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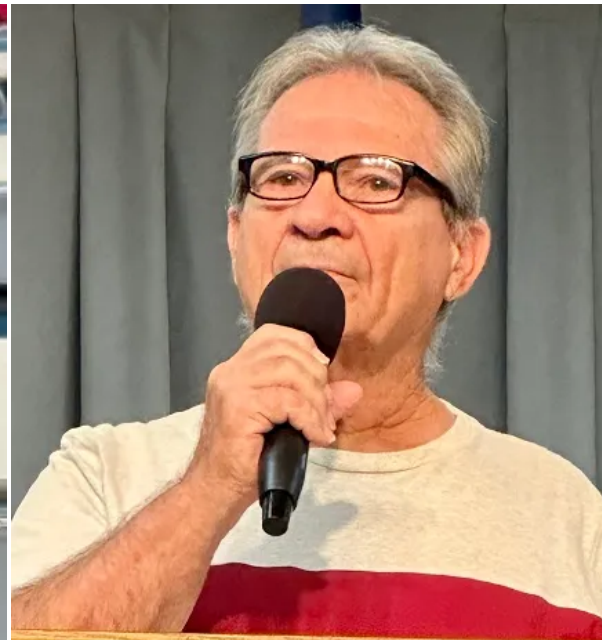
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GOOD MORNING BETMAR FRIENDS!!

TUESDAY AT COFFEE:





MICHELLE'S MESSAGE

Welcome to my birthday week. It started with an awesome trip to the Broadway production of Tootsie to today, trimming trees on the golf course. What will it be like come Saturday? Mowing the yard with fingernail clippers? No, it won't be that but stay tuned to what happens! Maybe Sushi Mac???

Thank you, Dave Thiel, for the prayer song today!

Thank you, Summer Game Players, for donating \$150 to Betmar!!

Upcoming ACTIVITIES:

MEET AT 9:45 BY THE SHUFFLE COURT THURSDAY MORNING TO HEAD TO THE STABLES-IT WILL BE AN AWESOME LUNCH

Halloween Golf Cart Parade October 28th line up at 3:45 parade at 4. Apple Cider and Cookies to follow in the Pavillion

VOLUNTEER SHOUT OUT



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- * This person has been in the park for 31 years
- * she's helped with hospitality and would take cookies to new residents
- * years ago she helped with the pool membership
- * 52 years ago her dad started chorus
- * she's enjoyed playing bridge in private homes
- * her sister started military whist therefore she's a player
- * for 25 years, she has been the accompanist for Christmas and Spring Chorus Concerts

WHO IS SHE?

WILMA KLAKE

NEW RESIDENTS



Ethl Williams -Betmar Drive

Susan Cummings on Betty



BETMAR SECURITY

SLOW DOWN AND IF WALKING AT NIGHT-CARRY A FLASHLIGHT AND WEAR REFLECTIVE CLOTHING

ART CLUB

Welcome to our fall and winter season here in Betmar. Our Beginners Art Club will start tomorrow, Wednesday, October 11. We meet in Clubhouse 3 . Class starts at 1 pm, so come a little early to help set up. If you're new to the class, we can get you started. Cost is \$1 per person each time you come. Hope to see many regular and new faces.

NEWS FROM THE WEB

A couple Website changes have taken place recently, and I just wanted to let you know about them.

1) The Comments section (button at the top of this page.... <https://betmar.org/comments/>) is no longer password protected. This is a test. When we decided to put the password in place, We went from about 50 comments per week, to less than 2 per month.....It simply stopped being used. As you may recall, this password was put in place when comments got out of hand, and Betmar Administration simply felt it prudent to not air Betmar's dirty laundry on a public forum. Please keep comments professional, and we'll see how it goes. IF unsuccessful, the page will likely come down completely.

2) The Betmar Calendar page on this website (<https://betmar.org/calendar-2/>) has for sometime had a "Printable Calendar" option button at the top. When using this link, please understand that the "Printable Calendar" is a snap-shot in time, taken at the beginning of the month.....view this like the old paper copy you used to put on your refrigerator. No one came to your refrigerator with changes and cancellations, and they still won't. But the live calendar shown on the calendar page WILL. So if you want to double check the time or status of a meeting or event, please double check the live calendar. The Printable calendar now has a disclaimer at the top to remind you of this. Most things remain the same, so the refrigerator calendar is still a good idea. Just be sure to double check if necessary.

