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Park News - Management

The park managers have requested that the following notice be published in the Listening Post.

IMPORTANT IMPORTANT IMPORTANT

The Charlotte County Zoning Board has advised Gulf-to-Bay Park that all owners of homes in the park that have intentions of expansion or adding roof-overs must apply for a county building permit. Any planned changes will be visually inspected for approval by the county inspector. A permit will be issued only if planned changes meet with county set-back and fire standards.

The management will present Jimmy Jay for the park on Tuesday, March 17, 1987, from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. - BYOB

Residents of the park are all surely familiar with the song: "Who put the overalls in Mrs. Murphy's chowder?" be advised that a 1987 version of that song is now in circulation, namely, "Who swiped the laundry from the lines at the office on Cielo?" (See Cal for clues.)

M.H.O. News

Gulf-to-Bay Mobile Home Owners, Inc. convened a regular meeting on Monday, Feb. 16, 1987, with unit voters numbering 69 persons. Thanks to the effort of Cal Thatcher, we were all enlightened through remarks made by two visitors. Mr. David Lipstein, chairman of the Manasota Key Insurance Action Group spoke first on the actions of that group to insure that Key property owners would be able to purchase insurance protection for wind and flood. He spoke very clearly on various issues and in answer to any questions raised.

The second speaker was Mr. Randy Duke of W.R. Duke Insurance Agency, Inc. who answered many detailed questions concerning insurability and cost bases.

The voting membership passed unanimously an addition to the By-laws which reads as follows: "The Corporation will continue the function of the Federation of Mobile Home Owners (FMO) unit within Gulf-to-Bay Trailer Park as chartered under the date of April 30, 1974.

The nominating committee, headed by Gene Hull, has proposed the following candidates for membership to the Board of Directors of M.H.H. to serve a two-year term. (Listed in alphabetical order as follows:)

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| Les Downing | Shirley Hire | Joan Stunzig |
| Norman Durst | George Hommel | Cal Thatcher |
| Gene Hallett | Ralph Palermo | Bernice Theiss |
| Charles Hicks | Ruth Salmon | Cora Tyson |

There were no nominations from the floor.

Horse sense is that inestimable quality in a horse that prevents it from betting on people.

WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER FELLOW?

The Englewood Health Center is in desperate need of volunteers for a number of services for those who are in residency: - Helpers are needed to feed the elderly, wheel the chairborne, visit and chat, fill water pitchers, read to patients, read and write letters, and numerous other services including arts and craft assistance. If you have the inclination to help fellow human beings to attain some of the above little pleasures and necessities, please look up and sign up. You are needed! - The Center is located at 1111 Drury Lane. - The Telephone - 474-9371.

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Sign in women's shop: - Don't take pot luck; have your girdle custom fitted.

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PARK MYSTERY TRIP

Friday, March 13th

planned by Lorraine Ide & Mary May

- Destination: A secret - -but plan on casual attire
- Dining: Of course, a meal is part of the plan for the day. Where??? - That's a secret, too, but we know you'll like it.
- Cost: Will be \$8.00 for bus and program, plus the cost of the meal - a real bargain for a nice day out.
- Signup: Wednesday, February 18th or later. Bus accomodates 46 on a first come basis.

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I'd rather hear a joke retold
 I'd deem it less offending
 Than hear the guy who roars, "That's old,"
 And messes up the ending.

The Rotarian

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HAPPILY MARRIED

The Council staged a very pleasant and entertaining afternoon with cake and ice cream to help those in the park celebrate 50 years or more of wedded bliss. The 12 happy couples were:

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| Fred and Irene Kalagher | Vaughn and Dorothy Nighswander |
| Chet & Margaret Sizelove | Matt and Lola Yakes |
| Fred and Loretta Brandemill | Bill and Dortha Swickard |
| Art and Marguerite Oestreich | Chauncey and Hulda Robinson |
| George and Florence Finnett | Floyd and Dorothy Crankshaw |
| Tom and Phyllis McElroy | John and Donna Darling |

