

# the Listening Post

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How lucky I am to be editor of "The Listening Post". I can wish you all a Happy St. Patrick's Day, and a Blessed Easter without using postage; one of the side benefits of this job.

Reports of the scruise have been leaking in. Everyone that had been sing acolades of the wonderful time they experienced. Only serious complaint was the air conditioning in the "sips" lounges; too cold!

A few incidents that happened to bring smiles were:

the rain coming in the bus on ride to Miami - Joan chewing gum at a fast pace and plugging the leaks.

bucket brigade style of loading the bus with that 1 more piece of luggage entertainer in lounge couldn't get Mo or Rita to bite on his punch lines

Paul and Bud doing Joans laundry, due to a scotch bath in her luggage while she was getting everyone settled in their rooms

getting people, buses and luggage matched up

FRan and Jack Smith still in bed when the bus was getting ready to leave hotel in Miami

surprise T Shirts for scruise members

a tired party girl passing out on her bathroom floor - too much rum??

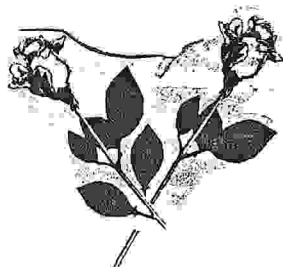
Sounds like the type of trip we would have enjoyed going on, oh well, some day.

**WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING....they're usually up to something..**

Flowers to all the folks who made the Carnival such a success. It was my first time and I really enjoyed it. Can't really pin-point any one particular thing that outshined the other. The people who orchestrated the whole thing did a fantastic job and I'm sure we can all appreciate the time and effort that was put into such an activity.

New items on the agenda this year included, and I hope it will be an annual thing, funnel cakes. What a treat when they are hot from the pot. A more serious but most important - thanks to Loretta for her donation, time and talent of the YELLOW RIBBONS. She done herself proud with the production line, plus taking orders. Traveling our little streets really gets the heart strings a-pulling - to see the support for our troops in Saudi. Its getting to the point that everyone knows of or related to someone in the armed forces over there. I sure hope that you took the time to use the addresses I had inserted in last months newsletter. Thank you!

Back to the Carnival, Dot Manley should sit on her laurels the rest of the season for all the work that she has done, what a gal! She reports that the financial gain from the fete was \$ 17~~90~~.00 , and thanks everyone for coming.



George Gallaher and his committee have had a very busy month. First the Carnival action, then the Sweetheart Social and the sumptuous dinner on the 17th. Talking to George at Liars Dock one night I asked him if he was all recuperated, Yup, he said, "No problem!! Had a great working team, everyone just got up and went at it.

Wasn't it great to see so many folks at the social, and to hear all the old war stories. A brilliant idea hit me as we sat listening - wouldn't it be neat if we could get taped stories from different folks and create our own little archives for future years. Plus it would be grand to hear more. Maybe we could have a sit-around-the-old-campfire night. If anyone would like to get something like this going let's get together. Can't be all that hard, just a tape recorder and tapes.

Ruth Arnholt would like to remind us not to put newspapers in the bins, but bring them over to her. Alum cans should be saved and deposited in designated areas.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- March 18, 19 - ticket sale for Easter Dinner Tickets (18th 10-12) (19th 9-11)
- March 16 - election of a new council 10-12 in the rec hall, to be followed by a meeting of the new members to elect their officers.
- March 21 - Tampa Downs
- March 22 - 10AM Annual General Meeting of entire Park
- March 23 - Band Concert (evening)
- March 31 - Easter Dinner
- April 6 - 4PM Tiki Beach Party

MARCH 17 - St Pats dinner, 5PM, followed by a dance - 8PM

The council would like to remind folks that if they borrow tables or chairs from the hall, please use the old items.

The pancake breakfast held on the 22nd of Feb. was a huge success. The cooks ran out of everything at just the proper time, 10:50. This was the best this year, word of those pancakes are out, had a nice group over from the Castaways, who returned for Willie Kells Saturday evening performance in the hall. All in all it was a great weekend of fun, and a big thank you to all the gals who made those fantastic cookies for the show. Miss Piggy here sampled one of each, yummy!!

