TANGERINE

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756 Tangerine Woods Blvd., Englewood, FL 34223



Hello October, let's embrace the little things Barbara Coulter

We have so much for which we are grateful! TW is truly a paradise because of the amazing opportunities for community events and sports, building friendships with people from across the USA and the World, the beautiful weather, and the incredible volunteers who make most of the magic happen.

Remember if you still need to prepare for a potential hurricane you should look back at our August/September issue for the plethora of resources we compiled; and, you can also find some of this information on the TW Website - **Local Resources** - we want you to be prepared just in case.

We have an incredible library that depends on volunteers: If you are returning to TW in October please consider joining the Library team for October through December. Duties are light - we reshelve the books according to alphabet and genre - and it's just a few minutes each week. Please contact Pat Molt if you are interested in helping with our library.

Soon our community will be filled with daily activities, people walking (please remember to watch out for pedestrians and slow down as you drive through the community) and the season promises to be filled with memorable moments. make sure to come to coffee on Saturday mornings to meet and chat with your neighbors and catch all updates going on in our community. please reach out to our newest residents, both the owners and renters to help them learn about upcoming opportunities that the season ahead will offer.

Welcome Home Friends and Neighbors!

This just in... XFINITY IS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

In the August/September issue we told you how to get assistance for outages due to the fiber installation/construction. This month we are so excited to tell you about the process for getting the new system installed in your home.

XFinity has recently successfully completed installation in several homes.

Now, we must all schedule a time for that installation to occur in our homes.

Once you know your schedule (especially important for those of us who are snowbirds because the homeowner(s) must be present), you'll need to call this number: it's dedicated for our FREE installations. 1-833-501-1928

A technician will be scheduled, they will look at each individual home and offer the best location and option for bringing the cable into our homes, then complete that installation and upgrade any out-of-date equipment. They will also make sure all systems are online and answer your questions about operation before they depart. Read Angie's Friday updates for more information as we progress through this project.



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RESIDENT INTEREST & INFO



Tickets will be sold October 11th and 18th at Saturday Coffee Contact Jane Patenaude 508-863-3375





MORE INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED AT SATURDAY **COFFEE AND IN NOVEMBER'S TOPICS**

It's the time of the year when ghosts and goblins come creeping around. Let's pull out all the stops! Get out your costumes and purchase your tickets to prepare for our Halloween Dance.

LUMINARIES 2026

Fall is here and we need to get ready for Christmas Eve. We will begin taking orders the first week in November and be completed by the end of the third week of November [Novémber 22]. Pricing for Luminaries will be the same as last year. Please contact Jane Warburton at 941-681-2609 with any questions or to place your order. Here is the 2026 pricing info: [each] **Bag and Candle** \$1.00

Candle only **Bag only** Wood Blocks (base) .75

Also, Jane is still looking for volunteers to TAKE ORDERS: please contact her at **941-221-1854** or by email at wwarburton@sbcglobal.net. If you are new to our community, please consider volunteering: this is a great way to meet some of your neighbors. Without our volunteers we would not have the wonderful activities that we have. This task is not a very time consuming job, so please give it some thought.

If you are new to TW and cannot locate your wooden bases you will need to order those too: if you recently purchased your home the former owner may have left these for you in a closet or cupboard.

Lazy Daze/Dazies John Yannaci

Hello Friends and Neighbors. I hope everyone enjoyed their summer and I look forward to another great season with people volunteering their time to our cause. We were able to buy coffee all summer for the Saturday morning social hour.

We also purchased a used tractor which is equipped with a brush hog that will be used to mow under the power lines. This will save TW \$1,500 a year, and we will use the tractor for other projects as well. Lazy Daze/Dazies are a self-sufficient group of volunteers and our main objective is to keep our COA fees at a minimum by performing several jobs throughout the year. Our main source of incomé comes from recycling aluminum. If you have work done, please call and we will continue to pick it up!

In closing, I would like to thank everyone that worked to organize the various jobs that were done this summer. I especially want to thank Dave Flemma and Lynne Klein! Without their guidance we would all be playing catch up

Until next time stay safe and be healthy.