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MARK YOUR MARCH CALENDAR

- Sat. March 7, - Pancake Breakfast 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Eggs, Sausage and all the pancakes you can eat.
- Mon. March 9 Gulf-to-Bay Mobile Home Owners, Inc.
Annual Meeting and Election 10:00 a.m.
- Thurs. March 12 - Shuffle Banquet
Holiday Estates Rec Hall
- Fri. March 13 - Mystery Trip - details elsewhere in paper.
- Sun. March 15 - Stuffed Pork Chop Dinner - 1:00 p.m.
- Tues. March 17 - Manangement BYOB St. Pat's Party
with Jimmy Jay at the piano.
- Sat. March 21 - Council Annual Election

March 27-29- Nassau Week-End Cruise

The March Committee includes the following: - Ruth Salmon, Charlie Letsch, Bob & Rita Boulanger, Ray & Virginia DeMoss, Don & Virginia Reppenhagen - Clayton & Allison Brown, Chairpersons.

STREET NEWS

There is no news of Aura - did thet desert the park?

BAYO STREET - by Gladys Thorne

Rose, accompanied by Morris and Rita Teehan spent a day at Bonita Springs visiting Rose's brother Eddie. Had a lovely time.

Mike & Florence Turk have Florence's brother Eric Gustafson from Paducah, Ky. visiting with them.

Charlie Letch will be busy for a week or so. His Daughter Daria Cheeseman from New York, with grandchildren Kristen and Sean, are arriving Friday the 13th. They will be spending a few days at Disney World and Epcot the first of the week. Have fun, Charlie. On Feb. 19th, daughter Joan and husband Randy Walsh with their daughter Jennifer will be visiting.

Sophie has as a guest her brother-in-law Gus Shultz from Chicago, Ill.

Bernard and Annabel Croteau of Shrevesport, La. will be arriving Saturday, Feb. 14. They have purchased John Malone's trailer at 221 Bayo St. Welcome.

Found Alice Hess busy knitting, but no news she says.

Bernice Thiess is just glad to be here in the sunshine.

Friends Bob and Linda Reid from Whitey Ont. visited with George & Florence Finnett. George & Florence went to see thethe Lippazon Stallions at the farm near Tampa. Enjoyed the show.

Floyd & Gwen Gilbert are having as guests, John and Louise Daly from West Bridgewater, Mass. here for the week-end.

Dick & Caresta Bovee had friends Alice & Maurice Sweitzer from Binghampton, N.Y. visiting for a few days.

Al & Isabelle Ward are the proud GREAT GRANDparents of a GREAT GRANDson, the first after 4 GR GR daughters.

Mabel Gaudette is feeling better, up and around enjoying a visit with old friend Jenny Gosselin, from Chicopee, Mass. who is here for a couple of weeks.

Granddaughter Debra and great grandson Jeffrey from Wells Beach, Me. are keeping Carl and Irene busy this week,- and loving every minute of it.

Missed Vin & Terry, was told they were off to Tampa for the day.

Laverne Sumner had a surprise visit from old friends, Phil and Joan Patriache, former fire chief from East Lansing, Mich.

BAYO ST. - Cont.

Chet and Margaret Sizelove have returned from a visit with Margaret's brother-in-law in St. Petersburg, Fl.

Dick & Sandy Peterson of Charleton, Mass. spent a week in the park. They are at 222 Bayo.

Flash! - The corner of Bayo St. will be unusually quiet thie weekend, (Feb.13) as the Bob Arnholts, the Jack Stanley's, and the Jim Thornes will be off having fun on a cruise to Nassau, Bahamas.

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Don't park a mobile home on top of a hill. It can leave you if it is so inclined.

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CIELO ST. - By Ruth Hicks

Saw Cora Tyson at kitchen band practice. Her cousin LeGrand Watson from Connor, Mich. will be in Florida for 1 month's visit. He intends to visit Cora on his travels.

My, oh, my, that Jane Wiley is busy, busy, in the post office. She just spent a weekend in Tampa visiting Mr. & Mrs. Donald Edmontson. She'll be leaving again, to see her sister and niece in Ocala, Fla.

Jinks Tenner says no news, but that she is enjoying the sunny weather.

Heard by the grapevine that Irene Kalagher is enjoying her recuperation now that Fred has taken on the household chores, which makes Irene a "Lady of Leisure." But not for long says Fred.

Ruth Hicks might get out for a breath of fresh air, now, that she and Charlie's daughter Ruthann and husband Rick will be in our park for a 2-weeks stay. They are anxious to look at sand for a while instead of snow.