Willie's show was excellent and he had a standing ovation at the end. He had just written a song about Desert Storm and it sure brought the war right out front. I think as he was singing a lot of prayers were being said. Thanks again Council for a grand time.

The March Committee is really into full swing and I know they have lots of goodies planned for menus. Hope to see you all at the dinners.

This will be the last newsletter of this year! March and April will be combined, this being for a few reasons; lots of folks leave the end of March or start of April, save the editor and chief some work, not to mention her star street reporters, April will not have too much activity.

At this time I would like to thank all the reporters for their wonderful support and cooperation, especially for putting up with this struggling editor, they are all old-hat at the park news so they gave me a lot of guidance. It has been a lot of fun, and if no one else wants the paper next year, (I'll be looking for a path being beaten to my door) I shall return! Seems to me someone famous said that!! I am open to suggestions so if you out there in reading land have any ideas please let me know.

I wish you all a wonderful, happy and healthy summer. May God speed you back to Gulf-to-Bay safely in the fall. We summerites shall hold down the fort and guard the seas and sands. Adieu to you!!

AN OLD IRISH TOAST

May your neighbors  
respect you,  
trouble neglect you,  
the angels protect you,  
and heaven accept you...



Charlie Letch reports on the collection of Publix receipts. The total was \$13,658.67, not bad since the drive was shorter than last year.

Just a reminder to all of us who have company. Please remind guests that all equipment at the shuffleboard court should be returned to closets, and most important, DO NOT WALK OR PLAY ON THE COURTS. The shuffleboard team works very hard to keep the courts in game playing order.

## “THREE CHEERS FOR ‘THREE MEN’!

To the Rescue - that was the mode of things on the beach Sunday morning as the tide swelled and the waves crashed their splendor against the beaches, rising under the Tiki and taking sea oats by the bundle. Sylvia's water ski was in dire straights. It was chained to the Tiki post and needed to be raised to higher ground. Good buddies, Rex, Jack K. and Bob Wagner saved the day, and with the help of a few assistants got it free and up on higher grounds. They sure braved the elements and saved the day, or excuse the pun, water ski.

### WHAT IS GULF TO BAY TRAILER PARK?

First of all, it is probably the only spot in southwestern Florida which has the beautiful gulf on one side and Lemon Bay on the other. But many people never walk the beach, sun, swim or watch the beautiful sunsets from the Tiki. Also, some people never have boats to tie up, or shrimp or fish to catch from Lemon Bay. So there must be something else.

Did you or your mate ever have a setback of some kind? Isn't it nice to have people stop and ask about their health, even if they don't know them well? Isn't it nice to have someone care? Do you like to play cards, games or go for dinner? Isn't it nice that some people take extra time to work on committees to promote these activites? Have you ever had a car, plumbing, or electric problem and wonder what to do about it? Aren't there a number of people in the park who are happy to advise or help you with these problems? Who takes time out to gather newspapers and turn them in order to save our trees, how about the ones who run for council and publish this paper? Have you ever felt lonely and wanted to talk to someone? Go down to the Tiki or Liars Dock and someone will be there. So many other things! Gulf to Bay is not beautiful lawns, and Better Homes and Gardens houses, but the hearts inside of these humble homes are what makes the park. Can you think of a better place to live? If so, put your house up for sale and someone nice will buy it immediately. Thanks to all of you for caring.

ANONYMOUS.



### IRISH BLESSING

May the sun  
always shine  
on your windowpane,  
May a rainbow be certain  
to follow each rain...  
May the hand of a friend  
always be near you,  
May God fill your heart  
with gladness  
to cheer you.