WE WANT

Do you have a feature story, article, or photo you'd like to submit? Our deadline is the 15th of <u>October</u> email your submissions to Barbara at beejcoulter@gmail.com: in your subject line please type: **November TOPICS.**

The **TOPICS** Team

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If you have any issues with your home's internet, please contact Angie Sasser, in the TW office, or Pat Molt (after nours). They will try to assist you or give you guidance to resolve the issue(s).



PRESIDENT'S UPDATE



COLLEEN'S CORNER Colleen Walker, TWERC President

Welcome Back to Tangerine Woods everyone! Happy Fall to all our residents and renters —both full-timers and those just returning from their northern homes! As the leaves begin to change (somewhere up north, anyway!), we're excited to see our community come alive again with the annual migration of our beloved "snowbirds" as they return to TW in sunny Florida.

It's been a lively and active summer here in our community. While things were a bit quieter, our "summer birds" kept the spirit strong. From Memorial day fun, (with over 100 people in attendance) 4th of July, in the sweltering heat, several small group coffee gatherings, poolside chats, and Labor Day shenanigans. Our summer residents truly made the most of the warm/hot months. Our jokester "Lady Diane" kept the laughter peeked with her famous The most current and up to Saturday morning entertainment too. A special thank you to our Lazy Daze and Dazies for generously covering the coffee expenses throughout the summer-your support helped keep our traditions going and our cups full!

Now, as we gear up for the upcoming holiday season, we're thrilled to begin welcoming back our seasonal residents and jumpstart another vibrant season in our community. Mark your calendars as these dates get announced and printed in TOPICS each month. Our weekly TWERC Coffee Meetings will resume on Saturday, the 4th of October at the Clubhouse. Come grab a doughnut and a cup of coffee, reconnect with neighbors, and hear all the latest updates from around the community. Additionally, upcoming events will be posted on the bulletin boards as event dates get closer. There are plenty of opportunities to get involvedfrom helping with events to assisting with committees; so, if you're interested in giving a little time and energy, we'd love to have you on board! date information regarding activities, sports functions, clubs, and community shenanigans (also known as "things to do") can be found by attending our weekly TWERC coffee meetings.

"On behalf of TWERC, welcome back and thank you for being part of what makes Tangerine Woods such a special place to call home!"

- Colleen

Attention all volunteers who CURRENTLY chair, or co-chair, activities for TWERC in 2025. Please advise our TWERC Board of your intentions for 2026. Many have submitted their committee changes; however, we still lack confirmation on several. It is time to think 2026..... If your committee has a change in their organizers or chairpersons, we need to know ASAP. Our directory goes to print in January and accuracy is our goal. PLEASE send your intentions to Colleen Walker, or a current TWERC board member, to submit your activity updates.

IMPORTANT MEETINGS

TWERC - October 15 @10am TWBOD - October 16 @9am

LET'S GET **VACCINATED** OCTOBER 15 10AM - 1PM

THOSE RECEIVING A VACCINE WILL BE SERVED CAKE & COFFEE

The Pre-Registration deadline is

Monday, October 13

If you have questions or want to turn in

your forms contact:

Melissa Cherry-736 Butterfield Circle

Look for details on the TW Bulletin Board

FALL VACCINE CLINIC

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RESIDENT INTEREST & INFO



A Warm TW Welcome to our New Residents!

George and Debra Medeiros

740 Summersea Court, purchased from Gary and Nancy Grieser

Mike Pienkowski and Victoria McLendon

867 Cascade Court, purchased from Shirley DeCotis

Steve & Kim Criswell

743 Tangerine Woods, purchased from Cindy Cavossa

Tim & Karen Olmstead

742 Portwine Court, purchased from Christopher Renne & Jeannie Renne-Malone

Patricia and Robert Romero

706 Watersedge Street, purchased from Jim Urban and Marsha McElroy

2025 - WELCOME BACK DANCE

The Welcome Back Dance will be held on Saturday, November 15th, from 6:30 to 9:30 pm at the Clubhouse. We look forward to seeing everyone there! DJ Lee Hale will provide the music so get ready to boogie! Tickets will be sold at Saturday morning coffee on November 1st and November 8th. Ticket prices are \$10.00 per person.

