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Did you, as a homeowner, know that the DeBary PLANTATION WEBSITE is full of important information and can actually answer many of your questions as they may come up?

Here are a few things that you might find interesting:

YOUR PROFILE: Contains important information to keep up with regarding your account, your address and contact information.

YOUR BOARD MEMBERS: Get to know who is on your board and what their responsibilities are, so you feel connected.

COMMITTEES: The DeBary Plantation HOA has several committees that are working on projects to improve our neighborhood, and we are always looking for input and volunteers. See how you might be able to help by joining one of our committees.

SECURITY AND SAFETY: Find out the way in which you can contact your security group and what measures you might want to take to make your home as safe as possible.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC): Probably one of the most widely used forms and areas of concerns is the ARC. Our committee reviews petitions of our neighbors on changes that they wish to make to their property. It is updated, and everyone should have a copy to review and keep handy!

DOCUMENTS: A one-stop shop for all the necessary documents you might need to have as a homeowner.

OUR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT GROUP: Here you will find your key contacts to engage our wonderful community association manager, Chelsea Bono. Get to know Chelsea, and feel free to contact their offices with any questions you may have about this site or your property. Email Chelsea@bonomgmt.com, or call 407-233-3560, ext. 107.

All you need to do is go to the website and request a login! Management will match the profile, and you will be emailed your login credentials! It's that easy!

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OLD GLORY & THE MOON



This gorgeous photo was shared with us from Sandra Neutzling. Thank you Sandra! What a touching way to remember to be grateful for our freedoms and what this Country affords us because of the blood, sweat and tears sacrificed for it. God Bless America!

Flag sets tone for entire community

BY Diane Reeley

One of the most welcoming sights as you enter our community is the display of our U.S. flag. It sets the tone for all who enter, letting the world know this is a patriotic community filled with veterans and descendants

who have sacrificed much for the land and freedoms we all hold dear. With Memorial Day, Flag Day and the Fourth of July approaching, I thought it would be a great time to let the community know the ongoing efforts that go

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President's Comments

Phil Souers

To post, or not to post

Taking a look at apps like Next Door

I grew up watching a TV show called "The Lone Ranger." Maybe some of you also remember the show? If not, The Lone Ranger, was the sole survivor of a group of ambushed Texas



PHIL SOUERS

Rangers, who was nursed back to health by Tonto, his trusted American Indian companion. The duo roamed the Old West, defending the helpless against the forces of evil. Tonto, being a man of nature, would put his ear to the ground to determine how many bad "hombres" were descending on them. The ground vibrations allowed him to make an assessment on the situation.

That's how I use Nextdoor, the community social website where people post general neighborhood comments and concerns and invite replies. I drop in now and then to see what is going on and find out what concerns people are talking about. Rarely do I or any of the HOA board members reply to any of the posts concerning our neighborhood.

If there is something that needs to be addressed by the HOA, it is

either added to a future Board or committee meeting, and in the case where notifications are necessary, a response is sent out by an email blast to all homeowners by Bono, our management company. To do otherwise invites replies that quite often are not helpful or just adds confusion.

Posts on Next Door regarding safety such as suspicious activity should first be directed to the Volusia County Sheriffs Office. While our community employs Ocean State Security, remember that our security vendor is not an arm of the VCSO. They are employed here to be our "ears to the ground."

However, the mere presence of security around the neighborhood goes a long way in preventing car thefts, break-ins and vandalism. If you have a Ring doorbell subscription, you can see what happens just a few miles away from our entrances.

Contrary to the opinions of the ill-informed, Ocean State does not just sit in the guard house or in their vehicle waiting for trouble to happen. Their agent is out there working to be helpful to you. The dark black Ford Edge with

"We need to hear more reports with happy endings. It brightens our day."

gold lettering which is parked during off hours near the front pond is the vehicle you may see cruising slowly through the neighborhood between the hours of 7 pm to 7 am.

If you want to be really informed, ask our own Audrey Gallagher, who volunteers to interface with security for the Board. Note that today, GPS has replaced time clocks, and management can see exactly where the agent on duty is at any given time.

Also, the Ocean State vehicle is connected to view real-time camera images and reports on VCSO active calls, so the active agent is monitoring more than the position they physically occupy. If someone asks what the benefit of living in a community with an HOA, it would be good to mention

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Community Relations

Paula Blonder

With our community elections over I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your support and your vote of confidence!! I look



PAULA BLONDER

forward to continuing my position on our HOA Master Board as well as the Chair of our Community Relations Committee.

