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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Rich Magella)

It is with great pride and humility that I have the opportunity to serve as President of the DCPOA. Hopefully, I can fulfill the duties of this position, gain your trust and meet your expectations.

Once again, I would like to thank Tony Capalbo for his outstanding service as President of our Community for the last 17 years. I want to further thank him for helping make this a smooth and painless transition. Since Tony is still on the Board, I will surely make good use of his wisdom and experience going forward. I would also like to thank Bob Murelle for his devoted years of service on our Board and welcome his replacement, as the At-Large-Member, Stacy Stenholm.

For those of you who don't know much about me, I have outlined a brief sketch of my background and my Community participation at Dolphin Cay:

- Born Brooklyn, N.Y. 1937
- Educated at Rutgers University and Columbia School of General Study
- Worked in Manhattan, N.Y. for 29 years in two careers
7 years Travel Industry (Sales and Consulting)

22 years Executive Vice President for Leahy Business Archives, a Records Management Company

- Established in 1987, with my wife Lillian, our own Custom Home Construction and Land Development Company in Warwick, N.Y.
- Retired in 1999 and moved to Dolphin Cay
- Chaired and remain a member of both the Architectural Review and Building & Structures Committees. Also serve on Osprey Pointe Board of Directors.

I look forward to working with our Board, Management Office and the various Committees in setting goal-oriented agendas based on priorities dictated by the Community. The goals we set may, at times, consist of parallel philosophies of purpose: to preserve, protect and enhance the value of our Community. But the bottom line remains the same for us. In order to achieve the desired Community goals, we all need to:

1. Exercise financial responsibility
2. Provide prompt and decisive response to owner concerns
3. Enforce our Covenants, By-Laws and Rules and Regulations
4. Maintain and perpetuate the aesthetic quality and character of Dolphin Cay

I wish you all, friends and neighbors, here and there, an enjoyable and healthy summer.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MANAGER (Linda Matthews)

Today is my first day back from vacation, so this article is going to be quite short and I will share a little of my vacation with you. I was very fortunate to have been invited to visit friends in England. They were impeccable hosts and made sure that I saw as much of England as possible. We went to London; saw Big Ben, the Tower of London, a stage play, Harrods and so much more. We also went to Scotland, where we toured the Royal Yacht (Britannia), which was very impressive to say the least. I learned about High Tea, and have brought a Teapot home and have promised to have my friends to Tea. I unfortunately caught a cold while there, and am still in the process of recovering, but otherwise it was a wonderful vacation. As always it is nice to get away, but nicer to come home.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Robert Lachnicht)

On March 31, 2010, we ended our old budget for April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010. It was a very successful year in that there were some monies left over to be passed on to our new budget for April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011.

As of the end of this year we have:

Total operating cash	\$202,848.27
Total other assets	1,890.54
Total reserve cash	<u>459,369.10</u>
Total assets	\$664,107.91

As we go into our new fiscal year the Master Association is in good financial shape.

NEWS AND VIEWS

Dolphin Cay Classifieds

Looking for something to sell or buy? We now have the Dolphin Cay Classifieds up and running on our TV Channel 96. If you have something to sell:

1. Stop in at the office and fill out a form or download the form from our website, www.dolphincay.com (under announcements).
2. Drop the form off in the office
3. We will run your ad for 30 days
4. If it doesn't sell within 30 days you can resubmit the ad.
5. If your item sells within the 30 days please let the office know.

If you want to buy something watch channel 96 and see what's for sale.
Any questions please call Tammy Allen, B501

Looking for reliable service people

Do you wonder whom to call when:

- you have to replace your air conditioning
- the walls need a fresh coat of paint
- there is a plumbing problem
- you have some other repair/maintenance question?

The folks in the Dolphin Cay management office may be able to help you find reliable service people. The office keeps a list of companies about whom they have had favorable reports. So, call the office when you need advice, and also let the office know about your good and not-so-good experiences with various outfits.