NOTICE

The Gulf-to-Bay Mobile Home Owners Assoc. will hold its Annual Meeting at 10AM on Monday, March 11th. Four members will be elected to the Board of Directors from the following slate of candidates to serve two-year terms:

- Freeman Crosby
- Raymond De Moss
- Norman Durst
- George Gallaher
- Audrey Grant
- William Stevenson

The incumbent Board of Directors is listed below:

<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRATION</u>
President - William Stevenson	March 91
Vice Pres. - Freeman Crosby	March 91
Secretary - Frances Franz	March 92
Treasurer - Eugene Hull	March 92

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Raymond DeMoss	March 91
Thomas McElroy	March 91
Leslie Downing	March 92
Allison Brown	March 92

DONT FORGET GULF TO BAY RECREATION ASSOCIATION ANNUAL ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

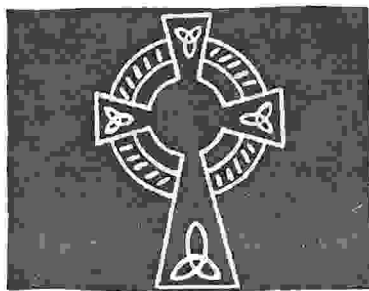
Saturday, March 16, 1991 10AM to 12Noon at the Rec. Hall - Vote for 4

- Ruth Arnolt
- Allyson Brown
- Jean Croteau
- Paul Dube
- Muriel Lyons
- Bob Wagner

The 2 with the largest number of votes shall serve two year terms. The next 2 receiving the highest number of notes shall serve 1 year terms.

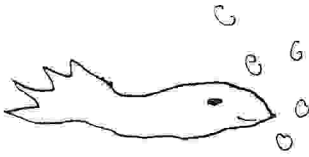
Poll Counters: Jean Croteau, Bonnie Smallwood

The Celtic Cross is also known as the Cross of Iona, the Irish Cross or the Wheel Cross. Dating back to the early centuries of the Christian era, its distinguishing characteristics are the circle around the middle part of the cross and the intricate carvings which adorn it. The swirling designs are a distinguishing central part of Celtic art, while the circle signifies eternity, relating the Church's everlasting glory and power. The Celtic cross was originally taken from Ireland to Iona by Columba in the 6th century.



## Fish Tales

## Liars Dock



You've all heard about things that go bump in the night. Well, its here at Gulf-to-Bay folks, but have no fear. It's the FISH BUSTER. Designed by Ruthann and Jan, and built by Rick. I don't think he really wants any credit for it. The latest thing in toting fishing equipment, built for 2. Actually it looks like a spud missile launcher, but serves the purpose. All supplies were from odds and ends at the flea market.

Sunny is doing well, and has become Bob Nopper's shadow. He has made himself at home at the cleaning dock, and can be found perched on the bench or rail at night.

A new definition for SHEEPHERDER has come into being. George G. Gene and Vaughn have been bringing in some very impressive stringers of Sheepheads. The pelicans seem to know when they dock and its a race to see who gets to the cleaning dock first.



Snook season is in folks, not that it makes a hill of beans difference, the only exciting catches off the dock are undersized trout, lady fish, one robin fish and plenty of crabs. By plenty of crabs, I mean the grumblings of the fisherpersons. No one has reported anything else. So we watch the tides in and out, but things stay consistent.

Even the comedy team of Bud and Lou haven't been able to make jokes about it.

## Potpourri



# EASTER DINNER

March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1991



Authentic Tales from Aura Street - Betty Baker

The Carl Browns' next to me are so busy with company. Their son and wife are here and settled in Englewood. Debbie and son Jeff were here. He is growing up so fast - a very grown up 5 years old. Carl's sister was also here for 5 days, then a nephew and neice also visited. Now Corie is here for 9 days. Even in this cool weather she is outside in a bikini working on a tan. Sunday, Irene and Friends went to Manatee for a Line Dance benefiting the Manatees. She said that line dancing is very popular. I bet they sported some of the fancy steps from Gulf-to-Bay.

Marge had two gals visiting her for 2 weeks; Helen Eshbach and Betty Tormey.

Pat and Boyd will have their granddaughter visiting. Pat is gett-over a very serious bout of the flu.

The Hutchinson's son Bruce and family will be here for a visit.

