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BY LIZ SUMMERS, TWERC PRESIDENT

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THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERA-
TION. SEE YOU IN THE FALL.**

How does TWERC get money to fund all the activities that they sponsor? We ARE NOT funded by the big board budget. First, there is the Flea Market Craft Sale that is held the last weekend of January each year. 2018 brought in \$4,800. 50/50 each Saturday at coffee and different special events—the coffee and donuts make a little each year. The Quilt Club raffles a quilt each year, and there is profit from that. Tiki Friday, Dances and Entertainment bring in money as well as financing each of those events.

Every year in March, the chairmen of each activity are called by a TWERC board member and asked if they will remain as chairman or if they have a replacement. Also, they are asked if their budget is enough to cover their expenses. Not all of the 60+ activities require a budget. In August, the TWERC Treasurer, Judy Tremblay, and her committee begin the process of creating the budget for the following year. This can become a daunting task since they do not know exactly how much money will be coming in...they do know what the activities will need. By November, that process is then presented to the Owners' Board for approval. Also in November, the TWERC Board begins to look at



requests made for additional supplies or projects that the community might feel are needed. If there is enough extra money available, these requests are approved.

This past year we purchased a full-size stand-up scale and the window air conditioner for the exercise room. Two new Purell dispensers, one for the card room and the other for the arts and crafts room were bought. We had the drapes on the stage cleaned. Twenty new ice buckets were purchased for the kitchen along with an industrial can opener and plastic lace cloths for the tables. A Sony Boombox was given to the Water Aerobics Class. We bought a cabinet to hold the DVD's and remote controls for the classes in the Great Room. We paid for the repair and service charge of the Ceramics Kiln. Finally, we donated \$3,000 to build the New Bocce Court.

Now in 2018, we have made two more purchases. 24 new folding chairs have been added to the clubhouse. The second item was a new industrial grill. We needed to replace the old grill which had been repaired many times. In fact, it was in use for the last Tiki Friday. Lastly, we had the yellow chairs in the library cleaned. In the fall, if money allows, we will be looking at new bike racks for the front of the clubhouse. These items have all been paid for or bought for the community because TWERC has the extra money. We must keep enough in the treasury to support our budget of over \$40,000.

This season is winding down. We hate to see our northern friends and neighbors leave us, but I am told the restaurants and roads are delightful to experience in the summer. I'll let you know.

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TW ACTIVITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



DETAILS

Doreen Barrett

This year, the TWERC Board has allowed me to change our publishing schedule for the Topics. This will be the last issue of the current season. We will be taking a break until October when we will resume this newsletter. (No issues published from May through September) Likewise, we will not be sending any to residents in the mail, and they will not be uploaded to our website either. As you can imagine, the number of activities really declines during the summer months. Water aerobics, some cards, and mah jongg continue, but the rest of the activities will begin again next fall. The staff and I sincerely wish all of you a happy and healthy summer, and we will welcome you back in October with open arms. Please feel free to send us articles for future issues through email. I have printed the April through September birthdays and anniversaries for your convenience. See you in the fall!



(LIZ'S BUZZ CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

TWERC is sponsoring an Ice Cream Social for all. We want to celebrate spring and our wonderful TW Family.

There will not be Saturday Coffee in the months of July and August, but will resume on September 1. Safe travels for those of you leaving. I am anxious to hear all about the "summer rules" for those of us still in residence.

SMOOTH PADDLING

Bert Noyes

At mid-season, the Tangerine Woods kayakers have traveled to Oscar Scherer State Park, cruised along the Englewood shore of the

Intracoastal Waterway, and embarked from Spanish Point on a mini-journey to Midnight Pass on Siesta Key. Sixty-two paddlers (26 of them first-timers with TW) have enjoyed the beauty, tranquility, and adventure of the local waterways. Remaining tours include the Grand Canal in Siesta Key, a voyage down Curry Creek to Snake Island, and passage up the Myakka River from Snook Haven. We hope that the TW adventurers have enjoyed this season's kayak trips and look forward to more horizons next year.