Moving forward, we were invited to co-host the May 29th Memorial Day Event with the Social Committee of DeBary Golf and Country Club, which we eagerly accepted. We will be contributing toward the signage and sponsorship of the band for this great event. The day promises to be a touching tribute to all of those

that we have lost not only this past year but many years prior as well as a fun community celebration. Many thanks to DeBary Golf and Country Club Social Committee Chair Prebble Bonett, for including our committee in her planning of this wonderful event.

As I mentioned at the Master HOA Meeting, I am inviting all of you to share any thoughts of upcoming events with me; whether they be a large "block party" type event or a series of smaller events beginning with the event May 29th at our club.

With COVID still lingering, the issue of comfort level in large groups is still a looming concern for many and an issue that I guarantee we take very seriously.

Our welcome folders are still being

"I am inviting all of you to share any thoughts of upcoming events with me."

distributed by Bono Management, with Portia now our community liaison.

Please reach out to me with any ideas, concerns or comments concerning the areas that my committee addresses — the Directory, the Grapevine, Social Events and Welcome Folders.

Please stay safe and have a wonderful summer.

— Paula Blonder



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Security Report

Audrey Gallagher

What should you do when the VCSO Helicopter or K-9 unit is searching in our community?

In April, during an active search for a suspect in a car break incident who had entered our community, the search included Air One (the VCSO helicopter) and K-9 Deployment. The suspect began running from deputies and our Ocean State security officer, which ultimately resulted in the suspect being taken into custody within a few hours.

During this Incident, many residents began coming out of their homes and walking around to follow the event in progress out of curiosity. This activity can

severely hinder the in-progress search effort, distracting from active search observations being made in real time from above and on the ground.

What should you do if you hear Air One above or observe law enforcement and OSPS security officers during active area activity to help all of us assure the best possible outcome? Please stay inside your homes until the search activity has been completed.

You may ask why is this so important? The additional activity your physical presence in an area

created by walking around can result in false hits for the K-9, and its handler, distracting and seriously compromising the K-9s Track and Air One Unit's ability to track the suspect. The purpose is to "Not Contaminate an Area or the Location of Incident."

It is also important to note that Air One and K-9 units serve many purposes during a deployment. The presence of either does not always mean a serious crime has been committed. Searches can

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range from lost/missing persons, including children or Alzheimer patients, a vehicle with a driver fleeing from a traffic stop, who is not inside our community, a suspicious person or activity report, which rises to a level of concern justifying additional search activity, or injured persons who require immediate transport to a trauma center. Air One may also be helping in area checks to assist ground units during periods of high concern.

Recently, Sheriff Mike Chitwood posted additional information regarding Air One's operations and what residents should do when Air One is active around your home. <https://www.volusiasheriff.org/services/air-one.shtml>

If you are curious about what is occurring during a specific event,

you can go to the VCSO Website www.VCSO.US and check the on-line public access "Active Calls" Screen. For obvious security purposes, there is a short time delay between the initial report to Central Dispatch, and posting to that screen. Follow the instructions provided at that site. For reference: We are within the District 6, 63 Zone.

IMPORTANT: Ocean State Patrol Services asks that residents not begin calling into the Security phone line just to find out what is going on. This is extremely important as they may be using that phone to call or receive calls from VCSO deputies. During the Incident referenced above, several callers compromised the ability of Ocean State to receive a call from VCSO during the Incident while it was in progress. If you have witnessed suspicious activity, you can call 911

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or VCSO nonemergency number (386) 775-5470 to advise of your observations.

Most of all — please do not confront a fleeing subject! Do not walk around outside your home displaying a firearm or other weapon! For your safety, and to help law enforcement and security, please stay inside your home!

— Audrey Gallagher



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For the Health of it

Gerard Ruck

My wife Diane and I moved here in June of 2019 from Connecticut, looking to retire in a sunny climate. She had worked for many years in sales with Office Depot, working with schools and businesses. I had sold my shares in a small business I was a principal of for 33 years, and became a certified personal trainer and nutritionist.



GERARD RUCK

home in DeBary Plantation and have received a warm welcome into the community. We love living here, making new friends and playing golf on this challenging course.

Early on, we met with the membership director, Diane Henshall, who was very pleasant and accommodating. While getting us signed up as members of DeBary

Golf & Country Club, she asked if I was a personal trainer, to which I replied; "as a matter of fact, I am." She then asked whether

I would be willing to train her and possibly become the trainer at the club gym. As they say; the rest is history. I'm currently working with 7 clients at the DeBary Country Club Gym on Tuesday's and Thursday's, and staying "retired" the rest of the week.

