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Celebrate Our "Senior" Seniors on March 22

We're honoring our "SENIOR" seniors on Sunday, March 22 at 3PM with a birthday party. Cake and ice cream will be served and everyone is welcome.

Residents who are age 80 and over are asked to contact Sharman Carney at 863-688-5202 or sign-up on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Please state which age group you fit in: 80 and over, or 90 and over. Please include your lot number and let Sharman know if you need a ride,

Also, bring your Beacon Terrace stories or old photos to share.

March Events	
3/07	BT Bazaar
3/10	HOA Meeting 7PM
3/12	Ladies' Luncheon
3/14	<u>B.T. Variety Show</u>
3/21	<u>SATURDAY NITE SUPER BINGO</u>
3/22	<u>Senior Birthday Celebration</u>
3/24	<u>Caribbean Pool Party</u> 6-9 PM
3/28	<u>BYE-BYE SNOW BIRDIE DANCE</u>
3/31	Paint with Sizzle
LOOK for posters in the Clubhouse and USPS area	

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The Great Heron (above) was captured on film by Paul Willis, who took the second place award in the Natural Beauty of Beacon Terrace Photo Contest. He also placed first in the contest last year.

Great Herons are fish eaters, but also eat frogs, turtles, crabs, aquatic insects, rodents, and even small birds. They locate their prey by sight and usually swallow it whole.

It has an average lifespan of 15 years in the wild.

FROM OUR H.O.A. LEADERSHIP



DON KOHNKE

HOA President

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I remain honored to hold this position and will strive to give my best possible attention to your needs and concerns. Please feel free to contact me with any community issues you feel require my attention. I thank you in advance for your support and patience as we move forward. I continue to work closely with our park Manager, Lisa in striving to provide you with the amenities you desire.

We have received a great response to the survey sent to each you in January. As I write this, we are still receiving responses, so the final compilation will likely not be done until the end of February. I will share much of the information at our next Membership Meeting on March 10th. You may be surprised with some of the results.

Also, **PLEASE** pickup your new Resident Directory, which has been placed in each mail slot in the library. Please check your information to make sure it is correct and if not, contact Dolly Lengel, Lot 252.

We will be seeking volunteers to join some of our committees. These include, but not limited to, the Inside Clubhouse Design/Decoration Committee and the Outside Clubhouse & Pool Area Design/Decoration Committee. These committees will be responsible for determining what needs to be done to keep our community updated and looking the best it can be throughout the year including during the holiday season. Please consider volunteering. Any resident is welcome to contact the committee leaders with suggestions for changes and the committees will discuss them. Only the committees will make changes. These committees will report to the HOA Board and have the support of the Board.

We will also be seeking residents that will take pride in caring for areas around the community. So far, we have residents that take great pride in such things as landscaping improvements, the Nature Trail, Christmas lighting, and offering their time and skills to keep some of amenities looking great. If you have an area you have interest in, please sign up on the Volunteer Signup sheets located inside the Clubhouse and in the mail area. You can also let me know directly. We have volunteers that will be happy to help you. Thanks!

We will be posting a plan for future projects so those who wish to help can be aware of them and make plans to help if desired. The dates of the projects are somewhat flexible due to weather conditions. Some upcoming projects include repairing the entrance that was damaged by an accident, staining the gazebo as directed by the membership at our last meeting, staining the bridge, and possibly relocating the island swing to the area by the gazebo. There will likely be other future projects as we are always looking to improve the community. Some of the mentioned projects may be done prior to the publishing of the Beacon, but I still included them so you are aware of what we are doing to keep our community looking good.

The By-Laws were amended during the February meeting to require the approval of the majority of the attending membership for any changes to take effect. This requires two successive monthly meeting votes of the membership. Other changes include the option of the Board to conduct bi-monthly membership meetings during the summer months. This was added since the population is now primarily full-time residents. Also added was a five-minute limit on discussion time per resident at membership meetings to allow enough time for those who wish to speak.