If you have questions please contact one of the co-chairs: Carole Tarney (315)720- 3805 or Sandy Glaza (616)915-9867.

COME YELL. BINGO!!

Cindy Kleinschmit

Everyone can play, no age limit. It's VERY IMPORTANT that players arrive between 5:30pm-6:15pm. Play begins PROMPTLY AT 6:30.

Everyone recieves a game sheet to get your cards ready. You can purchase 6 cards for \$4.00 or 9 cards for \$6.00. As many as you want. Both are 10 game packs. Dauber are required for dabbing your numbers \$1.50 if you need to purchase available in several different colors. We also have a HOTBALL which can be played for an additional \$1. If you bingo on the Hotball number jackpot you payout will be two different amounts: one is \$250 and another \$49. Also you can purchase extra coverall 3 game sheets for \$1.

Bring your favorite drink and snack if you'd like and get ready to YELL BINGO!! REMEMBER...MUST BE HERE BEFORE 6:15. Bring a sweatshirt because sometimes it is really chilly!

JUST GOOD MOVIES

Judy Goodrich & Pat Molt

Community Movies will begin this month.

Movies start promptly at **6:30pm**. Bring your own snacks and drinks (and a sweater or blanket if you want).

Future movies will be announced monthly. Watch for information on the bulletin board, during Saturday coffee announcements, here in **Topics**, and in Angie's Friday email updates.

This month's movies:

Friday, the 17th - **The Magic of Belle Isle** is a 2012 comedy-drama.

Friday, the 24th - **Nonnas** a 2025 comedy.

TWERC is looking for a backup treasurer. The right person will be someone who has computer experience and is good in math. If you would like more information about this volunteer opportunity or you are interested please contact Colleen or Beate.

After the first of October Water Aerobics will begin at 11am.

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TWERC Saturday morning coffee resumes on the 4th of October.

PLEASE JOIN US to mingle with neighbors and to hear information regarding our social activities: this is where you'll hear the most current

and up to date information and opportunities.

Coffee and Donuts begin at 8:00 ÅM for social time and 9:00 AM is when our organized meeting begins. Sign up sheets for coffee duty volunteers are available on the bulletin board outside the management office. PLEASE be aware of our need for volunteers to help get our TW rhythm back on track: please put a crew together and collaborate to bring the community together throughout the winter season.

For answers to your Saturday morning coffee questions please call Steve or Karin Gallup **859-519-0241** or Jane Patenaude **508-863-3375**.

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RESIDENT INTEREST & INFO



Local Things to Do





Wellen Park - Oktoberfest Free: **noon-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4** - Downtown Wellen Park. The event is set to feature a traditional Oktoberfest atmosphere with live entertainment from the DeLeon Family Oktoberfest Band, polka dancing, a spirited stein-hoisting competition, and German-inspired food and drinks, including beer, brats and more.



For neat and unique items check out <u>Sarasota Architectural Salvage</u> 1093 Central Ave, Sarasota, Florida 34236.



The Pop Culture Antique Museum - 191 South Mccall Road, Englewood, Florida 34223, (941)623-8904 is an Attraction for Freaks, Geeks Gamers and Collectors. It is like taking a trip down Memory Lane. HOURS Thursday: 4pm - 8pm; Friday: 4pm - 8pm Saturday: 4pm - 8pm; Sunday: Noon - 5pm.



Visit the **Circus Mural in Venice** - The mural is located on Business 41 north of the Circus Bridge on Venice island. It's sponsored by Venice Area Beautification, Inc.



Explore parks and preserves in the Fort Myers area with a fun twist. Join the **geocaching fun**, connect with a community of adventurers and discover our area's natural beauty in a whole new way.



<u>Discover Sarasota Tours</u> has two interesting options for October - *Haunted Sarasota* runs the 10th through the 31st and the *Literary History of Sarasota* runs only on the 26th. They also run a Murder Mystery Trolley that is a year round option.



