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Wednesday	April 11th	12 P.M.	<u>STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE</u>	\$ 1.50
	Coffee or Tea		Bring bowl, cup and spoon	

EASTER DINNER

Sunday April 22nd 1:00 P.M.

Juice

Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables
 Coleslaw - Raisin Applesauce - Deviled Eggs
 Apple Pie and Ice Cream - Coffee or Tea
 Ticket Sales April 12 & 13
 Bring Table Service to Hall April 21, 2-4 PM

April Committee:

Helen Bleck - Council Member
 Allison & Clayton Brown, Chrrprs.
 Roxanne & Rlaph Palermo
 Norma & Gene Croteau
 Rita & Bob Boulanger
 Fay Downing
 Bill Stevenson

G'BYE, Y'ALL

Our season here is winding down;
 The weather's turning piping hot.
 Let's polish off our tropic tans;
 Let's give it all one more shot.

We really ought to sing one song
 Where we can see those happy smiles
 On all our friends who helped to make
 This closing season so worthwhile.

But then, I guess it's so and true,
 That seasons made by me and thee,
 All pleasures I have given you;
 You gave them all right back---to me.

Hampden F. Tener

Congratulations to new Officers! Rec. Council

Charlie Verrill-	Two Year Term
Gladys Thorne-	" " "
George Hommel-	One Year Term
Art Oestreich-	" " "

As you all know, plans have been made to form a corporation of Gulf To Bay Mobile Home owners. This step is being taken to insure that if the park is sold, the new corporation will have the right of first refusal.

Officers, pro tem of the Corporation, to serve until a future general meeting shall be held, are

President	-	Art Oestreich
Vice President	-	Tom McElroy
Treasurer	-	Les Downing
Secretary	-	Allison Brown

In addition, four more Mobile Home owners were added to the above named officers to form an executive committee. They are as follows:

Vaughn Nighswander
 Harry Ide
 Paul Stunzig
 Hank Mastie

Articles of incorporation were discussed by the Board of Directors on Wednesday morning and a copy of such articles will be sent to Tallahassee for appropriate action. A modest filing fee is required.

In order to provide some initial working capital, all mobile home owners are to be contacted for a ten dollar donation (\$10.00).

Shubert had a horse named Sara, He drove her to the big Parade, and all the time the band was playing Shubert's Sara neighed!

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My new car has bucket seats. Really comfortable if your bucket ain't too big!

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Cross an octopus with a bale of hay and you get a broom with eight handles!

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BAYO STREET

By Mabel Gaudette

George and Florence Finnett had their daughter and three friends visiting from Oshawa, Ont., their niece and husband and daughter from Peterbouro, Ont., their nephew and wife and family from Markdale, Ont. and counsins from St. Petersburg. It certainly was a busy month.

Chester and Margaret Sizelove's grandson, wife and 8 mo. daughter are flying down the 20th and will drive her grandparents on the 26th back to their home in Springfield, Ill.

Ernestine Ethier is back with her sister-in-law Helen Graveline after spending the last 4 months on the East Coast visiting her brother and niece. She will fly home May 3 to Indian Orchard, Mass

Grace Henning has gone back north to Detroit, Mich. She will spend the summer at her home in Grayline, Mich.

George Thorne from Eagle Lake, Fla. is spending a few days with his brother Jim. (Likes our Park)

Rose Ouimette is in Bonita Springs, Fla. visiting her brother, Ed. Bonsquet. They will drive back to Chicopee, Mass. together the last of April.

Zachary and T. J. Taylor from Buffalo area, N.Y. visited their grandparents Ruth and Bob Arnholt.

Ralph Holman's brother and wife Margaret and Dick from St. Clair Shores, Mich. were in our park, visiting. On their way back home Ralph and Eileen plan a trip to San Diego, Calif. to visit relatives. Nice trip.

Sophia Szopski is on her way home to Marquette, Wis. On her way she will take her brother-in-law Ed Piechota and wife back to Chicago, Ill.

Fran Wadlegger's sister Mary Emirzian from Daytona Beach was here for a few days; she enjoyed the park and the people.

Marie Lee Musan and her daughter visited her mother and father Phyliss and Bob Knapp, also Susan Care friend of the granddaughter, all from Muskegon, Mich. They are expecting their grandson Dacie Lynn for a couple weeks too, also from Muskegon, Mich.

Bernice Theiss had a nice visit from her grandson, wife and three children, Don and Dorothy La Chappelle from Melbourne, Fla.

Arlene and Gus Simka from Allen Park, Mich. stopped to visit their neighbors, Isabelle & Al Ward, who of course are also from Mich.