ATTENTION-In the future, we would appreciate if residents would submit their articles by the deadline-the 12th of the month—and include extra underlines on extremely important parts. This would help us during proofreading. Thanks.



NATURE NOTES

Carmen Lowden

Spring is here, so that means everyone is out working in their yards. Take a break and join us for The 3rd Annual Wine and Walk to be held on April 18 at 4:00 pm. This year Professor Bill Dunson will be leading a tour through our nature trail. He will be sharing his knowledge about the history, the plants and wildlife that call the trail home. So grab a lawn chair, a snack to share, and come join us for an educational and entertaining afternoon.

Also, just a reminder about Proper Pruning of your Palm Trees. The following are some interesting facts about pruning your palm trees.

- 1) Cutting healthy green fronds steals the palm's source of nutrients, permanently stunts growth, invites disease and reduces the palm's natural resilience to high wind.
- 2) Cutting fronds reduces valuable shade, increases ground water evaporation and creates a need for irrigation.
- 3) Overpruned palms develop bottleneck trunks. In high winds and hurricanes, this stressed and weakened point can cause the palm to break off and die.
- 4) Pruning of protective green fronds makes the palm's heart cold-sensitive and susceptible to winter frosts and freezes.
- 5) Harsh pruning causes native and migratory songbirds, woodpeckers, butterflies, honey bees, tree frogs, bats, anoles, squirrels and other wildlife to lose valuable food, shelter, and nesting areas.
- 6) Harsh pruning forces the tree to produce many more fronds to feed itself, and can result in a need for more frequent pruning.

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BOOK CLUB

Ann Landry

"A library is the delivery room for the birth of ideas, a place where history comes to life."

Norman Cousins

For those of you who want to get a jump start on your reading for next season, the following are our book selections:

November-My Beloved World-Sonia Sotomayor (Autobiography)
January-Below Stairs: Classic Kitchen Maid's Memoir-Margaret Powell (Inspired series Upstairs, Downstairs and Downton Abbey)
February-A Gentleman in Moscow-Amor Towles (Fiction)
March-Yes Chef-Mark Samuelsson (Memoir)



TW ACTIVITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



TW MAIN GATE OPERATION

Bill Minion

The main "Residents" gate was taken down and run into twice within three days at the end of February. This was the 15th time since November that John Yannaci has voluntarily had to replace the gate and sign. Without John, the gate manufacturer would have charged at least \$125 per callout to replace.

The gate is mostly taken down by cars trying to coattail (tailgate) behind a previous car in the mistaken belief that if they follow close enough, the gate will stay up. IT WILL NOT! The gate will come down on the following car which will break the gate and probably damage the offending car.

These gates are our security. How can you help? By advising your visitors and contractors to use the keypad, giving them your lot number to call, and advising them that tailgating will result in the gate coming down on your vehicle. When you are using the gate, look in your rearview mirror, and if you see a car following close, stop after you've cleared the gate to allow the gate to come down before the following car can get under the gate.

We now have cameras operating with a 14-day recording loop, so we are able to review the recording, and identify who broke the gate. The offender will be caught. The present fine is \$125.

I am also advised that a number of people let strangers in either in person at the gates or by phone if a person calls a wrong number. This practice reduces our security and the purpose of the gates.

The security of TW is in our hands and John needs a break. Please help.

P.S. Since writing this article, the gate has been taken down seven more times.



CORNHOLE 2018

Bernie Bellner

This year's Cornhole season had 38 teams in four leagues. League champions were:

League A: Bud Wind and Ron Pettit, League B: Doreen Anderson and Milt Evans, League C: Dave Regiec and John Pitts, and League D: Elaine Ferreira and Sandy Hayward. The league tournament winners that played in the Final Four Tournament on March 17 were: Bud Wind and Ron Pettit, Barbara and Bernie Bellner, Denise and Ron Cain, and Sandy and Bob Coakley. The tournament champions were Denise and Ron Cain. If you want to play next year, please sign up on the sheets in the card room. Again, we will play on Thursday and Friday mornings and early afternoons. Play begins in January, and finishes with the tournament in late March. The end of the year party will be combined with shuffleboard and bocce. This was my last year of handling the cornhole leagues. Elaine Ferreira and Sandy Hayward have agreed to take over next year. Thanks to all for your support and cooperation.