Comings and Goings (Laura Chenevert)

Departing Residents	New Residents
	Julia Lewis A-106
Annette Rosch B-203	Alan & Mary Turtle B-203
Jerry & Marcie Cohen B-208	George & Marion Morgan B-208
	Theophil Sutton B-406
Stanley & Irene Pankiewicz C-409	William & Joan Barns C-409
Neysa Neuman E-205	Phyllis Ray E-205
John & Mary Khosh F-106	Norman & Louise Haac F-106
	Paul & Sharon Figarole G-601

To be donated, loaned, etc.:

Doug Watson (Curacao) (866-8583) would be happy to loan certain equipment (crutches, canes, walkers, with or without wheels) to anyone who has a temporary need.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Governance (Joe DeSalvo) No report

Dolphin Cay Gate House No Report

Landscaping Committee (Judy Heustis)

We were not so lucky this winter and did not escape the cold, damaging frost and freeze that plagued most of the state. We lost several varieties of bedding plants, including Red Hot Hibiscus, Crown of Thorns and Ixora Maui. They are slowly being replaced, but other plants may recover and we are simply taking a wait and see attitude. Most of the Seagrapes were damaged and have been severely cut back; they are recovering nicely. The Beach Naupaka will likely be cut back as well.

Several of our palms were damaged and the odds are not in their favor. The two Coconut Palms on the Bayway are an excellent example, although we are still hoping for the best. One of the Casino Pool palms is also in jeopardy. The palms on the Bayway can be replaced if we wish, but the pool palm is another story. ProCare has informed me it will be impossible to replace the palm with one of the same height. Apparently, the existing palms were installed when they were very young and heavy equipment was not necessary, or they were installed as somewhat mature trees before the pool decking was installed. There is no way to install a palm of reasonable height that would match the two remaining palms because of the steep bank, sidewalk and pool wall. The pool decking on the other side also prevents equipment large enough to install a decent size tree. Let's just hope it makes it and we will not be faced with any unpleasant decisions.

All of our Date Palms are receiving another round of an antibiotic to further insure their good health. So far, so good and keep your fingers crossed. These palms are extremely expensive. The Royal Palms will receive their annual coating of special paint that contains an anti-fungal agent. We have greatly reduced the fungal problem by eliminating the pop up heads that spray directly onto the trunks of the palms and replacing them with soaker hose or drip hose type irrigation. Another season of out-of-control vines is approaching. This year ProCare is trying to stay ahead of them, but the vines got a head start with all the rain and cool weather.

All the overflow dams passed the required inspections and we will remain on an 18-month inspection schedule.

The Committee wants to welcome its newest member, Gayle Woodley who resides in the Curacao Building. Gayle is a Florida Master Gardener and is a great asset to our Committee. We hope she will continue to serve our Community and us.

Now we have to dodge the hurricanes!

Flow Channels (Judy Heustis, Ad Hoc Chairman)

January 6, 2010, I contacted John Thomas, our environmental attorney to set up a meeting to pursue possible financial relief from various government agencies and to learn what will be needed for him to begin his work on the blocked flow

channels. February 3, 2010, Tony Capalbo, Linda Matthews and I met with Mr. Thomas to formulate a plan of action.

It was agreed that Mr. Thomas would seek out an engineer with the proper expertise in this area; specifically storm water management problems involving mangrove estuaries. Mr. Thomas would work closely with Robin Lewis, our mangrove scientist, in seeking out and obtaining financial aid and obtaining the proper permits necessary to begin the work. I notified Mr. Lewis of the results of our meeting.

April 6, 2010, Linda Matthews, Richard Magella and I met with John Thomas and Alan Rayl of Rayl Engineering & Surveying, LLC. The purpose of the meeting was to familiarize Mr. Rayl with all the flow channels, storm drains, retention ponds and overflow dams that affect the drainage problems at the southern end of the property, and their impact on the entire storm water management system and subsequently the mangroves in the Preserve Area. Mr. Rayl will have additional meetings with Mr. Thomas regarding existing permits, etc. to see what will be necessary to obtain further permits required to allow heavy equipment in the Preserve Area. Our existing permits do not allow anything but handwork in the flow channels. The addition of heavy equipment is essential in removing all the debris, roots and growth blocking the flow channels in that area.

Mr. Rayl presented his proposal to Mr. Thomas and on April 20, 2010 I received a copy, which I emailed to Linda Matthews. Subsequently I met with Linda Matthews and Mr. Magella regarding the particulars of the proposal. Mr. Magella requested that Mr. Rayl present his proposal to the Master Board on May 26, 2010.

The outcome of that presentation and the Master Board vote on Mr. Rayl's proposal will not be available for this edition, but will be reported in the next edition of *Currents*.

