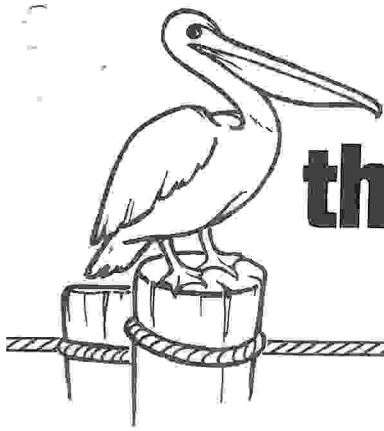


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## December Committee

Councilwoman Gladys and Jim Thorne  
Bill and Irene Stevenson  
Arthur and Anne Cady  
Ruth Arnholt  
Marge Stocum  
Betty Baker  
Charlie Letsch

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## Christmas Dinner

Cranberry Juice  
Raw Vegetable Munchies  
Roast Turkey & Dressing  
Mashed Potatoes/Candied Sweet  
Broccoli & Cauliflower  
Cranberry Sauce  
Apple Pie with Cheese  
Rolls      Tea      Coffee  
\$3.50

Clayton and Allison Brown will co-chair the Christmas dinner in the absence of the Thornes who will be spending the holidays with their family in Pennsylvania.

Tickets will be on sale Mon. and Tues. Dec. 17 and 18 between 10:00 and 12:00 noon at the hall.

Christmas Dinner will be served at 1:00 PM on the 25th. People with reservations may place their table settings between 3:00 and 4:00 o'clock on the 24th.

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TREE LIGHTING: There will be a tree lighting fest at the dock on Sunday, December 9th at 7:00 p.m. with carol singing and merry-making. Bring a chair and join your friends. Our beautiful tree is thru the courtesy of Warren & Jean Crowley. We appreciate their generosity.

TREE TRIMMING PARTY: Sat. Dec. 15th, 7:00 p.m. we would like everyone to bring a decoration to hang on the tree in the hall. It will be all lit up, ready for you to put on the finishing touches. Eggnog, punch and cookies will be served to add to the festivities along with the singing of Christmas carols. If you wish to bring along a grab bag gift, men will bring a man's gift and ladies to bring a lady's gift. (not more than \$2.00). This is optional but we feel it will add to the holiday pleasure. Above all, come, sing, and enjoy the fellowship for an evening of fun.

LUMINARIES: have become a Christmas Eve custom at Gulf to Bay. This is traditional in many Latin American countries, and symbolizes the lighting of the way to the Christ Child.

Simple to make, but very attractive when displayed in numbers, the materials consist of a paper sack, a candle and some sand. Cut some small-holed designs out of each side of the bag and then fill the bottom of the bag with two or three inches of beach sand. Place the candle firmly into the sand and light it. Place one or more of the luminaries on each side of your entrance walk near the road. Use only on Christmas Eve from dark until midnight. We should suggest that you get your candles early from one of the hardware stores. Ask for Plumber's Candles. They are about six inches long, thick, long burning and inexpensive.

CARNIVAL TIME: A New Year's Carnival will be held this year on Dec. 30 or 31. More information on this later. There will be games of chance, refreshments, Flea Market, raffle, etc. We would appreciate your donation of any article you are not using to the Flea Market. You may drop items off at Deierleins, 410 Dije St. or Stunzigs, 509 Estada St. Come on out. Have a good time!


Don't forget Management's party on Dec. 19th!

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR  
FROM PETE & RENEE

**311** CHRISTMAS  
IS THE TIME  
EVERYONE SENDS  
LOVE & GOODWISHES  
OVER THE WORLD



Happy Holidays  
To One & All.  
JMS

 **Peace**  
and Holiday Greetings to All  
June and Jim Simpson

MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR.


Nellie Arnholt.

Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year

The Pauls

Holiday Greetings  
to everyone in the  
park!  
Lucille & Ralph  
Tracy

SEASONS  
Greetings  
From THE NORTH  
Norma and Jean Croteau



LOVE  
HEALTH  
HAPPINESS  
IN 1985



Christmas Greetings of Health  
and Happiness for all the  
Lovely People of Gulf to Bay,  
the Soul and Heartbeat  
of our Park.  
Peace on Earth  
Appreciatively  
Kate & Paul

Seasons Greetings  
to  
All of Gulf to Bay  
Charles Letsch

Merry Christmas and  
Happy New Year from  
the three of us  
Alice, Louis & Al

Merry X'mas all  
Junks + Ham Dinner

Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year, to all.  
The Kaleighs, Fred & Irene

Merry Christmas &  
Happy New Year  
to all our friends  
Phyllis & Tom


Holiday Wishes to Everyone  
from  
Percie & "Stretch"  
Klinget  
323 Cielo Street



Seasons Greetings  
Virginia & Don Keffenbagen

Christmas is love  
Merry Christmas to all!  
Bill & Irene Stevenson

Holiday Greetings and  
Best Wishes for Happiness  
in the New Year, to all.  
in The Parks -  
Leona Stokes

"You all"  
A Merry X'mas   
&  
Happy New Year  
Cora Tyson

Ho Ho Ho  
MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR  
MR. MRS. FRANK FINELLI

Happy Holidays  
From  
Ruth and Charlie Hicks

X-mas greetings to all  
God Bless you  
Leah & David  
Hart

Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year  
Jim & Gladys



Happy Holidays  
Mabel Gaudette



Happy Holidays to  
all my friends and  
Neighbors.  
Clara Bessinger

To all your friends in Gulf to Bay  
Christmas Blessings  
and may 1985 be  
your best year ever.

George & Florence Timm



Happy Holidays  
from our  
trailer  
to yours.  
Bob & Ruth Leibold

Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year  
Mark & Ruth



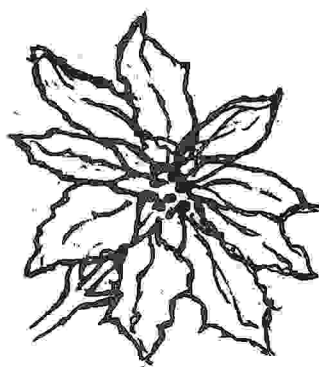
Wishing for you  
all the special delights  
of this Holiday Season.  
This season of lights  
Bernice



Merry Christmas  
and a  
Healthy Happy  
New Year  
"Dee Knapps"




We wish a Merry Christmas  
to all you wonderful people  
at Gulf to Bay and hope  
you have a great 1985.  
Shirley Carl Jackson



May the blessings  
of Christmas  
be yours  
throughout the  
year!  
Fran & Marie Madliger

♪ Joy to the World...  
... and especially to  
all in the Park  
Merry Christmas from  
George & Rita

Our Blessings to all  
for a  
Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year  
Gied & Loretta



From us Michigan  
Snowbirds to the  
Gulf to Bay  
- Gang -  
Merry Xmas - Happy New Year  
+ Chet + Yi"

TIS  
THE  
SEASON  
ENJOY  
MATT - LOLA - YAKES



HAPPY HOLIDAYS  
JOAN  
+ PAUL



Holiday Greetings  
Mary May

There's no place like Gulf To Bay  
To celebrate the Christmas Day  
To all you friends we want to say  
Merry Christmas and a Happy  
Healthy New Year!  
Marquise and Art Oestreich

MAY ALL THE JOYS  
OF THE CHRISTMAS  
SEASON BE YOURS AND  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR  
The Dursts - Norm + Mill

A Merry Christmas  
&  
a Happy New Year  
to all at Gulf to Bay  
Gordon and Emma

Happy Holidays  
from  
Helen Bleck

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS  
AN IRISH WISH

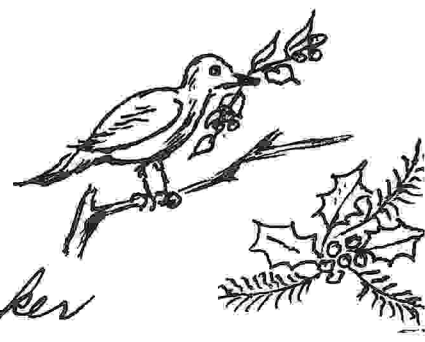
MAY THE ROAD RISE TO MEET YOU - MAY THE  
WIND BE ALWAYS AT YOUR BACK - MAY THE SUN  
SHINE WARM UPON YOUR FACE - THE RAIN  
FALL SOFT UPON YOUR FIELDS  
AND UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN  
MAY GOD HOLD YOU IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND  
HAMILTONS MARG-DICK

May the Light of the World  
brighten your life  
with peace and joys.  
Have a Blessed Christmas.  
December 1984 Pat Hall

Happy  
Holidays  
BARBARA + AL

HAVE A HAPPY  
HOLIDAY SEASON  
LES + FAY DOWNING

Happy  
Holidays  
Betty Baker



Sailing along with  
the Holidays

Merry Xmas and  
Happy New Year

Seasons Greetings  
Ethel Cross


Al  
The Cadys



Wishing a Merry Christmas  
& a Happy New Year  
to all my friends  
Luv Rogers

Merry Christmas  
Beaut Edna

Ana & Geo. GALLAT are wishing  
a very Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year coming, for Man-  
gismont and people of the GULF  
TO BAY PARK

Merry   
Christmas  
Everyone!  
Dot and Jim Manley

To all of our Good Friends  
at Gulf to Bay  
"HAPPY HOLIDAYS"  
the Masties

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS IN  
THE PARK A VERY JOYOUS  
XMAS AND A HAPPY AND  
HEALTHY NEW YEAR.  
THE PALERMOS

To wish you all the joys  
of Christmas and happiness  
for the new year  
Marge Stocum

MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR  
MILLIE CAHOON

We wish you all a  
Blessed Christmas and  
a Happy New Year.  
Bob & Mic Rumpf

Hi! Season's Greetings  
May Santa fill your sock  
with gifts, & God fill  
your heart with Love.  
John & Donna Darling

Jayeme Noël  
Bonne santé pour 1985  
Therese,  
The Miller's family

Seasons Greetings to all  
my friends at Gulf to Bay  
Doris Haysbaugh

Wishing a very merry  
Christmas and the happiest  
of New Years to all of our  
good friends of Gulf to Bay  
Chan & Sheila Robinson

WHAT A GLAD AND HAPPY PLACE  
THIS WORLD OF OURS WOULD BE,  
IF EVERYONE WERE JUST AS NICE  
AS OUR FRIENDS AT GULF TO BAY.  
HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL.

THE HUBBARD'S

Best wishes to all  
for the holidays.

Gene & Bea  
Hull

GREETINGS  
AND Best Wishes FOR  
CHRISTMAS  
AND The  
New Year

"THE NICHWAANDERS"

May each of you enjoy a  
year of good health  
and happiness  
Harry & Lorraine Ide



Brownie & Allison  
wish you a  
Blessed Christmas  
and a  
Joyous New Year

I wish everyone in the Park,  
the very merriest of Christmases  
and a happy and healthy  
New Year.  
Mrs. E. Spear

A very special greeting  
for happy holidays to  
all my friends at Gulf-to-Bay  
Ruth Salmon

In old-fashioned wish  
that warm and true  
a merry Christmas  
To all of you  
Anna & George Hale

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR  
to all.

YOUR EDITOR and his BETTER HALF  
CHARLES and SHIRLEY  
DEIERLEIN



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## FROM THE COUNCIL

We wish to welcome all newcomers to our Park. You'll find a true "Winter Haven" here, with great people and nice weather.

A vote of thanks to all the people who helped clean up the Rec. Hall.

We have a Recreation Director this year in the person of Lorraine Ide, and a better one you couldn't find anywhere. We all know what a great job she's done with the cruises. The dinner and boat ride combo brought out 40 people. There was music and singing of old songs and a great time was had by all.

There is for January 12th a dinner and play "My Fair Lady" at the Golden Apple Dinner Theatre. Details are posted in the Rec. Hall. The Thanksgiving Dinner Committee is headed this year by our very able Arthur and Marguerite Oestreich so our Holiday Season is getting off to a good start.

Christmas activities in the hall for the month of Dec. will be headed up by Gladys and Jim Thorne.

January is being taken care of by Bob and Phyliss Knapp and among other things there will be a terrific Luau on Jan. 26. You can bet they'll do a great job.

On Dec. 19th Warren and Jean are giving their annual Christmas party in the Rec. Hall. There will be a band and we all know what a great party they give. A grateful thanks to them for the many ways they've spruced up our Park - the water cooler - the Rec. Hall - the shuffle courts - the many plantings - lovely! The shufflers will be happy to know that Warren is supplying us with new discs this year.

SO --- LET THE SEASON BEGIN!

Paul Stunzig, President

## Your new Council '84-'85:

## November Committee

Paul Stunzig	President
Bob Knapp	Vice President
Charles Verrill	Treasurer
Art Oestreich	Secretary
George Hommel	At Large
Gladys Thorne	At Large

Art and Marguerite Oestreich, Chrmn.
Jay and Jennie Hubbard
Chan and Hulda Robinson
Dorothy and Vaughn Nighswander
Charles and Shirley Deierlein

"I saw you in the locker room, how long have you been wearing a girdle." "Ever since my wife found it in the glove compartment."

Undertaker: Would you like your mother-in-law embalmed? Cremated? Buried?  
Charlie: That'll be fine.

