuesday 1-3 Deb Morin and the Maine Trio

**NEWCOMER FAIR** Newcomers of 2023 are being honored January 25th with a nice luncheon, lots of great raffle gifts and entertainment in BETMAR Fashion! If you know of any Newcomers in your area, please take time out to greet them and hopefully get their names and phone number to be so we can get a personal invitation to them. ❤️🥰

Any Clubs being represented in Clubhouse 2 that day can set up their tables at 10am. Judy Gearsbeck will have lunch for our club vendors. We're going with a Mexican theme! Please have your raffle gifts at your own club table.

If we haven't heard from your club yet, please don't assume you'll have a table available that day without letting us know you're coming. You can contact Cindy Cutter at 208-249-0308 or myself (Melinda Graves) at 707-628-2791 Thanks Everyone! This will be a great event! 🎉🥳🥰❤️😊

**CRAFT FAIR** The Craft Fair scheduled for this April has been cancelled. If you have already turned in a reservation form, I will keep it for the fair on November 15th & 16th.

**FIVE State Plus Picnic** The Five Plus Picnic will be at Clubhouse 3 on Saturday, February 10, with social time at 11:00 and lunch at 12:00. Meat and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and your own table setting.

There is a \$3.00 donation at the door. We will have share the wealth, door prizes, and entertainment.

The states included in this picnic are: Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Virginia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, D.C., West Virginia. Please wear your name badge if you have one. Questions? Call Holly Hefner 937-844-9458 or Gerry Stormer 330-321-1248

We would like to have a meeting with anyone that is interested in helping with Five State Plus Picnic today, Tuesday, January 23, after coffee. We will meet back by the sound booth in Clubhouse 2. Thank you!

**CANADIAN PICNIC** This year's Canadian Picnic will be held in Club House 2 on February 15. The Social Hour from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. will include several fun games providing everyone with an opportunity to meet new people. The Potluck dinner will be 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Groups of 8 or 16 are encouraged but any singles will be placed at a table where they can share their meal and meet new friends. Every table will have a Host who will help in organizing the food for their table. Every guest should bring their own place setting and preferred beverages.

Jesse Derringer will be providing entertainment from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 and will be on sale before coffee hour until the event or until they are all gone! Donations for prizes would be greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact Dianne Buynink (813) 783-4045 or Janet Shaffer (807) 221-9259.

## VIDEO CLUB:



The 2024 Memorial Video will be available next week. Cost \$10. Please preregister to get yours. The form is next to the Video Control Room in Club House #2.

February 29, 2024, at 7 is the Video Club Show. This year we will be featuring a great magician husband and wife team. Tickets will be available next week. Ralph, Dee Dee and I are soliciting sponsor give-aways. Should be a lot of them. ***Dave Domino President***

## CARPORT CONCERT

OK, LET'S TRY THIS AGAIN, FRIENDS!!

Carport Concert is THIS Thursday (1/25) @ 4pm on 37300 LAKEWOOD DR!! Come on out to this NEW location!! Bring your cooler, chairs, and happy feet! The boys in this band have been playing for our Carport Concerts since the VERY beginning!! Please join us as we bring back Snake Farm with Perry Murphee and Josh Nelms on guitars!

Carport Concerts Club SPONSORS club events for ALL of Betmar to come and enjoy! Membership sponsors six concerts each season. We need 100 ongoing memberships to reach our goal. PLEASE RENEW or JOIN!! Membership forms are on the Betmar.org website, in the office, or at the concerts.

And as always, we will have a donation box and will be selling tickets of chance to share the wealth! So if you've got some, bring some—if not, just come anyways and dance with us!

We ARE, Betmar! Friends to the End!!

## TRIVIA:

Sundays, 6:40pm. This week's event was very well attended. The winners were first time participants which just goes to show you that if you have not attended before, you can have a great time and maybe even win. See you there!



## SISTER & SISTER-IN-LAW LUNCHEON







## CREATIVE WRITERS

"You know what I did after I wrote my first novel? I shut up and wrote twenty-three more." -Michael Connelly

Join fellow Creative Writers and anyone who wishes to be, on Mondays at 9am in the White Room in the Apache Clubhouse

## GAME CLUB

Military Whist is this Saturday Jan 27th. Please be there by 6:15 P.M.