MOTE AQUARIUM is reopening in their new Sarasota location in October. <u>Ticket Info</u>

Storm Supply List

Homeowners and Renters - these are important, useful resources to have on hand!

Tarps and Fasteners, Bungee Cords, Plywood

<u>Tools:</u> Hammer, Sawzall [aluminum & wood], Drill with Bits, Charged Batteries, Tinsnips, & Screws, Safety Glasses, Work Gloves, Latex Gloves,

Flashlights & Batteries

Solar Powered Lights

Air Compressor/Generator

Contractor Trash Bags

Brown bags for yard waste Gorilla Tape, Magnets

Gasoline

Water:

Drinking and Cleanup, Distilled for Golf Carts Non-perishable food STRONG!

REMINDER - If you have someone who is checking your home while you are up North, remember they are NOT maintenance people or contractors. You must make arrangements to return to TW and complete any necessary repairs.

Remember, hurricane supplies are tax-free year round

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

- 1. Jacque Cottingham, Dale Fillion
- 2. Ann O'Neil, Barbara Zen
- 3. Ed Tarney
- 4. Clinton McQueen, Andy Pennington
- 6. Betty Riedel
- 7. Oleta Conklin
- 9. Susan Westenberg
- 10. Bob Friede, Rich Cyrgalis
- 11. Maureen Martelle, David Jenkins
- 12. James Hollingsworth, Mary Skoglund, Wally Glaza, David Shaub
- 13. Bill Miller
- 14. Bob Summers, Lanta Smith, Curly Yannaci, Ghislaine Cyr, Susan Hall-Burbine,

Happy 91st Úwe Kellner!

- 15. Ken Keyes
- 16. Kathy Shambarger, Ken Rosier, Rob Fontaine, Colleen Kreger, Happy 90th Dave Cade
- 17. Sue Hutchison
- 18. Pam Kmiecik
- 21. John Charneski
- 22. Dennis Hickman
- 23. Mike Gineo, Margot Kidman, Dan Kiestlinger, Tim Peckham
- Diane Gilroy, Pat McDonald, Ron Erway, Robert Risher
- 26. Pat Gottshall, Roy Choma, and Karin Gallup
- 27. Geri Stevens
- 28. Kendal Cohen
- 29. Cathy Weatherhead
- 31. Patti Brzezinski

Bocce - Pam Muzzey, Chair

Bocce starts January 6, 2026 and we hope it will be as exciting and fun as last season. Our season will last ten weeks, followed by a Championship Tournament. Registration started in April and we have many that want to participate. New residents and renters are encouraged to join us for fun and to possibly create new friendships. Individual players are welcome: we will try to match individuals with other players who also need a partner. The registration deadline is **December 15**. Games will be played four days a week, Tuesday through Friday. The games are played throughout the four days from 9am – 3pm.

Do you want to join the Bocce fun? Send your name(s), preferred game day, and telephone number (one that you will use while here for the winter season) to Pam Muzzey at 239-336-4470 or pjmuzzey@gmail.com. *Residents, if you are aware of any team that may not return, please send me their name(s) so we can check with them and if necessary, adjust our schedule. This should help keep any scheduled changes to a minimum and allow us to offer a slot to a new team.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

- 2. Wayne & Deborah Warburton
- 8. Clinton & Jennie McQueen
- 9. Dick & Dottie Reading
- 10. Jim & Carol Kassimer
- 11. Jim & Janice LeBlanc Ed & Carole Tarney
- 12. Ted & Bonnie Freas Andy & Gail Kozyra
- 13. John & Judy Charneski
- 14. Len & Cathy Weber
- 15. Tom & Patti Brzezinski
- 18. Bud and Teri Hargate
- 19. Todd & Diane Sawyer
- 20. Barry & Pat Gottshall
- 21. Mike & Connie Snaer
- 23. Tim & Kara Rushlow
- 25. **Happy 50th Anniversary**Pete & Barb Weatherhead!
- 28. Nancy Byrd & David Jenkins

BIRTHDAY PARADE

Mark Ostrander

If you have information about an upcoming big birthday, please contact Mark Ostrander - he coordinates our birthday parades for 90+celebrations 517-206-7691.