Mangrove Trimming in the Preserve Area (Judy Heustis, Ad Hoc Chairman)

We began the process of exercising our trimming permit by notifying the County of our intent to trim and on March 3, 2010 ProCare, Inc., the contractor awarded the trimming contract, began behind Building A. Bill Stickley of A-603 took "before" pictures at the request of Linda Matthews, our property manager. Ms. Matthews accompanied Mr. Stickley to assist him and to assure that the correct angles of each trim window were photographed and represented properly.

March 18, 2010 a complaint was made to the County by a resident stating we were cutting the mangroves too short and a County representative came to the property to investigate the complaint. All areas trimmed behind A, B, C, and what was cut at that time behind the D Building were inspected and found to be in compliance. However, one black Mangrove was cut in an area of Buttonwoods that is routinely kept short. We were forgiven for that mistake. The trimming was resumed and all the allowed windows were trimmed and completed on April 2, 2010.

April 29, 2010 a final tour and inspection of all the trim windows was conducted. Each building was visited and each window was inspected and all known complaints were addressed and a few adjustments will be made. The trimming was pronounced completed by the following people: Verlin Gillingham, President of ProCare, Richard Magella, President of DCPOA, Linda Matthews, Property

Manager, Judy Heustis, Ad Hoc Mangrove Committee Chairman, Gayle Woodley and Debbie Eagan, both members of the newly re-established Environmental Committee. The few minor adjustments are being made by ProCare.

This will be my last report as Ad Hoc Mangrove Committee Chairman as my duties, at the request of the Master Board, will be turned over to the Environmental Committee. I have enjoyed working for the Community these last ten years on this project and will now direct all my energies to the Flow Channel work at the southern end of the property. Also, I will continue to monitor Skimmer Cove and any work necessary for its health and beauty.

Skimmer Cove (Judy Heustis, Ad Hoc Chairman)

There is not much to report regarding Skimmer Cove. The last report, Time Zero Plus Two Years, was completed in November of 2009 and the report was good. The next inspection, Time Zero Plus Three Years, will be in November 2010.

These Time Zero reports that we receive every December fulfill our Florida permit and is essentially a maintenance report regarding Dolphin Cay's Skimmer Cove (we actually own Skimmer Cove) and adjacent lands under the permit issued to us by Pinellas County and supporting agencies. We have been receiving these reports since 2007 and will continue until Time Zero Plus Six Years, or 2013. At the end of the required Time Zero Reports, the situation will be re-evaluated and appropriate action taken if necessary, The agencies receiving these reports are: SWFWMD, Pinellas County Environmental Management and the City of St. Petersburg. A copy is also sent to our environmental attorney.

I have received a few complaints regarding some residents' concerns that the Cove is beginning or continuing to silt in. Usually, the reports are due to the fact that the Cove has been observed at a very low tide or strong winds have had a negative effect on the water level in the Cove. I feel at this time the Cove can wait until November for our next inspection, which is six months away. It is not necessary to incur extra expense by having an additional inspection. Thus far, all our fears about the Cove continuing to silt in have been unfounded and the Cove is still healthy and vital. However, we always have the option of requesting an additional inspection at any time.

Social Committee (Stacy Stenholm)

The Social Committee is busy preparing for the Memorial Day Beach Potluck Dinner at Cat Point Pavilion on Sunday, May 30 – 5pm Cocktails and 6pm Dinner. We'll have live music with George DeJong, beach games, and good company – so come out and join your neighbors for a wonderful evening.

Since the last Currents by the Cay Newsletter, the Social Committee has organized the following events here at Dolphin Cay:

- A Super Bowl Party was held in the Casino and had a terrific turn-out of 30 residents.
- The Valentine's Potluck Dinner was a huge success. There was live music with Jerry Demark and a special program where all the volunteers were honored for their service in our community along with special honors going to Tony Capalbo for all of his years of service as our President. To all of you out

there . . . again THANK YOU!!!! Our community would not be what it is today without your time and hard work.