## BAYO STREET by Mabel Gaudette

Terry and Vin Phaneuf had friends, the Dolans and the Eustans from Ipswich, Mass. visiting our Park.

Henny and Dot Henthorn have gone to Cincinnati, Ohio until March. Guess they like snow?

Fran Wadlegger is busy painting his boat, getting ready to fish?

Sophia Szopski had her niece and husband, Joe and Sandy Dowdle from Mt. Prospect Ill. for a visit.

Charles Letsch from Ronkonkoma, N.Y. is here for the winter. Welcome to our Park, Charlie!

Bob and Ruth Arnholt are grandparents again (9). Daughter, Pat had a baby boy, Daniel. Born Sunday Nov. 11th. Bob and Ruth are going to the East Coast for Thanksgiving.

Clara Bessinger's son-in-law, Michael Opalewski from Daytona Beach visited here. Welcome to our street, Clara.

BAYO ST. Cont'd.

Bernice Theiss had a busy ten days. Her grandson Jim Hall and his wife from Westover, Vt.; granddaughter and husband Gene Delmonta and two children, Leah and Erin from Akron, Ohio enjoyed our nice beach weather.

ESTADA STREET by Joan Stunzig

We welcome Milhe and Norm Durst to their new home at #501 and bid farewell to Val and Mary Zamfir. It seems that Cielo St. has invaded Estada St. from beginning to end!

Dot Hall is not here yet but the Manleys have arrived. Have you seen Jim and Dot's new party boat down at the docks??? It's beautiful and we wish you many hours of happy boating.

Dick and Marge Hamilton can be seen stepping jauntily around our so-o-o beautiful environs.

Orion and Ruth Nelson left for the North again but were most visible down at the Bay fishing night and day and catching quite a few "keepers."

The Downings are due in later this month and the ladies can't wait to start exercise class as soon as Fay can get them rounded up.

Gordon and Emma arrived loaded (down with goodies) and have finally settled down to fun and sun.

Helen Bleck will be here right after the holidays. Her grandson will be driving her down. Hurry back Helen!

Marguerite and Art Oestreich really started something. They have painted their mobile home and within days you could find their neighbors (front and back) following suit.

Thanksgiving will be a great day since these two will head the festivities.

Did you know they are expecting???? (a grandson early in the new year).

The Stunzigs have been working hard; it seems like forever but have just about finished except for a little landscaping. We are really enjoying our new home here on the Bay and love to show it off. So, stop and rest a while with us.

(The Stunzigs are not expecting yet!)

You know its going to be a rotten day when your kid says, "Did you know that it's almost impossible to flush a grapefruit down the toilet?" You walk to work and discover that your dress is tucked in the back of your pantyhose.

CIELO ST. by Ruth Hicks

Percie and Stretch Klinger are working hard now so they can play the rest of the season. Looking good!

Renee Arnold (a newcomer to the world of fishing) and hubby Pete are busy with their fishing poles trying to catch the "big one."

Leona Stokes is back with us again, along with her friend Louise Zarger, who drove Leona to Florida.

Take a look at the palm bark fish that Joe Zeke made and has hanging outside his door. Very interesting.

Had a quick glimpse of George Byrem. He came he saw and left again.

Dave and Leah Hart keeping very busy as usual.

Cora Tyson thanks everyone for her beautiful birthday cards - also the enjoyable boat ride on the "Gondola". She said the sunset was beautiful.

Warren and Jean want to remind us of the management party Dec. 19th, 8-12 o'clock P.M. They have done a terrific job in beautifying the Park and our thanks to them.

Welcome back to Bill and Irene Stevenson.

Barbara Richardson and June Simpson have also arrived on our block.

Good to see Ham Tener on the courts, giving the other shufflers a run for their money. Glad Jinks is back to normal after her foot infection.

Tom McElroy said the Reds are starting so get your fishing gear in order. He also wants to thank Paul Stunzig and his committee for the installation of the water cooler in the Rec. Hall. Don't forget your promise, Tom.

Ruth and Charles Hicks miss yelling out their windows to Joan and Paul Stunzig but wish them good health and happiness in their new home on Estada St.

Norm and Millie Durst have moved over to 501 Estada St. and their home on Cielo is for sale.

Nothing new at the Reppenhagen's according to Virginia.

Haven't seen Jane Wiley but I'm sure she would remind you "Get your Xmas packages in the mail early!"

Talked to Fred and Irene Kalagher and they reported "No news is good news." Happy to have the Finellis smiling faces back in the Park.

Mandy: Rastus you is a garbage man, how come you is all dressed up in a high hat, tails and shiny shoes?

Rastus: I been to the Doctor and he says I is impotent and when you is impotent you is gotta look impotent.

A Duck is a bird who walks as though he were riding a horse all day.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

1:00 p.m. Nov. 22, 1984  
\$3.50

Cider  
Turkey/dressing and Gravy  
Mashed and Sweet Potatoes  
Vegetable/Cranberry Relish Dish  
Rolls/Butter  
Pumpkin Pie/Whipped Cream  
Coffee or Tea

AURA ST. by Betty Baker

All the people are here on our street except John and Donna Darling who are expected to be here this Monday.

Anne Cady is expecting her daughter Jill and son-in-law Michael Chernek for Thanksgiving week. Auther is coming down the end of Thanksgiving week. Then they will be going on the Park Cruise.

Ethel Cross is busy knitting and entertaining. She is fun to be with for a few laughs.

Edna and Peanuts are the same. Peanuts certainly knows how to catch fish, while Edna keeps busy getting shrimp.

Betty Baker's daughter Sue drove to Michigan for a visit. Then they drove down to Florida. The Park is the place to be for fun and action.

Marge Stocum just had her friend Elie leave for home after being here a month. They drove down together.

Millie Cahoon is out and seeing people which is good news as she has been ailing this summer.

Lu Rogers is busy and seems like her old self again. She is expecting her sister Anne to visit soon.

The George Galats just come in this week. George has a bad cold.

Bob and Mickey are all done painting and planting. Now it's time for shuffling and fishing-Mickey adds.

Just a reminder that the tenants on Aura Street would appreciate everyone slowing to 10 MPH to help keep down the dust.

Wanna drive your wife crazy? Smile in your sleep!

Live each day as if it were your last; someday you'll be right.

GOLFO ST. by Cam Thatcher

Golfo Street is still kind of empty since only five of the residents have arrived. I stopped in to see Nettie Arnholt and she's frisky as ever. She says, "Shuffling is my thing," and she is always looking for a lively game.

The Crankshaws are back and are looking forward to the winter.

Eleanor and Noble Paul are going to visit their son and his family, who have recently moved to Pensacola for Thanksgiving. Noble finally got his boat fixed (he hopes).

Things are red hot at Dottie Kerber's...she had her furnace cleaned.

Jean Hallett will be back this winter and Rita Roof, Kate and Paul Kerber are due back for Thanksgiving.

All is well with the Thatchers now that Cal has returned from Ohio.

I know they made a mermaid. I don't know the reason why. There's not enough woman to make love to, and too much fish to fry.

You know it's going to be a rotten day when you want to put on the clothes you wore home from the party...and there aren't any.

Did you hear about the weather man who resigned because the climate didn't agree with him??

CIELO CT. by Mary May

New season has begun and everyone on Cielo Ct. is present and accounted for except the Grants. All are busy sprucing up their homes, lawns, planting flowers, washing windows and trying to find a place for everything they brought South.

George Uto is flying to Long Island for Thanksgiving. He will spend one week with his daughter and two grandchildren, and his son will travel to Long Island from Cape Cod - nice family reunion! Happy Turkey Day to the Uto family. By the way, word has it that son George caught 37 flounder in Cape Cod, some catch!

Loretta and Fred Brandemill have been busy putting in some new windows in their trailer. Now they feel they can put things away, hang curtains and enjoy the winter.

Mary May had a good trip south except for driving 1½ days in rain, that meant a very dirty car. She now has things under control and ready for the winter.

Vivian Roberts is anxiously awaiting the arrival of her daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter from Michigan; they will be here for Thanksgiving. Vivian is hoping for some warm weather to greet her family.

Alice and Carl Jackson are enclosing their car port. Carl is doing all this work himself. Looking good!

Lola and Matt Yakes have their corner looking beautiful - Matt working outside, Lola inside. They said just give us three weeks and we'll be ready to run with the crowd.

Pressed for an explanation when he refused to eat a bowl of quivering gelatin, the elderly patient said, "I'm not going to eat anything that's more nervous than I am."

DIJE ST. by Hulda Robinson

Lorraine has placed a new bulletin board in the Hall just for information on upcoming short fun trips. Mark these dates on your calendar:

January 12th: The Golden Apple Theater

February 8th: Horse or dog races in Tampa+ dinner at the Old Heidelberg

March 2nd: Tour of the Edison Home+ dinner at The Landings

We're missing one Park resident at 403 Dije - Hazel Phillips, Ruth's sister, was married this September to Ed Litke and is now residing at 1161 Sharlo Circle, Englewood. Ed made many friends here last spring and we're all happy for the new couple. Congratulations Hazel and Ed!!

We're all glad to see Mae Spear back in the Park, going to bingo and looking good.

Bea and Gene Hull will soon be here. They'll be early this year as they're going on the cruise to Mexico.

The Palermos are expecting daughter Barbara and husband Larry for the first week in December, which will be in time to hold the fort for Mon and Dad while they are on the Mexico trip.

Clayton and Allison Brown celebrated their 44th Anniversary last week with roses. Preparations for a Literary Workshop have kept Allison totally involved since arriving in the Park November 1st. Not even time for her morning Wog. (That's a pace half way between a walk and a jog.) Allison has tickets to sell for the Christmas Concert to be given on Dec. 3rd by the Suncoast Oratorio Singers. It's going to be a variety concert and a great way to start the season.

The Mastie household has come to life as Zachary and his mother Barb, have arrived for two weeks. They rode down with Hank and Katey's good friend Bill Exelby who is also staying for two weeks. Had a telephone call from Les and Faye Downing and they will be here for Thanksgiving. Barb called her hubby Tony Sunday night and they had 3" of snow, but she's waiting to go to the beach here! Lucky Barb.

The Hubbards had a very good summer fishing and a pleasant trip down to Florida. Fred and Loretta Brandemill, Bill and Irene Fensch and Jennie and Jay went to the Brown Derby to celebrate Irene's and Loretta's birthdays. Vaughn and Dorothy, Jennie and Jay went to see the "Woman of the Year" at the Golden Apple Theater last week and enjoyed the play very much.

Your'e never completely dressed until you wear a smile!

DIJE ST. (Cont'd.)

The Chauncey Robinsons had a very nice summer. Chan worked half days at the City parks as usual. In August motored to Ohio and visited the Swickards and Hulls and spent one great day of fishing on Lake Erie with Nighswanders, Hubbards and Hulls. In Spetember went to Colo. to see our son Charles and family. By the way they have a new great-grandson out there since they arrived in Florida. Makes 9 for them.

It's great to be back to Gulf to Bay. Just like coming home. We will miss Harry and Mable Marsh on our street though.

"NOBODY ASKED ME"

Editorial

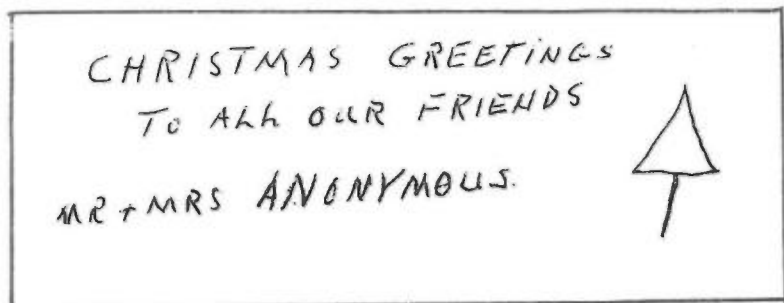
"They didn't ask me" has been said many times. Now we're asking.

Some people would like to work on Dinner Committees, Coffee Hours, and Breakfasts. Others feel they would like to contributetime to help out the organization, like selling tickets, decorations, etc., etc., but we don't know who you are. Anyone willing to volunteer has only tocontact Paul Stunzig, President of the Council. He's anxious to hear from you. Don't be bashful - get with it. Don't forget, if you work on a Committee - you don't pay. And the left-overs!! One year I collected 5 "Popes Noses".

Charles Deierlein, Editor

For the Christmas Edition we are proposing a Christmas Greeting page. You will be given a 4" x 1½" paper on which you will write your own Greetings.

SAMPLE



Cost \$1.00 per greeting. Contact Charles or Shirley Deierlein, 410 Dije St., 474-6232 before Dec. 4th.

Retired

By Edgar A. Guest

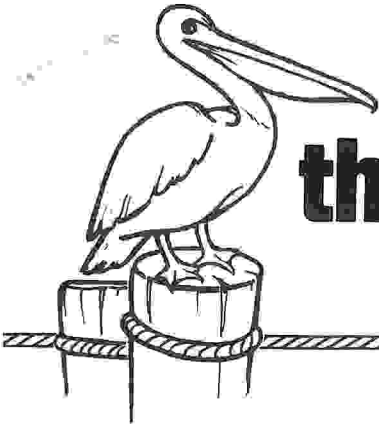
He'd talked about the time to come, when freed from toil he'd be:  
"Oh I will take it easy, then!" he'd often said to me.  
But, now that he may stay at home, and later lie in bed,  
His wife no longer goes to shop, but sends him out instead.