MANAGEMENT NEWS

Terry Swartz, Manager

1. We have removed the "**RECYCLE BIN**" from the Mail Room due to the improper use of it by some residents. Dog feces, food perishables, and dirty kitty litter were being thrown in the recycle bin. It became necessary for us to remove the bin for Health and Sanitary reasons. All residents are now required to take all their unwanted mail home with them for discarding.

2. The Front Gate has been broken daily by your contractors and your visitors who cannot gain access to the park. It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to open the gate when expecting visitors and contractors you have appointments with. If the gate is broken by your contractor or visitor, you can be charged a minimum of \$125 and up for the cost of the repairs. We now have a camera, and we can identify who it is that broke the gate.

3. The "**Pool Rules**" have not been followed as posted on the sign and in the Rules and Regulations. Children under the age of 16 **SHOULD NOT** be at the pool unaccompanied by an adult. If the tables, chairs and lounges and umbrellas are used by you or your visitors, "it is your Responsibility to return the items to the original position." The pool is open from sunrise to sunset and there is "**NO NIGHT SWIMMING!**" Please refer to the Rules and Regulations Section D, Page 16.

4. Remember you are **RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACTIONS OF YOUR GUESTS. IF THEY DO NOT FOLLOW THE RULES, IT IS THE HOMEOWNER WHO CAN BE FINED!**



JOHN SPATHAROS **MARCH 19, 2018**

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;
Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

by Helen Lowrie Marshall



YOU MIGHT BE ANCIENT, BUT DON'T GET OLD

By Johanna Allen

Well, here I am. Looking 90 in the face, and now what?

To have fun-take one day at a time and appreciate it because it is a gift of God, and I can't waste it.

I wrote this while in Michigan during a sunny but crisp December day. The sun is the most important thing, and the music. What music? I am hooked on You Tube on my smart TV. On You Tube you can get almost anything-the trombones and the cymbals and the tympanies! Verdi's Requiem!-a mass for the dead? And Resurrection! It is uplifting! Victory, if you want it to be. It is all in your will. There are things in life you cannot change, and things you can. The important thing, according to St. Francis, is that you must know the difference and fly with it.

You may also listen to Schubert's Das Forellen Quintett, imagining lively trout swimming and jumping in the sparkling waters; or perhaps Andre Rieu-in essence, this is who I am, managing the rhymes of life.

So, it is a new day! What is good about it? The alarm doesn't ring to wake you because you can afford to sleep in to start this new day, and you are still able to get out of bed. After your body wakes up, you can awaken your spirit.

Besides listening to your music, do the best you can to like what you see in the mirror. Therefore, I have news for you-makeup, hairdo, perhaps a smile and clothes. What are you wearing those old rags for until they wear out? They might last longer than you do. Therefore, pick some of the snazzier ones that are in your closet, and if you look better, you will feel better.

Now the new day has begun, your hair is fixed, perhaps not the best, but the best it can be; even if not as beautiful as you would like it to be, but it will pass, you are wearing some attractive clothes, now, give this new day a purpose.

As you probably know, I have written my memoirs before, entitled, "Life in the Rearview Mirror." Looking in that mirror, I know that my life is not over, and that there is more to do. To quote T. H. White in his wonderful book The Once and Future King where Merlin is teaching the young Arthur Pendragon how to become King, "If you are bored, learn something."

So perhaps you are ancient, and you might be bored, but do you know everything? Remain curious, and interested, and never give up! Learn something new! There is so much to learn, and then you might even have a chance to share what you have learned with someone else.

Do you have friends? If not, find some, nurture them and share with them. Don't be afraid to be generous.

While here in Tangerine Woods, I still like to share some time with my long-time friends-the memoir writers. They are always willing to listen, to encourage, to empathize, and to laugh. There is nothing better than to laugh, even to share some of our old time woes.

But there is more that is exhilarating for me here in Tangerine Woods; my three-wheeler, riding it into the sunshine,

pedaling it with vigor, and letting a soft breeze stroke my ears and my thoughts fly!