OTHER STUFF:

When Betmar community emails are sent out, DO NOT REPLY TO THEM. Your reply will go to the central repository that launched the community email....so it basically goes nowhere. If the Community email says "Contact Bob Smith".... then send an email to Bob Smith. If the community email has something you'd like to comment on, then email your comment to the appropriate person, or use the Betmar Comments section link on the Coffee News. I try to clean out the central repository often, and forward what I find to whomever "I think" it should have been sent to. But the bottom line is, "Reply"

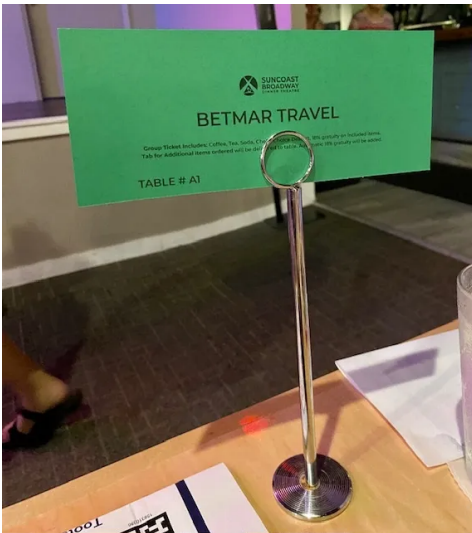
or even "Reply to all" goes nowhere. I see a lot of emails that say things such as, "Put me down, I'll help.", or "Why did that happen?" I believe some people think they are send their comment out to all of Betmar.....sorry....you're not. The Central repository (which we pay Google for) allows us to send bulk emails in quantities that exceed Gmail or other provider limits. It's not uncommon for us to send out 10,000 emails in one day. If you are on the receiving end of one of these forwarded emails, please respond to that person.... don't hit replay, which puts your response back into the repository.

Ever use the Betmar Website? If your answer is no, THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE....You're on it now. Hit the "Home" button at the top of this page to bring you to the main menu. I find it funny how many people read the Coffee News every week, but say they never use the Website.....The Coffee News is located ONLY on the Betmar Website. The email you get, simply provides you with at link to this section of the WWW.BETMART.ORG website.

BETMAR TRAVEL GROUP

There will be a meeting about the Branson trip on Saturday, October 14 at 3:00 p.m. in Clubhouse 3. This meeting is for registrants and anyone who might be interested. Sandy

Betmar Travel Group to Hudson for Dinner and Show (Tootsie).





BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS

The Cupboard being open daily is working. On an average there are three to four residents a day getting food and/or personal supplies. As a result of the success of being open daily, we will not be having a November distribution day.

Volunteers are needed. Basic duties are: delivery of perishable items, sorting and marking the items (crossing out code and marking expiration date), sorting, packing and delivering the holiday baskets, and being a Bountiful Blessings ambassador. Unfortunately, we cannot provide a date and time, since it is not known when items will be received. Sue or Cheri would text or call to see if you are available. Interested? Please give Sue or Cheri your name and phone number.

We have wound care items, canes, item grabbers, and, should you need a walker, wheel chair, potty chair, etc., if it is not available, a post on FaceBook lets our residents know. Of course, we never use your name.

Our list for the Thanksgiving Baskets is growing. If you are not signed up or know of someone who could use the food, please let us know.

Bountiful Blessings will be posting a "Wish List" on the bulletin boards Clubhouse 2(inside & out), Apache & Clubhouse 3.

The Food Cupboard 36721 Strand (corner of Plant and Strand) has been and will continue to be open all year. When the white van is in the driveway, Sue 813 469 4653 is usually home. If Sue is not home or does not answer, call Cheri 813 310 7861 and she will come right over so you can go shopping.

CHORUS

Practice has started, check the calendar for times and location

THOMAS PROMISE

Thomas Promise and Bountiful Blessing Thanksgiving Baskets

We are planning to prepare at least 35 baskets for Betmar residents and 40 baskets for Thomas Promise families. Since both our groups are asking for basically the same items to be donated for our Thanksgiving Baskets, we are

suggesting that you can drop off the needed items into the gray bins between CH#3 and the Annex OR the bin at Connie Simoneau's home 36708 Jodi Ave OR the bins at Sue Flynn's home 36721 Strand Dr corner of Plant/Strand.

The items needed are::::Stuffing mix, instant potatoes, canned veggies, gravy packets, cream of mushroom soup, canned yams, marshmallows, powdered milk, juice packets, jello, canned fruit and canned hams. Betmar has been supportive of Thomas Promise for the past 12 years and the last year for Bountiful Blessings , so please help us serve those individuals and families that need a Thanksgiving meal plus fixings !!

Thank you Betmar for caring again by opening your hearts to others!!