When visiting the swimming pool, please park your golf carts in the designated Golf Cart parking area at the west end of the Clubhouse parking lot. I have noticed no one is using these spots, yet many car and bike parking areas are full of carts. The vast majority of pool users are quite able to walk the few extra feet from the designated cart parking area leaving the car/truck parking spots for use by those vehicles. Also, do not park on the grass. Single uses do little harm, continual uses cause harm. Thanks

The next Home Owners Membership Meeting will be held on March 10th at 7 PM. Also, feel free to attend the monthly HOA Board meeting which is held at 3 PM on March 3rd in the clubhouse. You are free to comment on any agenda item. If you have something you feel important enough to be added to the agenda, please forward that to Bonnie at least a week before the scheduled meeting time.

Please contact me with any issues you may have. Home phone: 863-397-3836, Email: grandpadn@gmail.com.

Respectfully Submitted,

Don Kohnke, President Beacon Terrace HOA Board

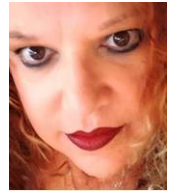
An Irish blessing for March:

*"May your pockets be heavy and your heart be light,
May good luck pursue you each day-and-night."*



SHERRY DEFRANCISCO

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You are lucky if you live at Beacon Terrace! In February, our hearts were overfilled with love as we enjoyed a Super Bowl party. Ladies' Lunch at Lavender and Lace, a Sweetheart Dance with JT and Jen, music with Jimmy Mazz and finally ending with a Mardi Gras parade and a low country boil dinner on Fat Tuesday.

March begins with our annual bazaar, and then a birthday bash for 80 and 90 year-old youngsters, followed by the annual Variety Show. Also planned are a special resident SUPER SATURDAY BINGO night, and a Caribbean Pool Party with steel drummer, Ravon. If you enjoyed JT and Jen, we are happy to say they will be back for our BYE-BYE SNOW BIRDIE dance. To end the month, we will have a Paint-N-Swizzle.

You can say this month that the leprechauns filled it with shenanigans and malarkey! As always, thoughts are things, think the good ones! Come have fun with us!!



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Welcome Spring!! Some March facts:

- Each year March and June end on the same day of the week.
- It is the time of year when animals start to wake up from hibernation.
- Basketball fans get ready for March Madness! March 11-April 2
- March 22nd is known as National Goof Off Day! It is a **day** to relax, enjoy and goof off. Do something fun; leave the work until tomorrow.
- Daylight Savings In the United States is March 8th

Things you will notice around the community.

- The Nature Trail will be getting some improvements
- The community lawn crew is being replaced.
- The Chess Board will be completed
- The horseshoe pits will begin reconstruction

A few housekeeping reminders:

- Those of you that are leaving for the season, please let us know.
- Please clean up after your pet.
- No parking in the grass. Please remember the water pipes are shallow and vehicles on the grass cause breaks and cracks.
- No parking in the street and blocking the right of way. We have lots of emergency personnel who need to be able to get down the streets.
- After activities in the clubhouse, empty all trash receptacles.

I would like everyone to know that I truly enjoy hearing your ideas and have an open door policy. If there is ever a time you would like to talk with me, please feel free to stop by. I will take each and all request and suggestions into consideration and be glad to discuss with you any concerns. I want to see Beacon Terrace evolve into an even better community than it currently is.

B.T. Briefs

- ♦ You can NOW pick up your BEACON in the USPS mail area. Thank you to Don Kohnke for installing the newsletter box near the Events Bulletin Board.
- ♦ **The new Beacon Terrace Directories are in the mail boxes in the library.** A BIG thanks to Dolly Lengel for her time and diligence in producing the directory!
- ♦ If you haven't paid your annual dues for the BT HOA (Home Owners Association), FMO (Federation of Manufactured Home Owners), and BT Social Activities, DO IT SOON! The HOA dues are \$15 per household, paid to Chuck Snively (Lot 56), Board Treasurer. The FMO forms are available on the Clubhouse Bulletin Board and annual fees are \$25. Social Activity dues are \$5 per person and paid to Elaine Hudson, Lot 145. These dues save residents \$2 per social event. If you attend three events, you are ahead!

