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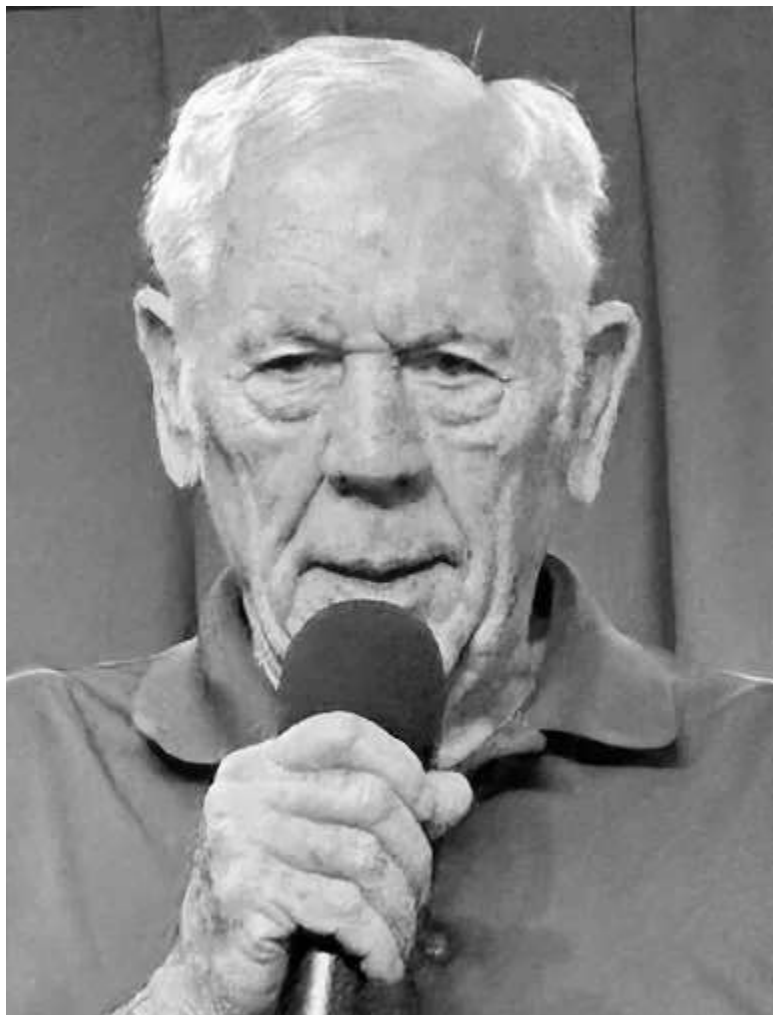
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GOOD MORNING BETMAR FRIENDS!!

TUESDAY AT COFFEE:





MICHELLE'S MESSAGE



Well, I am back from an awesome trip to Peru and would encourage you to go if you ever get the opportunity! Machu Picchu was spectacular!! Welcome goes out to those of you here from the North-happy to see you ...tis the season for Snowbirds to return to Betmar! Safe travels for those heading this way!!
THANK YOU TO THIS MONTHS COFFEE WORKERS-WE APPRECIATE YOU!!

Larry Robarge Nancy Kraft Geri Hyle

Judy Hall Lil Campbell Maxine Bailey

Joyce Smith Barb Vliek Linda Ames

Linda Witting Joanne LaVere Randy LaVere

If anyone wants to help JoAnne in October, please let her know!! Help with or running coffee hour is definitely needed!

VOLUNTEER SHOUT OUT



*Helps with Bountiful Blessings

*Swim club board member years back

*Involved in making masks-during COVID

*Assists with In Due Season

*Makes cloth diapers for new mothers

*Betmar's connection to Thomas Promise

*Organizes Dress the Girls

Who is she?

Connie Simonea

BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS

A special thank you to our volunteers and the residents who support The Cupboard. We could not do this without you.