Remember, if you want your birthday and/or anniversary listed in *Topics*, you must contact the office to give permission for that information to be shared - please contact the office with updates or corrections too. You can stop by the TW Office and chat with Judy Hughes or email: twoffice2@gmail.com.

TW ANNUAL COMMUNITY FLEA MARKET

New Residents! Old residents! Remember, save or call us to pick up your re-sellable items for our GIANT spring Sales Event! **This event is seeking coordinators to work with the FUN, seasoned team.** Call Steph Hedrick for more info: 307-250-7945

Do you have a lawn company issue? Report

your concerns to Angie, our TW Community Manager, and use the online portal.

Commenting on Facebook doesn't fix the issue(s)!

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**** Veterans Voices

Ted Coulter

Birthday Dive: A Close Call in Subic Bay

A deployment memory: USS Plunger (SSN-595), 1986
In early February of 1986, just around my 23rd
birthday, the USS Plunger pulled into Subic Bay Naval
Base in the Philippines for a brief refit and resupply.
After weeks at sea, it was a welcome sight—the
humid air, the bustling markets, and the
thick canopy of jungle stretching over the
hills like a green velvet curtain.

On my birthday, the 7th of February, I decided to go scuba diving with one of my shipmates, Tony Goodnight. We headed out to Grande Island, just across the bay. The waters there were warm and clear, and the coral reef teemed with life—schools of fish darting like living confetti, swaying sea fans, and the rhythmic pulse of the tide. It was a beautiful day, and I couldn't have asked for a better way to spend it. While we were swimming along the reef, mesmerized by the array of underwater life, I spotted a striking fish tucked among the coral. It was brown and white, striped like a zebra, with oversized fins and long, delicate spines that danced with the current. I swam a little closer, curious.

That's when Tony suddenly appeared beside me, pulling out his dive knife.

At first, I thought he was going to spear the fish. It was sitting so still, just staring at me. But instead of attacking the fish, Tony flipped the knife around, gripped it by the blade, and whacked me on the top of the head with the handle.

Startled, I backed away—more confused than anything, and a little annoyed. That whack left a lump, and I didn't appreciate it at the time. We continued the dive, exploring more of the reef and marveling at the ocean's wonders. When we finally surfaced, I asked Tony what the hell that was all about. "You were too close to a lionfish," he said. "If you'd brushed against it, you might not have made it back to the boat." I hadn't realized the danger. Lionfish are beautiful, yes—but their venomous spines can can cause intense pain, paralysis, and even serious medical emergencies. One brush with those elegant but deadly fins might have turned a peaceful birthday dive into a race against time. Looking back, I've come to appreciate Tony's quick thinking—and his sense of humor. There's nothing

quite like getting clocked by your best friend

underwater to make a birthday unforgettable.

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA Honor Flight Oct 14

We are very proud and excited to announce

that our friend and neighbor Len Warburton is

participating in an Honor Flight this month:

October 14th is the big day! Len will be escorted by his son Wayne. Jan Chard will also be on this flight: she'll serve as an escort for a Veteran. Participating in an Honor Flight has been a goal of hers for years and we cannot wait to hear about her experiences with SW Florida's Honor Flight. Three TW residents participating in an Honor Flight is HUGE! Congratulations and safe travels! We'll have a follow-up story in our November issue to describe their experiences.

This month's flight departs and lands in Sarasota (that's different than most months!). If you are in TW, PLEASE please make plans to join the *Welcome Home* celebration at SRQ. You should arrive by 8:15pm, wear your red, white, and blue, make and bring posters and your best cheering voice to welcome home Veterans of WWII, Korea, Vietnam, and other eras.



ATTENTION VETERANS AND FAMILIES

Tangerine Woods will be holding our annual Veterans' Day Celebration on **Tuesday, the 11th of November:** the program and potluck luncheon will be held in our clubhouse.

This is a very special event and we would love to have as many veterans as possible have the chance to be honored for their service. This is a community-wide event: all are invited! If you are a veteran and are new to the neighborhood, please contact Robin Mikota (815)922-3389.

