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A LOVING TRIBUTE TO OUR GOLDEN (+) WEDDING ANNIVERSARY RESIDENTS

Harry & Mabel Marsh (65 yrs.)

Matt & Lola Yakes (60)	Milo & Vera Wiley (60)	Floyd & Dot Crankshaw (57)
Frank & Grace Trecha (56)	Geo. & Anne Hale (52)	Bill & Dortha Swickard (53)
Chan & Hulda Robinson (52)	Joe & Paula Walker (50)	Ham & Jinx Tener (50)

Good health - Great joy and God Bless - We love you all.

MR. BILL STOCUM

Dear Bill:

We don't know why you had to leave us so soon. That's in the hands of others. You left us very sad, because you were such a nice guy and we liked shuffling, shrimping and fishing with you. You left a hole in the Park which can't be filled. Hope you're as happy now as when you were here. "Bye Bill - Love - All of Us"

In answer to numerous queries the tribute to John Szopski in the February Listening Post was written by Allison Brown.

A letter from Meals-On-Wheels has been received expressing appreciation to our Park residents and friends for the donation of \$50.00, the total collected at our January dinner plus additional gifts from individuals wanting to add to the fund.

The average male is 65 lbs. of muscle and a little over 3 lbs. of brains.

Doesn't that tell you something?--- Shirley

MOBILE HOME NEWS:

Bills before the Fla. legislature will amend the present law so that under the "12-month notice of eviction without cause", will be amended so that the Park owner pays for the homes relocation.

In the House its number is #PCB8. The Senate has no number. Write to Ted Ewing, House of Representatives, Capitol Bldg., Tallahassee, Fla. 32301

In the Senate write Warren Henderson, Capitol Bldg., Tallahassee, Fla. 32301

We urge strongly that you write to the above about your concern with these bills.

DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Sign up for the

FULL MOON HAYRIDE
AND
CAMPFIRE COOKOUT

Tuesday Evening March 9th

An evening of fun, food, marshmallows and song plus a hayride pulled by a span of horses on an off-the-road trail through farmland at Thistle-Dew Ranch in eastern Englewood.

The gathering begins at 6:00 o'clock around a big pit-fire where we can roast hot dogs, hamburgers or steak. Plan your own cookout supper. The fire will be ready. Picnic tables are provided. Bring your own cookout supplies, TV tables if needed. The area is rustic with logs for fire-side seating. Lawn chairs might mean comfort. No water on site; remember your beverage.

The first hayride (30 persons) leaves the picnic area at 7:00 PM for a full hour's ride. A second load will go out sometime after 8:30 PM when the full moon is higher in the sky.

The hayride is \$5.00 per person. Sign up and pay the fee on Thursday or Friday, March 4th or 5th in the hall between 10:00 and 12:00 noon. Each ride is limited to 30 people. Two rides are planned. No limit on fun.

* * * * * CROSSING LEMON BAY

I like to cross our causeway,
Either to or from the town.

Enjoy again our Lemon Bay

Where tropic scenes are all around.

Its shores and flats, its birds & boats
Its waters, waves, palms and pine.

I think it thrills us more than most---

We snowbirds here in wintertime.

Hampden F. Tener

THE SCUTTLEBUTT FROM AURA

a; collected by Marge

John and Donna's daughter Crystal was here almost two weeks. John sure misses her not being around to pick on. Their granddaughter was here a week but went back with her other grandparents. They sure enjoyed good weather.

Dr. G. Chapple and wife gave a surprise visit to his aunt Ethel Cross. She only wished they could have stayed longer.

Candy Schmidt and son Bradley, 1½ years, came for a visit to their grandmother Lu Rogers. The little one kept them busy.

Millie, Edna and Peanuts had company, Elwood Cohoon and Doris, Virgil Cohoon and Leota. At Millie's it was her sons; at Edna's, her brothers. One couple after the fish; the other couple to the horse races. Sure enjoyed themselves.