GOLF CLUB

Well it is great to see more people returning to Betmar!!!! On Monday we were able to get quite a bit done on Gold 5 trees. Thank you to the golf member volunteers that helped out, Ken Bournival, Kip Aubertine, Dan Butler, Hank Hoskins, Michelle McKinnon, Dave Gregg and Jeff Warner. And thank you to properties for your help and removing the dead trees, one was a concern for the pump station and now that is remedied. If you weren't able help this time, please make an effort to help out in the near future, remember we are a volunteer campus and Golf Club. Every golf member should be doing something to make us a better club and course. So volunteer and maybe you can be Michelle's Volunteer Shout out!!!!

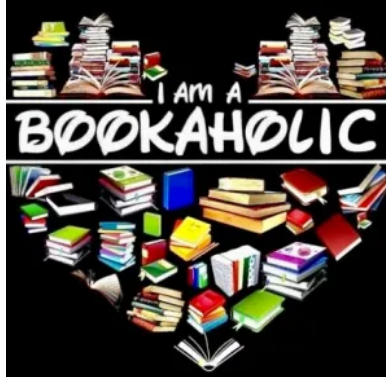
Friday October 13th is the startup of the Men's Friday Scramble, entry fee is a whopping \$1.00 for a random card draw for teams, with chances to purchase Share the Wealth and pro shop drawing gift certificates tickets. Hope to see you there if you're a golf member and if your not become a member right away and enjoy the fun.

Next Monday October 16th we are planning on repairs to the bridge going from the clubhouse to Gold 1. An alternate route will be posted in the clubhouse prior to Monday. Please keep in mind this also impacts departing White 9 to the clubhouse. So please be conscientious and look to see if someone is teeing off on Gold 9 before driving well behind the green.

Thank You, Mac McKinnon Golf Club President



LIBRARY



Man is what he reads. -Joseph Brodsky

The [Library volunteer meeting](#) is held on the second Thursday of each month in the library at 9:00 AM.

AROUND BETMAR





TENNIS/PICKLEBALL CLUB

Congratulations to Sandy Bedingfield and Jimmie Stokes for winning gold medals playing women's doubles pickleball in the Tampa Bay Active Life Games on Friday, October 6. You guys make Betmar proud!

Zephyrhills was well represented at the Tampa Bay Senior Active Life Games on Friday.



YOGA

No Yoga until January

TOPS

Established in 1948 to champion weight-loss support and success, TOPS (Taking Pounds Off Sensibly) helped millions of people live healthier lives.

Betmar TOPS meets Wednesday morning. If you choose, you may weigh in at 8:15am followed by our support meeting at 9am in the Apache Room in the Apache Building. We hope you will join us.

VISITORS/GUESTS

Karen Ragin from Greensburg, Indiana visiting her Mother Irene Manning Jen Smith visiting Linda and Vince Smith

BIRTHDAYS:

Michelle McKinnon 61 years October 14th

Kris Send 10-16

MARK C KRUEGER 70th on October 21st

Joan Elwell 81 years October 7th

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

ANNIVERSARY:

Bobbie-Barbara and Domenic Martucci 66 years October 3
(picture omitted last week)





Ron & Janet Send We will be married 63 years on October 15th

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

SICK BAY:

Currently in the hospital Franklin Kuzmenko

JOKE OF THE DAY:

A Chinese doctor can't find a job in a hospital in the United States so he opens a clinic and puts a sign up outside, get treatment for \$20 -if not cured, get back \$100

An American lawyer thinks this is a great opportunity to earn \$100 and goes to the clinic. The lawyer says I have lost my sense of taste.

Chinese doctor says nurse, bring medicine box from #22 and put three drops into patient's mouth.

Lawyer replies oh, yuck, this is kerosene.

Chinese doctor replies congratulations, your sense of taste is restored. Give me \$20.

The annoyed lawyer goes back after a few days to recover his money from the doctor and says I have lost my memory. I cannot remember anything.

Chinese doctor says nurse come up bring medicine from box #22 and put three drops in his mouth.

The lawyer, annoyed, this is kerosene you gave this to me last time for restoring my taste.

Chinese doctor replies, congratulations. You got your memory back. Give me \$20.

The fuming lawyer pays him, and then comes back a week later determined to get \$100.

The lawyer says my eyesight has become very weak and I can't see at all.

The Chinese doctor says well, I don't have any medicine for that so take this \$100.

The lawyer stares at the note and says but this is a \$20 bill not a \$100 bill.

Chinese doctor replies, congratulations your eyesight is restored. Give me \$20.



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