"Oh will you dry the dishes, dear?" and "Will you sweep the floor?"  
And "Will you go and get the things I've ordered at the store?"  
And "Will you drive me after lunch as far as Pleasant Ridge,  
And call for Millicent and May? We've planned a game of bridge.

"Oh, darling, see who's on the phone!" and "Bring the mail to me.  
Today, since I must go to town, will you my chauffeur be?  
And will you wait the while I shop, good husband that you are!  
There never is a nearby place where I can park the car."

I met him at the club for lunch. "I'm all worn out!" said he,  
"By working at the countless jobs my wife thinks up for me.  
And what is worse, I cannot strike or be laid off or fired  
Or quit or take a holiday. To slavery I've retired."

Submitted by Katie Mastie



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HAWAIIAN LUAU

January 26

5:30 P.M.

\$4.50

Punch Bowl - Outside Bayo Street door if weather permits. Otherwise on patio opposite Office.

Menu

Chilled Tea House Orange Soup  
 Chinese Cabbage Salad and Mikado Salad  
 Macedoine of Vegetables  
 Baked Sweet and White Potatoes  
 Baked Fish (Grouper)  
 Alii Spare Ribs  
 Shish Kebabs (Beef)  
 Sweet and Sour Meatballs  
 Hawaiian Chicken Wings  
 Aloha Angel Cake  
 Rolls                      Tea                      Coffee

Surprise Program

Hula Dancers - Singing - Ukles, etc. All local talent that is really great and not a Hawaiian in the group.

Carnival Report - Dec. 29, 1984

GULF TO BAY ON THE GO GO GO!!

Grocery Certificate Raffle			
Receipts	\$141.25		
Expense	<u>25.00</u>		
Profit		\$116.25	
Your Choice Raffle		58.00	
Stamp Raffle		53.00	
Wheel Game		60.70	
Poker		97.75	
Misc. Table		186.25	
Silent Auction		46.00	
Donations		108.90	
Kitchen			
Receipts	\$256.15		
Expenses	<u>104.30</u>		
Profit		<u>151.85</u>	
<b>TOTAL PROFIT</b>			<b>\$878.70</b>

Jai Alai and dinner at the Old Heidelberg Castle in Sarasota is February's Park outing. The bus will leave the Hall at 10:00 A.M. for Tampa Jai Alai in time for the first event at noon. The group will have reserved seats and programs. At 4:00 P.M. the bus will take the group to the Old Heidelberg for a German dinner and three hours of entertainment and dancing.

Sounds like a fun day! Although the bus filled up fast, let Lorraine know if you'd like to go. If there are 40 more she'll get another bus, or perhaps other arrangements can be made if there are fewer.

The Council wishes to express its appreciation for all those who helped to make this Carnival so successful and a fun-time for all.

Check the bulletin board for the dinner cruise up the Caloosahatchee River on the Bay Queen out of Ft. Myers, planned for March 9th.

C. O. Verrill  
 Treasurer

Congratulations to our own "Ham" Tener who was honored by being selected to be listed in "Men of Achievement 1984". What an honor "Ham." We're so proud of you!

AURA ST. by Betty Baker

We welcome new neighbors, Vivian and Ken Rupp who live next to the J. Darlings.

Donna Darling was sick last week. John seems to be fine, smoking his pipe and saying "Hello" to people.

Anne and Art Cady had the flu but are fine now. Anne likes to shell, so on Monday she took Betty Baker along to Boca Grande. We had a great time and lots more shells after the weekend strong winds.

The Galats are always busy. Anna is working on a beautiful new afghan.

Ethel Cross is out again after being so sick. She still feels weak but knowing her she will be on top of the world very soon.

The good news from the Mintons is that "Peanuts" recovered nicely from his heart attack in December. It's good to hear his witty remarks again.

News from Betty Baker is that we had Sue down to help on the Christmas dinner. She enjoyed it and she is an old hand at it. We were rewarded for our work as we were invited out for another Christmas dinner that evening.

Mickey and Bob Rumpf went home to Michigan for the Holidays. While they were up north one of their daughters and family were here for a week.

Lou Rogers wants to thank each one of you for the many thoughtful gifts and kind deeds done for her while she was sick in bed and laid up. "May you all have a Happy and Prosperous New Year." Over the New Year Lou had Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Marshall from Canada visiting. Also calling here were their son Stanley and his wife Mary with their two sons, Mark and Bryan. Anna O'Connell will be here on January 9 for a couple of months' stay with Lou. Elwin, her son called last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brand and Mrs. Peg Serles visited their sister, Mildred Cohoon, for two days. Millie has her cast and string off her arm now. What a relief!

John and Roberta Mathis with children Stefanie (22 mos.) and John Ryan (4 mos.) from Huston, Texas, (daughter and son-in-law, and two grandchildren) of Dick and Shirley Hire. The Hires just recently retired and will be here for the winter. Welcome of the Park.

Bertha Johnson is fine and busy taking care of her big tom cat.

Marge said no news but My! she is busy going places.

Bill and Helen Bottenfield are here for the winter. They have a beautiful boat sitting in the yard. When the work gets done then they can play. Welcome to you and glad to see Aura Street fully occupied.

GOLFO ST. by Cam Thatcher

Brad Roof and his wife, Lori, students at the University of Florida at Gainesville, were weekend guests of Rita Roof.

Bill and Dortha Swickard say, "Many Thanks" to the friends and neighbors who helped out prior to their December 21st arrival at Gulf to Bay. Bill's sister and family dropped in for a brief visit.

Noble and Eleanor Paul spent Christmas at their daughter's home in Yardley, Pa. They had 2" of snow on the 27th and it was 74° on the 29th. - "Just enough Snow!"

Tracys are not back yet. Bet they'll be here when the fish start biting.

Crankshaws have scratchy throats like everyone else.

Charlie and Helen Verrill have both been sick. On the 19th they're going to visit Helen's son & family in Melbourne, Fla. for a few days.

Jean Hallett arrived Saturday, the 5th. Her daughter-in-law, Phyllis, drove her down. Jean's sister & husband, Dora & Franklin Hallett, are staying with her for two months. They're going back to Pennsylvania for their granddaughter's wedding on March 9th.

NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS DEPT. - Paul & Kate Kerber, Dottie Kerber and Nettie Arnholt.

NOT HERE YET DEPT. - Jean & Norma Croteau; NOT ALL HERE DEPT. - Cam & Cal Thatcher

IN TOWN/OUT OF TOWN DEPT. - George & Audry Jacobson.

February Committee Report

Members: Paul and Joan Stunzig; Mickey and Bob Rumpf; Ruth and Bud Hicks; Helen and Bill Bottenfield; Katie Mastie and Charlie Letsch

- February 2, Saturday, 8:30 - 11.30 A.M.  
Sausage and Pancake Breakfast \$1.50  
Two sausages and all the pancakes you can eat and coffee or tea.
- February 10, Sunday, 5:00 P.M. Anniversary Party  
Sunday night supper and Show  
All invited! Please come and honor our "Golden Couples".
- February 17, Sunday, 3:30 P.M. Dinner \$4.50  
Salad - Roast Loin of Pork  
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy - Sauerkraut  
Escalloped Apples, Layer Cake, Coffee - Tea
- February 24, Sunday, 7:00 P.M. Ice Cream Social and Home Concert  
Strawberry Sundaes \$1.00  
Come and hear friends and neighbors perform for your listening and singing pleasure.

ESTADA ST. by Joan Stunzig

Well, everyone is here finally on Estada St. Mary Kay O'Donnell and son Jim arrived right after Christmas and Jim, Sr. came by plane the following day. Mary Kay wishes to thank all who were so nice to her during her illness last spring and told this reporter to inform all that she purchased a coffee mug tree with the check sent by the Council. Now she thinks of us all each time she stops for a coffee or tea break.

Marguerite is feeling much better these days. She should since she gave dear hubby Art all her germs. Hope you feel better soon too, Art. Son Skip and wife Alice were here for Christmas and right after that the Oestreichs left for Deland, Fla. to visit Marguerite's sister and husband, Ethel and "Mac".

The last of our people, Helen Bleck, arrived last Friday. Donna Bleck drove Helen down and will stay in Florida about three weeks. Welcome Donna and thanks for bringing our Helen back to us. Helen is not looking forward to all the hard work in her garden but I'm sure it will look lovely before long.

Gordon Graber was busy with some wood carving when I got there. He's quite talented. (You should see some of his work.) Emma was out shopping and Gordon says she's good at that, too.

The Downings were back at Gulf to Bay in time for New Years. We missed you during the Christmas festivities but your family represented you quite ably. All the children and grandchildren arrived back safely in Michigan but not after an all night icy drive.

Dot Manly is very busy these days preparing the sumptuous feast we will all be enjoying at the Luau, January 26th. Jim is enjoying the new boat.

The Hamiltons will be entertaining friends next week, Doris and Vic Garrettsen from Lima (like the bean) Ohio.

And you all remember Nora McCully! Well, she will be making Dot Hall's place her headquarters while she is in Florida and Dot is really looking forward to her visit.

Norm and Millie Durst have their place back to themselves after a fun filled visit from their children and grandchildren. Our Carnival parade just wouldn't be the same without our "leaders". Thanks again for lending them to us, Millie and Norm.

Paul Stunzig is "gimping" around these days with a bum leg. But I'm sure he'll be kicking up his heels soon. Joan's feeling better after a bout with a cold that's been hanging on since October. Of course "I didn't treat it very well, but then it's been not too nice to me either." Paul wishes to thank all those who were so helpful in making this year's Carnival such a huge success. It was a fun day and everyone had a good time. See you next month!

A vacationer approached the stamp window at the town's post office and told the clerk he wanted to buy a stamp. "What denomination?" inquired the postal clerk. "Protestant" was the reply. (Ed. "Sound familiar, Jane?")

Two rival authors met. One had just published a successful book. The other was offering congratulations. "I've just read your book and it was great. Who wrote it for you?" "I'm so glad you enjoyed it," replied the first author. "Who read it to you?"

You can't judge women by their clothes this year - not enough evidence!

BAYO ST. by Mabel Gaudette

Dick and Flo Leeper from White Oak, Pa. are enjoying our Park for two months. Welcome!

Louise Lehean and daughter Erica from Boca Raton, Fla. enjoyed a few days of our holiday weather with their aunt, Rose Quimette.

Florence Turk's brother, Eric Gustafson, from Paducah, Ky. is visiting here.

Bob and Phyliss Kanpp are busy planning their "Luau" in the hall this month. It should be a lot of fun.

Doris and Al Boulrice have been busy with their beautiful new home. They had a very nice New Year's Eve party there that was enjoyed by 11 of us from the Park.

Clara Bessinger had her son Donald from Cleveland, Ohio here for a few days.

Florence and George Finette visited George's brother Charles and wife in Lakeland, Fla. for the Christmas holidays.

Jim Peters from Springfield, Ill. visited his friends Chet and Margaret Sizelove

Bernice Theiss' daughter and husband Mary and George Swobota from Lorain, Ohio are visiting here. Why are you not in the Gulf at 9 A.M. as you were ten days ago?

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest LaBranche and son Ray and wife from Agawaum, Ma. visited Alice Flebotte and Mrs. LaBranche's brother, Al Boulrice.

Ruth and Mark Daugherty had their daughter and her husband from Pittsburgh, Pa. here for the Christmas holidays. Had to go back to their teaching at Carleton High School.

Gladys and Jim Thorne flew home to Midland, Pa. and entertained all their family in their home for the Christmas holiday.

Bob and Ruth Arnholt had their daughter and children from the East Coast to help them celebrate their nice new larger trailer.

Don and Billie Bounce from Muskegon, Mich. are enjoying our Park. Welcome.

Caresta and Dick Bovee spent the holidays in Tucson, Ariz. They had a family gathering at their daughter's, Libby from Calif., Eileen from Ind. Tommy goes back to So. Korea. We miss Caresta and Dick; they arrive back here Jan.9th.

Terry and Vin Phaneuf are still in cold Mass. Hurry back. We need you at Bingo, Vin.

She is nice in her own way; but she doesn't weigh much!

Golf is a lot like taxes; you drive hard to get on the green, then wind up in the hole.

DIJE ST. by Hulda Robinson

Glad to have Shirley Ryan and Grady back again. Shirley said to tell everyone that on Friday at Roberts Arena in Sarasota there will be a very good dog show.

Sorry to report that both Frank and Grace Trecha are in the hospital at Port Charlotte. At last reports they are doing well.

Of course, we will all miss our neighbor Doris Slaybaugh. Many of us have one or two of her beautiful china paintings to remember her by.

DIJE ST. (Cont'd.)

The Palermo's daughter Barbara and husband stayed in their trailer while they were on the cruise. They spent another week to visit after the cruise. They hail from Westfield, Ma.

Clarence Rohlf enjoyed Christmas Day with his brothers in Bradenton.