Doris and Al Boulrice and Doris' mother Alice Flebotte went to Ft. Myers to visit an old classmate, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lamothe of El Paso, Texas, who were there on a motorcade. They also had visitors here from Willawick, Ohio, Joe and Betty Nally.

That's a sharp looking car you have. How many miles do you get per gallon? Six, my son gets the other twenty!

CIELO STREET

by Paul Stunzig

Bob and Rita Boulanger had his brother and sister-in-law visit for a week from Conn. They all had a great time with the fantastic weather.

George and Dolores Hommel had his very close friend staying for a few days. Their daughter and son-in-law with the two kids are staying at the Castaways for another week or two.

Ruth and Charlie Hicks are heading for home in Pa. They said this was one of their best years in the Park-funwise.

Phyliss Crosbie still keeping busy with her computer and shuffling.

Cora Tyson had her daughter and husband down from Battle Creek. Also her nephew Richard Johnson and wife from Athens, Mich. He's the sax player we all enjoyed so much. Cora's bird Valentine is still in good health.

Jane Wiley took her brother-in-law Don McConnoughy back to Tampa after his week's stay.

Bill and Irene Stephenson had their daughter and granddaughter down for the second time this year. Guess they really love Gulf to Bay. Bill's son, wife and two other grandchildren will be down for Easter week. Irene's Shell Factory is really busy these days turning out Professional Quality Products.

Bill and Helen Bottenfield really enjoying their stay with us. They'll be leaving for Cape Kenned to see the April 6 space shot but only for a few days. Just recently they visited relatives in Zephyrhills and Tarpon Springs. They really keep on the move.

Tom McElroy says he and Brownie got some beautiful sheephead. Says he hopes its the beginning of a trend.

Don+Virginia Reppenhagen had his brother and wife down from Detroit for a few days.

Angie and Georgia's sister Penny will be coming in April 6. Then they'll all go home together in May.

Jack Smith went into Venice Hospital for an overnite stay-last minute checkup before leaving for home Thursday morning. He and Fran will be back with us in January.

Florence Finnett's brother Bill Kell and Isabelle really enjoying their stay and are sorry to be leaving next week. He sure was a nice musical talent and we all enjoyed his Guitar playing. Bill says it's foolish to go around collecting news when all you have to do is hang around the laundry room for 1/2 hr. and you'll know everything that's going on in the Park.

Ham and Jinx Tener had a guest Josephine Cully. Ham's teaching her to shuffle. Naturally she loves the Park.

A man walked into a shoe repair shop and said, " I found this ticket for shoes I brought in in 1981. Do you still have them?" The Shoemaker looked and said, "They'll be ready Thursday."

A certain lady who shall remain nameless but whose initials are H.B., was seen walking home from a ladies luncheon at the Knapps with her pants all wet. Were the jokes really that good? --

ESTADA STREET

by Emma Graber

Jim and Dot Manley have friends Ruth and Dick Tripp visiting from Brattleboro, Vermont. They are also expecting their son and family the 16th of April.

Dick and Marge Hamilton were visited by their friends Mr. and Mrs. Clark Carey from Lima, Ohio; Rhea Runyan from Sarasota, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Garrettson from Lima, Ohio.

Mary Kay O'Donnell has been admitted to St. Joseph Hospital in Port Charlotte. She will be scheduled for surgery on Monday if it is necessary. Daughter Kathy is here with her father. We all hope the best for Mary Kay.

Les and Fay Downing's grandson "Charley" and his Mom and Dad have returned to Michigan after a two week's visit in Florida. Things are really quiet around the Downing household

Gordon and Emma Graber will be returning to Hamburg, N.Y. on April 14th. They will miss everyone at Gulf to Bay Park, but will look forward to returning in the Fall.

Helen Bleck had the Krolls from Bonita Springs visiting her over the weekend, enjoying the beach and the friendliness in the Park.

Art and Marguerite were visited by John and Betty Lamon of Three Lakes, Wisconsin and Ethel and Howard McDonald of DeLand, Fla.-members of Marguerite's family. After a day in which to get straightened up, Jean and Les Fay of Bloomington, Ind. spent several days and agreed that Gulf to Bay is a great place to live.

We welcome Paul and Joan Stunzig to Estada Street and look forward to having them as our neighbors in the Fall.

He who hesitates gets bumped from the rear!

To err is human...to forget is against company policy.

AURA STREET

by Betty Baker

On our street we have had two snowbirds leave for the cold north. John and Donna Darling left for Maine and had storms all the way home.

Wednesday Lee Taylor left for home in Michigan. He was towing his new big boat. Lee plans to fish in Lake Michigan this summer.