Sue & Cheri

DARTS:

No darts tonight-

CLUBHOUSE 2 CLOSED FOR THREE DAYS FOR CLEANING

GOLF CLUB

October 2024 is around the corner. Wow it's that time of year when Betmar will start to be revived with the seasonal activities. Golf is planning some great and exciting events for the 23/24 season. As many are aware Marilyn Williams is the new Activities Director and has already discovered some new activities for the Fall/Winter. For those traditionalists have no fear the classical events will still be happening. Golf will be changing the time of our meetings to give the morning groups of golfers the opportunity to participate. Our membership is rebounding quite well with the creation of Limited Social Membership for those who don't golf often yet want to be a part of the events for golf. So, for those who have never golfed or maybe just casually in the past, come join others for some fun on the course. Be sure to keep your eyes on the Golf Club House Bulletin Board for details or visit the Betmar website Golf Club Page.

It's late September and what a pleasant surprise that we have all three courses open with no flooding. We are hoping that tree trimming will be able to start back up within the next week or so. The October Breakfast has been cancelled but we will be back at it come November.

For those coming down before Jan when the new golf membership year starts, we have the Limited Social Membership (LSM) option so you can start golfing before Jan. Please reach out to me or Laurie Black to see if the LSM is an option that works for you.

The 23/24 season looks great for the Golf Club, and we look forward to some of our social events that include participation of ALL the Betmar residents. Thank You Mac McKinnon 813.469.8203 Cell

CHRISTMAS DECORATING:

Thank you Vic and Carol Sambol for taking over the task!! Mike H is stepping down due to health issues.

THOMAS PROMISE

Thomas Promise Volunteers Needed

Are you looking to help a great cause in your community?

We need some volunteers!

Each week on Mondays from 8:30-11am we need some extra volunteers to help us pack bags for the children on our program. If you would like to help, please call the office at 813-782-0000.

Thank you!

SECURITY:

FYI from Security: the latest update is, the gator removal contractor came out to the supposed pond and did not see any activity or movement of said gators. Their method of capture is to physically snag them with a treble hook and a fishing pole. So according to Joe from properties if the gators are spotted and only then properties will call the contractor back for removal.

TOPS:

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) is the short name for TOPS Club, Inc., the original nonprofit, noncommercial network of weight-loss support groups and wellness education organization. Betmar TOPS meets Wednesday morning, beginning October 4. If you choose, you may weigh in at 8:15 am followed by our support meeting at 9:00 am in the Apache Room in the Apache Building. We hope you will join us.

GARDEN CLUB:

This week someone tried to pull this deer statue from one of the Betmar Gardens. For what reason, it is unknown?

It is extremely heavy and was left lying on the garden stones. Thank you, Jim VanLeir, for moving this statue back into the garden where it has been for many years.

If any resident sees something that does not look right in the gardens, please let Security know.

The gardens have been plagued with mischief this summer, and many things have been taken from the gardens. Thank you!

Again, please kindly STOP feeding the ducks and geese in Betmar.

They are laying in the gardens where they are fed and makes it so unsanitary for garden workers. It is expensive for Betmar, as plants need replacing once damaged.

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TRAVEL GROUP:

Betmar Travel Group has 14+ openings for the October 7 production of "Tootsie" at the Suncoast Broadway Theater. Need to fill right away if this trip will go. Need at least 30 total. Thanks, Sandy

Sandy's Mystery Trip

The Mystery is over. Sandy took us to Palmetto, Florida to the Southeastern Guide Dogs where we participated in the "Beyond the Dark" demonstration. We learned how guide dogs were trained and used, and then heard from several persons who were actual recipients of their guide dog. (Stop number one, no one had ever been here) Lunch was in a private room at the Der Dutchman in Sarasota. We all had our fill at the delicious buffet, pie included! (Stop number two, only 3 persons had even been there). Following lunch, on to Sarasota to the Siesta Rum Company where a tasting room was the first order of business. Then we learned how rum is made and that this company is receiving many awards for their fine process. (Stop number three, no one had ever been there)

A fantastic trip and Sandy agreed to have another, with new attractions, next year

AROUND BETMAR



LIBRARY:

"Books have the power to make time stand still, retreat, or fly into the future."