The Mastie's son Dennis, his fiancée Betsy and her daughter Christine came the day after Christmas and stayed until New Year's Day. Katey has to admit that she really enjoyed staying here for Christmas this year; she was kept so busy with all of the festivities there was no time to be homesick. It was the first time to see the luminaries and they certainly were beautiful. Just received word that Dennis and Betsy have set May 25th as their Wedding date.

Here we go; musical chairs again!

With the cleaning ladies cleaning,  
And the plumber man plumbing,  
And the carpet man carpeting,  
And the Browns a'moving (to 409)  
And Barbara a'moving (to 407)  
And a Partridge in a Pear Tree!

Sometimes it's better not to question the names of Chinese dishes - just accept them. One time I asked a waiter what "Pork Almond Rice Ding" meant. He answered, "Well, pork, almond and rice are what we put in a microwave oven." "And "Ding"? I asked. He replied, "That's the timer."

CIELO ST. by Ruth Hicks

Perci and Stretch Klinger informed me that everything is "hunky dory" at their residence.

One person enjoying our January weather is Joe Zehe. His friend Eleanor Russo is a visitor to the Park and is enjoying her stay here.

Good to see more of our snow birds arrived - Bob and Rita Boulanger - Jack and Fran Smith, and any time now - George and Dolores Hommel. Welcome back one and all.

Leah and Dave Hart had their trees and entrance decorated with lights. Lots of work but we all enjoyed their efforts.

Pete and Renee Arnold will be in their new home soon. We will miss them but wish them much happiness.

Tom and Phyllis McElroy have installed and finished their brick walkway and Tom says he's resting on his laurels for a while. Is there a toll? We heard that a pipe smoker (wonder who that is) just paid up his back toll.

Jane Wiley had heart catherization done. She and her doctors agreed her blood is still flowing. Jane says she will be fine. Knowing her she will be.

Virginia Reppenhagen informs us that her spouse Don is going for eye surgery Jan. 29th. Wish him much success. Don's brother and wife, along with another couple will be down Feb. 10, for a week's visit and will be staying on S.Beach.

Cora Tyson had Alice Hess from Battle Creek, Mich. staying with her over the holidays. She enjoyed the Christmas festivities and thanks everyone for making her feel welcome.

At 304 Cielo live Fred and Irene Kalagher. They said everything is normal in their abode.

Jim and June Simpson had Barbara and Michael Zguris from Long Island pay them a visit. Jim leaves for home Jan. 18 and hopes to return soon. June will be foot loose and fancy-free from house chores.

Irene Stevenson has been on the sick list quite a while. Bill says between him and "Wendys" he's doing a good job as chief cook and bottle washer. Get well soon!

Barbara Richardson is moving to Dije St. Will miss her and her pretty garden. Much luck and happiness.

Dory and Frank Finelli report everything is fine with them.

Ham and Jinks Tener are enjoying their new roof. Glad to see them out and around after being sick.

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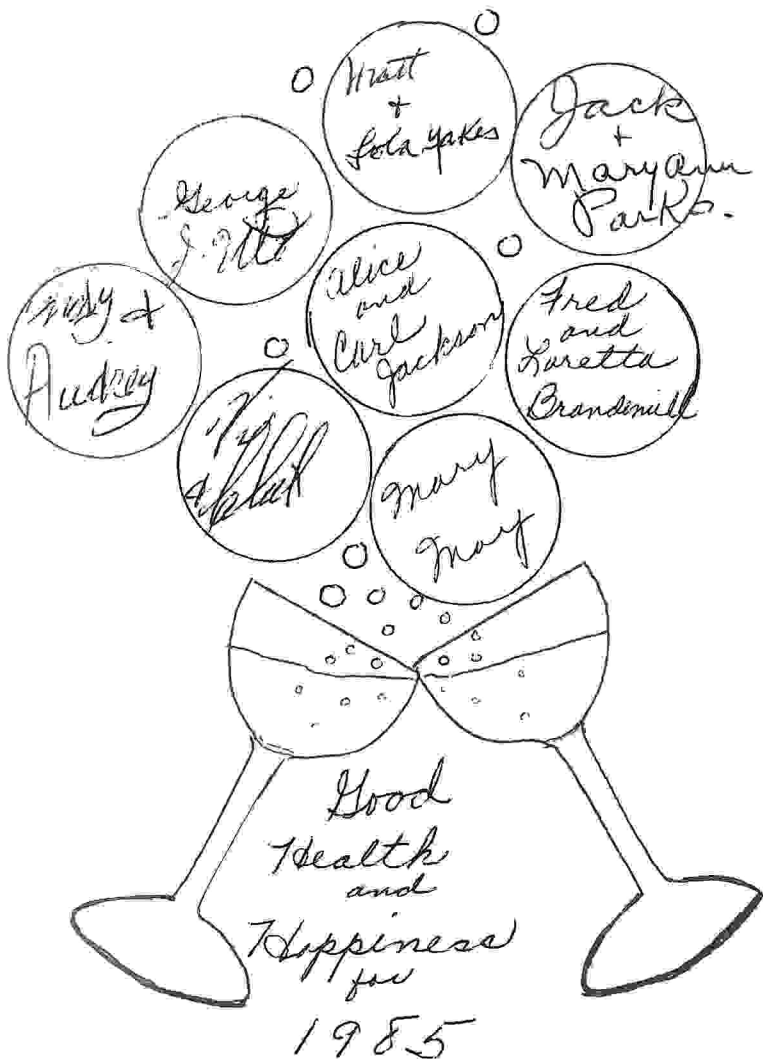
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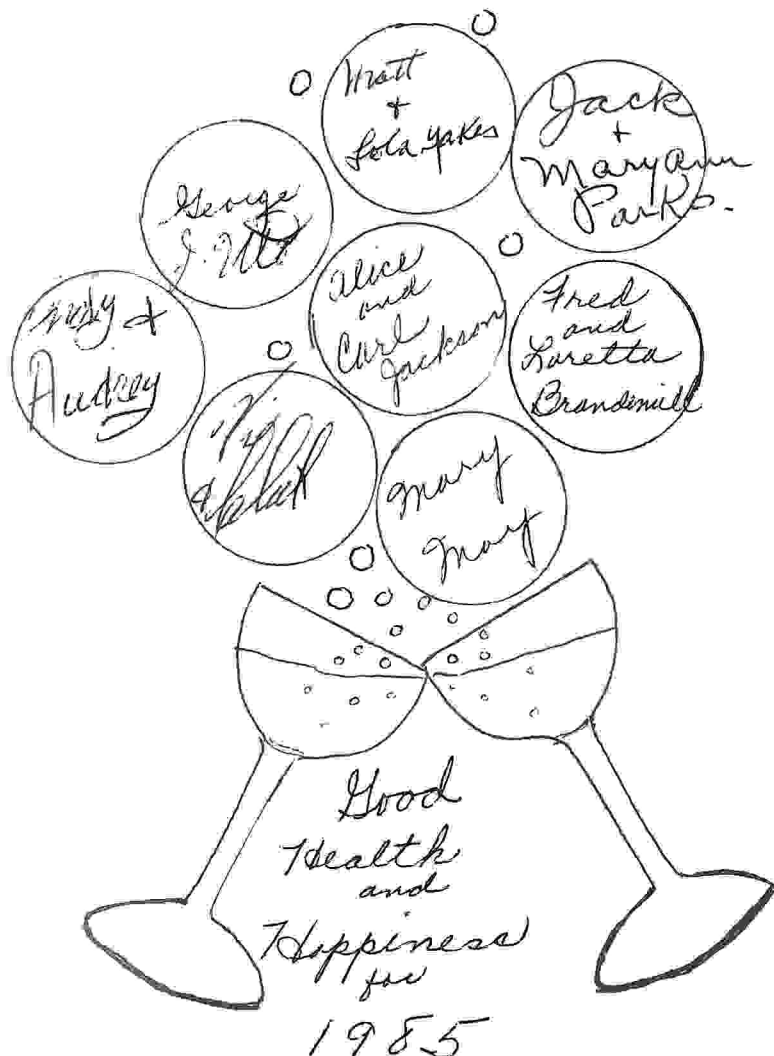
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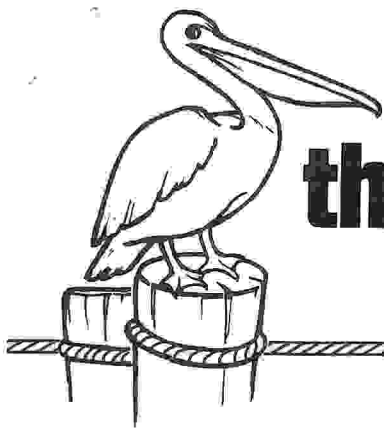
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## COMING EVENTS \* \* \* \* \* MARCH COMMITTEE

Members: Helen and Charlie Verrill, Chairpersons; Isabelle and Al Ward, Ana and George Galat, Clara Bessinger, Marie and Fran Wadlegger, Terry and Vin Phaneuf

March 9, Saturday - 8:30 am to 11:30 am - By popular demand  
Pancake and sausage breakfast \$1.00  
All the pancakes you want or can eat,  
coffee or tea  
Sausages - 25¢ each

March 16, Saturday - 1:00 pm - St. Patrick's Day  
Dinner \$4.00  
Traditional corn beef and cabbage, salad,  
boiled potatoes, green beans, key lime  
dessert, rolls, coffee or tea

March 17, Sunday - St. Patrick's Day Dance -  
8:00 pm to 12:00 am \$3.00  
Come one, come all; dance, socialize,  
and have fun. The beer is a freebie!

## GULF TO BAY ON THE GO GO GO!!!

A dinner cruise out of Ft. Myers is the March 9th outing. One bus is already filled and the Ide's are working on the second. Sign up and see Lorraine before Feb. 28th. \$22.00 includes round trip transportation from the park. A delicious buffet aboard and a 3 hour cruise that includes an hour of entertainment and two hours of dancing. It's a BYOB affair with set-ups and ice, cups and soda for \$1.50. Sounds like another fun evening. But when this crowd gets together, isn't everything fun?

Trifecta, Perfecta, Quinella and those comfortable Win, Place and Show kept the "tourers" busy Feb. 9th. Jai Alai was exciting. For some of us it was time to leave before we had a chance to win. But others--were lucky, lucky \$\$\$!!

Dinner at the Old Heidleburg was everything people had said. "Ein, Zwei, Drei, g'suffa!": was the toast of the evening. It was a fun packed day for all.

On Sunday, March 10th we in the park had the opportunity to honor our 50-year plus married couples - Harry and Mabel March (unable to attend) 68; Matt and Lola Yates 63; Floyd and Dottie Crankshaw 60; Frank and Grace Trecha 59; George and Anne Hale 57; Chan and Hulda Robinson 55; Bill and Dortha Swickard 55; Ham and Jinks Tener 53; Vaughn and Dorothy Nighswander 51 - a beautiful example of love, honor and respect. A delicious supper was provided by the February Committee followed by two old time films - Laurel and Hardy and Charlie Chaplin. The evening ended with everyone full and happy.

Wife, just coming home, to husband: "I've been to karate class, so dinner will be late. Want to make something of it?"

Did you hear about the bees that went on strike? They were demanding shorter flowers and more honey.

The best way to remember your wife's birthday is forget it just once!

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O.K. so much for the humor. Now for something serious. Before you read further in this newsletter, turn to the back page and read the article entitled "Gulf to Bay Mobile Home Owners, Inc. Report." This report was compiled by Allison Brown and merits your close attention.

Ed. Charles Deierlein

AURA STREET by Betty Baker

Everyone says not much news this month yet they all seem to be busy. The John Darlings had their grandson Randy Caulton from Maine visit for four days. They also have their friends Irene and Carlo Brown down again and they are on Bayo Street.

The Cadys are enjoying the weather. Also finally got their furnace working, so Anne isn't freezing.

Big news at the Mintons is that Edna got a new microwave oven, a belated Christmas gift.

Ethel Cross wanted me to say that she is still living. She gave quite a performance at the Luau. Ethel enjoyed the trip to Tampa last Saturday.

I knocked at Marge's door and here was the Stitch and Rip Club having their regular Monday meeting. They all gather to sew and have lunch. They were showing Christmas things to make for next year!

This Friday Marge and Betty Baker are going to a fashion show and Marge's sister Eleanor will be one of the models.

Millie Cohoon has her son Elwood and his wife Martha visiting. Glad to report Millie's arm is fine after breaking it in two places.

Dick and Shirley Hire are busy doing over their mobile home. Installing new carpeting when I went for news. Floyd and Gwen Gilbert from Arlington, Va. will be here for a week's visit. He is a government attorney. Dick's sister and husband the Snowdons will visit for a weekend. They live on Pine Island. Sounds like the Hires are very busy.

Bob and Mickie Rumpf are busy fishing and sunning. They are looking forward to a visit from their youngest daughter, Deborah, who will be arriving on Thursday.

News at Betty Baker's is the usual - dancing and partying. A new 3-speed bike has been added last week. The water is quite cold in the Gulf but I just had to try it Sunday. Brrr!

Our man with the blower went on a fishing trip. When he returned, a friend asked how the fish were in the area. "I really can't say," Stretch said. "I dropped them a line every day for three days and never got any response."