And never forget, there is always this proverbial light at the end of the tunnel if you pursue it and believe in it. Life is good-let it be!

A STRANGER'S GIFT

By Ginny Drew

I recently sat down with Don Freiburger at the home on Newbury Court that he shares with his wife, Jan Chard. In 2011, Don donated a kidney to a stranger, and we wanted to share his story with the TW community. This is especially timely because April is National Donate Life Month.

Don and Jan moved to TW from Tarpon Springs. He was familiar with the community because his brother-in-law and Jan's cousin both live here. Between them, he and Jan have four daughters and eight grandchildren who all live in Michigan and Indiana.

Don is an avid blood donor and advocate for organ donation. He has donated over fifteen gallons of blood. His introduction to live kidney donation occurred when Jan's sister-in-law's sister needed a kidney. They found that Jan was a good match, and she decided to become a donor.

As you can imagine, becoming a donor is a very emotional experience. Jan had the opportunity to save someone else's life. She was all set to donate when, three weeks prior to the date of the operation, a cadaver kidney became available which was a better match, and was used instead of hers. (Note: the operation was a success and she is healthy today.)

About a year later, a neighbor asked Jan if she would donate to her. She agreed, but at around that time, was diagnosed with cancer. This made her ineligible for donation of any kind. Fortunately, she was treated successfully, and is now healthy.

But Don and Jan were still committed to the idea of donation, so Don decided that he would be the one to go ahead with it. He contacted Tampa General Hospital. They told him to wait six months, and if he was still interested, to call them back. Six months and one day later, he called back and was put in touch with Life Link, an organization that coordinates organ donation (live and cadaver.) Don underwent extensive testing to make sure he was in perfect health, and there was no chance that donating a kidney would harm him.

360 days later (April, 2011), he underwent the surgery and his kidney was sent to York, PA. All Don knows is that it is a 56 year old male. He was able to send a letter through Life Link to try to engage with the recipient, but he received no response. Don's recovery was very swift, and he was up and walking the same day, released in three days, and out painting his house two weeks later.

The program he entered was administered through a company called Paired Alliance. They set up a chain of live donations so, for example, if a woman needs a kidney, and her husband wants to donate but is not a match, he would join a chain of donors that would include one who is a match for his wife. He would donate to a stranger, and his wife would get a kidney from a stranger.

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(A Stranger's Gift continued)

Don did not designate a recipient but, on the day he donated, four kidneys were transplanted through the chain that he started.

Don is sharing his story to bring more awareness to the need for donation. For more information about donation, you can check out Life Link at : www.LifeLinkFoundation.org. There is no age limit, but you have to be in perfect health. They are very careful to do everything possible to make sure that the donation would not harm you. If you want to become a donor after death, the information is added to your driver's license.

I would like to thank Don for taking the time to sit down and speak with me about this important topic.

**A BIG LAZY DAZE THANK YOU**

Ken Leary & Rudy Hrozencik

We are about done with any major projects until we get our people back here in November. We will be in our

"maintenance mode" until then, which means we clean up after storms and do whatever issues pop up during the summer. Rudy and I want to thank all of the LD workers who helped make this a great year. We had a good turnout of new members this year. During the winter months, we have between forty and sixty LD workers on any given Monday. We do: can crushing, aluminum stripping, painting, carpentry work, minor electrical/plumbing work, landscaping, power washing, lakes work, pepper tree clearing, roofing, minor pool maintenance, etc. (We will do whatever we can that will prevent the office from calling in an outside contractor.) It is fair to say, Lazy Daze workers save this community thousands of dollars each year. In addition, there are many others in the community that show their support for Lazy Daze by making donations. These donations come in the form of money, tools, even golf carts. (These gifts are much appreciated but not necessary.) LeeAnn Magner and her committee of TW ladies also put on a delicious hot breakfast for us on March 19. So thanks to all who work (or support) Lazy Daze throughout the year.