- Dolphin Cay's Annual Easter Egg Hunt was a very successful and well attended event. As always, this event was kicked off with the arrival of the Easter Bunny (Marguerite Elkins) followed by lots of egg hunting and prizes. A special movie matinee was provided later in the afternoon giving the kids another opportunity to get to know one another while visiting.
- The Art & Music Festival in April had 12 Dolphin Cay Artists exhibiting. Additionally, students from Eckerd College's Music Department provided the music which completed the setting for the enjoyment of the arts. A special thank you goes out to the artists that participated this year – the event was successful because of you . . . Barbara Leone, Bill and Mary Ellyn Stickley, Jane Boeckh, Janet Walder, Gayle Woodley, Jessie and Joe O'Mara, Steve Wroblewski, Luis Sturm, Richard Rein, and Mary Khosh.
- The Social Committee co-hosted the Dolphin Cay Shoreline Clean Up in May with members from re-activated Environmental Committee. We had 20 volunteers and many bags of trash were picked up around Dolphin Cay's shoreline. A big thank you to all of our volunteers Sandie DeSalvo, Grace Kneebusch, Kay Whitman, Rion Gabel, Teresa Johnson, Walter Kipp, Bud Hildebrand, Lois DonCarlos, Bob Murelle, Tom & Lynn Lenihan, Chuck & Gale Grimm, Betsy Lamoureux, Tom Horan, Cynthia Sampson, Rich & Lillian Magella, Stacy Stenholm, and Geni Vanek.
- Movie Night in the Casino continues to be terrific event within our community . Your Social Committee sponsors Movie Night in the Casino Every Third Wednesday at 7pm so watch Channel 96 or your community bulletin boards for the featured movies. The June 16 movie will be "It's Complicated". Hope to see you there!

You can support your Social Committee's efforts by:

- 1) Making a donation. The Social Committee lockbox is located in the Management Office; checks should be to "DCPOA – Social Committee."
- 2) Recycle your newspapers in the bin by the tennis courts. The proceeds from this recycling effort are donated to the Social Committee.
- 3) Use the Vending Machines outside the Casino. The profits from those machines are donated to the Social Committee also.
- 4) Buy Dolphin Cay Merchandise the Social Committee sells at their events.
- 5) More importantly – participate in fund raising efforts and attend Social Committee events!!!!!!

The Social Committee welcomes Jan Stoffels and Kay Whitman to the group. The Social Committee is always looking for more help! If you're interested or just want to see what we do stop by one of our meetings held on the second Thursday of every month at 4 pm in the Card Room.

And if the Social Committee is not your thing, there are other committee's within the community that need your help. We are all busy in our daily lives, but volunteering makes our lives richer and it's important to make time to give back to the community we are so fortunate to live in.

The Social Committee has developed an email list to reach out to the residents of Dolphin Cay. If you would like to be emailed regarding upcoming social events

within the community, please let me know at sstenholm@aol.com and I will add you to the list. If you receive the Social Committee emails and do not wish to receive them, then let me know and I will remove you from the list.

Well, that's our report for this edition . . . Have a Great Summer Everybody!!!!

Public Communications -- Newsletter (Bob Stoffels)

The first issue of our Dolphin Cay newsletter was entitled *The Dolphin Cay Something* and was published in November, 1996. It was eight pages long, and its first article was entitled "What's Our Name??" A contest was held, and *Currents By The Cay* was the winner. The second issue appeared four months later, in March, 1997.

The format has remained much the same these past 14 years, with news from our officers, our committees, and our various organizations. The newsletter is published the last week in January, May, and October. The issue you are reading is the 42nd, and at 16 pages it is our largest yet.

Thank you, one and all, for your interest, and your participation.

Environmental (Terri Evanosky)

The newly reinstated Environmental Committee met for the first time on April 6 and again on May 4. Officers were elected and four workgroups were formed: 1. Mangrove 2. Coastal Clean-up 3. Educational Programs and 4. Recycling and Research. If you would like to become involved in any of these workgroups, please email Terri Evanosky at terri.evanosky@verizon.net. Committee meetings take place on the first Tuesday of each month. The next one is scheduled for June 1 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.

At the request of the Social Committee, there will be a "no frills" coastal clean-up on Saturday, May 29. Volunteers should meet at the picnic table by the beach at 8:30 a.m. Check the announcements calendar on www.dolphincay.com for the dates of future coastal clean-ups.

A few pearls of wisdom ...

1. To save water, don't let it run the whole time you are brushing your teeth.
2. The Social Committee receives money from the papers we recycle by the tennis courts. If you would like to recycle plastic, glass, cardboard and/or aluminum, there is a recycling center one exit east of the entrance to Eckerd College.
3. We have coastal clean-ups several times each year; but if you carry a small trash bag with you on your walks, we could have a clean-up every day! Remember, a coastal clean-up is only guaranteed until the next high tide.