## SHUFFLE

Next week there are 2 tournaments here in Betmar. Mon-Tues is the Florida Shuffleboard Association (FSA) tournament. Thurs-Fri is a Central District tournament.

Shuffle lunches. Thank you to all the Betmar bakers who will donate pies and cakes.

For those beginners come watch and see the game.

## MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT

Ground Hog Day Celebration: Deb Reitchel here. I want to announce that I am hosting a Music and Entertainment show on Friday, February 2 at 7 pm in Club House 3. The theme is Groundhog Day. I



would recommend watching "Ground Hog Day" the movie with Bill Murray before you come so you will know why we are featuring some of the songs in this show. Punxsutawney Phil will make an appearance too! For your listening pleasure we will have music playing before the show starts. All in all it will be an upbeat, peppy and positive show. Hope to see you there.

Music Entertainment Friday night, CH # 3, 7:00 p m. Host is Carol Kelly with some new entertainers. Bring a throw away cup for a thirst quencher treat!

## TOPS

"Losing weight is hard, maintaining weight is hard, staying overweight is hard. Choose your hard."

Join your fellow Betmar friends as we traverse our weight loss venture together. Wednesdays, optional weigh in at 8:15, followed by our support meeting at 8:45.

## TABLE AND CHAIR SET UP

Block assignments for Table & Chair volunteers are published in each month's Betmar Bulletin. Blocks are mapped out on page 28 of the phone book. The block assignment for the second half of January is Block T (parts of Benton, Cheyenne, Pawnee & Apache).

Schedule for this period follows:

Wed 1/24	8 am	Bandstand & Chili cook-off (major)
Thu 1/25	8 am	Newcomer Fair (major)
Sat 1/27	8 am	Dance (major)
Mon 1/29	8 am	Shuffle Lunch (major)

## HOBBY CLUB

The Hobby club will be meeting today at 1:00 in the annex. We will be working on finishing up the CD card holders and stuffing some dog beds. If you have never been to our meetings, we would love for you to come check us out! Maybe you know a craft and can show us something new or we can show you something new! We would love to meet you!

## VESPERS:

When did you last go to church? When have you worshiped and thanked God for this fine park in which we live? Here's your opportunity. Join us at 4:30 on Sundays at Vespers. We represent all churches, all faiths, all ages and want to welcome you. We will even feed you after the service. Come see what we are all about. Jan Murch

## WHAT NOT BARN

Are you getting excited for the Barn to open!!?? February 2 is re- opening day. Of course, we're empty. Not much to sell but we know you have lots to donate and we're ready to take in your donations. Please make sure your things are clean and in good working order. There will be a list of what we no longer take in the bulletin for February. We're excited to see all of you!! Friday, February 2!!

## SWIM CLUB

We need someone to fill the Security Manager/Director position on the swim board for the 2024-25 season beginning April 1.

Description of the position is:

Monitor membership compliance as necessary and confirm infractions reported by membership or board by reviewing security camera footage

Communicate with membership to ensure the operation of the electronic access system

Communicate with Betmar properties, as needed, to maintain the accuracy of surveillance systems, Swim Club uses alarm camera at each gate, Betmar uses ADT cameras facing each pool

Review and initial the inventory report no later than December 1



Develop a budget that will cover the cost of the security activities, review draft at December meeting, and submit final to the Treasurer for presentation at the January board meeting

Call/text or email if you're interested

Lisa Peters

Swim Board Nomination Committee

## DANCE CLUB

**SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE** — Join us this Saturday night for dancing to the music of Jeri Blount. Jeri plays a great variety of music so give her a try.

Advance tickets continue to be available until March and always at the door. Contact Pam ward for further information. 989-859-6905

### Saturday Night Dance at Clubhouse 2



# GOLF CLUB

Well, the weather has been cold, but soon the golf courses will be heating up with Golfers and activities. Tree trimming is still ongoing and thank you to Acres properties Bob Coutz and Golf Club Properties Jeff Warner for all the hard work and effort you have put into the courses. (I promise to get a picture of you two working for Coffee News, it's just you move so fast from area to area it's hard to catch up with you two). Acres and Golf have finalized the procurement of a tree service company to come in and trim trees in places that we just can't get high enough to trim. Primarily, the following are the focus of the trimming – Gold Course 2,3,4,8, and 9. Blue Course – 1,4, and 6. There are additional trims included but these are the priorities for course health and maintenance and player feedback. So please be patient when the courses are closed during this work, we will make every effort to get the courses open as soon as possible.