HOMOGRAPHS (Like spelling & more than 1 meaning)

Submitted by Liz Summers

1. The bandage was wound around the wound.
2. The farm was used to produce produce.
3. The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
4. We must polish the Polish furniture.
5. He could lead if he would get the lead out.
6. The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
7. Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
8. A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
9. When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
10. I did not object to the object.
11. The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
12. There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
13. They were too close to the door to close it.
14. The buck does funny things when the does are present.

TRADITIONS, ESPECIALLY**TW TRADITIONS**

By Terry DuBois

I have always loved living here, and from the very first, I've felt this community was a special place. It has its own nature it seems, there is an atmosphere here! One I treasure is the TRADITIONS that I see make us different. We helped neighbors, good friends, move in here from Shady Haven. As we traveled up and down TW Blvd., as we passed people, everyone waved and smiled, and I thought this place is so nice and friendly! It made a definite impression on me. Well months later, we decided to move also. Talking to a real estate agent, we visited many places, but none appealed, so I asked if she had any homes in TW. She had one; we came, we saw, and we realized that this was the place for us. It is now 13 years later, and we were very active in TW activities. Tom worked for Lazy Daze and loved it. I loved weeding and trying to make our front entrance as lovely as I knew how. I helped decorate the front entrance at Christmas. Then we became involved in a new church. We work hard at doing the things we learned here in TW to help our church grow. I do still love my community home, and even influenced two of my dearest friends to come and try it out. Remember, traditions are taught by example. Wave and smile at all you see. What you love about TW, keep it going. It is up to us, the older residents, to set the example.

**LEEANN AND GLENN**

By LeeAnn Magner

Personal information is not usually what I like to share with the readers of the Topics, but there are times in a person's life when you want to shout to the world. So here goes.

During March, my soulmate and I shared the 25th anniversary of our wedding day. We are at the time of life where the extravagant displays that were once expected are unwanted and unnecessary. And because I am the sole driver in the family, it is difficult to surprise me. But I was gone for two weeks, off on another adventure while our son took over running the household and driving to appointments and shopping. During my absence, the opportunity to give expression to my husband's romantic tendencies took form. He had an idea and searched the Internet for a source to help him express his love in tangible form. The idea centered around our love of travel and his inability to share that activity with me. He encourages me to continue exploring the world, and son Kevin abets him by putting his life on hold for the time it takes, usually a couple of weeks. What he did was find a jeweler who could procure a silver birdcage , and he presented this to me with its door open. Inside was a poem he had written. And this is what he wrote:

You have never been the bird in a cage
You have lived a life of your own.

When first you flew....somehow you knew
That the whole world had just become home.

It opened your eyes as you realized
The whole world was waiting for you. **(to page 7)**