Do you have a quirky story or memory from your time in the military? Please contact Ted [you can email coultert@mac.com or call 740-804-6794 to turn that memory into a story for **Topics.**

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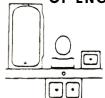
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Reflections of a Boomer

I've seen fire and I've seen rain.
I've been through the desert on a horse with no name.

I've gone to Kansas City, I've sang in the sunshine.
I've been on the road again, with Georgia on my mind.

Like a rolling stone, I've given peace a chance. I've put my camel to bed, and danced the last dance.

Mr. Tambourine man played a song for me, I've whispered words of wisdom, let it be.

I've fell into a burning ring of fire, and walked the line, To all the girls I've love before, you were always on my mind.

I've been everywhere, I've been so lonesome I could cry, I've driven my Chevy to the levee when the levee was dry.

I've been to Itchycoo Park in a yellow submarine.
I've made the scene in a time machine.

I've done the Hokey Pokey and turned myself around. I've welcomed baby back to the poor side of town.

I've followed the tracks of my tears down a long and winding road.
I've kept on searching for a heart of gold.

I've sought shelter from the storm, I've sat on the dock of the bay.
I've rocked around the clock, on a sunshiny day.

I've knocked on Heaven's door, blowing in the wind.

Joy to the world, those were the days my friend.

Lay lady lay, in crimson and clover. It's been a hard day's night, the party's over.

Uncle Joe

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26.6	Learn to say no when you need to.	M
U	Give yourself permission to rest without feeling like you must be productive.	101
S	Celebrate small wins with quick rewards.	100
E	Do gentle exercise or stretching for 5-10 minutes a day.	Ш
F	Buy yourself a small gift every now and then.	100
U	Take regular breaks from your screens, especially in the evening.	100

Write down three things you are grateful for each day.

Keep water by your desk.

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Encourage yourself with kind words in the mirror.

Write a love letter to yourself and read it when you need to. Spend time with people who uplift you. Avoid overloading your schedule. Celebrate progress, not perfection. Be sure to have "me time" to relax, recharge, or pursue a passion. P Accept that it's okay not to have everything figured out.

Smile at yourself in the mirror.

Do something creative when you find time.

Play music when doing chores.

Read for enjoyment and escapism, not just news.

Take a walk outside.

Focus on your own journey instead of comparing it to other people's.

Spend time with people who make you laugh.

Practice deep breathing.

Enjoy a relaxing bath.

Make sure your goals are realistic so that you stay motivated.

Keep your spaces tidy and organized.

Organize and plan ahead for tomorrow to make life easier.

Let go of past mistakes and remember that no one is perfect.

Fun '60s Songsto' Lance to in October

S	M		W	T	F	S
28	29		"I'm a Believer" The Monkees	Love Me" The Contours	Mony" Tommy James & The Shondells	4 "Danc- ing in the Street" Martha & The Vandellas
5 "Dance to the Music" Sly & The Family Stone	1000 Dances"	7 "(I Can't Get No) Satisfac- tion" The Rolling Stones	8 "It's Not Unusual" Tom Jones	"Respect" Aretha	"These Boots Are Made for Walkin" Nancy Sinatra	11 "You Can't Hurry Love" The Supremes
"Ring of Fire" Johnny Cash	"Some- thing's Got a Hold on Me" Etta James	Love"	"A Hard Day's Night" The Beatles	"Please Mr. Postman" The Marvelettes	"The Twist" Chubby Checker	18 "Ain't That a Kick in the Head" Dean Martin
"The Locomo- tion" Little Eva	"Rescue Me" Fontella Bass	21 "Twistin' the Night Away" Sam Cooke	"This Old Heart of Mine" The Isley Brothers	"Sugar Sugar" The Archies	24 "For Once in My Life" Stevie Wonder	"Born to Be Wild" Steppen- wolf
"Sweet Caroline" Neil Diamond	"Good Vibrations" The Beach Boys	28 "Mashed Potato Time" Dee Dee Sharp	29 " Can't Help Myself (Sugar, Pie, Honey Bunch)" Four Tops	Up" Archie Bell	31 "I Got You (I Feel Good)" James Brown	O & Happy