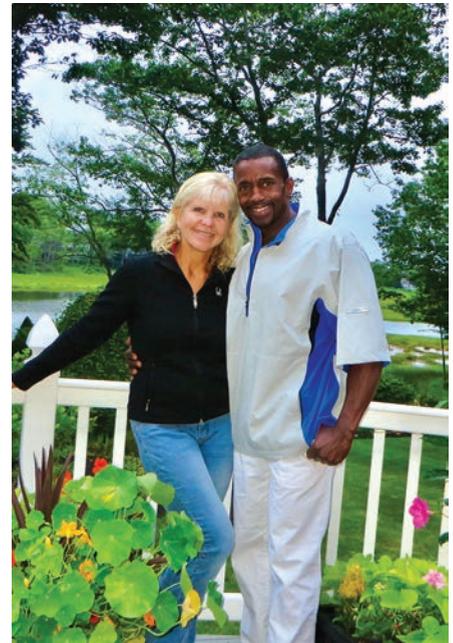
Shawn McGuigan, the general manager of the club, has been one of my amazing clients, who has lost 35 pounds while on a nutrition and personal training plan with me. Incidentally, his golf game has also improved dramatically!

Being healthy affects almost all areas of your life in a GOOD way.

Through the pandemic I continued to work with clients online, reminding them that being sedentary is the worst for your health and the best way to lower your immunity. Good nutrition, cardio, weight-lifting, drinking water and 7-8 hours of sleep a night all work together to boost your immune system.

Helping people make a lifestyle change and achieve permanent

weight loss truly makes my 'vocation' my 'vacation'. Like they say; "do something you love and you will never



Residents Diane and Gerard Ruck

work a day in your life"... (although I believe an active retirement trumps any kind of work)!

I am willing to work with anyone who would like to make a lifestyle change through a nutrition program.

I would also work with any member of the Country Club who would like to train with me at the club gym to become healthy and strong. You are welcome to call or text me at 860-614-7664 to discuss.

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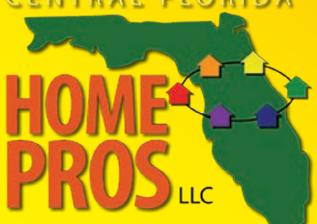


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Treasurer's Report

Richard R Hermann

This summer, we will be undertaking several projects to restore different aspects of the community, all without using operating funds. The associations efforts to keep the reserve study current and fully funded will pay off with several asset replacements and no negative impact on the current budget.



RICHARD HERMANN

The number of delinquent properties has dropped back to a more manageable number. While we would love to be at 100%, we realize there could be circumstances that could cause

a homeowner have issues with payment. Anyone who finds themselves having a difficult time paying should notify Bono Management. They can create a payment program for you that hopefully makes things easier. The most important thing is that you will not find yourself in the nasty cycle of notice, interest, and legal fees.

We are on budget for the new year and are working hard to stay there.

For those of you who use the portal (portal.bonomgmt.com/home/login), all the financial statements are available to you. I welcome questions from those who would like clarification of any details. If you can, please send them via email. This allows me to answer after a thorough review and

"While we would love to be at 100%, we realize there could be circumstances that could cause a homeowner to have issues with payment."

respond in writing.

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— Richard R Hermann
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Ladies' Night at the Club and more...

Prebble Bonett

Our Ladies' Night events (the 2nd Thursday of every month), are really fun!! Now, when we say 'Ladies' Night' it means just the girls...husbands or significant others can hang out in the grill room or do whatever they want... but this is YOUR night to get out and have some fun!

From art classes to dance classes, 'make your own martini' night to fashion shows, etc...it is always a time of laughter, friendship and good ol' fashioned light hearted fun! Keep your eye open for postings on Nextdoor or flyers at the club to give you information as to what the next theme will be. ALL LADIES are welcome! You do not have to be a club member.

The photo in the upper right is from our "Salsa Dance Lesson" night, and it was a great time. We hope to see you there at the next Ladies' Night event!!



Ladies' Night fun includes Salsa dance lessons.



The Tres Bien band performed at an event hosted on the patio at the club in April.

In addition to Ladies Night, there are many other fun events and a wide variety of musical entertainment at the club to enjoy! For instance, we enjoyed the music from a two-man band called Tres Bien that was fun and festive patio entertainment, even during a rainstorm! This picture on the left is from the event titled 'Tax Relief Party', since it was held on April 16.

Keep your eyes and ears open to be aware of upcoming events. They are constantly being booked. You can also check out the DG&CC website and view their monthly calendar.