APRIL BIRTHDAYS			
1. Robert Walker, A.Barone 2.Judy Herman, Tom Shambarger ,Rick Chard, M.Evans 3. <u>Bob Smith, Dick Valenti-90</u> Trish Woolpert 4.Kent Broecker, Aileen Kimball, Kay Jarvis 5.Johanna Allen 7.Jim Kassimer 8.Craig Vandercook, Wanda Richards 10. <u>Mary Weatherhead(95)</u> , Jim English, Doris Schmidt, Ed Robinson, B. McGuerty 11.Joanne Backus 12.Terry DuBois, Ruth Hifiker, Barbara Turnbull 14. Lillian Johnson 16.Charlene Gineo,P.Barone 17.Alice Armao, Sue Petrovek Linda Bolduc 18.Clem Rossi 19.Kathy Fiess, Sue Kremer, Aylene Jenkins 20.Bill Brown 21.L. Lamb, Audre Sautter 22.Bill Burns, <u>Abe Eashoo-90</u> Linda Moore 23.Terry Sitzer 24.Cliff Patenaude 25.Larry Cutsinger, C. Olyer, Beate DuMouchel 27.Jerry Webber 28.Bob Pfau, Gary Siegel 30.Dick Barufaldi, George Clinger, Dave Flemma, Ted Freas, Nancy Rushlow APRIL ANNIVERSARIES 1.Tom & Kathy McCombs, Ralph & Carrie Autuore 3. Rick & Denise Chard 5.Larry & Sharon Aspland 13.Bob & Shirley DeCotis 19. <u>Dick & Jeanne Valenti(71)</u> 21.Mark & Cindy Kaszowski 23.Kent & Betsy Broecker 24.Ken & Mary-Jean Leary 26. <u>Bill & Velma Brown(61)</u>	21.Del Sahr 22.Kurt Lichtenfeld, M. Timerman 23.Gloria Lobozzo, Lydia Molineaux, Doris Preziosi, Jane Warburton 24.Yvonne DuPont, Nancy Prins, George Tremblay 25.Anthony Hoeffel, Ann Landry, Tom Jackson 26.Clarence Campbell 27.Betty Hackett, Carol DeBoer 29. Corinne Steele 30.Lois Campbell, Jerrie Duffy, Judy Charneski 31.Ruie Green, Barb Bellner MAY ANNIVERSARIES 2.Jim & Jacque Cottingham, Melvin & Diana Betz 4.Don & Judy Goodrich 7.Rudy & Peg Hroziencik, Jeff Poznick & Ula Swenson 9.Ed & Carol Robinson, Mike & Charlene Gineo,Paul & Elizabeth Hibbard 11.Arthur Sahr & Brenda Peluso 16.Uwe & Angela Kellner, Paul & Bonnie Phillips 19.Bob & Jan Brown, George & Carol Clinger 20. <u>Dick & Rose Hills(66)</u> 21.Bill & Mary Lou Hodgkins, John & Carol DeBoer 23.Marv & Shirley Schiefer 24.K&L Smith, S&TWOolpert 27. Todd & Kathy Wiseman 29. <u>George, Jean Flewelling65</u> 30.Jim & Peggy Hammond	20. Jim Rayner 21. Carol Turcotte 23. Denny Blaser 24. Frank Ingoldsby 25. Shirley Spangenberg, Karl Westenberg 26. Carmen Lowden, A. Bailey 27. Gary Palmer 28. June Hodil, Charles Richey, Brenda Sahr 29. Joe Cassio, Betty Lawrence, Sally Johnston, Lynn Siegel JUNE ANNIVERSARIES 3. Gary & Lynn Siegel 4. Bob & Linda Bolduc 5. Roger & Vickie Pennington , <u>Don & Jane Griffin(63)</u> 6. Mike & Cathy O'Neill , Karl Spandau & Carmen Lowden 8. Ken & Judy Keyes 9. Linda & Bob Dishon, Hopps 10. Len & Jane Warburton 12. Ken & Sue Kremer 13. Doug & Sally Johnston 16. Mike & Doreen Barrett , Sharon & Dave Regiec 17. Bob & Donna Wright 18. M&L Moore, R&K Warren 19. John & Cindy Olyer 20. <u>Earl & Carol Vining (60)</u> 21. Tom & Paula Jackson 22. C/P Finkenbine,G/S Hardt 23. Ken & Sharon Keener 24. Bill & Betty O'Brien 25. Mike & Kathy Furimsky 26. John & Patricia Molineaux 28. Edward & Jane Simpson 29. George & Deb Kress 30. <u>Merle & Kay Brestel(65)</u> , Don & Corinne Steele	24.Rose Hills,Tom Brzezinski, Jerome Bertelli 25.MaryAnn Simcak 26.Jean Sheehan, Anita Winter 27.Ellen Barufaldi, <u>Alice Carpinello(91)</u> 28.Jan Prins, Edward Simpson, Don Steele 29.Jane Easley, D.Pinkelman 30.J. Klein, J.Moenck,T.Hopps JULY ANNIVERSARIES 2.John & Curly Yannaci 3.Richard & Phyllis Markley 4.Karl & Doreen Mortensen 5.Bob & Linda Friede , Dave & Kathy Martinal 6.Clem & Vivian Rossi 7.Gary & Judy Fetzer 9.Dave & Stella Cade 10. <u>Karl&Shirley Westenberg 64</u> 11.Jim & Gloria Lobozzo, Mike & Linda Kraft 13. <u>George & Shirley Spangenberg (61)</u> 16.Roger Wolf & Jo Backus 17.George & Judy Tremblay, Jerome & Karen Bertelli 18.Clarence & Lois Campbell 19.Brownie & Mary Brown, Robert & Joyce Smith 20.Bill & Steph Bower ,Larry & Oleta Conklin 27.Bill & Kit Yuhasz 28.Richard & Lydia Molineaux 29.Kurt & Sheila Lichtenfeld 30. B. Matteson & M. Maloney
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Costa Rica