Dropped in to see Ethel and she was using those magic fingers of hers knitting a cute white triangle - fur scarf - very elegant for evening wear. Ethel has knitted 1500 baby hats for the new born babies in Ohio!

Betty and Ken are all settled in so no news or additions to the yard or trailer. Time now to enjoy the park.

Rich, our elusive one wasn't home again. Hope all is well with him.

Lu had foot surgery and I didn't get a chance to visit with her. A real speedy recovery to you, Lu.

The Bob King's are here again. They had a few men gathered and were cleaning off the trailer roofs. The big Elm tree makes lots of work for them. Glad to see you folks here again, Bob and Marge.

Edna's mom is busy putting sequins on calendars for her family up north. Edna is busy doing the usual things, she can't wait for summer to get into her summer routine, ha ha.

Pat and Harriet both had the flu. Seems like a cloud has been hanging over the park lately and it is loaded with the flu bug. Before they were taken ill they had Pat's sister visiting for a few days.

Friends from Michigan came to visit me for a couple of days. They enjoyed the beach, then dinner and dancing. No grass under our feet.

The men finished clearing off the land across from me. They cut out all the cactus and undergrowth near the bay. Now we have a panoramic view, can see a lovely palm tree growing under the big Elm. Remind of a song "TREES"

A few words in appreciation to Ruthann for taking over as editor of our park newspaper when Art became ill. We certainly love your style and enthusiasm. Nice to have young people in and be so much fun. Most of the time you can find Ruthann and her husband Rick down at the dock fishing, shrimping or just having coffee! Many thanks again for all your time and work.

Thank you very much for the ATTA Girl, Betty.

Breezes from Bayo Street - Ruth Arnholt

As usual, there's not too much earth shattering in the way of news on Bayo. Everybody seemed to be away when this reporter was ready for the news and she was busy when they were home so we never really touched base with one another.

Anyway, Rose who now lives at La Casa Grande came back to the Park, the 28th of Feb. for her birthday. Her sister, Marie Genest, brought her to her house for dinner and then later had Rose's friends stop in to say hello and wish her a Happy 91st birthday.

Wes and Allie Golkowski had their daughter and husband, Heidi and Paul from Connecticut here for a week. Wes said, "his granddaughters were better than his daughter when it came to hooking a shrimp for bait.

Charlie Letch mentioned that he went over to his daughters house Friday night for home made chocolate cake and coffee. He had everyone's mouth watering down on the dock. He and his grandchildren Sean and Chris are plotting their plans for their trip out west this summer.

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Chuckle from Ruth

A parachute jumper was falling quickly and his chute wouldn't open when suddenly he passed a old lady in an apron going up, and fast. "Hey, he shouted, "Do you know anything about parachutes?" "No," she shouted back. "Do you know anything about gas stoves?"

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The preacher came to visit me the other day. He said, at my age, I should be thinking of the hereafter. I said to him, "Oh, I do that all the time. No matter when or where I am. In the living room, kitchen upstairs, or down in the basement, I ask myself," Self, what am I here after?" THATS A GONG!

Comments from Cielo Court - Audrey Grant

Muriel and Bill Lyon have had company from Mass., sister Sarah, and friends Marie, Mary and Barbara visited.

Joe and Pauline Croteau will arrive on March 12 to find many changes in their house.

Andy and Audrey are waiting for son Robert and grandchildren Kelsey and Stephanie, Granddaughter Kim and friend will also visit during April School vacation.

Fred and Lorretta will be staying thru April and are enjoying the Florida winter.

Joe and Sadie have no news to offer.

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Q: How do ghosts like their eggs? A: Terrified!  
Q: What is the saddest piece of clothing? A: Blue jeans!  
Q: Where do you eat hamburgers? A: On the patty-o!  
Q: What did Delaware? A: A New Jersey!

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Chatter from Cielo Street - Ruth Hicks

Welcome back to Jim and Delma Kell. They are in 322 for 2 months.

Mickey and Bob Rumpf are anxious for their move to Alameda Isles. They were good neighbors and will be missed. I saw the outside of their new home and its very nice. We'll miss seeing these folks on the shuffle courts.