Remember, DeBary Plantation residents; TAKE TIME TO HAVE FUN! We have enough serious worries to be concerned about on a daily basis. I believe our Creator intended for us to break away on occasion, set aside our burdens, relax with friends, laugh, sing, dance and just have good clean stress-relieving fun!

See ya' around!
— Prebble Bonett

PAW PRINT

Treats! Treats! Treats!

If you're anything like me, giving your pets treats is a treat! Mine get so excited and I get their full attention when I hand them out. Pet treats can be both good and not so good! I saw a post on Facebook from Dr. Karen Becker, giving Petco kudos for taking a stand on pet safety and health by making better choices available to their customers.

Some of you may have seen Petco's visual display stating "WE BROKE UP WITH TRADITIONAL RAWHIDE." Traditional rawhide is hard for pets to digest. Petco has removed it from their shelves and that's a good thing. I have literally had to pull pieces of goeey rawhide from my previous dogs' throats. Even more serious, some pets have suffered going thru surgery to remove undigested rawhide. Needless to say, I haven't bought rawhide in over 20 years.

There are so many good chew treats available these days that are veterinarian-approved. I use Oravet Chews that help coat dogs' teeth each time they chew them. I also give a veggie dent chew for some chomping pleasure.

As I become more knowledgeable about

my dogs' well being, I try to make better choices. If I am not baking homemade treats, I stick to 1 to 5 ingredient, store bought treats. I have read that the fewer the ingredients, the better. There are some really great limited ingredient pet treat recipes on the internet. While it's hard to resist those begging eyes, over treating can also lead to unhealthy weight gain. Talk to your veterinarian about healthy treat options for your pets. After all, they are worth the best we can give them.

On two different subjects:

- I see many posts about escaped/lost pets on the Nextdoor site and Facebook under Volusia County Lost & Found Pets. Pets can be good escape artists, so for their sake, please be aware. Recently, in DeBary, two loose dogs killed a family's cat and two loose dogs got in a fenced yard and seriously hurt a pet pig. Keep your eyes on your pets when they are out, leashed or not. I'll be the first to admit, mine have gotten adventurous a time or two!

- Not to slight other breeds, I want to share a breed specific disease I recently read about. GRPU (Golden Retriever

PET SHOWCASE



Zeeva & Bryson

Zeeva (left) & Bryson (right) are both golden retriever rescues. Zeeva is from Florida and Bryson comes from Istanbul, Turkey. Zeeva loves her daily golf cart rides, and Bryson loves to play fetch.

**Owners
Garold & Robin Canady**

Pigmentary Uveitis) typically affects both eyes and ONLY golden retrievers. I encourage you golden moms and dads to look it up. It can cause the loss of one or both eyes.

In closing

Choosing my fur babies for this quarter's Pet Showcase is my way of saying so long. Yes, this will be my LAST Paw Print article, and I hope you have enjoyed them all. It has been rewarding to write this segment for the

past 4 years. I thank you all for the kind comments when I see you out and about.

Marianne Ruggles will be taking over the Paw Print article; please contact Prebble Bonett at Prebble.Bonett@gmail.com if you would like Marianne to feature your pet.

Stay well, safe and hug your wonderful pets for me.

— Robin Canady
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HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA /groan

Man walks into a bar with a jumper cable slung over his shoulder. Bartender says, "I'll serve you, but you better not start anything."

HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA /groan

When you wake up in the morning, shake your head vigorously. If it rattles, you still have your marbles.

HA /groan

In the first few weeks of the pandemic, I spent hours a day going from store to store looking for paper towels. I guess you could say I became a professional Bounty hunter. HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA /groan

President, from Page 2

this aspect.

What I enjoy reading on Next Door are the narratives about neighbors helping neighbors. One post I saw recently deserves a shoutout to the persons involved. Apparently, a gentleman fell while walking his dog, and fellow residents quickly came to his aid and got him home safely. The residents even assisted in retrieving his dog!

Now that's the kind of post I like to read about. It serves to underline the fact that we live in a fine, caring neighborhood. So often we read where people are too afraid to come to the rescue or get involved.

Thankfully, that's not the type of people living in our DeBary neighborhood. We need to hear more reports with happy endings. It brightens our day. The Grapevine loves to print inspiring stories, so if you know about an interesting account, please let Prebble Bonett know.

There are lots of posts on Next Door from other neighborhoods that can be overwhelming. I normally use the filter to see posts only from the DeBary Golf & Country Club Community to fine-tune my radar. I enjoy reading about observations on nature and the abundance of wild animals. It's also great to hear when pets make their way back home.