CARIBBEAN POOL PARTY

Tuesday, March 24, 6-9 PM

featuring Ravon ("Steely")



\$15 Per Person with paid Social Dues

\$18 Per Person without

See Sherry Defrancisco at #215; 614-309-2605

(ONLY 50 Tickets to be sold due to limited space and safety concerns)

Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Polynesian Cole Slaw & Chips Provided; BYOB (No Glass)

BT Bazaar Timetable: March 3 - 7, 2020

Fleurette (Flo) Olive, Lot 158

Tuesday, March 3 7pm—Set up tables in the clubhouse and move chairs to pool area; 6-8 volunteers needed

Wednesday March 4, 9 am—All available men with trucks/vans needed to move items from storage

Wednesday March 4, 9:15 am—Volunteers needed in clubhouse to sort through boxes and totes once delivered on site

Please Note: *Clubhouse will be locked and off limits Wednesday, March 4th and Thursday March 5th from 4 pm till next morning and also Friday, March 6 after 7pm.*

Wednesday social group to meet at the island March 4th instead of the clubhouse at usual time

Thursday and Friday – Set up and pricing of items in the clubhouse from 09:00 until work has been completed

Friday, March 6 from 5 pm to 6:30 pm Early bird shopping for all BT residents

****** Bake goods needed** - Best sellers include: cookies, pies, fudge, butter tarts, squares, cupcakes, tea breads, peanut brittle, fudge, etc. **Note:** Bake goods should be delivered to the clubhouse **Friday March 6, between 1 and 4 pm**

Bazaar will be open to the public Saturday, March 7 from 08:00 – 12:00

Thanks to all the dedicated volunteers who will be assisting during the week.

Frankie & Dean “One for the Road”

Jimmy Mazz and Patrick Tobin Bring Vegas Show to BT

Beacon Terrace enjoying the “crooning” of “The Chairman of the Board” and “The King of Kool” on Sunday, February 23rd. Frank Sinatra, AKA Jimmy Mazz, and Dean Martin, AKA Patrick Tobin, wowed the audience with their smooth vocals, amazing energy, and irresistible charm.



Sweetheart Ball - Sweeter with BJ & Jen



Musical duo **BJ & Jen** entertained for the Sweetheart Ball on February 13th (photo top right). Couples joining in the fun included **Linda & Chuck Castor** (top left), **Kim and Fred White** (above), and **Sandy and Gary Lewis** (right).

BJ and Jen return for the **BYE-BYE SNOW BIRDIE DANCE** on Saturday, March 28.



March Birthdays



- 1 Rita Dugan
Jane Kohnke
- 2 Debbie Swanson
- 4 Sharman Carney
Suzanne Zimmer
- 7 Jim Oulman
- 11 Betty Maragos
Sharon Slee
- 12 Mary Campbell
Cathy McLean
- 13 Shirley Wade
Carl Pocock
- 14 Joe DuPont
Jack Townsend
- 15 Laurene Napier
- 16 Dave Carr
Barry Barnett
Clyde Holliday
- 18 Danny Fox
Lee Ann Hayes
Sam Seifert
- 20 Lyle Hagerty
- 21 Naomi Olson
- 23 Janice Vlach
- 25 Vicky Gott
- 26 Karen Knudson
- 27 Ron Ritchie
- 29 Hiram Chirel
Alice Murray
Gerri Mastrangelo
- 30 Carol
Umensetter

BEACON TERRACE TRAVEL NOTES

By Bev Furno, Lot 64

March 15 Orlando Magical Comedy Show....very family friendly! Unlimited pizza, salad, dessert, WINE beer and soda. \$40 and includes dinner tip and driver gratuity. Need to know ASAP as other parks want to go.