Ruthann and Rick MacFarlane have one more grandchild to the roster. This time it's a boy, named William, born in Riverside Cali. That makes it 6 for them. Also they entertained friends Bonnie and Monnie James from Canton, OH. Ruthann was showing Bonnie how to catch the elusive shrimp and the fish. A picture would have worked better. They also played a lot of cards and did a lot of walking. Daughter Heather, returned north and I, her grandmother will miss her. The tearbags really ran Saturday morning when Heather and Michael left.

Sorry to hear our gal Cora is still on the sick list. Seems like a long time since we've seen her smiling face.

Phyllis and Tom McElroy would like to say - see you later - to their park friends.

Marie Genest would like to report that she entertained, in her home, her sister Rose, brother Edward, cousin Isabelle Bousquet and friends. They celebrated Rose's birthday. Marie thanks the many park residents who sent cards and stopped in to say hello to Rose. Rose also expresses her thanks.

Heard that George Hummell and Dolores went home for an aunts funeral. Sorry to hear about that.

Bill and Irene's youngest grandson Scott Stevenson is in for a visit till March 8th. He hails from Ann Arbor, Mich, and is celebrating spring break from E. Michigan College.

All the neighbors on Cielo Street have enjoyed seeing all the little babies that have been visiting. Their little faces sure brighten the day.

Willie Kell was happy for a visit from his son. He said thanks to the many Park residents for filling up the hall for his concert.

Speaking of Willie, you can't imagine what he and Ray Demoss were doing. Seems that Willie bought a "garage sale" toaster for 50¢. Can you believe they spent the whole afternoon trying to make it work. They said it was a challenge. Good thing Isabelle didn't have to pay them for their time. Next time, watch for the dollar toasters.

Jane Wiley, laughing said, "please no more postal jokes. " Can we oblige her?

.....My 2 daughters often tease their grandfather about being stubborn, a trait he denies. One day he was telling them about a horse-pack trip he had taken up the Continental Divide. "The horse guides felt that the personalities of horse and rider should be compatible," he related. "They matched us up carefully." "What was your horse like?" one daughter broke in. His answer was reluctant. "They gave me a mule," he said.

.....Hey, did you hear what the new name for Iraq is?  
Bush Gardens! HA HA

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Dirt from Dije Street - Allison Brown

A note from Shirley Ryan says, "thank all the Dije St. neighbors for their generous donations to the Heart Fund. I collected \$61 and no complaints. Everyone did it happily. Many thanks. Come and visit me at the Dome where I hold forth every Fri. Sat. and Sunday from 9-3:30. My gardenias are starting to bloom again, and have you seen my lovely roses?"

News from 403 this month consists of a nice, clean, concrete drive under my carport which I really appreciate. Then I also had a visit from my son, Peter, from NY State with his 12 year old daughter, Katey, and 7 year old son, Peter. The weather warmed up and they enjoyed our beach every day. Thats my news, Ruth Salmon

Not much news from the Robinsons, but I want to thank the Council for the lovely Valentines Party for the seniors, also, thanks for the nice dinner, cooked by the Feb. Committee. Chan and Hulda.

Bob and Ladema's son and family spent 2 weeks at 417, all went back to Michigan with tans.

Clara Bessinger of 417 is waiting for her daughter, Barbara, and her family to spend Barbara's birthday. Barb and Mike are from Oeland, Florida.

Shirley Deirlein writes, "Many thanks to our neighbors, Ruth and Charlie Hicks, who were such physical and moral support to us in Charley's recent trip to Englewood Hospital.

And from 407 - a note:  
What a busy month Feb. has been! The Feb. Committee, headed by George and Joey Gallaher worked on the Carnival, the Sweetheart Reception, the dinner on the 17th and Willie Kells fine concert. Between times was a trip to the Florida State Fair in Tampa, and the Parade of Lights in Ft. Myers.

Son George and his family were here for a visit after exploring Disney World. Several sets of friends from home in Westbury, LI came and enjoyed the park. Everyone is so kind to visitors - not only is Gulf-to-Bay a nice place to visit, my friends feel they would like to come and stay!