Still, I wonder about what we do not see? I bet the 11-plus leads

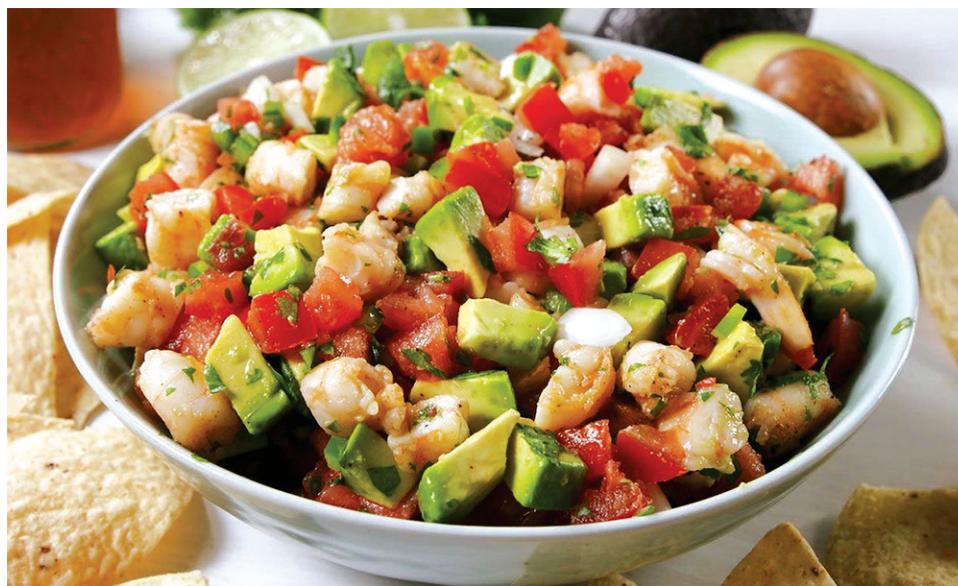
and reviewers that represent our community and "put their ears to the ground" as they monitor the content on Next Door could have some interesting stories to tell. If you know them, share a big thanks for keeping the Next Door blog a good place for information.

One last thought as I close: The Lone Ranger always ended the show riding away saying "Hi Ho Silver, Away". I wonder how he got a pass on beating the perpetrators to a pulp before turning them over to be prosecuted. Maybe that's why he wore the mask and left the scene in such a hurry!

— Phil Souers

Chef's Recipe

Chef Mechiel Balado shares a summer seafood favorite



Use canola or coconut oil (paleo) for frying the tostones, or plantains.

SHRIMP TOSTONES

(Serves 4)

1 pound cooked medium shrimp, peeled and deveined
1 ripe Hass avocado, diced
1 large tomato or 2 plum tomatoes, diced
1/2 cup red onion, finely diced
1/4 cup fresh cilantro, chopped
1 seeded and finely diced
2 tablespoons red wine vinegar or lime juice
1 tablespoon olive oil
salt & pepper, to taste
4 green plantains
Canola oil or coconut oil (paleo), for frying

COMBINE ALL INGREDIENTS IN A BOWL, EXCEPT FOR THE LAST 2 ITEMS. COVER AND SET ASIDE IN FRIDGE TO CHILL.

- Peel the plantain and cut it into 1-inch chunks. Heat the oil in a large skillet.
- Place the plantains in the oil and fry on both sides; approximately 3 1/2 minutes per side.
- Remove the plantains from the pan and flatten the plantains by placing a plate over the fried plantains and pressing down, then return them to the hot oil and fry 1 minute on each side.
- Salt to taste, and then scoop a generous serving of the chilled shrimp pico de Gallo. Serve immediately and ENJOY!!!



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in to maintaining a 24/7 flag display.

In order to keep a proper flag display, we must always keep the flag well-lit. Several years ago, we switched to LED lighting to control costs and have a long-lasting light fixture. As you are aware, our Florida sun is what we all love, but it certainly fades everything. Now add a night illumination and our flags need to be replaced frequently,

usually at least once every six months. Then add the frequent storms and wind, the damage can mount up. Our management company always keeps an extra flag available in the guard house so the flag can be changed out seamlessly. Recently, we had a flag get damaged before management had notice to order replacements, so a smaller flag was used until the new shipment arrived and the community noticed.

Monitoring the flag also is an ongoing task and



Against a wall or on a window, place the union (blue section) at the top left corner.



With another flag, place the U.S. flag to your left when crossed.

When displaying the flag ...



From your porch, place the union (blue section) at the peak of the staff.



On your vehicle, clamp the staff to the right front fender.

Keep your flag completely dry and folded properly — into a triangle, with the union (blue section) visible — before storing it in a well-ventilated area. If the flag is damaged or worn out, it should be disposed of with dignity.