April 2-4 Cherry Blossom Festival in Macon, GA, the cherry blossom capital of the world! It is a go....\$389 per person/double and includes 2 nights hotel, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners, step on guided tour of Cherry Blossom Trail, guided tour of the Hay House, Mulberry St. Craft Fair and driver gratuity. Third St. Park will have carriage rides, cherry blossom ice cream and entertainment. Single supplement is \$136.

December 12 Singing Christmas Trees in big Baptist church in Orlando. Holly sends six buses each year and I asked early enough to snag one of them this year. Cost is \$82 per person and includes performance, meal, walk through Bethlehem and driver gratuity.

I have had a couple requests to go back to Callaway Gardens in GA for their festival of Christmas lights, Let me know your thoughts.....

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BON VOYAGE!



Jan. 17-24 Super cruise on the super *Harmony of the Seas* departing Port Canaveral (short bus ride and great new terminal...no more long customs' line) San Juan, St. Maarten and Coco Cay their refurbished private island. A beautiful beach day with lots of food ..and a dock now so not tendering any more. Have lots of lovely information to share....just sign up on the travel board and I will come by with it. Friends and family welcome.

Dumb Things We Think About, Say and Do!

By Irwin Lengel, Lot 252



Here we are again, and yet another month has passed. Where does the time go to? Which got me to thinking – I know – you are probably saying to yourselves – what’s he up to now. Well, let’s talk about something we seniors don’t like to talk about and that is the *dumb things we think about, dumb things we say, and the dumb things we do*. As we age, one of the things that constantly seems to hide in the back of our head is the thought of being alone. We do not talk about it, but we know it is coming. Oh, I’m not talking about losing a mate or anything like that. I’m talking about when you know you are truly alone. Just you and your mind.....scary thought isn’t it?

For instance, you wake up one morning at 3 AM and cannot go back to sleep. Do you wake your partner even though they look like they are sleeping peacefully so the two of you can be awake and miserable together? No, you do what any self-righteous old fart in your position would do. March right into the kitchen and begin alphabetizing your spices in the spice rack. You know you have been meaning to do that for ages. Besides, most of the bottles have been sitting there since before the Bush Administration and if given half a chance, they themselves would have marched out of your cupboard and into the trash can on their own years ago.

Seeing that you are still not sleepy, you decide to have a long conversation with your plants. After all, the house is quiet, so why not? You spend an hour talking to your plants during which time you begin thinking to yourself, they (the plants) must be getting sleepy because they are looking somewhat droopy. If they could talk, they are probably saying to each other: “What’s with this guy – why don’t he go back to bed?” But the reality of the situation is that they fell asleep themselves about ten minutes into your conversation with them.

I notice a lot of us old folk like to talk and can usually strike up a conversation almost anywhere. But we must be careful. Why just the other day I was caught having a conversation in the coffee aisle of Publix with one of my favorite brands of coffee. While you and I know this is common amongst us old farts/geezers, but our friends and relatives may see it as a sign that we are no longer in charge of our faculties. My thoughts on that subject

– hey if you cannot talk to your coffee – who can you talk to?

What’s with all the fuss about how much we weigh and what we are eating. Just the other day I saw someone flush a chocolate chip cookie down the toilet – down the toilet mind you! All because they had seen a video of Jillian Michaels telling people to lay off sweets. Do that to a lemon cookie or an almond cookie – but not a chocolate chip cookie. Everyone knows that is a “No-No!” That person needs help – call me if you ever want to do that because I love chocolate chip cookies.

As we age some of us have a problem with noise. True, some of us do not let any type of noise bother us and then there are those of us that have a problem with even the slightest of noise or commotion going on around us. Noises such as toilets flushing; dogs chasing each other; the cat pulling on the table cloth that is about to come off the table along with the vase holding some flowers; someone’s phone ringing and no one answering it; the theme song to “The Big Bang Theory” blaring on the television; a radio blaring in the background trying to compete with the phone and television; children chasing each other with one stopping just long enough to say: “I’m telling Mom on you!” Fortunately, the older we get scenes such as these only happen on holidays and usually at the home of our children whom we happen to be visiting. Good news is that when the noises finally get the best of us, we can say: “Well, thanks for dinner – it’s getting close to my bedtime and we better head on home.” If we are lucky, no one will pick up on the fact that it is only four o’clock in the afternoon.