Son Bill arrives for Easter to swim, beachcomb, relax and enjoy meeting you again. We are grateful for you, our extended family.  
Fran Franz.

Breezes from Estada - Helen Bleck

Les and Fay Downing have had the Rohrbacks from their home town visiting them. Their son and wife and Grandsons Bob, Bonnie and Charlie and Patrick will be here for 2 weeks.

Les and Fay are going to the east coast for a family reunion with Les' brother and sisters for a few days. For someone who had to be coaxed into going on the cruise - Les sure had a good time -

Daughter and husband and grandchildren Diane, Howard, John and Kellie will be here at Easter.

Bill Exelby will have his son and wife and granddaughter. Wes, Suzy and Alyse here on March 14<sup>th</sup> for a visit.

The Dursts have been busy fishing and having company. Mils sister and brother-in-law from Troy, Ohio week of Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>. Friends, (the Flakes) from Cint. Ohio day and night of 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Friends Dottie and Jerry Anderson will be here middle of March and grandson Eric Kinstler and friend will wind up our company the last week of March.

Dot Hall is busy with her family, but no other news. Also, no news from Dot and Jim Manley or the Hamiltons, they are holding their own.

Ruth Nelson is in Ohio visiting her family for 3 weeks, she celebrated her birthday there on Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, either her 21<sup>st</sup> or 39<sup>th</sup>. I forget which.

No news from the Destreiches, Marguerite is trying hard to get over her cold and Art seems stronger.

Helen Bleck misses her walking partner at night, needs someone to prod her into getting out there.

Joan and Paul entertained her sister and brother-in-law Ruth and Jack Spiller from Lindenhurst, NY. As usual, Gulf-to-Bay was a big hit!

#### BULLETIN:

FLORENCE FINNETT IS OUT OF THE HOSPITAL AND RECUPERATING FROM ASTHMA AND PNEUMONIA AT HOME. GEORGE WENT IN FOR HIS SURGERY BUT DURING THE OPERATION THE DOCTORS DECIDED NOT TO REPAIR THE ANEURYSM. THEY FELT IT WAS NOT AS BAD AS THEY HAD ORIGINALLY THOUGHT AND IT WAS LESS DANGEROUS TO LEAVE IT RATHER THAN FIX IT.

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#### HILLBILLIES MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY

Artery - the study of fine paintings  
Cesarean Section - A district in Rome  
Colic - A sheep dog  
Coma - a punctuation mark  
Congenital - friendly  
Dilate - to live long  
GI Series - baseball games between teams of soldiers  
Medical Staff - a doctors cane  
nitrate - lower than day rate  
Urine - opposite of you're out  
Varicose Veins - veins which are very close together  
Post Operative - a letter carrier - oops, no postal jokes, sorry  
Jane.

We have had company from Port Loreng, Ont. Coco Beach Fl and Old Fort, Ohio. Have enjoyed them very much. Expect our son and family the 21st of March. Our granddaughter has her 11th birthday on Easter and she is excited and anxious to get here, she sure hopes it will be warm. So do I! Virginia and Ray DeMoss

The Masties report having had a great time on the cruise along with Kateys sister Marge from Mich. Her first cruise and she loved it. She spent a week before and after visiting. Katey is home from the hospital with a new knee joint and getting around real good. Looking forward now to a visit from Barb and Zaach over Easter holiday.

Joey and George Gallaher have been busy entertaining friends. They are looking forward to having their daughter, Diane, and family here for Easter. Many thanks to all who helped George with all his activities in Feb.

Roxanne writes that her daughter Barbara is coming March 10th from Westfield, Mass for 10 days. Harry and Lorraine are taking Roxanne to Sarasota to meet her. Then son Gene and his wife Shirley are motoring down for a month of Florida weather. Roxanne has her ticket to fly north May 12th with plans to return in Oct. the good Lord willing. "I hope all my friends and neighbors have a safe trip north and a good summer. I'll see you all in the fall."