The flag should not touch anything below it or rest on the ground.

Source: United States Code, Title 4, Chapter 1—The Flagdignity.

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because we have our security agent on-site daily, the agent on duty handles this activity for our community. The flag is only lowered to half-staff by proclamation of the president of the United States, the governor of Florida or by the local mayor. There is an alert service that

sends out notifications and our management company passes them on as a work order to Ocean State Security. In 2019, the flag was lowered to half-staff 19 days, in 2020 the flag was lowered for 30 days. Being at half-staff further

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wears on the flag since it tends to drape on the pole at that position.

Any time a flag is replaced, Ocean State does it in the proper manner, folding with care and taking the old flag for disposition in a ceremonial manner as prescribed.

Seasonally, we have added a display of military flags for Memorial and

Veterans Day. We get compliments on the flags and it just adds to the pride we already display daily.

Throughout the community, homeowners also share their patriotic pride with flag displays, some permanent and some just for holidays.

See the info graphics included here, to study the proper ways to display your flag.



The flag shouldn't be flown in inclement weather unless it's an all-weather flag.



Flags displayed at night should be properly illuminated.



In a time of national mourning, hang the flag at half-mast.

The flag can be flown every day, but it is often flown to show patriotism on these observances:

New Year's Day	Easter Sunday	Constitution Day
Inauguration Day	Armed Forces Day	Columbus Day
Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday	Memorial Day	Navy Day
Lincoln's Birthday	Flag Day	Veterans Day
Washington's Birthday (Presidents Day)	Independence Day	Thanksgiving Day
National Vietnam War Veterans Day	National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day	Christmas Day
	Labor Day	

Thank you to everyone who submitted content for this edition.

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CADDY DADDY



Christi and Tom Rossi

BY Tom Rossi

Whoa, is that car PINK? There is a pink Cadillac in DeBary Plantation, and often I am driving it. I get plenty of looks and a good deal of waves as well.

My wife earned the use of this current pink Cadillac while working for a well-known direct-sales company. This is her fifth car with 2 of them being pink Cadillacs. As she will tell you, it is like being in your own personal parade. Sometimes I do forget that I am in a pink Cadillac, and I wonder why people are staring. Then I quickly remember that this iconic-colored car has instant brand recognition.

My wife calls me her Caddy Daddy and that suits me just fine. My personal vehicle is a small red pickup, but it sure isn't as nice as driving a brand-new Cadillac XT6. The only drawback is remembering that I need to drive nicely since my wife's phone number is on the back.

Some guys might think I wouldn't be caught driving in a pink car. This car is a constant reminder that when we met, my wife told me that one day she would be driving a pink Cadillac, and I laughed. This trophy on wheels is a reminder of what hard work and tenacity can do. I am ever proud to drive her pink car.