Why is it a person who always puts the cap back on the toothpaste tube often marries someone who doesn't?

CIELO CT. by Mary May

Congratulations to Lola and Matt Yakes. They have been married 63 years. They have been enjoying a visit from their son and find it rather quiet now that he has gone.

George Uto has been doing a lot of work inside these days. He is a good gardener too; you should see his crop of scallions.

Andy Grant has gone back north, but plans to return in a month.

Mary May is enjoying her company. Her mother, Josephine Schnitt, and sister, Shirley Lavoie, arrived January 29th from Illinois. They are enjoying Gulf to Bay and all the fine people here.

Fred and Loretta Brandemill received some disturbing news from Michigan; someone broke into their home and left things in quite a mess. They took their TV, a chime wall clock, jewelry and other miscellaneous items.

Alice and Carl Jackson just returned from Ohio. Carl's sister was seriously ill and died. They are hoping things have settled down now so they can enjoy Englewood.

Vivian Roberts and Chet Benner have been keeping quite busy; they have both started working. No wonder we haven't seen them on the beach.

Mary Ann and Jack Parks, our new people on the beach are enjoying Gulf to Bay; they like the beach house; it is homey and comfortable, and they are glad they found us.

Ivan the Russian was about to be exiled to Siberia, and he said to the judge, "If the United States is such a terrible place, why not send me there?"

And then there was the fellow who called his car Flattery because it got him nowhere.

Reducing is wistful shrinking. Don't smoke in bed unless you want to make an ash of yourself. We are allowed only one wife. This is called monotony.

CIELO STREET by Ruth Hicks

Cora Tyson's guest of a month ago returned to see her. Alice Hess brought her daughter plus two grandchildren to spend some time with Cora.

Don Reppenhagen is recuperating from eye surgery. He had an implant and Don was happy with the result. They are expecting Don's brother anytime now. Virginia and Don would like to thank everyone for their concern and get well wishes.

June Simpson had the privilege of reliving her past as a "Woman Marine" during W.W.II (the big one) by visiting Parris Island, S.C. to attend the graduation of a new "Woman Marine" Pvt. First Class Theresa Hendry, a young friend from her home town, Batavia, N.Y. Great fun and fond memories.

Tom and Phyllis McElroy's granddaughter, Laurel and her two friends stopped to say hello. They were busy taking in the Florida sights, especially Epcot and Disney World. Tom's sister Charlotte is expected. She will be in and out of the park. Introduce her to our Kitchen Band, Tom.

Delicious smells coming from the Manutes abode. Bet Georgia is baking again!

Feeling good is Jane Wiley's statement and wants to remind you all that stamps go up to 22¢ on Feb. 17th.

Jinks and Ham Tenner's daughter, Patty, from Cape Cod was a visitor to the park while Ham was in the hospital. By the way, he would like to thank everyone for their cards and get well wishes. Enjoyed receiving them. Also many thanks to the park council for the lovely basket of delicious fruit that they sent him at the Venice Hospital. Jinks has a 55th reunion coming up in May. It's on a weekend and will be held at Randolph Macon Womens College.

George and Delores are entertaining guests from Killarney, Ont., Frances and Load Roque for two weeks. Also their friends Pat and Boyd Gunnison from Mentor, Ohio are staying in the cottage for two months. They all sure did pick the perfect time for being in the sunshine state.

Pete and Renee Arnold are getting anxious to move into their new home. They are also looking forward to the garden work. Honest! That's what Pete said.

Irene Stevenson is feeling much better. I heard by the grapevine that Irene took Bill out in the boat to show him how shelling is done. Is Bill a quick learner, Irene?

Jim Peters is our new resident at 302 Cielo St. He hails from Springfield, Ill. Jim told me that he has been a frequent visitor to Gulf to Bay in the past. He's very contented here and commented on our friendly people.

Fran and Jack Smith have as their guest, their daughter Sally. Sally said she's really enjoying the sunshine, as she left Michigan with 2 feet of snow on the ground and below zero temp.

Billy Kell and Isabelle Moorhouse have finally arrived at their spot - 312 Cielo St. Between sprucing up the trailer and Bill's guitar playing, they are enjoying themselves and of course our beautiful weather. Say "Hello" to Cliff when passing by - Isabelle made it and he certainly is a cute doll.

Did you hear they're making amovie about an intergalactic toad? It's called "Star Warts." Manicurists make money hand over fist.

Disc jockeys live on spins and needles. Auctioneers always look forbidding.

Outside Hastings, Fla., in farming section: "Cabbage Ahead-Slaw Down."

An Indian, who was sending smoke signals, suddenly threw aside his regular blanket and started using a baby blanket. "What did you do that for?" asked a friend. The Indian replied, "I'm making small talk."

LEFTOVERS FROM "LUAU"

So many "thank yous" were overlooked the nite of the Luau we thought we should take care of our problem by print.

Being greeters in that crowded patio was not easy and we really appreciated the way Emma, Gordon, Fay and Les handled it so nicely.

The Smiths opened their home to the "Pearls" for a dressing room and you can imagine what it looked like when such great stars take over anything.

Bill Stevenson helped so many times to solve a problem and he also is good with a hammer as he helped with the patio. Therese Miller practically let us strip her tree of lemons and leaves. Also, Jean Hallet let us trim her Calamondin tree for leaves and fruit used for decorations.

We think it would be safe to say that Hank Mastie supplied us with at least 2 pecks of lemons, plus he brought in 2 dozen sweet rolls to us at a time when we really needed a coffee break. It was so thoughtful of a "nice guy."

We were really happy then David walked in with a roll of nice heavy pastic for the patio.

Our Lou Rogers did a super job with the devotions.

Katie Mastie was most happy to take the boring job of selling tickets, and did an excellent job.

Of course our sweet Lorraine who is always faithful on piano and the lovely voice of Mary Ann Parks added so much. The cast of performers: Jack Smith and Paul Stunzig on ukulele, Ethel Cross and "The Pearls" (Charlie Hicks, Norm Durst, Frank Finelli, George Finnett, Charlie Deierlein) Hulda and Chan Robinson - The Coconuts, Hilo Hattie (Joan Stunzig) under the able direction of Mary May caused hooting and hollering, Yeah Man!! They were delightful and were worth the \$4.50 even without the dinner.

The Luau Committee wants to express a big "thanks" to the above people mentioned and we are sorry if we have missed anyone. Thank you.

RECIPE CORNER

Elephant Stew

- 1 Elephant
- 2 Rabbits (optional)
- Salt & Pepper to taste

Cut the elephant into small bite-size pieces. This should take about 2 months. Add enough brown gravy to cover. Cook over kerosene stove for approximately 4 weeks at 465° F., stirring occasionally. This will serve 3,827 people. If more are expected, 2 rabbits may be added, but do this only if necessary, as most people do not like to find HARE in their stew.

Suggested for Gourmet Cooks only!

NOTE:

The above recipe was given to me by Charlie Letsch whose father was a chef. Thought I'd share it.

Allison

This has been celebration time at the Browns. Allison and Brownie had a surprise visit from their niece, Gwen Garach, who arrived to spend her birthday week with them and to see their new residence. Allison is busy preparing another literary workshop to be held in Sarasota on the 16th and 23rd. She hopes to be back in circulation again when that project is completed and to get back on her daily "wog."

Monday's shuffle match with Deer Creek was washed out by rain--makeup match scheduled for next Monday, the 18th.

FRIENDSHIP CAKE

- 1 cup greetings
- 1/2 cup smiles
- 1 large handshake
- 2/3 cup love
- 1 teaspoon sympathy
- 2 cups hospitality

Cream greetings and smiles thoroughly. Add handshake spiritedly. Slowly stir in love. Sift together sympathy and hospitality, fold in carefully. Bake in a warm heart. Serve often and to all and enjoy.

Submitted by Therese Miller

DIJE STREET by Hulda Robinson

Jay and Jennie Hubbard are finally getting out and around after a long bout with the flu. We see Jay going back and forth while working on his new boat.

Ruth Salmon at 403 Dije is expecting her daughter Elaine and grandson Richie on Feb. 15th for a 10 day visit. Make room on the big dock, you fishermen, Richie will be giving you some competition.

Lorraine Ide said to remind everyone about the March 9th cruise. So glad to see her flitting around again. Nothing keeps her down very long. Don't overdo it, though, Lorraine.

Glad to have the Trechas back again after their stay in the hospital and nursing home.

The Robinsons extend many thanks from all the honored guests at the Valentine Party. The Committee really outdid themselves. Especially with the cards from the White House. Ours will go in our Anniversary Book.

Seems good to see George Hale walking a lot better. Keep it up, George.

Barbara Richardson is now at home at 407 Dije St.; stop and say "Hi!" and see process of redecoration. Barbara's daughter, Cynthia Richardson Miller of Arvada, Col. is arriving for a two week visit Feb. 16th. By the way, the public is invited to the Elsie Quirk Library Wed. Feb. 20th, 12 noon to 1 PM for the reading of her own poetry. Bring bag lunch - coffee served.

Therese Miller had lots of company this month which she really enjoyed. They appreciated the friendliness of the people in our Park and are now spending a couple of days at Disney World.

Hank Mastie is busy working on a Toyota that he purchased for \$15.00. It's for his granddaughter.

Forgot to say that the Chan Robinsons are looking forward to a Monticello, Iowa picnic the 21st. Will be held at the upper Manasota Beach.

For sale - A pair of slightly used cocoanuts. Contact Chan Robinson.

GOLFO STREET by Cam Thatcher

We're happy to have Ann and Al Symchak, friends of the Ides, visiting on "our side of the tracks". They enjoyed the bus trip to the Tampa Jai Alai games and dinner. Ann caught the "community cold" - hope she's feeling better soon.

Have you noticed the pine tree Cal planted next to the Tiki in Dottie Kerber's yard? It's the one he won at the Christmas dinner - he's taking very good care of it.

The Kerbers are expecting Paul's brother, Karl & wife, Lillian, from Fenton, Mich. for a visit. They will be staying with Lou and Buck Weaver, former park residents, now living in Mobile Gardens.

Noble and Eleanor Paul have a beautiful new sofa. Noble says the fishing hasn't been too good lately.

Nora McCulley, mutual friend of Rita Roof and Dottie Hall, was in the park visiting for two weeks. We enjoyed seeing her at bridge. Rita's nephew, Norman Potter, from Cadillac, Mich., was an overnight guest.

Nettie Arnholt, Dottie Kerber, Bill & Dortha Swickard, the Crankshaws and Helen and Charlie Verrill all say, "No news is good news" this month.

Jean Hallett and her guests will be flying home on February 28th. Jean will return again in November.

Cam & Cal Thatcher's daughter and husband, Andrea & Michael Levy, will be flying into Sarasota early on February 22nd. They're from Lorain, Ohio. Michael's a photographer for the Lorain Journal. Andrea's a freelance artist. Cal's brother, John, may make it down on the 28th.

An English Joke...compliments of Kate Kerber: Lady Duff was to celebrate her 90th birthday and she'd felt she'd never done anything daring. So she thought, I'll just streak across the floor in the nude at the clubhouse that night.

Two Lords were sitting sipping a drink when one of them exclaimed, "What was that?" The other said, "Why that was Lady Duff!" "What was she wearing?" The other one answered, "I don't know, but it sure needed a bloody good pressing!"

BAYO STREET by Mabel Gaudette

Walter and Dorothy Smith from Hastings, Ont. were guests of the Finettes. Too bad they were not here to see George turn Hawaiian!

Mr. and Mrs. David Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. John Marre from Madisonville, Ind. visited the Bovees.

Clara Bessinger tells us that Mabel Marsh is home from the hospital. She celebrated her 93rd birthday. They both send their best wishes to all their friends in the park.

The Kanpps are going to Texas to visit Phyllis' mother. They also need a rest after all their work on the Luau. They also had a brunch for all their committee.

Mr. and Mrs. John Malone from Alton Bay, N.H. are happy in their home. They bought Grace Henning's place. Welcome to our park.

Alice Flebotte keeps her daughter Doris busy. She entertains her "Pokeno Club at Doris and Al's new home. That's smart Alice, keep it up, less work for you and more room.

Mr. and Mrs. Lepper - family Flo and Dick and son Shawn from Winter Park, also their niece Kimberly from Scottsdale, Pa. are coming later this month.

Bob and Ruth Arnholt have been working hard and now are enjoying their new patio.

Mr. and Mrs. Marc Daigle from Ludlow, Mass. are visiting their friends Marie and Fran Wadlegger.

Billie and Dan Bunce are leaving March 1st. They are moving to Nol Ft. Myers. The name of the park is "Old Bridge."

Chas. Letsch's daughter and husband, and grandson Mike from Long Island, N.Y. are expected later this month.

Rose Ouimette's cousin and husband Blanche and John Gatt from Springfield, Mass. are coming to stay with Rose for a few days.

Helen Graveline's trailer was bought by the Bielinskis from Muskegan, Mich. They are expected about Feb. 16th.

Carl and Irene Brown from Wells, Maine are here again this year for 30 days. They came from Maine by way of Key Largo to Englewood. What's a few more miles when you are having fun?