Anna and George Galat were very surprised by a visit from Bob and Lina Slemko and their son and daughter-in-law from Hamilton, Ont. They stay in St. Pete but couldn't resist visiting here for a short time. Anna and George will leave April 14 for Canada. They hope to see us all next fall.

Ethel Cross was busy stocking the pantry. She had her grandson Jim Cross and his children Jimmie and Jennifer. They all just had a great time and enjoyed the beach. They also had Matt, Rumpf's grandson to play with.

The Mintons were busy with company. Edna's two brothers and sister were here from Pontiac, Mich.

Lu Rogers is feeling good. She said she felt more like her old self which is good news. Lu had her granddaughter Sarah and Bob Werner and four children here last week for overnight.

Stopped by to see Millie Cohoon. She had her son and friend for a visit. Also visiting was her oldest son and wife, also her daughter Ardith Bennett. Then from Avon Park Millie's sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Brandt. Quite a busy house for a while.

Bob and Mickey Rumpf had their daughter Debbie and family for a visit.

As we go to press Sue Baker will be visiting for the weekend.

The Art Cadys had a couple of parties before Art left. On Tuesday, April 3 Art drove back to Waterbury, Conn. He had bad storms all the way. Did anyone notice the "Bigfoot" prints by Art's garden alongside of the patio? On Monday Anne expects her daughter Sue and Harry for a three-weeks visit. They will drive Anne home for the summer.

Overheard in a doctor's waiting room: "I'm at a stage of life where I'm not quite sure what kind of insurance to take out-major medical or minor miracle."

What this country needs is family trees that produce more lumber and fewer nuts.

DIJE STREET

by Hulda Robinson

Harry and Lorraine are anxiously awaiting the arrival on April 12th of their seven year old granddaughter, Michelle. She will join them for the trip north in their motor home with a stop at Orlando on the way.

Therese Miller had a toe operation and was lucky to have her son and daughter-in-law here. Also, happy to have her grandchildren and great grandchildren here for a visit. The squirrels and crows are out of their dinner! The plum tree is gone.

Did you ever notice how the older you get the younger you feel? Well, me neither!

The Hubbards celebrated Jennie's brother, Billie's birthday March 25 at Adami's and Fred's at Gerace's April 1st. They also went to Lakeland to watch the Tigers play ball. They stayed three days and saw two games. Mr. and Mrs. John Kuzma from Dundee, Mich. stopped for a visit Mon.

DIJE STREET (cont'd.)

Ruth and Hazel at 403 Dije have been enjoying the company of Hazel's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Phillips of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., who are staying in Englewood.

From the Palermo's casualty list: Left over from the Happy Hour - #1 - small tupper ware bowl. Will the owner please call for it before going north. #2 - Lost one chair with green and white colored webbing, which was no doubt taken in mistake for one that we have with all green webbing. Also one tablespoon. This and the above happened at the Beach Party. So once again will the owners call at 405 Dije St. for adjustments at NO CHARGE. Roxanne's sister from Mass. will be her guest for two weeks.

The biggest news at the Brown's is there's fish for supper. Allison has been accusing Brownie and Tom of not baiting their lines so that their sun bathing wouldn't be disturbed! However, Brownie latched onto a big sheepshead and not to be outdone, Tom matched the catch. So, the fellows are saying that the jinx is broken now and fish will be on the table like the old days.

Now that the League shuffle season is finished maybe the guys will get some of those little jobs finished--like putting the last coat of paint on the air conditioner. Guess where this reporter picked up that little hint!

Not much news from the Robinsons except they will be leaving for Iowa via North Carolina April 18. Also received a call from grandson Joe that he will be among the 16 torch bearers for the Olympics. You can be sure that if he runs anywhere near us that we will be there watching him. He lives in Des Moines, Iowa. A special thanks should go to Brownie for being captain of the Shuffleboard team. Sorry we didn't do better for him but we weren't on the bottom anyway.

The Mastie household has been jumping for the past couple of weeks. Daughter Barbara, husband Tony and Zachary came from Tecumseh, Mich. and brought along Tony's sister and family Mary Jo, Mike and Blair Griewahn. Dennis Mastie and friend Nancy have also been here for a few days; He's gone home and will be back the 13th until after Easter. Son Ron and family will be coming the 14th for a week. Wonder what Peanuts is doing at all our back doors these days? Ha!

GOLFO STREET

by Dortha Swickard

Helen and Charlie Verrill spent a few days in the Everglades last week.

Dorothy and Floyd Crankshaw had their daughter and son-in-law, Helen and Marry Waters, of Muskegon as guests for a few days.

Rita Roof had as guest a great nephew, Dave Cleveland of Kalamazoo for a few days. Gladys Garrison of Kalamazoo is with Rita now.