I’ve also noticed that the more advanced some people get with age, the weirder they become. Just the other day I was talking to my older brother (*nah, I don’t have an older brother, remember this is all stuff I merely ponder about – none of it could be real – or could it?*). I asked him how he slept because I knew he was having problems sleeping. His response was that he thought he would have had a better night’s sleep than *what it was*. I should have nodded and not said anything more about the subject. But did I? No! I asked: “*Better than what was?*” That’s when he told
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Sunday Splash Debuts with Sun & Fun at the Pool

The first **Sunday Splash** was held February 9 with temperatures and sunshine cooperating. Snacks and festive pool floats added to the affair.

Whether enjoying the hot tub or pool, the guests agreed that the new event was a hit!

We look forward to the next pool event, the **Caribbean Party on March 24th.**



IRWIN PONDER\$, continued

me – due to putting too much salt on his dinner, he had to drink about eight glasses of water about an hour or so before he went to bed and he thought sleeping in the tub would eliminate having to go to the bathroom so often. Re

member the old saying: “And they walk among us!” Methinks he isn’t dealing with a full deck, *or is he and it is us that aren’t all there?*

Well, that’s about all the reminiscing I can think of. Well, I do have one other thought, but to explain it would take up too much space so I will keep it for next time. Can’t you just wait?

For now, hopefully this will give all of you something to think about in the days to come.

If you do let your minds wander as mine does on so many occasions, be careful about where you let it wander to. I understand there are still some places around that have men in white suits running around with a huge butterfly net. And guess what, they are not catching butterflies!

Until next time!



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Increasing the family . . .

by Donna Hodgson

You may have noticed my husband, Brad, and I walking around the park with our two new additions to the family. Zeke and Bandit are Shih Tzu brothers. AKA The boys, AKA The Twins, AKA The Poop machines.

The second night they were with us I woke to find them both sleeping beside my bed. They had escaped their pen already.

This would foretell things to come:

- One of my slippers has met its final demise
- My toes seem to be a favorite chew toy as is the TV stand and any and all electrical cords
- Walking on a leash seems to be a good time to wrestle, find leaves to chew and drag

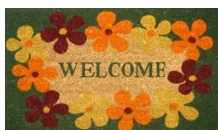


(ABOVE) Zeke and Bandit—AKA The boys, AKA The Twins, AKA The Poop Machines

Spanish moss around which adds several minutes to the walk or rather..... our attempts at walking. They haven't quite got the whole walk thing down or the potty training, it is a work in progress.

They do make us laugh and laugh as they bounce into their bed or each other and run at top speed around the house. Too funny, so cute. I just love them!

Welcome Ladies



Lea Lucas Lot 241

Judy King Lot 174

Ann Snavelly Lot 56

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SPICY PRETZELS

By Alice Murray

Ingredients:

- 1—1 lb. Bag Rold Gold Tiny Twists
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1 Package Dry Ranch Dressing Mix
- 1/2 tsp. Garlic Powder
- 1/2 tsp. Onion Powder
- 1 tsp. Cayenne Pepper

Directions:

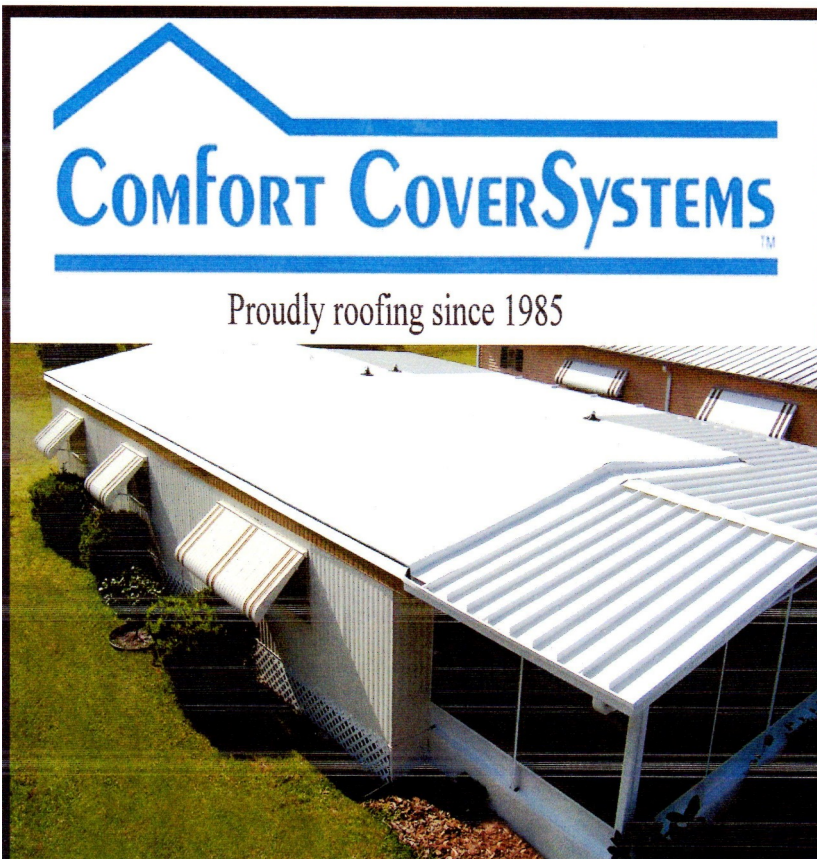
1. Mix dry ingredients with oil.
2. Pour over pretzels in large bowl and mix well.
3. Place in disposable aluminum turkey pan (makes it easy to stir).
4. Bake in oven for 1 hour at 200 degrees, stirring every 15 minutes.
5. Let cool and ENJOY!

March Ladies' Luncheon Set for Harbor Side

The Ladies' Luncheon will be at Harbor Side, 2435 7th St. SW in Winter Haven at 11:30 am. on Thursday, March 12. Lunch limited to 30 ladies and 18% tax will be applied to your bill. Look for a flyer and sign-up information on the Clubhouse bulletin board or contact Sharon Smith #202, 863-337-4545.

Saturday Nite SUPER Bingo Planned

Even if you don't attend regular Bingo on Monday nights you'll love this special, "resident-only" event! Set for Saturday, March 21, light dinner will be included starting at 5:30 with BINGO at 6:30 p.m. Hosts, Don Kohnke and Walt Swink, are "kicking" the game up a notch! Game prizes are based on the amount of money taken in for card sales. Everything taken in will be awarded as prizes.



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29	30	31	<div> <div>HAVING FUN @ BEACON TERRACE!</div>  </div>			
11-1 Couple's Dance 1 Hand & Foot 2 PM <i>This is My Life</i>	8:30 ^{AM} Shuffleboard 9 ^{AM} MAHIONG 8:30 ^{AM} Men's Golf 1 PM Bridge 5:15 ^{PM} BINGO	9 ^{AM} Walk Exer. 9:30 ^{AM} BOWLING 7 ^{PM} Shuffleboard 7 ^{PM} <u>PAINT with SWIZZLE</u>				

POETRY CORNER

“By Design”

Anne Seifert, #120



With the vibrancy of color, movement & texture,
we are woven

into God’s mandela.

Slowly & carefully,
as chosen strands,
we become interlaced in diversity.

Like oil & foliage & waterway,
russet & emerald & sapphire
repeat
in an elaborate pattern of life.

We join
with subtle winds
in the rite of morning,
with brushed shorelines
in noontide tradition,
with reddened sky
in evening ceremony.