Mabel Gaudette has her neighbor of 40 years as her guest. She's Jennie Gasselin who also lived in the park here for 5 years. Come in; say "Hi!"

Widow (at seance) "Is that you harry?" Ghost, "Yes." Widow, "Are you happier than you were with me?" Ghost, "Much happier." Widow, "Heaven must be a beautiful place." Ghost, "I ain't in heaven."

You know you have reached middle age when it's your birthday, and instead of taking a day off, you take a year off.

ESTADA STREET by Joan Stunzig

Things are rolling right along here on our lovely thoroughfare. Dot Hall has lost her house guest temporarily but Nora will return.

The O'Donnells are enjoying themselves and we caught a glimpse of Mary Jane when she stopped by for a visit. Jim is looking really well of late and he can be seen stepping around the park.

Has anyone missed the Hamiltons lately? Well, I have but I was relieved to find that all is well down there. Marge was under the weather but is coming along nicely after a series of tests. Results will be in on Friday and then they will be out among us again.

Dot Manley will be at Port Charlotte's Fawcett Hospital for five days beginning Wednesday. She says Jim is hoping for a girl! Seriously, Dot, we'll miss you and wish you well and good health soon.

GULF TO BAY MOBILE HOME OWNERS, Inc.

REPORT

The Board of Directors of the Gulf to Bay Mobile Home Owners, Inc. held a meeting on Feb. 12th. The secretary was asked to advise the residents of the progress on two issues of prime importance.

With the Bureau of Mobile Homes now fully empowered to enforce the provisions of the new Florida Mobile Home Act, it is necessary that we comply with the State ruling which calls for the appointment of a Negotiating Committee to be in place to represent the residents of the park. The Mobile Home Act provides an opportunity to discuss rent increases, change in rules and regulations, or change in park services, and state rules which have been established to govern that process. This same committee will represent the residents if it becomes necessary to proceed into mediation or arbitration.

Your Board of Directors have outlined the steps which must be followed to comply with the law, and at this meeting set the process in motion with the appointment of a By-Laws Committee. Members include Vaughn Nighswander, Thomas McElroy and Allison Brown.

When the By-Laws are complete and approved in the manner set forth in the FMO format, a Board of Directors shall be elected at an annual meeting as determined by the By-Laws. This elected Board of Directors is then empowered by the Mobile Home Law to designate the members of the Negotiation Committee. The Board of Directors can select up to five people to serve on the committee, and nothing precludes appointing one or more members of their own Board.

A list of the present members of the Board of Directors and Acting Officers is posted on the hall bulletin board.

Your representatives are interested in your input.

ESTADA STREET (Cont'd.)

Stopped at Grabers and Emma was ironing a few things. Gordon says bring yours over. They are expecting Gordon's sister on Feb. 23rd and first on the agenda is a stop at the Old Heidelberg Castle for dinner. Didn't we all have a great time last Saturday? Thanks again, Lorraine!

Helen Bleck is a little blue due to the loss of her good friend from Naples. But we'll do our best to cheer her up soon, that is if we can catch up to her. She sure gets around a lot these days.

Les Downing has been able to go out fishing six of the last eight days and they have been very fruitful besides. Good to hear that someone is catching fish. (Jim Manley caught a whopper on Sunday.)

By the way "our baby" Charley Downing, will be here in time for his birthday. You girls will have to stand in line again to hug this bundle of joy. That is if you can get him away from Grandma and Grandpa Downing!

Norm and Millie Durst are doing great with their new place on Estada Street. They really appreciate the extra room to move around in. Millie's former classmate was down to visit this month and they enjoyed themselves here at Gulf to Bay Park.

Art and Marguerite Oestreich are back with us again and told us the weather up north is just terrible. Art is President of our Mobile Home Association and will hold a meeting this week to elect new officers and appoint a negotiating team. See the report elsewhere in this edition.

Paul Stunzig wishes to thank all of you for being so kind to him while he was laid up. The many cards and kindnesses extended to him were most gratifying. So many people found time to stop in and wish him well that he is sure that is what helped him recover so rapidly. And I really appreciated the freedom it gave me at the same time. Since he couldn't walk I got a chance to run errands when someone stopped by. So your good deeds were doubly welcomed.

You can't hoot like an owl all night and fly like an eagle next morning!



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## COUNCIL ELECTION NEWS

A Nominating Committee of four members (Bob Knapp, Charles Verrill, Vaughn Nighswander and Joan Stunzig) has been appointed as required by the Articles of Governance of Gulf to Bay Recreation Association to select candidates for election for '85-'86 Council.

Candidates have all been notified and have agreed to serve if elected.

The four highest vote getters will be on the Council to join the 2 year holdovers Charley Verrill and Gladys Thorne.

The top 2 vote getters on this year's slate will be elected to terms of 2 years each. The next 2 for a 1 year term.

Accommodations will be made for Absentee Ballots.

Following is a list of candidates in alphabetical order:

Bill Bottenfield  
Bob Boulanger  
Norman Durst  
Richard Hire  
John Malone  
Mary May  
Barbara Richardson  
Mickey Rumpf  
Write in vote \_\_\_\_\_

Election Day is Friday, March 22 from 12 noon to 4 P.M.

Bill Swickard and Floyd Crankshaw have kindly consented to come and count the ballots at 4 P.M. A Council officer will be present at all times during the voting.

A general meeting for all members of the Park will be held on the evening of March 27 - Wed., 7 P.M. At this time your newly elected officers will be presented.

Paul Stunzig, President

## March Committee Announcements:

There will be a musical treat on Sat., March 23, at 7:30 P.M. "An evening with Al, Bill, Jack, and other talent." Come one, come all - no admittance charge, no refreshments - Just a night to remember! - Charley Verrill

F.M.O. - A very important meeting of the Federation of Mobile Home Owners. March 24, 7 P.M. All are welcome. You are urged to attend. - Art Oestreich

The shuffelboard team has finished the tournament season in eighth place. Although this is the same position as last year, we were closer to seventh place and had a win percentage of 426, a 28 point improvement over last year.

I wish to thank everyone for their cooperation, especially those who helped with the cleaning and preparation of the courts. I also want to thank management for our "wind break." It made shuffeling possible on a lot of windy days and we all appreciate them--thanks!!!!

Your shuffelboard captain,

Clayton Brown

Cross a Polar Bear with a Python and you get a great rug for a long, thin hallway

BAYO STREET by Mabel Gaudette

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Copland from N. Y. and their son Selden are visiting her father Charles Letsch.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond DeMass from Tiffin, Ohio are back with us again this year.

Alice and John Malone are in Ocala visiting relatives. They also plan a trip to Flager Beach on the East Coast to see friends. They have been busy remodeling the place they bought from Grace Henning's daughter.

Caresta and Dick Bovee have had company from Binghamton, N.Y., Maurice and Alice Sweitzer and Alice Emert, old time neighbors.

Clara Bessinger has been busy, her daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. Rob Carruthers from Au Gres, Mich. Also Mr. and Mrs. Michael Apalawski and family from Daytona.

Rose Quimette's brother Eddie Bousquet from Bonita Springs and her cousin Isabelle Bousquet from Canada, also friends Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Grand from Naples came to visit our Park.

Gus Schultz from Chicago, Sophia Szopski's brother-in-law enjoyed his stay and nice weather in our Park.

We old timers were glad to welcome Bud McDonald and his wife from Texas. His mother and father were one of the first ones in the Park.

Bob and Ruth Arnholt are enjoying their new patio - just go by about 4 P.M. and you will believe it. Bob keeps busy with that new green lawn, too.

Phyllis and Bob Kanpp had a nice trip to Austin, Texas to visit Phyllis' mother and sister. They had a slight accident on the way - no injuries.

Fran and Marie had neighbors from Ludlow, Mass. visiting. Also granddaughter Kelley and her friend from Springfield, Mass. They both enjoyed our beach.

Margaret Sizelove has returned from her sister's funeral in Springfield, Ill. Her brother-in-law Rob Sizelove from Kokomo, Ind. drove her back. Our sympathy to Margaret.

Paul and Leda Duke from Chicopee, Mass. are visiting their friends, Terry and Vin Phaneuf.

Dot and Henny Henthorn are back with us until June. Cincinnati, Ohio was rather cold and snowy this winter.

Isabelle Ward's brother Clarence Bay and wife and friends Marje Kane from Lincoln Park, Mich. enjoyed a visit here.

Ruth and Mark Daugherty are waiting for the arrival of their son Mark and Tatti from New Castle, Pa. and their children, Mark III and daughter Sean.

Audrey and Victor Bielinski from Muskegon, Mich. are busy remodeling their place which they bought from Helen Graveline. Victor's sister and husband, also Fred and Nina Anderson, neighbors from Hesperia, Mich. came for a visit.

LaVerne Sumner is happy with his visitors Pat Fielstra and Sandra Pearson from Muskegon, Mich.

Gladys Thorne is enjoying the new car Jim bought for her. Now she can shop, Jim without your waiting.

Mike and Florence Turk had bad news from home. Someone broke into their home up north. We hope not too much damage was done. Her brother Eric Gustafson from Ky. is here.

George and Florence Finette have been busy. They went to Lakeland and visited with George's brother and wife, then on to Epcot Center. Arrived home in time to entertain friends Jan and Beth Ferguson from Toronto, also their cousins from St. Petersburg. At present their cousin Marian Miller of St. Thomas, Ont. is visiting with them and Florence's brother Bill and Isabelle.

Kenneth Elsner from Dayton, Ohio is proudly showing pictures of his new grandson Kenneth Andrew.

Alice Flebotte still keeps busy with company, Jack and Helen Plante from Ft. Myers paid her a visit.

BAYO STREET (Cont'd.)

Bernice Theiss had her granddaughter and children Mattie and Bobby Sboboba from Lafayette, Ind. visiting. She also enjoyed her daughter Martie and Duke Napka from Lakeside, Ohio for a few days.

A baby sardine was swimming when he saw a submarine. Terrified he was consoled by his mother who said, "Don't worry, dear; it's just a can of people."

The best way to keep teenagers at home is to make home pleasant & let the air out of the tires.

AURA STREET by Betty Baker

Ethel Cross has been busy getting ready for her company. Her nephew Dr. Craig Chappell and family will visit in a few days. She also expects her two sons later on in March. Ethel had her club for lunch last Monday.

John Darling and friends went up to Shriners meeting this week. He looked so nice all dressed up.

Anna and George Galat are thinking of leaving the first week in April, wishing a nice summer to everyone.

The Hires perhaps will be here until July 1st. They will love the quiet park and good fishing. Their son, John and wife were here for a few days. Now their neighbors will spend a few days with them. Dick and Shirley really have changed their trailer. All new carpeting and furniture. It looks great.

Millie Cohoon had her son Elvin and wife Martha for a week. Millie said she sits mostly. Oh!, well you deserve it Millie.

Marge has a new Mercury car and all set to drive north with it. She is so busy going places that I have to catch her on the way.

Anne and Art Cady have been busy entertaining friends from home.

I guess the rest of us are just living day to day for now. No news is good news they say!

Girl: "Will you love me when I'm old?" Young man: "Love you? I shall idolize you, I shall worship the ground under your precious little feet. I shall--um-er-you're not going to look like your mother, are you?"

A hamburger by any other name costs more money.

CIELO STREET by Ruth Hicks

Jim Simpson says Spring is on its way - a large flock of geese flew over Batavia, N.Y. on their way to a refuge in Oakfield, N.Y. June, however, found herself stuck in sand and ended up with a flat tire - wants to thank Jack Smith, Fran Wadlegger and friend and helper to all, Bill Stevenson.

Mae Dearborn is still in Venice Hospital. She has good and bad days as she underwent cancer surgery recently.

Tom and Phyllis McElroy are looking forward to a visit from their daughter Valarie, husband Joe and granddaughter Derryl. They will be here for 2 weeks.

Bill and Irene Stevenson's new neighbor is Bill's brother Don, and wife Marge. In for a fast 2 weeks visit.

Georgia is busy baking delicious treats and reports no news.

Jane Wiley's neighbors are complaining. Since Jane bought her new brown Cadillac they can't hear her sneaking in her driveway and more.

Dave and Leah got news they have a new niece. She was born on Dave's birthday. What a nice birthday present! Nephew Richard Johnson and wife Marie will be calling at the Hart residence in the near future.

Jack Smith's brother Mike and wife Mary, from Jamestown, R.I. are here for two weeks. They also are waiting for their son Wendell and wife Sandra to arrive.

Visitors Terry and Bill Behr, Waterbury, Conn., Richard and Joan Welch, Bristol, Conn. were the guests of Rita and Bob Boulanger.

CIELO STREET (Cont'd.)

Will wonders never cease! Doris and Frank Finelli sitting (first time ever) on their screened-in porch. Bugs really must have been bad!

Dolores Hommell says husband George couldn't stand the Florida heat and went home to Ohio to cool off. He cooled off in a hurry and is back now blowing the leaves off everything in sight (including some trailer roofs.)

Visiting Charles and Ruth Hicks was their daughter Ruthann, son-in-law Rick and granddaughter Heather. Quite a change from cold Pa. to hot Fla. They enjoyed every minute of it, sunburn and all.

Joe Zehe lost his cook, Eleanor Russo. He is back to TV dinners! Anyone know of a good cook that's available?