Tillie's nephew and wife from Alberta, Canada were here for a couple of days and she sure enjoyed them and only wished they could have stayed longer. Another friend, Ona Dickie who used to live in the Park gave her a surprise visit. Tillie had lots of news this month as her son Allen and wife Ethel are coming in Friday for a little stay.

Wally and Mae expect a visit from Barbara, their daughter. She lives in Long Island and will be here a couple of weeks.

And I, Marge Stocum, want to thank our friends for their kindness and sympathy. I'm so glad we belong to the Gulf to Bay family.

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Housework is something you do that nobody notices unless you don't do it.

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THE BUZZ FROM BAYO

by Emma Graber

Bernice Theiss still busy making crafts. Has a lovely display in her trailer window. Very nice!

Sophie Szopski deeply appreciated the many expressions of sympathy from neighbors, friends and Sunshine Club during her recent bereavement.

Vaughn and Dorothy Nighswander were proud to be presented with a new great-granddaughter last Friday (2/19).

Kay and Catherine DeJearnett (Col.) came to stay a month here in the Park with their travel trailer and ended up buying a mobile home at Shady Haven. They are really enjoying their stay here. Will be in Fla. now until end of May.

Bob and Ruth Arnholt returned here on Sunday from the East Coast. Sure glad to have them back. Ruth says her flight North turned out to be mighty cold but enjoyed seeing her

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new granddaughter. They also enjoyed their stay with daughter Amy on the East Coast.

Cliff and Heloise Minard enjoying the winter here. Cliff just retired from Eastman Kodak in Rochester after 43 years with the company.

Mrs. Jennie Gosselin, former resident of the Park visited Mabel Gaudette and Mabel's sister Amelia LeBelle and niece June Such from Mass.

George and Florence Finnett went to Oshawa, Ont., Canada. Their son-in-law passed away. They endured 0° weather every day and lots of snow.

Chester Sizelove's brother and sister-in-law, Bob and Eleanor, are returning for a visit. Coming Saturday from Kokomo, Ind. to get away from the cold weather.

Alice Flebotte is disappointed that her daughter and husband are unable to come down for Doris' Birthday. They will miss their good friends in the Park. We all wish and look forward to seeing Doris and Al next Christmas.

Rod and wife will be leaving the Park March 1st. Will miss seeing them around

Mike Turk is making another try at growing tulips. Hope that's what they'll come up. Also Mike worked at the Marathon Run in Englewood. It consisted of two classes of runners for all ages.

Mark and Ruth Daugherty's daughter, Naomi and son-in-law Joe are visiting. They have taken a Leave of Absence from school and are enjoying the winter here.

Rose Ouimette's brother, Eddie Bousquet and sister Marie Junest are visiting. Enjoying every bit of the beautiful weather.

CIELO STREET TID-BITS

by June

People are still commenting on Angie's lovely Valentine decorations. And to think this very talented lady is a Cielo St. resident!

Jane Wiley's tastes have changed from "pickled eggs" to "sunflower seeds" lately and she's been heard to mutter "strange" sentences. Wonder what's up Ms. Jane?

Bill and Irene Stevenson have been getting ready for what we thought was a visit from a King and Queen from some far off place. Come to find out their daughter Pat and grandson Michael of Birmingham, Mich. were the recipients of all this attention. We hope they are here for a good visit!

We want to welcome Joan and Paul Stunzig of Montauk, Long Is., N.Y. They're located across from the Bay facing the dock and loving every minute of their new location. Stop by to say "Hi!"

Betty and Staff Clayton are the new residents in the apartment and can't believe the friendliness they've been shown here. Also enjoying their stay very much.

ONE LITTLE BOY'S ESSAY ON CATS

"Cats that's meant for little boys to maul and tease is called Maultese cats. Some cats are rekernised by how quiet their purs is, and these is Pursinian cats. The cats what has very bad temper is called Angoria cats. And cats with deep feelin's is called Feline cats. I don't like cats."

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Sign on a diaper service truck
"We offer bottom prices."