Audrey and George Jacobson have George's sister, Dorothey Rasmussen of Lake Geneva, Wisc. with them - she has enjoyed the beach and shelling. Her husband, Walter, will come to take her home.

Dot Kerber's granddaughter visited from Port Huron, Mich. She attends Michigan State U.

Noble and Eleanor Paul are looking forward to their grandson coming from Philadelphia on the 18th.

Cal Thatcher is still up north taking care of business, but will be back to spend some time before driving back home with Cam the end of April.

Last news from Gene Hallett, Mahlon is some improved. That's good news.

Patty and Gary Coleman from Chicopee, Mass. are enjoying the Park. They are visiting Patty's mother and father, Jean and Norma Croteau.

CIELO COURT

By Mary May

All was too quiet on Cielo Ct.; all our company was gone so we decided to do something special together. We chartered a boat, all 15 of us. It was a beautiful day...we ate, fished & relaxed. The ladies out did themselves with good food. Lola and Loretta baked their famous gooseberry pie. George, Don and Alice grilled steaks while Fred toasted marshmallows for us all. We caught 1500 lbs. of grouper with Matt taking top honors catching the largest at 77½ lbs., Vivian and Mary catching the first and most. A good time was had by all.

Now, if you believe any of this, we would like to sell you some swamp land we bought while on this trip.

(My son had a trip very similar to this. His psychiatrist says he'll be able to go home in two or three years. Ed.)

The boat was sinking. The skipper called out, "Anyone know how to parry?" "I do," answered one. "Okay, you pray, the rest put on life jackets - we're short one."

I would swallow my pride but I hate junk food.

Beware of those who say they're on your side...So's appendicitis.

Marguerite to Shirley: "Did you wake up grumpy this morning?" "No, I let Charley sleep a little longer."

One out of 4 people in this country is mentally imbalanced. Think of your three closest friends. If they seem okay, then you're the one. - Ann Landers

A meeting of the new Council took place Thursday, April 5th at 10 A.M.

Your new officers and month of dinner and entertainment:

Paul Stunzig	President	February
Bob Knapp	Vice President	January
Charles Verrill	Treasurer	March
Art Oestreich	Secretary	November
George Hommel	Member at Large	April
Gladys Thorne	Member at Large	December

A filtered drinking fountain will be installed during the summer in the Rec. Hall.

The Managers have agreed to install the fountain and the cost will be split 50/50 with the Council.

Hugs

It's wondrous what a hug can do.
 A hug can cheer you when you're blue.
 A hug can say, "I love you so,"
 Or Gee, I hate to see you go.
 A hug is welcome back again,
 And, Great to see! Where've you been?
 A hug can sooth a small child's pain
 And bring a rainbow after rain.
 The Hug! There's no doubt about it.
 We scarcely could survive without it!

A hug delights and warms and charms.
 It must be why God gave us arms.
 Hugs are great for mothers and fathers,
 Sweet for sisters, swell for brothers.
 And chances are your favorite aunts.
 Love them more than potted plants.
 Kittens crave them. Puppies love them.
 Heads of State are not above them.
 A hug can break the language barrier
 And make your travels so much merrier.
 No need to fret about your store of them.
 The more you give the more there is of them.
 So stretch those arms without delay
 And give someone a HUG today!!!

Dean Walley

Submitted by Roxanne Palermo

We hope you have enjoyed this little paper during the year. It's purpose is only to entertain and amuse you. If we have succeeded it is because of the cooperation of a lot of people, such as :

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| Loretta Brandemill, | Mary May | Emma Graber | Dortha Swickard |
| Clara Bessinger | Hulda Robinson | Ruth Salmon | |
| Joan and Paul Stunzig | Mabel Gaudette | George and Florence Finnett | |
| Don and Verginia Repenhagen | Betty Baker | Marge Stocum | |
| Cam and Cal Thatcher | Roxanne Palermo | Jim and Gladys Thorne | |
| Ham Tenner | Henny Henthorne | Phyllis Crosby | |
| and Jean and warren Crowley | | | |

If we forgot anyone, sorry. Just want you to know we enjoyed doing the paper (if you leave out Shirley"s cussing every time she hit the wrong key.)
God willing, We'll see Y'all in the Fall.

Charlie and Shirley Deierlein

THOUGHT OF THE YEAR - "BEES"

This is the story of the Little Bee
 Whose sex is very hard to see
 You cannot tell a He from a She
 But she can tell and so can he
 The Little Bee is never still
 She has no time to take the Pill
 So that is why in times like these
 There are so many Sons of Bees !!

(Stolen from Short Stop Printing by Virginia Reppenhagen)