**CHILI COOK OFF** this week, hope to see you there. **Golf will have a table at the Newcomer Fair to help you sign up and provide more details of our Golf Club.**

**And make plans for Elvis to enter the building in March. Here is a preview.**

**Elvis is coming to Betmar**

Night Golf is Wednesday, Jan 24<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30

The Red White and Brew Florida Scramble is Tuesday, Jan 30<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm with 1:30 check in. If you liked wine & 9, you're going to love Red, White & Brew!!

I often get feedback saying if golf was only a little less expensive, I would consider joining. Well look at this breakdown of what value there is in being a member of the Golf Club.

<b>\$400.00</b>	Months	Days	Weeks
<b>Annual Membership</b>	6	180	26
	3	90	13

<i>Rounds Per Week</i>	<i>3 Months of Rounds</i>	<i>Cost Per Round</i>	<i>6 Months of Rounds</i>	<i>Cost Per Rc</i>	
1	13	\$31.11	26	\$15.56	
3	39	\$10.37	77	<b>\$5.19</b>	Are You Kidding Me?! 3X a week
5	64	\$6.22	129	\$3.11	\$5.00 a round!! That's <u>All!!</u>
7	90	\$4.44	180	\$2.22	Sign ME UP!!!
10	129	\$3.11	257	\$1.56	

Benefits of Being Betmar Golf Member

YEAR ROUND GOLF AVAILABLE

Make New Friends

Load clubs in cart and play – No Traveling

Sign in to Play NO booking a tee time.

3 Executive Courses – Gold Course has (5, par 4 holes),

Blue (3, par 4 holes) and challenging par 3's, White (9, par 3's)

"Betmar Golf Activities – Night Golf, Scotch Doubles, Skills Day"

Fun Day Golf, 3 Club, 8 Iron Challenge

Friday Men's Scramble



Saturday Men's Skins

Ladies Golf League – Thursdays

Ladies Club Championship

Ladies President Cup

Men's Travel Golf

Nickel Boys – Daily Noon Golf except Sunday

Morning Mulligans

Men's Championship – 4 Tiers

Golden Girls, White Witches, Blue Bells Tournaments

Golf Banquet

Guest Play for \$20.00 per day – With Free Loaner Clubs

Pre Pay Guest Card available – No cash per day needed

Computer Access to track handicap

On Site Pro Shop

Clubs and Pull Cart Storage – Additional Fee

**\*\*\* And of course, we still have the Limited Social Membership available if you plan to golf less than 20 times a year.**

Special Thank you to the Friday Men's Scramble group for their donation of the NEW restroom placards.

.....And a special thank you to Marilyn Williams, Terri Williams, Karen Emery and Laurie Black for working on the cleanup of the Golf Web page on the Betmar Web site. MAC MCKINNON PRESIDENT

Betmar Pro Shop has Glo Balls available for the Betmar Night Golf Game this week. Please stop by to purchase Glo Balls before the scheduled game on January 24. Check in time is 4:30, with a tee time of 5:00pm. Brenda Moody

THE GOLF BOARD HAS OPEN OFFICE POSITIONS-PLEASE CONTACT MIKE GUMSER

## wine and nine











# LIBRARY

**My best friend is the man who'll get me a book I ain't read". – Abraham Lincoln**

Great news! The Betmar Library is changing. We are scheduled for a complete remodel starting on 01 April 2024. There will be many changes coming up prior to the start date. The books, equipment, and supplies will all have to be moved to storage. No books or puzzles will be checked out after the 19<sup>th</sup> of February. All books, videos, and puzzles will have to be returned no later than 11 March.

Come in and see our friendly staff. We will help you find a book. We have many new puzzles and books. Please do not forget our shut-in services.

We have a lot of books for sale! Great sale prices will be posted. Come and see our inventory.

Our February Library Meeting will be on February 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Volunteers please attend.