THE DOINGS ON DIJE

by Betty Baker

Our neighbor Shirley Ryan has two lovely white doves and they have produced 4 white eggs. Now the problem is to find a male dove so the eggs will become fertile. Does anyone have a spare male dove? We would like to have some new "KIDS" on this street. See the next edition of this paper for the results.

Jay and Jennie Hubbard have Jennie's sister Mary Walker visiting. They spent a day at the dog races in Bonita Springs. They won on some of the races so it made a very exciting day.

The Rohlfs had two couples here this past week. They flew down in their own plane from Mich. It seems like company comes all at once-they had more visitors, Jess and Birdie Rector.

Chan and Hulda Robinson watched their grandson Joe on TV from Hawaii. He entered the Tri-athalon. This event consists of a 2 mile swim, a 112 mile bike race and running for 26 miles. It is a worldwide contest. In Sept. Joe won the National Tri-athalon. Needless to say the Robinsons are very proud of Joe.

Company is on the way from Col. Their son Charles and wife Jean and friends Casey and Sue Metcalf will visit for a few days.

Clayton and Allison Brown have been visiting over on the East Coast.

Doris Slaybaugh is a very busy lady. On Feb. 7 she was on TV displaying her painted china as part of the Ft. Myers China Show for China Artists. On March 5 & 6 the Charlotte Belles Artists will have a china show at the Fisherman's Village in Punta Gorda. Also Doris attended a 5 day seminar at Englewood. Its theme was to learn how to paint poppies on China Tile for framing. It certainly would be worth a few minutes of your time to visit Doris and see all her lovely china paintings.

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You're getting fussy when you PASS up more shark's teeth than you PICK up!

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Ruth Salmon has her daughter Elaine Osgood, grandson Richie and friend Frank Lucerelli from Saratoge Springs, N.Y. They are visiting for two weeks. Richie is an expert at spearing mullet and catching shrimp.

Your reporter has been staying with brother Bob on Bayo St. while Ruth's family is here. I will be back on the "old beat" soon.

See you in the funnies!

NEWS FROM ESTADA ON THE PALM STRIP

by Eve Doiron

Not much news from your reporter's abode-too much knotting! Oh yes! - A wall seperator and a new lamp have joined all the other glorious macramae wonders. Come over and see!! Not only that - guess where Art is while I do the shopping? On the Gulf floating and watching! What? You can imagine! Besides he is teaching me how to drive a VW stick shift. Look our Park! Here I come!

Even Dot Hall with all her company makes sure I'm not driving when she goes out. Boy, does she get company!

Hope Bible Class doesn't hear Art in a macramae tangle. Oh, Oh!

John and Arsine have their daughter Gale here to soak up some of our sunshine. She will hate to return to all that SNOW.Ugh! Their grandson gave them all a scare by hiding in the house while Mon chased over to the beach and others toward the Bay looking for a "lost boy."

On Friday the 12th the Hamiltons enjoyed a visit from sister and husband, the George Neagles from Treasure Island. Earlier in the month at a welcome social hour Nora McCully was greeted by Anne Glover, Dot Kerber, Rita Roof, Onalee Spencer, Anne Hale, Helen Bleck, Marion Cowell, Arsine Nahabedian, Dot Hall, Helena Moody and your reporter.

Orion and Ruth Nelson will be returning in June for two weeks. Hoping to catch a few fish.

Les and Fay Downing visited old friends from Mich. Charley and Alice Benedict at Palmetto. They all went to the Coliseum to see Myron Florian and band in St. Pete. The Downings and Masties visited Walt and Norma Miller at Lakeland. They also attended the 6th annual Milan, Michigan "Snowbird Reunion" at Ellenton. Recent visitors of Downings and Masties were the Charlie Benedicts, Gerald Benedicts, Charlie Pattersons, Tom Craigs, Don Koricon and Mike Dusseau! Good grief! Such busy, busy people! Hear they recently bought a larger freezer so's they could accommodate all the fish Les "says" he catches! In their spare moments they go shelling. How about selling a few?

The Wiley's daughter Joyce and her husband Ed Prince of Kalamazoo, Mich. spent a few days enjoying our nice weather and soaking up some sunshine to take back.