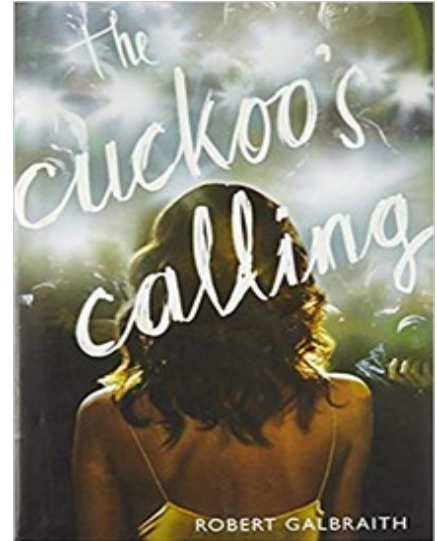
Without the divine would it all exist?
It is more than
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Read It Forward

The Cuckoo’s Calling,
Robert Galbraith



Reviewed by Donna Hodgson

The Cuckoo's Calling is a crime fiction novel by J. K. Rowling, published under the pseudonym Robert Galbraith. Had I known that J K Rowling had written the book, I likely would not have read it expecting the book to be another Harry Potter book. This is a completely different genre of writing for her so writing under a pseudonym was a good idea as I did read it.

The Cuckoo's Calling is the first book of the Comoron Strike series. Comoron is a private investigator living in London England, down on his luck, barely scraping by, living in his office.

The British sayings and humor in the book add to the story line which takes a few twists and turns while Cormoron investigates a questionable suicide.

All four books in the series are entertaining and worth the read. I have recommended the series to several people.

Things to do Near Lakeland

Tampa Bay Grand Prix

By Donna Hodgson

The Tampa Bay Grand prix (different from Grand Prix Tampa) is a go Kart course just off I4 making it easy to get to and only about 35 minutes away.

We took our three grandson's there (ages 10, 12 and 13) to the course during the week when the Floridian children are in school. This turned out to be a very good plan as the place was empty.

Each child and my husband Brad donned their helmets and entered the Grand Prix track. This track is a maximum 35 mph track, the race is 12 laps and each person must be a minimum of 48 inches regardless of age. Everyone loved it! Perfect for the daredevil children and grandfather.



Then they moved onto the Speed track. This is a maximum 50 mph race, 14 laps with a minimum height restriction of 56 inches. Our 13-year-old, extremely quiet grandson was smiling ear to ear. What a sight!

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Each session contains an Odd/Even Jackpot, which provides a hefty jackpot prize creating a lot of excitement and interest. Everyone has a great time, so gather your friends and join us.

Bingo is played every Monday evening in the Community Center. Bingo cards are available for purchase from 5:00pm to 6:15pm with games starting at 6:30. The games typically last until about 9 pm. Ice cream goodies are offered for donation during the intermission.

We appreciate those who have, and continue to provide cookies, cakes, candies, and snacks to the group every

Monday night. Please feel free to bring your own goodies and refreshments of your choice and enjoy the evening. With many games and multiple jackpots, you could be a big winner! See you there!

MEN'S BILLIARDS

This new activity is open to all male billiards players. Just show up at the BT Clubhouse Billiard's room on Thursdays at 7 PM.

Bowling

Carol Umensetter Lot 181

The Bowling Banquet is April 7 at 12:30 PM at the BT Clubhouse. Cost is \$15 per person with the same people as last year doing the food. Thank You to Ruth Cottingham getting it all together. Please give her your money ASAP. ALL bowlers should pay the \$1 even if they weren't there one week.

Candi Pocock will help with bowling next year, but needs a helper for the 3-month season. If no one helps, we won't have a league. Let me or Candi know if you are willing to do this.

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Marlene Kaine, Lot 206

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Mah-Jong Mondays

Nancy Ferigno, 315-945-5679

Bring your Mahjong boards to the Clubhouse on Mondays at 9:00 AM. Nancy Feligno and Martha Pascal will help you learn the Asian board game.