Freddie and Frances Franz's daughter Kathy and husband Steve Murphy, along with their two girls, Elizabeth and Christine will be at 322 Cielo St. for one week.

Dolores Hommell paid a visit to sister Genevieve Roberts of Largo, Fla. George played while Dolores was gone. (only kiidding George)

Bill Stevenson said -"If Irene brings home any more shells, they'll have enough to do everyone's flower beds.

Knocked at Jim Peters door and he reports the only news he had was that he was still bald.

Billy Kell and Isabelle Moorhouse had a great time at the fair, thanks to Lorraine & Harry Ide. Billy says he's been busy singing and playing his music at some of the local spots.

Virginia Reppenhagen would like you to know there is more room on the library shelves for more books. So folks, don't throw them away - put them up in the hall!

DIJE ST. - Allison Brown

Have you seen Miss Liberty strolling near #412 with her torch held high? No, you aren't hallucinating. That's Marie with her left arm in a cast following doctor's orders. The neighbors are all trying to figure out what she tripped over -- a real flying trapeze act. All kidding aside, that was a mean spill. Sorry about that!

Chan and Hulda Robinson will be attending the annual Iowa picnic at Upper Manasota Beach on Feb. 18th. They expect to see lots of Monticello friends.... They are also looking foward eagerly to a visit from son Donald and his wife Joan from DesMoines; also grandson Mike with his wife Cheryl from Chapel Hill, N.C. Sounds like fun at #406.

Ruth Salmon reports lots of good pinochle and bridge games when there's a free night. Ruth is anxiously awaiting her daughter Elaine's arrival the last week of February with a friend.

DIJE ST. - Cont.

Your reporter had a nice visit with Shirley Ryan and learned a lot of park history. Shirley still takes in all the antique shows and is an avid collector of all sorts of memorabilia. I came away with a quart of yummy frozen yogurt that Grady insists I try. I was glad I stopped by and must report that Grady was right - I like it!

Ladeema Carruthers is happy to report that the doctors at Venice Hospital have fixed the heart problem that Bob was having. After nine days he is home again and feeling fine. Thanks for all the concern and the cards.

Clara Bessinger is expecting some of her family from Chicago the end of March.

Barbara Richardson will be leaving February 29 to visit until March 14 with her daughter Cindy and family in Breckenridge, Colorado for a ski vacation. Ski lift tickets are half-price for those 65 year-olds, and free for seniors of 70 years. Barbara says she's working up to those free lift tickets. Of course, "Rol" will be going also. Sounds great, Barb!

The Masties report things have been quiet lately except for a few drop-ins. They are looking forward to a visit from Katey's sister Marge and brother-in-law Ralph who are going to arrive on the 15th for two weeks. Hank is happy that his card partner Bob is home from the hospital and able to shuffle a mean deal.

Ray and Virginia DeMoss entertained a cousin and friend from Bradenton recently. At the moment they are receiving lots of valentines plus a finger painting of a snowman done by their 5-year old granddaughter - a real hit with Gram & Gramp. Ray & Va are expecting their sons, daughter-in-law and two granddaughters here the first part of March.

"Son number two arrived and departed," reported Ralph at 405. Gene also took a trip to see friends at Cape Coral and the East Coast. However, he told Roxanne and Ralph that he loved the park and would consider it at his retirement. He thinks the people here are great. Of course, we know he's right. Right?

The Deierleins have been "Sportporting" a couple of times a week for the last two months. Neither has lost any weight as both come home and eat themselves silly after all that exercise and swimming.

There's a young, long-necked egret around the park who is going to find his neck tied in a bow if he persists in perching (and that's not all) on the roof of Brownie's Mercury. Additionally, he is not endearing himself to the shuffle captain with his frequent over-flights and over-spills in the court area.

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The trouble with a husband who works like a horse is that all he wants to do evenings is hit the hay.

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ESTADA ST. - by Helen Bleck

Mil and Norm Durst's son-in-law Richard Kinstler from Tiffin, Ohio enjoyed the sun, beach, and a day's fishing during his 3-day visit last week. Norm wants to thank all who made phone calls, sent cards, etc., while he was recuperating from spinal surgery. Since he is still restricted to 30 lb. lifting capacity he's wondering how he will land a big snook.

Sorry to report that Dot Hall has been hospitalized with pneumonia. We all wish her a quick recovery.