-Jim Bishop

Greetings from your treasure trove, the Betmar Community Library.

We are very grateful to accept donations for inclusion in our collection or for our on-going sale. We also maintain a "jigsaw" puzzle collection

WHAT NOT BARN:

STOP IN AND SHOP-FRIDAY

TENNIS/PICKLEBALL:

The first meeting of the Tennis and Pickleball Club will be held Wednesday October 4 th at Apache Clubhouse in the Maple leaf room at 3:30 pm.

Colleen King

Tennis and Pickleball Club

Vice president>

DANCE:

Line Dance will be this Monday in Clubhouse 3 at 10 AM

MEETINGS:

FYI-The Owners/Acres Board agenda workshop will be held on Tuesday, October 3 @ 9:00am in Clubhouse 2 annex. The Owners/ Acres General Assembly meeting will be held on Thursday, October 5, 2023, at 7PM in Clubhouse 2. Laraine Roberts

SWIM CLUB:

Aerobics/Mini Golf/Volleyball Help by Deb Reitchel On 9/8/23 I accidentally stepped off my porch and landed on my right hip. I have a fracture on right pelvic bone. I will be out of commission for a little while. I have recently been leading the aerobics classes in the small pool. Shirley Dube has kindly filled in. Than you Shirley. However, there is an instruction book for aerobics in the small pool bathroom should neither Shirley nor I be there. Anyone can step up to lead the class by referencing the manual. We are also looking for volunteers to help with mini golf. Many of the figurines are stored away during hurricane season. Mostly we are looking for people to weed where the crushed rocks are or blow off the greens. I have learned that it is much easier to pick tiny weeds before they become big weeds. I have a battery-operated blower you can use. And thirdly, I usually provide music for volleyball games and

have a Bluetooth Bose speaker which connects to my playlists on my phone. If someone would like to use it at volleyball, call or text me at 207 530-0943

SNOWBIRD UPDATE

On September 6th, five Betmar residents (Todd & Georgia Fulton, Mary Thompson and Don & Linda McClintock) departed on a 3+ week motorcycle trip from Lake Itasca in Minnesota. This lake is the origin of the Mississippi River. They will follow the Mississippi River to New Orleans then turn north to see several Civil War sites and follow Natchez Trace. The trip will end in Ohio.



BIRTHDAYS:

Barb Winslow September 28th (turning 39 AGAIN)

Fran Lancaster 9/15

9-15 Rita Wencel 69 years young

James Wencel October 7th 70 years old

Sharon Todd – Sept 22nd

Kelly Garrett 9-22

Tim Lange 9-23

Sue Flynn 9-26

Judy Aubertine 9-27

Richard Heon 9-15 75 years OLD

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

ANNIVERSARY:

Dave and Nancy Russ September 19th 14 years

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

SICK BAY:

Mike Herman

Sandy Lindley

JOKE OF THE DAY:

A bartender is sitting behind the bar on a typical day, when the door bursts open and in comes four exuberant blondes. They came up to the bar, ordered 5 bottles of champagne and 10 glasses. They take their order over and sit down at a large table. The corks are popped, the glasses are filled, and they begin toasting and chanting,

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Two more blondes show up and soon their voices are joined in raising the roof

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Finally, the 10th blonde comes in with a picture under her arm and she walks over to the table, sets the picture in the middle of the table and the table erupts once again. The blondes begin dancing around the table, exchanging high fives all while chanting

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When the frenzy dies down a bit the bartender can't stand it -he goes over and asks one of the blondes what's all the chanting and celebration about?

The blonde who brought in the picture pipes in "everyone thinks that blondes are dumb, and they make fun of us, so, we decided to set the record straight. Ten of us got together, bought a puzzle and put it together, so I framed it. The side of the box says two to four years but we put it together in 51 days!



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