# TENNIS/PICKLEBALL CLUB

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the country. Do you want to give it a try? If so, we think you'll be interested in the free beginner's clinic that the Tennis/Pickleball Club is offering. You do NOT need to join our club to participate in the clinic. The clinic will be held on Mon. 1/29- Fri. 2/2 from 11-1 at the courts. As a special bonus, if after participating in all five days of the clinic you decide to join our fun club, we will waive the initiation fee. Please contact Darlene Paine at 207 779-4948 as soon as possible if you would like to participate or if you have any questions. We have had well over 20 participants in the last two years, and everyone says they enjoyed it. We'd love to have you come and join the fun! Thank you. Darlene

## THEATRE

Before coffee on January 23,30 Desert theater tickets will be sold for \$7.00 Come join the fun!

Performances are Feb. 2 @7pm, Feb 3rd @2pm Feb 4th @ 4th @7pm "Let's Laugh Again"

Tickets also available from Jo Anne Stepler 585-334-8344

## TRAVEL GROUP

The trip to John's Pass and the Calypso Breeze was a success. The weather cooperated with us letting us enjoy the sun while on the ship. The food was great and we all had a good time.

Our next trip is to the Early Bird Dinner Theater in Clearwater to see the show "One Slight Hitch" This is on Thursday, February 8.

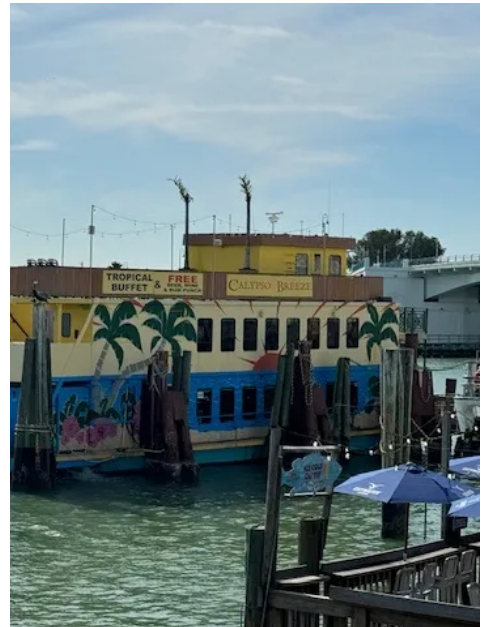
Our Savannah group will be having an information meeting this Saturday, January 27 in Clubhouse 3 at 10:00 a.m. Please come or send a representative.

Friday, March 8 we will enjoy a trip to Myakka City to see the Lipizzons perform at their training camp. \$85 includes motorcoach, lunch and all tips.



Long term trips set for October 20-26 where we will go north to see the actual replica of “The Ark” and the Creation Museum. Get info from Sandy or Bonnie.

## Bus Trip to Madeira Beach









## VISITORS/GUESTS

Bruce Weston is visiting Bill and Pauline Weston

Lillian Bennett visiting from Maine Linda and Bill Rood

Kate Murphy visiting her sister Irene Manning

Gary and Sue Herman have their daughter and grandson Latrisha and Chase Porter and friends: Trina and Jamie Rodriguez all from Michigan

Andy and Tucker Peebles visiting Dave Fetterly and Bobbie Foster-from New York

## BIRTHDAYS:

Milt Bulmann – January 22

Brian Herbert-January 28

Arleta Grant, 1/23 – 84 years

Tim Baker 1/26/1959. 65years old

Julia Ellis Jan 28<sup>th</sup> older and wiser

Linda Carillon Jan 27th

Janet Nelson Less than 80, but more than 60. Judy Petroskey – January 23

**To Submit a Birthday Announcement, Click [HERE](#)**



## ANNIVERSARY:



Lorna and Ernie Fry-Celebrates their 67th Anniversary



Crystal and Frank Jones celebrates their 6th Anniversary



Gail and Mike Williamson celebrates their 54th Anniversary



Rose and Bernie Novak celebrates their 57th Anniversary

[To Submit an Anniversary Announcement, Click HERE](#)

## SICK BAY:

NONE

## JOKE OF THE DAY:

So, the new CEO decides it's time to rid the company of slackers. On the tour of the facilities, he notices a guy leaning against a wall. The room was full of workers. Seeing the chance to show how much he meant business, he says to the guy, how much money do you make a week?

A little surprised, the young man says I make \$400, why?

The CEO says wait right here. He walks back to his office and comes back in 2 minutes, and he hands the guy \$1600 in cash and says here's four weeks' pay, now get out and don't come back!

Feeling like a boss now, the CEO looks around and says does anyone want to tell me what that goofball's job was around here?

From across the room a voice says, pizza delivery guy from Domino's.



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