By LeeAnn Magner

Have you ever been to Costa Rica? Many folks have told me about their travels to this Central American country. Some praise it, some don't. I have traveled there twice, both experiences have been superb. It could be the travel company I engage, and I am positive they are in large part responsible for my delightful visits. The first time was two years ago, and our small group of 13 covered a great deal of territory. The country is split by mountains that have active and inactive volcanoes. The vegetation is lush, and the wildlife numerous and varied. The colors are vivid and extensive. Our guide for the first trip was a teacher and student of many disciplines of botany, flora and fauna. This second trip had a guide of equal knowledge, but he was also a professional photographer. It is amazing to travel with guides whose eyes seem to be in the same league as eagles or hawks. We traveled from the Caribbean side of the country to the Pacific coast both times. (To next column)

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Now you fly North and then you fly South
 And how about East and West?
 And you may ask yourself as you fly off the shelf
 Which part do I love the best?
 But now I know, I still have to go
 To explore 'til I've seen all the rest.
 So fly, My Darling, and always stay packed
 Have the time of your life, AND NEVER LOOK BACK.

He signed this expression of love with the following words, "With all the love the world can hold....I love you forever....G

He has been my greatest gift because he introduced me to travel and has nourished that love constantly, having shown me most of the world I have been privileged to have seen. The year's anniversary gift empowers me to keep the hope that one day I will see all of the world.

We dipped our toes in the warm waters of the Pacific Ocean and relaxed in the many hot springs sprinkled throughout the land. We saw the elusive white-nosed coati and several species of rare birds. We spent hours in a couple of National Parks and saw 2 and 3 toed sloths. There were howler monkeys and cute white-faced monkeys. We spent one morning searching for the hard to spot Quetzal, a bird of brilliant colors, the male of which displays two 18-inch tail feathers to attract a mate. There were families of raccoons and lots of iguanas and lizards. We saw animals that were hard to spot and were even lucky to see a doe and her fawn which are scarce in Costa Rica. We went out on flat-bottomed boats and discovered water birds and trees full of pelicans and other fauna. One of our boat captains spotted an 18-foot crocodile that they called Osama, and he grabbed him by the tail, and lifted the back end of him out of the river for us to see. That croc had a head that was at least two feet wide. Can you imagine the size of its jaws? The scarlet macaws were brilliant, and the hummingbirds were numerous and a delight to watch. The toucans and toucannettes were like dive bombers as they buzzed around the trees spotting prey and food. It was fun watching the hawks and eagles patiently watching and waiting for the right moment to pursue some hapless critter. Gratefully, we never saw a conclusion of a hunt. There were many species of bats and a character of an animal called an Olingo. This critter, about the size of a medium cat, proved his agility by scaling ropelike vines to reach and raid the plentiful hummingbird feeders in an open air hummingbird preserve. We visited a coffee plantation where they had erected an enclosure where they were breeding butterflies. Banana and pineapple plantations were also part of our visit. The Costa Ricans grow much of what they consume including lots of rice and beans. . It is a tropical paradise if you travel with the right tour company and have a great guide. I will go back again. After all, I have yet to see the elusive jaguar. (Editor's Note: LeeAnn used Overseas Adventure Travel to book this trip.)

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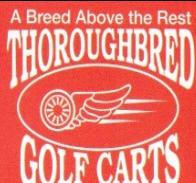
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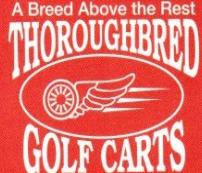
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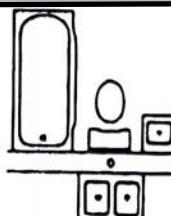
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