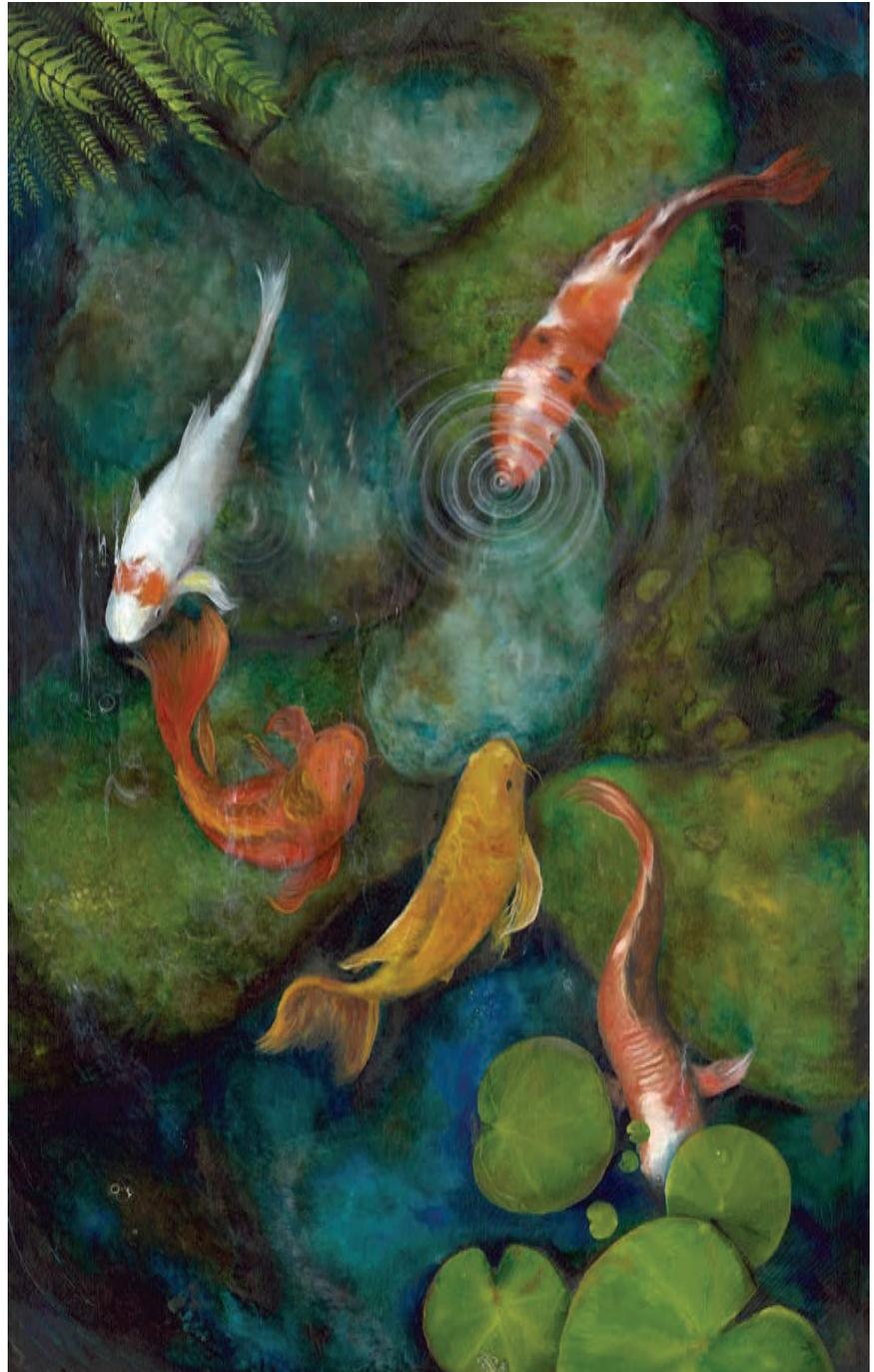
So next time you see a pink Cadillac and a fella is driving it, remember it is most likely a very proud husband. Give a wave!!!

Featured Artist Prebble Bonett

Ever since I took over the Grapevine, I have featured an artist or artisan in each quarterly issue. I have even gone back and re-featured a few. This time, since I do not have any new artists/artisans to feature, I decided it would be appropriate to share a few pieces of my own artwork with you and a little about how I became an artist.

As a young child I loved to draw. My mother would keep me quiet in church by allowing me to “doodle” on a scrap piece of paper or the back of an old envelope, and consequently managed to keep the hymn books free of my funny faces, puppies and flowers. As I got a few years older, she realized I had potential and enrolled me in summer art classes. She did this for three summers. It was all I needed to give me the tools and the basic knowledge to grow from. I have had no further art training academically, but rather, my art has developed from life experiences and as an expression of myself.

Over the years, I was commissioned to paint by friends and friends of friends. I have artwork around the country that I have completely forgotten about. Around 10 years ago, I decided to start having my artwork ‘scanned’ before it left my studio and ended up on a customer’s wall. Here are a few of my paintings. Most are oil, and one (White Vases) is acrylic.



Koi Fish



In the Pool



Mathew 5:4 '...they shall be comforted'



White Vases

I encourage all readers who consider themselves fairly proficient in art, music, sculpting, jewelry-making, woodcarving...any type of artistic endeavor, please get in touch with me. I would love to feature you and your artistic expressions in future Grapevine editions! Let's keep this column alive! You can email me Prebble.Bonett@gmail.com or text/call me 407-617-4440.



Shrimp on a Fork



Psalm 23

Golf Corner

Terry Gallagher

DeBary's own 14-year-old has LPGA dreams

I first saw Ryleigh as my foursome was pulling up to 17th at DeBary. Ryleigh's dad drove her up to see if she could hit a couple of holes before dark. We said absolutely as we were headed to the green. We looked back as we were walking up to the green and she was swinging away.

She hit a great high shot, just over

fairway, ponytail wagging, huge smile-as always -on her face. She says hi to everyone and waits her turn to chip. She hit the ball in perfect form right in the hole- BIRDIE- a giant smile and high fives, but you could tell making the shot wasn't a surprise for her.

We drive to 18 and she tees from the ladies tee, (she is only 10 years old), she bombs it past the 150, about 146 out, a 206-yard drive dead down the middle. Her dad went racing after her again as she skipped down the 18th fairway, just as happy as can be. 2nd shot onto the green – 2 putt for par, and high-fives all around.