Everything is quiet in the Klinger household but Percie did say they were expecting lots of company this month.

There will be a much welcomed, little great-granddaughter of 6 months, visiting Fred and Irene Kalagher. Her name is Kelly and she's being accompanied by her parents, Christine and Brian Johnson for a week's visit. What a fun time there will be in that household.

A man dressed as Napoleon visited a shrink and said, "You can see I have no problems--I have the greatest army in the world, all the money I will ever need, and every conceivable luxury." The psychiatrist asked, "Then what's your problem?" He said, "It's my wife--she thinks she's Mrs. Levine."

What did George Washington say to his men before they crossed the Delaware???? "Get in the boat!"

ESTADA STREET by Joan Stunzig

Art and Marguerite have her brother John and wife Betty staying up the island a ways.

Helen Bleck has had her share of visitors lately. When last seen she was babysitting Charlie Downing and I don't know who was having the better time.

Gordon Graber's sister was here for 2 weeks enjoying the beach and the park. At least we got to see Emma and Gordon down at the Gulf.

The Downings have had a veritable parade down there. First came Linda and Amy, then Pat and Keegan, now son and daughter-in-law with Charlie. He is really a doll - so good and so friendly.

Mary Kay O'Donnell is home from hospital and let's all hope she's on the mend now. I saw Mary Jane and brother and Mary Kay's brother strolling by so I guess there is a houseful there too. Jim O'Donnell looks great; he can be seen all over the place but seems to like the Tiki best.

Dot Manley is doing fine after her operation. Had a little setback over the weekend but bounced right back again. They will be leaving for Tampa on Sat. to meet son and daughter-in-law and children, and from there on to Disney World for a few days. Jim will be back sooner to spend some time with their other son.

We are all sorry to hear that Dot Hall was in the hospital. I understand that she is suffering from a bronchial infection and anemia. Hurry home Dot; we miss you.

Millie Durst spent the last few days sewing on that lovely banner for the Kitchen Band so we can have it in time for our "Gig" at the Lemon Bay Expo." Thanks, Millie, for such a fine job.

The Hamiltons are out stepping again after good reports from both their doctors. Happy to hear it.

The Stunzigs are enjoying the peace and quiet after a hectic last month. Looking forward to some more of this great weather and swimming now that the temperature is 72°. Friends Fran and Fred Franz will arrive April 2nd for a month and will stay on Bayo St. when Charlie Letsch leaves. See you on the beach!

Did you know that winter underwear for motorbike riders is known as Long Honda Wear?

Too much corned beef and pastrami can give you a deli ache.

DIJE STREET by Hulda Robinson

The Clayton Browns are looking forward to the arrival of their daughter, Charlene Staebler, from Germany for a two week Florida visit. . rownie and Allison will take their travel trailer to Florida City from which point they will "do" the Everglades after picking up Charlene in Miami.

Barbara and George Crandon from Ocala visited with parents George and Anne Hale last week. Howard and Kathy Branch and 2 children also visited with the Hales. George celebrated his 80th birthday last week!

The Nighswanders went fishing last week and had good luck - so entertained friends with a fish fry.

The Hulls' son Dick and family from Teffin, Ohio spent a week and found glorious weather. They said they found paradise here on Englewood Beach.

Shirley Ryan and Grady went to Ft. Myers and showed her antiques at the Antique Show the 1st - 3rd. Had a good attendance. Shirley went to the Webster Flea Market the 11th. This was quite an experience. There were over 25,000 people at that market in seven hours. You can buy anything from fruit and vegetables to diamonds, shoes, dresses, beads, baskets and puppies & dishes.

The Chauncey Robinsons enjoyed a weekend visit with the Jack Buals, neighbors from Monticello, Iowa. They helped Chan celebrate his Birthday.

The Palermos are entertaining Roxanne's No. 2 son Eugene who is from Charlton City, Mass. This is his yearly visit to his mother and big brother, Harry. He visited friends in Cape Coral and will be with us until Friday. There was also a weekend trip to St. Armand to visit Roxanne's sister and all her children (4 in all) who also gathered there for the good times that were had by all.

The Hubbards had company from Ft. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Van Riper. They are also having Mr. and Mrs. Art Stoll from Chelsea, Mich. They are planning on going to Key West. On the way they will stop to see a friend that is their neighbor at Marblehead, Ohio, Mrs. Elenor Heftner. She lives on Key Biscane. Did you see the new blacktop drive? It sure took a lot of work to fix it.

Ruth Salmon enjoyed a ten day visit with her daughter, Elaine Osgood and grandson Richie from N.Y. State. They spent a lot of time on the beach and especially had fun with Gene Hull who took them out in the Bay digging for shells.

Your editor and his wife enjoyed a week's visit by Charley's brother George from Yonkers, N.Y. As soon as George took off for home, Charley and Shirley were off to Epcot to meet with their two daughters, Mary and Kathy. After walking their feet off seeing everything possible they all returned to Englewood to enjoy the beach. Only wish their visit could have been longer.

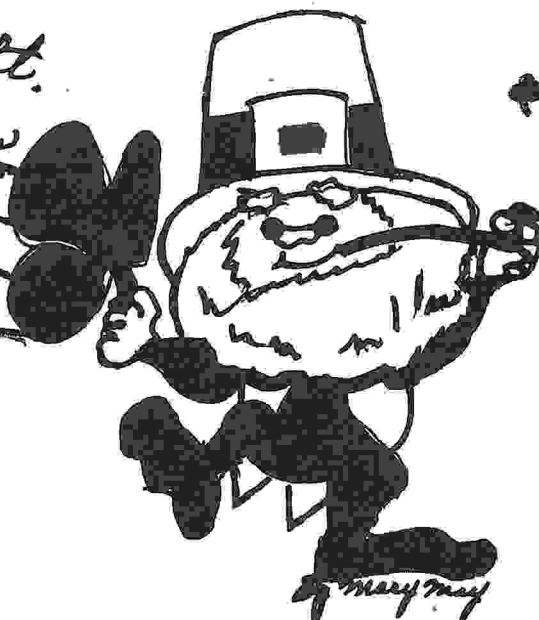
The best substitute for brains is silence.

Sometimes women's slacks are an affront to a behind.

CIELO COURT by Mary May

*Stare 'n' Be Glary*

*Leprachaun on Cielo Ct.  
W. Parks Jackson Yaker  
Vito Brent May  
Brandmill  
Bernie  
Roberts*



Most of the time the shortest distance between two points is under construction. (In Englewood, that is.)

GOLFO STREET by Cam Thatcher

Charlie & Helen Verrill spent a few days recently in Lehigh Acres visiting Charlie's sister and brother-in-law, Virginia and Harold Strombom. Charlie says Harold kept score in their golf match - Harold won. They also visited the Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary to see hundreds of nesting woodstocks. Verrills are expecting Charlie's two sisters & spouses (the Stromboms and Crowleys) to visit here on the 21st. They might get a chance to say "Hi" to some of you who were on the cruise to Mexico, etc. in December.

Dortha and Bill Swickard are expecting their son and daughter-in-law for a short visit next week. Doesn't Bill look in the "pink"? There's a real sparkle in his eyes.

Welcome back to Golfo, Norma & Jean Groteau - we're happy to see your smiling faces again. The good news at the Groteau house is that their daughter, Patty, and her husband, Gary Coleman (the original) are coming on March 24th for a two week visit.

"Isn't That Exciting" Department - - Jean Hallett's granddaughter and her husband are honeymooning in her trailer for a few days. What a place for newlyweds!

Mary Simpson is a guest of Rita Roof until April 1st and we're happy to see her again. Gathering the news from Rita's is always fun - lots of good conversation & fringe benefits.

Eleanor & Noble Paul have left us again for a couple weeks. Their son and his family are taking them fishing in Pensacola, Fla.

This has been the Thatchers' month for company. Andrea & Michael Levy were here for 11 beautiful fun-filled days (2 extra days thanks to the fog on their first departure date). Cam's sister & brother-in-law, Mary & Jim Buck, have been seen shuffling, fishing, etc. and having a great time in general during their visit from Ohio. Thanks to all the super Gulf-to-Bayers for making their visits special.

Dot Kerber's grand daughter Laurie Madden, was due to arrive Friday, March 15th for a week. Laurie's at Michigan State University. Dot's daughter, Virginia & husband are due March 31st for a week.

KITCHEN BAND HITS THE ROAD AGAIN

The Kitchen Band will be performing Sat. March 23rd at the Lemon Bay High School for Expo '85. They'll be on the outdoor stage from 2:00 - 2:30 PM following Gulf to Bay's Billy Kell. Rumors are they've been working on a comedy act for this performance that's sure to make you SMILE.

Why not plan to go to Expo '85 on Saturday and support our band?

GULF TO BAY'S 1986 CRUISE PLANS

An exciting cruise has been planned for Jan. 11-18, 1986. Highlights include roundtrip air from Tampa to Montego Bay, Jamaica where you'll board the S.S. Britanis for a Caribbean Cruise

Ports of Call:

Aruba: magnificent white sand beaches, good shopping  
Cartagena, Columbia: emerald capital of the world  
San Blas: natives create exquisite needlework  
Panama: terrific shopping, witness merging of Atlantic and Pacific  
Montego Bay, Jamaica

Check the travel bulletin for more details. Reservations must be made by April 1st with a \$100 refundable deposit. See Lorraine if you want to go. We've heard only good things about this cruise.

DINNER AT THE GONDOLA ARRANGED

Save Sat. April 13th for our final Park outing. It's back to the Gondola Landing in Nokomis for an early dinner and a 2 hour gondola ride through the intercoastal to the Gulf to watch the sunset. Limited to 56 people. The boat is reserved just for us.

THE ICECREAM FESTIVAL

We learn now to appreciate  
The many folks with skills--around;  
The nice things that they do create  
With many things and rhythmic sounds.

We're older now---our zest is less;  
We're short of breath, or nearly so;  
We love to play, to join right in;  
Conserve our strength so we can go.

The guests who come to visit here  
Have talents and they entertain  
Our people who still see and hear  
And make us happy --- yet again.

Hampden F. Tener  
Feb. 1985

WHERE SHALL WE GO ? ? ? ? ?

Help us plan the kind of Park trips YOU want next year. We'll arrange the ones most requested.

Take a few minutes to check your preferences and make suggestions.

MATINEES

- Dog Races at Bonita Springs/Dinner
- Horse Races in Tampa/Dinner
- Jai Alai in St. Petersburg/Dinner
- Golden Apple Dinner Theater
- A Van Wezel Auditorium performance

CRUISES

- 7 hour Day Cruise/Buffer/Entertainment on Bay Queen up the Caloosahatchie River out of Ft. Myers (Approx. \$20 + Bus)
- 3 day inland waterway cruise through Lake Okeechobee to East Coast and back (Approx. \$170 + Bus)

OVERNIGHT

- Epcot/Disney World/Sea World, two day excursion

YOUR OTHER GOOD IDEAS FOR PARK OUTINGS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Drop in mailbox on the Ide's porch, 408 Dije St.



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Thanks for that great Easter Dinner provided by:

George & Dolores Hommell, Chrprs.  
Bob & Ruth Arnholt  
Gordon & Emma Graber  
Rita Boulanger  
Jean & Norma Croteau  
Joan & Paul Stunzig (substituting  
for Bob Boulanger)

Small Easter Baskets, as prizes for each table, were made by Theresa Miller and Rose Ouimette, who also made the pine needle baskets given as door prizes.

George Hommell made the three gorgeous conch shell lamps given as door prizes.

## SPECIAL BEACH PARTY

The April Committee will wind up its affairs for the month with a Beach Party on the sand in front of the Tiki. It all happens on Sunday, April the 14th at sundown. Bring chairs if you don't want to park your buns on the sand.

Refreshments \*\* Beer \*\* Hot Dogs will be provided by the Committee. Soft drinks will be provided by Warren and Jean, managers.

The charge is \$1.00 and we hope you have your tickets by now - George Hommell

The outgoing Council wishes to express their thanks to Del Yates for paying the shipping charges for our new chairs. Matt and Lola Yates have been most gracious and generous with all their help in this matter. We owe Del a dinner and a drink at least for his \$95.00 donation. Also a large "thank you" for your support of all our activities during the past season, to all our great Park people.  
Paul Stunzig, Pres.

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Your new Council for 1985-86:

Mary May, President  
Gladys Thorne, Vice President  
Charles Verrill, Treasurer  
Micky Rumpf, Secretary  
Bill Bottenfield  
Norman Durst

## 85-86 The Year of the Chair

Your Council will be working hard to have a new chair for everyone. Fifty-two more, plus a rack, have been ordered. This will bring us up to 104, so as you can see we need another 26 so everyone would have a comfortable chair when we have our dinners and other functions. We will be having a lot of fund raising activities. We appreciate your support, suggestions and contributions.

At Carnival time we will have a Country Kitchen. As you are canning those fruits, vegetables, pickles, jellies and jams make a few extras and bring them for our Country Kitchen.

We also plan a Hobby Fair so work on your projects and bring them for the Fair.

One month we will be having a Chinese Dinner so be prepared to come in costume.