Brownie and Allison are expecting their daughter to arrive from Germany on March 24th. As most of you know, Charlene is recovering from July surgery to remove a brain tumor. The plane trip is another step forward to resuming life without equilibrium. Easter at Guif-to-Bay should be the best medicine possible.

Thanks to the Council for another wonderful year of festivities. And a cheer for Warren and Jean with special thanks for our party backing. We really do appreciate all you do to make this a wonderful place to enjoy.

Thats all my news, thanks to all my news note writers. Happy Easter to you all!

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THIS FARMER GOES TO THE ATTORNEY AND SAYS THAT HE WANTS ONE OF THEM DE-VORCES.

THE ATTORNEY SAYS: "DO YOU HAVE ANY GROUNDS?"

THE FARMER SAYS: "YUP, I GOT 30 ACRES."

THE ATTORNEY SAYS: "NO, THATS NOT WHAT I MEAN, DO YOU HAVE A CASE?"

THE FARMER SAYS: "NOPE, I GOT A JOHN DEERE. THATS WHAT I FARM THEM 30 ACRES WITH."

THE ATTORNEY SAYS: " NO, NO, YOU ARE NOT UNDERSTANDING ME..DO YOU WANT TO BRING SUIT? HAVE YOU GOT A GRUDGE?"

THE FARMER SAYS: "WELL, IVE GOT A SUITE HANGING HOME IN THE CLOSET, AND THE GRUDGE, THATS WHERE I KEEP MY JOHN DEER."

THE ATTORNEY SAYS: "OH, WE ARE NOT COMMUNICATING AT ALL. LETS TALK ABOUT YOUR WIFE FOR A MINUTE. DO YOU BEAT YOUR WIFE UP?"

THE FARMER SAYS: "NOPE, SHE GETS UP AT ABOUT 4:30, BOUT THE SAME TIME I DO."

THE ATTORNEY SAYS: " NO, NO, IS SHE A NAGGER?"

THE FARMER SAYS: "NO, BUT THE LAST KID WAS. THATS THE REASON I WANT A DE-VORCE."

Golfo St.

Dot Kerber's daughter Virginia Madden of Michigan will be coming for a visit the end of March.

Dick & Sylvia on lot 13 have had lots of company. Four were in from Fort Wayne Indiana and Sylvia's brother had visited earlier. Then Dick's daughter and darling little granddaughter arrived.

Jack and Fran Smith wish everyone a great summer and they will be anxious to return in the fall to see all their friends again.

Gene Hallett had a friend visiting from PA last week. They went fishing at Boca Grande. Gene will be leaving the end of March.

Norma and Jean Croteau are expecting a visit March 17th from granddaughter Katilyn Coleman for a week and a half. She is allowing Mom (Patty) to come with her.

Paul and Leda Dube had her cousin Roger Richards and his wife visiting from Feeding Hills MA for a few days. Paul and Leda will be leaving the middle of April, as their daughter is expecting a baby the first of May.

Paul wants to thank everyone who stopped by to see him while he was sick.

Charlie and Helen Verrill enjoyed the winter here. They will be leaving for Cape Cod the first of May.

Floyd and Dotty Crankshaw had their granddaughter, her husband and great-granddaughter visiting from Watertown NY.

Bill and Dortha Swickard's son Randy with his wife Beverly are coming for a visit in March.

Dick and Flo Leeper were called home suddenly when the news that their son's house had burned reached them. Dick and Flo will be returning some time during March.

Noble and Eleanor Paul will be taking a trip this summer with current plans of a possible destination in Nova Scotia.

Ben and Marcia Hartman will be leaving the 7th of April and expect to be back sometime during the summer months.

Freeman and I really enjoyed having our daughter Diane and grandson Joshua for an unexpected visit. "Josh" really enjoyed the beach and water. The middle of April our son Bob with his wife Paula, Bobby Jr. and Katie will be arriving for a 10 day visit. Seems like the season has just begun but the end of May will be here before we know it and we will be off to Cape Cod for four months.