At 14 now, for those who may not know Ryleigh, she is the daughter of our Golf Shop's Shawn Knaub. She is one of the highest-ranked junior females in the country and is fresh off an AJGA win in Texas. AJGA is the most prestigious junior tour in the country with top level competition. She will be attempting to qualify for several national championships this summer and needs our support.

Q: Why golf?

A: Dad was watching Golf on TV and it looked like fun- I instantly said "I want to do that". I was 8 years old. Being a good dad, he took me to a driving range-where I barely hit the ball. Then he brought me to DeBary and a lesson with Jeff Peterson, where I still didn't hit the ball well at first, but I loved it. By 9, I was joining in practices with the girls from

University High School. They are great girls who helped me in my game and also, to keep have fun playing.

Q: You have a great family and you

Ryleigh's Schedule: (through July)

June 9- US Junior Girls Qualifying (Girls 19 and Under) Port St. Lucie- If Qualified- Finals are July 12-17 in Maryland)

June 16-17 Qualifying for PGA girls- Falcon's Fire — If qualified- Finals are at Valhalla in Louisville, Kentucky

June 30-July 1- Florida Junior Girls- Bradenton, FL

July 28- US Women's Amateur Qualifying- Delray Beach- If qualified, Finals are in Rye, NY Aug 2-8

June 30-July 1- Florida Junior Girls- Bradenton, FL

July 9-11- Florida Women's Stroke Play Championship- Amelia island — if she does not qualify for US junior girls



Ryleigh Knaub, daughter of the Golf Shop's Shawn Knaub, was making birdies when she was 10. She drives the ball 240+ now.

the pin, about 18 yards off the green. We could hear her dad yell to get in the cart as we saw Ryleigh, not in the cart, but skipping (literally) down the

are all close-

A: Yes, my mom, (Elaine) and dad (Shawn) are both schoolteachers, and my dad works at DeBary to support my training, and I have an older brother and sister Devon, 21 and Raelyn, 18. They don't play golf. My brother played basketball, they are very supportive of me playing.

Q: What is your dream with golf?

A: Earn a scholarship to a good University, with a great golf coach. Play in LPGA tournaments, go Pro. (There's also golf technology, golf course design, teaching and mentoring.)

Q: If not golf, what's the next dream?

A: Golf!! I really love it, have a lot of fun and can't see not doing it. I can play my whole life. I would like to go



TIDBITS from Ryleigh:
 Most important way to practice even if you only have 2 hours: Spend more time on putting than anything else – it's the best way to improve your score!
Driving – 20 minutes
Mid - Irons – getting on green in regulation – 20 minutes
Chipping and getting out of bunkers? 30 minutes
Putting? 50 minutes



to college for Physical Therapy to help people and I can use this to help people in golf.

Q: You are always playing with a smile and very happy out there, but how do you like handling the increased competition?

A: I love the competition. I also try to shoot under par, but my goal is to win. If I miss a putt, or have a bad shot that's fine... if I can find a way to win.

Q: If you received a sponsor exemption to an LPGA event, would you play at 14?

A: Absolutely!

Q: To bring more young girls and women to play at DeBary. What advice can you give them to encourage them to play?

A: Everyone starts the game not knowing how to hit the ball. Come out, try, take lessons, but most important

have fun.

Q: Do you still practice regular times with Jeff Peterson. I think that Fridays in the afternoon is the "kids" clinic. What ages is that for?

A: I mainly volunteer to help with the kids playing, just as others before me, helped me. The clinic will start up again in September, and we'll try to post a day I can be there to help. Love doing it.

Q: How have the members at DeBary helped your golf skills?

A: Being the youngest I was always used to hanging out with people older and all the members at DeBary not only help me and challenge my game-they always make me laugh. John Cassis, who holds the DeBary course record has helped my game a lot.

Q: What is your Dream foursome to play?

A: Me and Annika vs. Tiger and Rory!

Q: Is there one Pro golfer who has a form and game you want to emulate?

A: Rory (McIlroy)

Q: Average LPGA drives are 230-270, with some big bombers close to 300, you drive the ball 240+ now. What driving distance makes the most sense for your game and style of play?

A: I've been good at hitting the ball down the middle of the fairway, and that is most important to me. I am working with my dad on speed and strength drills to get as much power as I can, maybe 260+, but middle is the focus.

Important side note: Keep an eye out for tournaments to help support Ryleigh's hard work, or just stop by the Pro Shop to provide any help you can. Thank you.

—Terry Gallagher

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