Helen Bleck and friends have enjoyed the beach lately; been to cold for me yet. Friends are: the Krolls from Bonita Spring

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and the Werners from Bristol, Conn.

Art and Marguerite Oestreich are the A-#1 dancers of our class. Soon we can all get together and be able to change partners and swing it!!

Marguerite wasn't just swimming the other night; she was looking for her glasses. She fell in; they fell in; the net fell in; the shrimp escaped. She came up yelling ARTHUR!!!

Jeannette Blanchard wonders who the children are she sees fishing down at the end of our street. They're the same kids who were fishing off the dock under a big beach umbrella during last Tuesday's very heavy rain!

A friend left this poem at our door;

"Art Doiron has a model A
The year is 1930
" He shines it up every day
Therefore it's never dirty.
"The antique car is in top condition
He drives it everywhere.
"The Ford gets good recognition
There's none that can compare."
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DINNER: The dinner for March will be on March 14th. The entree will be roast beef and the price will be an easy \$4.00 (this dinner only).

Dottie Kerber (chairperson)

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Found near the mailboxes - a pix of Jayson, 7 years 1981. A real cute guy with a big grin. Yours? See Roxanne Palermo.

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Anyone wishing to call Marguerite Oestreich please dial 475 etc. The lady at 474 is not complaining; she said they're really the only calls she gets. Shirley D. did it and had a five minute conversation which ended in a vow to get together for a drink sometime.

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SHUFFLE NEWS: On Feb. 12th it was decided to abandon the Ladies Day Shuffle. Instead SHUFFLE FROLIC was created. On Mondays and Friday afternoons at 1 PM all members of the Park gather at the shuffle courts; and compete against each other in a fun shuffle frolic. Of course, the shuffle team continues to compete each week with one of the 9 other Parks in our league.

Perhaps the most pleasant shuffling news is that George Hale, who for many years, was the captain of our Park's shuffling activities is now well enough to join the shufflers on a limited basis. "Welcome back George!"

WAVES FROM THE GULFSIDE

by Avis

Charley and Shirley ask why we don't have more exciting and interesting news on Golfo. Are you all interested in knowing that P.F., while standing in the shower, washes his socks and underwear? Or that he stays in an "ole flop house" when he is up north working? No wonder P.F. wants to rush back to Fla. Or are you interested in knowing that on his last return flight it was so foggy in Ft. Wayne that the first plane left at 2 PM instead of 7 AM? Boy!! What news!

Nettie was doing great in exercise class and we all wish she would return.

Charlie and Helen Verrill entertained son Brad and granddaughter Trinity over the past weekend. Bruce lives in Melbourne and Trinity is in high school in Long Island.

Marionie and Elwood Kurtz visited their mother Anne Glover. We had gorgeous weather during their stay, so they returned to Mich. with an excellent tan.

One of my cronies on Golfo said, "Nothing ever happens on Golfo. Use your imagination!" So would you all like to know about all the afternoon cocktail parties down by the beach? A lot of interesting conversation is tossed about!

Mahlon Hallet said all their news left with their family.

Henry Spencer says his "Out and Going is gone." So no news.

Helena Moody drove out this week for the first time since 10/1/81. Her eyes are showing a great improvement

Kate and Paul Kerber are expecting the arrival of Paul's brother and wife from Fenton, Mich.

ECHOES FROM CIELO COURT

by Loretta

Cielo Court has been on a very strict diet of news in Feb.

Yates had visitors - their son, daughter and son-in-law. Everyone had a super time.

The Mays have been away from home for the month of Feb. due to the illness of Jack's mother in St. Pete. Jack & Mary have been keeping things under control and hoping for their return very soon.

Jacksons are expecting company in March. Alice's sister and bother will be staying at High Point Estates in Englewood and will be spending a lot of time at Gulf to Bay.

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It's gonna be a rotten day: You wake up and discover your waterbed broke and then realize you don't have a waterbed!

I have a very fine doctor. If you can't afford the operation he touches up the X-rays.!