Our thanks to all the committees and helpers who made it another enjoyable season for us here at Gulf to Bay. See you all in October.

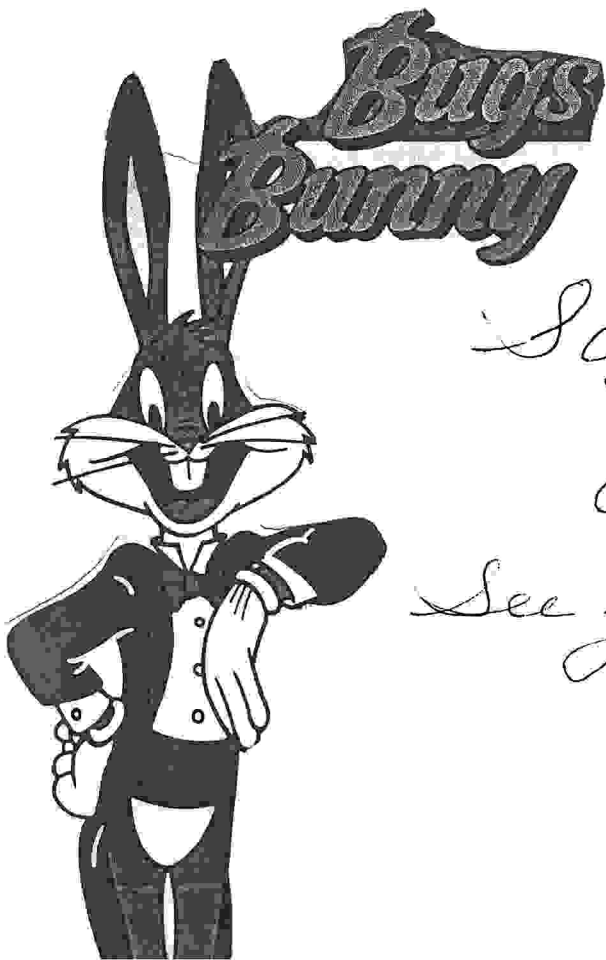
EDITORIAL - After seeing all the hard work and time spent around the park by the council and all the folks who give of their time for dinners, socials, breakfasts and special events I wanted to know what do they and we benefit. So...I had a telephone interview with one of our council members who has been at it for a long time.

It was told to me that in the beginning the Carnival earned under a \$1000.00 but since then it has skyrocketed and that is due to all the go-getters adding bigger and better things each year. I was very surprised to learn that the big money makers are the Carnival, pancake breakfasts and last but not least, TIN CANS. That really surprised me! After attending so many dinners and seeing a full house I expected them to be making money like Maxwell Plum of NY, but low and behold, dinners break even or just make a small profit. There have been a few times that they didn't; and here I've been thinking they were making money hands over fists. But when you stop and think what it costs to grocery shop just for 2 or 3 people, without appetizers and delicious deserts it made sense. The prices of dinners at the Hall are a real bargain. The meals are homecooked, fresh food, not stuff that has gone from the freezer to the microwave and well balanced and prepared in such a fashion that even with dietary problems, there is a meal that will fit you, at least once a year. The time of dinners is another thing, they vary to please, since some of us like to eat early and some of us later on in the day. Another point to consider, that at the price of gasoline, dressing up and tipping is also a money saver. FOLKS, HAVE WE GOT A DEAL!

Some information that I gleaned I am going to share with you, especially for the newer folks in the park that doesn't know what the money that is raised has purchased. This is not all the items by any means, but will give you a good idea.:

- refrigerator/freezer
- tables/chairs
- drinking fountain
- doctors scale
- piano tuning and repairs
- bingo machine
- sunshine supplies
- Sweetheart Party (\$150.00 - \$200.00 each year)
- all paper products in the kitchen
- stage drapes
- all shuffleboard, horseshoe and card night supplies
- TV and VCR.
- printing of newsletter (\$130.00-\$150.00 per month)

Where else can we go, spend our money and then get all this in return. Even Bank's don't give out this type of interest.



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*all Folks!*  
*See you in the fall*