

# The BREEZE

August



## MOPS LUNCHEONS

First MOPS luncheon will be Wed. Aug 7 at 11:30 a.m. at Phillipi Creek Oyster Bar. As usual S.U.S. is on the Bulletin Board.

The second for the month will be Aug 21, place to be announced.



## COFFEE HOURS

Saturday coffee is scheduled for Aug 3 and Aug 17 at 9:00 a.m. Hostesses are Gerry Kochan and Mary Jane Smith.



## We Will Celebrate Labor Day

The Labor Day lunch will be Sept. 2, with Bernie & Windy Coulter chairing. They don't have a clue right now where it will be or what time, but wanted you all to know that there will be a lunch that day. Thank you, Bernie & Windy for all you do.



## BOARD BUSINESS

Just to let you know that even though most of our directors are in the north for the summer months, they still have the interests of the park on their agenda. Financial reports are generated and posted, The Breeze is published

and work on projects moves forward. Mike Currie reports that the architect/engineer that the board hired in May is making progress on the plans and will have a final draft available for viewing in November.

We are happy to report that the kitchen area plans are almost finalized with just one more set of drawings before the final plans are approved to go to final print. Plans for the bathroom areas are done and are quite an improvement. We will now move our attention to the stage area. We have one set of preliminary drawings and more discussion to follow before finalization. On the up side, it looks like we are going to be able to raise the stage by 21 inches.

Regarding the flooding problem in the park, contact has been made with Sarasota County on a regular basis. We are having discussions with them about every ten days. Some work has been done from our fence on the north side to the small roadway on the Taylor Morrison property, a distance of about 300 feet. Two new culverts were installed here to increase the water volume, but still much work has to be done going north from the bridge to the lake. This is completely blocked with silt, branches, etc. But for the first time, the County has sent somebody in there to actually look at it, and their report, which is on file, in writing, states that it will have to be hand-cleared because of its wetland status. If this doesn't work, a machine should be taken in to clear the flow each way. We will keep on their backs as we have for years.



This is not the kind of news that we like to be sharing. Violence just a little too close to home.

On July 14, three men entered New Dynasty Restaurant and left without paying their \$35.00 bill. Taian "Andrew Tian, manager, followed them out of the restaurant. At the sound of tires squealing, the customers went looking for Andrew. They found him unconscious in another parking lot. He was taken to Sarasota Memorial Hospital where he later died. He leaves a son, parents and many other grieving friends and customers. We sent condolences to Ming Lum, owner of New Dynasty and to Andrew's family on behalf of the Board, staff and residents of South Winds.



### Theda's saga continues

Oh, yes, Benny (13 yr old grandson ), also has three rats. Being a genealogist, I get a kick out of their "pedigree" charts!! I will not handle them though they have beautiful coats and love to be "loved"! Ugh!!! When Benny was about ten years old, he asked, in tears, "Grandma, will you hold my rats before you die?" He really felt very badly that I wouldn't hold them unless he cut their tails off!!! Of course, I was pretty safe, as I knew he loved them and wouldn't cut the tails off!!

I love my grandson very much, so I replied, "Benny, when I die, you may put them in my casket for a few minutes." "GRANDMA" he cried out. Question to other grandma and grandpas out there. Am I wrong to deny my one and only and much loved grandson a wish that is so important to him? Please advise!



### OUR SYMPATHY

Condolences go out to Ethel Hartnett, whose son, Richard, died on Tues. July 23, and also to Judy & Jerome Miller with the death of Judy's mother.



### CONGRATULATIONS

ANNIVERSARIES – 50 OR MORE YEARS

Larry & Elsie Green	8/2/1958	55yrs
Glen & Marilyn Tranbarger	8/7/1949	64yrs
Byron & Shirley Powell	8/8/1953	60yrs
Ray & Pauline Villeneuve	8/8/1958	55yrs
Mel & Noreen Deming	8/21/1943	70yrs
Pat & Jean Harwell	8/24/1057	56yrs
Earl & Mabelean Orsburn	8/31/1952	61yrs
Doug & Priscilla McVeigh	8/31/1963	50yrs



**Happy Birthday** wishes go out to Bill Hagan on August 31. Born in 1914 Bill is celebrating his 99<sup>th</sup> Congratulations!!!!!!



## How we spend your summer vacation

AS THERE ARE NO MEETINGS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS, BOB PROVIDES THE BOARD WITH MAINTENANCE UPDATES BY EMAIL. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO LIKE TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING I PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING. SOUNDS LIKE THEY HAVE BEEN VERY BUSY AND THERE WERE A FEW MORE THAT I HAVE OMITTED. GREAT JOB, GUYS!!!!

Rain, Rain, Rain and MORE RAIN! In between the rain, this is what got done:

- Replaced three bulbs in the BINGO machine
- Filled in the hole at Smitty's house, which we had dug, to find the house sewer line connected to the main sewer.
- Replaced toilet seat in Unit 52.
- Air conditioner at office stopped working. It had frozen up. It needed Freon due to a leak. It had dripped on the battery backup for the computer and security cameras. We dried it out, and it seems to be working fine.
- Killed wasps that were nesting in the gate lock box by Mrs. Chens. Also lifted the gate hinges, because the gate was dragging on the sidewalk.
- Changed oil and filters in the 3 riding mowers.
- Installed a TV cable hookup in the lanai at Unit 145. There was a \$35 charge.
- Put new blades on the riding mowers.
- Replaced hose spigot at Unit 33.
- Adjusted the brakes on one of the golf carts.
- Replaced gas filters in all 3 weed whackers and blowers.
- Replaced sparkplugs in all three blowers.
- Checked out possible sewer line backup at Unit 66. It turned out to be their tub.
- Cleaned or replaced all air conditioner filters in buildings and rentals.
- Filled in two small holes in road with asphalt repair.
- Cut back pepper tree at Unit 14 rental, a bush at 23 that was growing into a gate, and a pepper tree at Unit 281.
- Cut and replaced the water valve at Unit 74.
- Mike replaced deck boards at Apt 3.
- The builders next door put up a 6 FT PVC fence in the back picnic area, 2 feet from our new fence.
- The tree trimming company came out and trimmed 84 palms. We cut back palms by the bank gate and fronds on another palm that was blocking a security camera
- Cut down tree at Unit 196.
- Signed up Mike and myself for pool recertification.
- Cut off large tree stump at Unit 81, so it could be ground out.

The grass has been growing like crazy because of the rain, and that has been keeping us very busy cutting, weed whacking and blowing. Bob