Corn Hole

Don Kohnke #13

(grandpadn@gmail.com)

Corn Hole is on Wednesdays at 1pm inside of the Clubhouse. Attendance remains light, but socializing has become a big part of the event. Those who play enjoy the fun and get a little exercise doing it., despite your age or any physical challenges you may have.

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Monday

Men's Golf, Dave Sharpe, 863-937-8546

8:30 AM **Shuffleboard***, Scott Mitchell, 570-815-1339

9:00 AM **Mah-Jong***, Nancy Feligno, 315-945-5679

1 PM **Bridge***, Mike Lowery, 863-688-6526

5:30 PM **Bingo***, Don Kohnke, 863-397-3836

Tuesday

9:00 AM **Walking Together Exercise***, Suzette Giles, 863-430-1851

9:30 AM **Bowling**, Carol Umensetter, 502-296-4658

7:00 PM **Shuffleboard***, Scott Mitchell, 570-815-1339

Wednesday

8:30 AM **Line Dancing***, Dolly Lengel, 863-608-1369

9:30 AM **Ladies Golf**, Marlene Kaine, 863-450-2163

4:30 PM **MEET & GREET Social Hour***

6:00 PM **Mexican Train***

Thursday

Men's Golf, Lyle Hagerty, 863-682-1038

9:00 AM **Walking Together Exercise***, Suzette Giles, 863-430-1851

1:00 PM **Cards- Hand and Foot***

1:00 PM **Crafts***, Carol Nash, 863-337-5167

1:00 PM 2nd Thursdays, **Ladies Luncheon**, Sharon Smith,
863-337-4545, Ann Snavelly 863-644-4627

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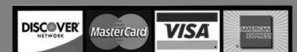


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"E-mail dollyll@aol.com or call or text me at 863-608-1369, or put it in my mailbox # 252 in the library room.

Thanks, and keep on smiling.

Dolly

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Dolly Lengel –Editor Lot 252 Ph: 608-1369; dollyll@aol.com

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94	Mc GROWAN, EILEEN			ADD
289	VETGER, JACK & TRUDY			DELETE
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- 1-17-20 **Lynn Barnett #**
- 2-7-20 **Betty Ertel #172**
- 2-16-20 **Ray LaForest #17**

This column lists our friends who have died this past year. The list is active on a 12 month rotating basis.

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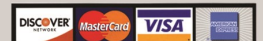
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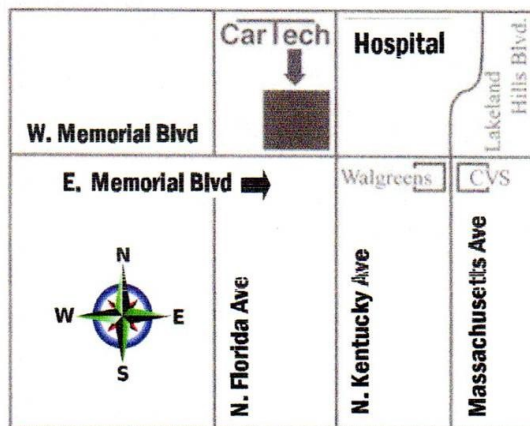
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SUPPORT GROUPS—Cooperate and support Beacon Terrace chapter of the Federation of Mobile Home Owners (FMHO) of Florida and the Lakeland Inter Park Council (LIC) for the benefit of all residents.

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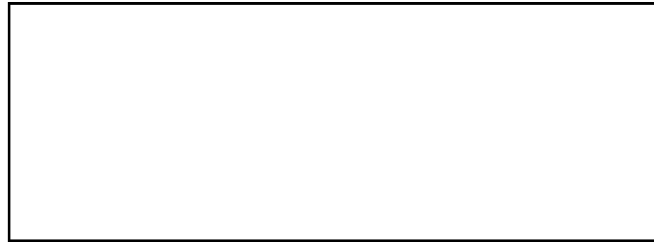
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