Dot & Jim Manley enjoyed a visit from friends from St. Petersburg Beach, and Holyoke, Mass. for a couple of days.

Dick & Marge Hamilton have no news but I'm happy to report I see them out walking again when weather permits.

Everyone at 504 is happy; Ruth is learning the art of complete relaxation, the luxury of all luxuries. Mary Kay is dashing about everyday exercising, dining, shopping, visiting Mary Jane and loving every minute of it. Extra! "We haven't had a fight yet."

Company is coming to the Downings, Ron, Linda and Amy Rohrback from back home in Michigan. Also Bob, Bonnie and Charley Downing.

The Taylor's family has returned to Michigan and I understand Toni is keeping her mom busy after all the attention she had in Florida. Lee and Peg are enjoying a cruise on the Pacific Princess (Loveboat.)

Helen Bleck has no news except she's mighty happy to be here and not in Conn. where all the snow and icy weather is.

Marguerite's sister Frances from Mission, Texas is visiting the Oestreichs for several weeks. Most of the rest of the Lamon clan is in the neighborhood, so it will be a busy time.

At 509 - No news is good news, says Joan.

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Marriage is like the Army - - Everyone complains but you'd be surprised at how many re-enlist.

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GOLFO ST. by Cal Thatcher

Kate Kerber is able to get out again - hope to be able to visit Paul. Why not send Paul a card at Englewood Health Care Center?

Jean & Norma Croteau say they're glad to be back - not missing the 2 below weather at home. QE-3 is to be launched or sunk this week.

Charlie Verrill's brother and sister-in-law visited from Minnesota. There will be a Verrill family reunion at Myakka River State Park soon. Helen and Charlie are feeling great.

Dorothy Crankshaw's battle scars are healed.

Nobody home at Swickards, Dottie Kerber's and Gene Hallett's.

No news at Rasmussens - Walter is feeling better.

Etta and Freeman Crosby are here till the first of March. Then they'll be back in May. They keep the airlines solvent.

Norma Croteau has kindly agreed to be the Golfo St. reporter for March and April. Thanks, Norma.

Eleanor and Noble Paul are fishin' every other day. Takes one day to catch them and one day to clean them.

Nettie's place looks nice as usual.

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Sign on a church: Try one of our Sundays.

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CIELO COURT - Carl Jackson

Everybody's asking - Where's George - Yes - he's here - - But - The reason you haven't seen George Uto on the Bay Side much this winter is that he has been busy, busy, busy. Brother Matt who wintered in Englewood for quite a few years passed away in November, and George flew up north to attend the funeral. Matt and wife Alice sold their home up North and bought a new home in Holiday Estates on Englewood. Wife Alice came down in November and George has been helping her to get settled in the new home. Alice does not drive a car, so George is also the chauffeur. So, plus taking up his golf game again, George has been busy, busy, busy. Not even enough time to go fishing. Anyhow, George says "hello" to all his friends in the park whenever he gets a chance - oh, well. Do good unto others as you would them do unto you! Love and God Bless You All!

Alice and Carl Jackson are looking forward to the arrival of her sister and her husband and brother and his wife on March 1st. They will be close by as they are staying at the "Tiki"

Ron and Pat visited the Corkscrew Swamp which is run by National Audubon Society to see the Painted Bunting. Also visited Ding Darling Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel Island to see the Euroasian Wigeon which is very rare to see in this hemisphere. Ron and Pat are building a house in East Englewood so won't be back next season, - but invite everyone to come visit us next season. We'll be having an open-house.

Where does the time go? Whats good tho! Keeps the Parks' busy. We had visitors lately, Jack's brother Dick, and wife from California, brought friends, and stayed the day with us. Walked the beach and had a quick view of Englewood. Monday, the 16th, Mary Ann's brother Bill and wife Theresa from Elmhurst, Ill. with friends - will spend the day. It has been a long time since we've seen them, so we're glad.

From the desk of Matt Yakes: - Granddaughter, Sue and husband Terry Kraker are visiting for a week, relaxing, and having a good time while Sue's parents are caring for their children back home in Allendale, Mi.

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Would anyone like to hear about the three visitors who came to dinner at John and Donna Darling's - 1:45 a.m. morning of Feb.17th.

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Mother: "Yes, he is 14 months old now, and he's been walking since he was 8 months old."

Visitor: "Really? He must be awfully tired."

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