Mary May, President

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Do you come down late? Go home early? Would you like copies of the Listening Post for the months you are not here? Example: Nov. Dec. April, etc. For 25¢ and your home address we will arrange to send copies to you. Contact Charlie Deierlein, 410 Dije St.

BAYO STREET by Mabel Gaudette

Terry and Vin Phaneuf have their granddaughter, Valerie Phaneuf, visiting here and enjoying the beach. She is from Burlington, Conn.

Fred and Frances Franz from Westbury, Long Island, N.Y. are enjoying this place.

The Henthorn's grandson and his friend Steve Hicks from St. Louis, Mo. enjoyed their spring break here.

The Bovees are expecting their granddaughter Michelle and her husband John Shine and children Janice and Richard from Binghamton, N.Y.

John Malone keeps busy, still working on the shed he built.

Bob and Phyllis Knapp, granddaughter Lindsay Munson and friend Julie Porter were here from Muskegon, Mich. Also another granddaughter, Shawn Munson and friend Lisa Deskin from Palm Island, Fla.

Bob and Ruth Arnholt's daughter Susan and sons Zach and T.J. Taylor from East Aurora, N.Y. were visiting here.

Florence and Mike Turk had old friends from Old Greenwich, Conn. for visitors.

Rose Ouimette is expecting her sister Marie Genest from Ludlow, Mass. soon.

Ted Neals from Pawtucket, R.I. is enjoying our park and the weather.

Ruth and Mark Daugherty's son and wife Patti, children Anne, Mark III and Sean from New Castle, Pa. are visitors.

Rita and Jim Cheffi from Springfield, Ill. are visiting with Rita's parents, the Sizeloves.

Alice Flebotte and her daughter and husband, Doris and Al Boulrice, visited in Largo. Donald Fegan from Lake Thompson in Palmer, Mass. is their neighbor in the summer.

Isabelle and Al Ward's daughter and her husband, Arlene and Steven Horvath from Grasse Ile, Mich. were visiting, also cousins Arlene and Gus Simko from Allen Park, Mich.

George and Florence Finette took their cousin Marie Miller to the airport in Ft. Myers. They also attended the Canadian Picnic on Englewood Beach.

All our thanks go to Joan and Paul Stunzig for the lovely party at their place.

How did Hitler tie his shoes when he was a little boy? With little knotzies!

The quickest was to get into debt over your head is to buy a toupee on credit.

CIELO STREET by Ruth Hicks

Bill and Irene Stevenson are enjoying granddaughter Andrea Stevenson and friend Eriisa Newhouse, from Ann Arbor, Mich. On Friday Granddaughter Michelle Daane, grandson Michael Daane and friend Sandra Fix from Birmingham, Mich. will arrive to add to their pleasures. On Tuesday April 9th daughter Pat Schwing will arrive. Ah! The joys of family! Grandchildren are God's reward for growing old!

Can't keep a good man down! Ham Tener is recuperating at home and don't be surprised to see him at the shuffle board courts in the very near future. Ham and Jinks have been enjoying the company of their son, Hamp.

Guess what Cora Tyson found in her laundry basket! Her earring she thought was lost forever. She is missing her company - the Johnsons. Rumors are she put him to hard labor.

Joe Zehe is looking forward to a visit from his son, daughter-in-law and three grandchildren.

Sorry that Bob Boulanger is back in the hospital. Hope it won't be long 'till he's feeling "fit as a fiddle." They will be moving to Dije St. soon and we wish them much joy in their new home.

Virginia Reppenhagen and Fay Downing would like to thank all for attending the luncheon at the Capt's. Table. It was an enjoyable get-together and the many door prizes were terrific. A special thanks to them for making the arrangements.

CIELO ST. (Cont'd.)

Would you believe Phyllis and Tom McElroy's family took home frozen fish - from Lemon Bay. They called Tom to tell him the fish survived the trauma of an airplane trip!

Doris and Frank Finnelli had a surprise visit from their neighbors, the Keneeys, from N.Y.

Who was that strange woman at the ladies luncheon? (The ladies will know, but if you men don't know, well, it's none of your business anyway!)

Dolores and George Hommel's daughter Renee, Bill, two grandchildren Jennifer and Nathan, are visiting for two weeks. Dolores' twin sister, Doris, husband Ed, daughter Mary Ellen and her hubby Bob and their son Michael are expected on Sat. Also sister Genevieve and her husband, Bob, will be guests. They are sharing Easter dinner with the Hommels and the Committee.

Sam and Cora Jean Watson from Ohio dropped in to pay a visit to Jane Wiley.

Every meeting of persons is an exchange of gifts. (Contributed by the Stevenson's daughter, PatSchwing)

Why do people who work in health food stores always look so sick?

Do the salespeople in all these Englewood stores really want me to have a nice day

DIJE STREET by Hulda Robinson

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carruthers and mother Clara Bessinger are the new tenants at the Marsh residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Werth are visiting Clara Bessinger for the Easter vacation. Mrs. Werth is Clara's daughter, Jeanne.

Hazel Belky's visitors from Wyandotte, Mich.: niece Barbara Mason and daughter Alyssa and her girl friend Leslie on April 4th. Her daughter and husband Jerry and Sandy Noble are arriving on April 7th.

A number of residents have or are departing this week. Shirley Ryan and Grady left Tues. the 2nd. Frank and Grace Trecha and Bea and Gene Hull will leave the 10th. We will miss the Trechas as it's uncertain if they will return to the Park.

The Robinsons are going to have a granddaughter and great-grandson on the 17th to the 24th. After they leave will be packing up to go home to Iowa.

Theresa Miller says she is having a great time with her granddaughter and great-granddaughter from Ohio.

How about the Easter dinner prepared by the April Committee. One of the best we think. Seems as if news is scarce on Dije St. except how about Chan Robinson joining the "dunk in the Bay Club." Getting stitches out today.

The Deierleins are enjoying the company of their friends Ann and Don Weinreich from So. Burlington, Vt. who are staying at the Castaways.

No woman knows everything, but she can come close if the Park is small enough!

Everybody wants to go to Heaven, but nobody wants to go right now.

Jay and Jennie Hubbard went to Lakeland to see the Detroit Tigers play Tuesday & Wednesday. They were also visited by their nephew Jimmy Each and wife from Mich. and Floyd and Doris Stallsteimer from New Jersey.

CIELO CT. by Mary May

Matt and Lola Yakes' son and wife, Eugene and Edna, were on their way home from Haiti and stopped to visit for two weeks; they are now in Grand Rapids. Good to see them again.

George Uto has lots of food in, laundry done, clean house - why? - daughter Lorraine and husband Richie, grandsons Richie, Jr. and Brian, arrived April 5 for one week. Richie, Jr. is an all star soccer player says granddad.

Alice and Carl Jackson are exhausted. Alice's two sisters and husbands have been in the Englewood area for a month. You name it, they have been there or seen it. Good times!

Jack and Mary Ann Parks have returned to Illinois after a very enjoyable first winter at Gulf to Bay. They will be returning next season.

CIELO CT. (Cont'd)

Vivian Roberts and Chet Benner say they have lots of news but it is not printable!

Loretta and Fred Brandemill had a wonderful visit with their daughter Jan and husband Clarence and granddaughter Debbie.

Mary May is really enjoying a visit from her one and only granddaughter, April. Blondes do have a lot of fun!

AURA STREET by Anne Cady

John and Donna Darling are about to leave for Maine. Donna had Easter Sunrise at the Bay; said she never saw the fish jump higher. Good luck on your trip.

The Cadys have been quite busy entertaining and being entertained by Conn. friends the Emons and Helen Bares, out of the Park more than in it. Their daughter Susie and husband Harry will be arriving the 19th.

The Galats have left for their home town, very excited to see their lovely granddaughter. They worked all week packing and cleaning. Have a safe trip.

Ethel Cross is catching up on her rest as she had quite a few guests. Those roasts smelled divine coming from her place. Her family enjoyed her performance at the Expo.

Edna and Peanuts had their son Robert and children visit. The young grandson certainly had a good time visiting.

No one has heard from Betty Baker since she took off on her trip to Reno; sounds as if she really is having fun but then doesn't she always.

Mickey and Bob are leaving Sat. for their summer house. Their daughter and son-in-law left Monday. They left their son to travel up with grandma and grandpa.

Lou Rogers had a surprise birthday box from her granddaughter; it had all the fixings, candles and pink roses. Lou's sister left for home. Ethel and Bernice with Lou took her to the airport. They went on a shopping spree but bought nothing.

The Hires are expecting their daughter Roberta with Stefanie and Brian of Houston. Their trailer is lovely; found Mr. Hire vacuuming. Quite a housekeeper.

Stopped at Mrs. Johnson. She has a lovely collection of shells. Her large cat was sunning himself on her patio; lucky to have her for a mistress.

Marge Stocum had her niece Lisa Knickerbocker for a visit. Also neighbors from the lake in Corning, N.Y. Enjoyed the Harbour House for a fine dinner.

Millie Cahoon had a birthday the 25th, a young 80. Congratulations!

Stopped at the Bottenfields. They were out. Their trailer is beautiful. They did some upholstering that was unbelievable. Aura St. certainly changing.

GOLFO STREET by Cam Thatcher

Helen & Charlie Verrill had a short visit from their granddaughter, Trinity Armstrong, of Long Island, N.Y. Helen & Charlie spent the Easter weekend with son, Bruce, and wife in Melbourne, Fla. - and now it's pack & get ready for departure to Cape Cod on April 14th.

Tracys are our "now you see them, now you don't" neighbors. They were here for a few days last week but have taken off again.

Paul & Katie Kerber will be leaving for their home in Dearborn Heights, Mich. on April 10th. Hope they have a safe trip home.

Todd Thatcher (our unpredictable son) is due at Gulf-to-Bay on April 12th. However, I won't change the sheets until I know he's landed in Tampa. That way, if he changes his mind and goes coyote hunting, I won't have any extra laundry. Cross your fingers - we're really looking forward to his visit!

Dot Kerber's daughter, Virginia, and her husband, Jess Madden, from Port Huron, Mich. were here for a week enjoying the beach and gulf.

Croteaus' daughter & husband have gone home but to take their place 3 couples of friends & family have checked in at the Castaways for the month of April. It's great to have them back - they really liven up this end of the park and beach... I'll learn to clap & point in the right order yet!!!!...

The next few weeks will see lots of people heading back north so everyone have a safe trip and, God willing, we'll see you all in the fall.

ESTADA ST. by Joan Stunzig

As we wind down another fun winter here at Gulf to Bay we wonder where all the time went. Consequently everyone is rushing to do all the things they never got around to all season. Each day seems to get busier than the one before. And of course no day is complete without at least one swim in the Gulf which is so wonderful at this time of year. So much has happened here on Estada St. The Dursts in their new home are so happy and Norm is doing great after his eye operation.

Dottie Hall is back from the hospital and looking better than ever, taking her stroll thru the Park.

Bot Manley recuperated from her operation in quick fashion and Jim doing his best with a fishing pole.

Marge and Dick Hamilton are as perky as ever and always have a new joke to tell.

The O'Donnells are healthy again, and imagine both at the same time, too!

The Downing house is still overflowing with company. Such a good looking entourage, too!

Gordon and Emma Graber busy with the April Committee and working hard.

Helen Bleck has had her share of guests also. By the way, Helen has agreed to be your street reporter next season so maybe the news will have a new slant (for a change).

Art and Marguerite are spending a few quiet days together after having had guests for over a month. Art is enjoying it anyway.

Paul and Joan wish to thank everyone for coming to their Open House and bringing all that great food. Not so good for Joan's diet but a lot of fun for everyone, especially the Stunzigs. Have a great summer everyone and we'll see you all in the fall.

#### ODE TO MORGAN

To all he is "Morgan", this grand old blue heron  
Who has been a long time in this Park.  
When he was injured with a badly torn leg  
The outlook for recovery was dark.

We watched as he struggled so hard to survive  
Unable to search for his food;  
He looked to the fishermen here on the dock  
And to this old bird they were good.

Now he's strong once again, tho he has but one foot  
And he flies cross the Bay with great ease  
To his sheltered abode on the other side  
Among the thick Mangrove trees.

This spring when everyone goes back home  
Leaving this heron we all love so dear,  
We'll wonder if when we return in the fall  
Will old "Morgan" still be waiting here?

Gladys Thorne  
1985

#### ADDENDA

Brownie and Allison will see their daughter, Charlene Staebler, off from Sarasota Friday on her return flight to Germany after a two week visit with her parents. Charlene says, "I enjoyed meeting all the people I had only heard so much about. I can understand now why you all love this community!"

Do you know why there are no telephone books in China? They have so many Wings and so many Wongs, they're afraid they'll wing the wong number!

Be sure your FMO membership dues are paid for 1985. They are on a calendar year basis now and are due as of January 1st. It is important that we have the support and counsel that only FMO can offer.

Thank you--  
Your Officers

We close another year of bringing you the news at Gulf to Bay. For this we thank the Street Reporters: AnnCady, Betty Baker, Mabel Gaudette, Ruth Hicks, Mary May, Hulda Robinson, Joan Stunzig, and Cam Thatcher. Thank you all.

CHARLIE + SHIRLEY DEIERLEIN