Building & Structures (Chuck Grimm)

The purpose of our committee, formed last November, is to report to the Board after working closely with the Property Manager on all matters structural, mechanical and electrical. We have compiled a list and completed various maintenance items within the Dolphin Cay Campus. Some of the major and more recent actions include:

PAVER CALCIFICATION – Reviewed and tried various methods at Cats Point to remove the calcified build-up between pavers. New larger drains to allow more water to run off were installed. This project, when all methods are reviewed, is planned to be completed in-house.

FITNESS CENTER – Improvement in overall coverage and better air-conditioning has been completed. Original proposal was \$1800. Final cost was \$1000. We will evaluate improvement over the next 45 days.

TENNIS CENTER – Requested cost proposals and ideas to replace rusted upright pipes and screening on three courts. Ongoing.

STREET LIGHTS – Original street light globes are cracking and deteriorating. First estimate for replacement was \$535 each. Another source was found with very similar globes costing \$216 each. A sample was purchased and installed across from the Maintenance Building for all to view and evaluate. With 69 street lights this will offer significant savings! No negative comments yet! !

BEACH AREA GRILL/PICNIC AREA – Reviewed plans to improve safety and usability of picnic area. Plan includes new rails to eliminate the step-off hazard at the west edge. Additionally, shelves around the edges will offer a place to set dishes, food, etc. Planned to be completed in-house.

DOLPHIN CAY STREETS – Heard initial comments on all Dolphin Cay asphalt streets. Will work with experts to determine feasibility of replacing and/or resealing asphalt.

Damsels of Dolphin Cay (Sandie DeSalvo)

The Damsels is a Red Hat Society chapter formed in December 2003 by former resident Joyce Selvaggio for residents of Dolphin Cay.

The Damsels kicked off the new year with a luncheon at BJ's Restaurant in the Parkside Mall followed by a movie. Among our other activities this spring was a docent-led tour of the Matisse exhibit at the newly-opened Tampa Museum of Art. In March we joined the tour of homes in eclectic Gulfport. The tour helps fund the activities of the Gulfport Historical Society. This was our second tour. April found us at the newly renovated John's Pass. Lunch at the original Friendly Fisherman Restaurant was followed by a crazy and adventurous tour on the *Parrots of the Caribbean* boat-duck tour learning about the flora, birds, and marine life found along the beaches and on Boca Ciega Bay. The Damsels will be attending the musical *Backwards in High Heels, A Celebration of the Life of Ginger Rogers*, at the Asolo Theater before many of us head north for the summer.

The Damsels have purchased plant signs to support the Landscape and Environmental Committees. The signs can be found at the Hong Kong Orchid Tree near the front entrance pond and the Beauty Berry bush found behind the "D" Building. We have also sent a donation to the Alzheimer's Foundation in memory of Jerry Donoher, husband of Damsel Judy Donoher.

Damsel Connie Pagano and her husband Arnold have been ballroom dancing for fifteen years. They have decided to pursue this avocation and have entered several dance competitions. They placed first in the Senior Amateur Couples Division at the Bayou Club in Seminole followed by a first in the Amateur Seniors Competition at the Hilton Spring Fling held at the Carillon Hilton Hotel. They just returned from Los Angeles where they competed in the Seniors Division at the

Emerald Ball, a competition that attracts dancers from all over the world. Even though they didn't place, Connie says it was a great learning experience.

If you are interested in joining the Damsels, call Queen Mum Sandie DeSalvo, 866-9685, for information on up-coming events. Come join us!

Bridge Club No report

Health & Fitness (Gary Lemmink) No Report

Architectural Review (Cliff Allen)

Tennis (Gale Grimm)

Most seasonal players have returned to their summer homes – they all look forward to returning in the fall. Thank you all for cooperating with our tennis rules regarding court sign-up, sweeping, etc. Our Maintenance Staff continues to do a great job brushing and rolling the courts on a regular basis.

In March we had a Tennis Pot Luck Get-together in the Casino since the weather was too windy to meet at the beach grill area. We all enjoy being together on and off the courts.

The wind screens have been rolled up to enable a breeze and avoid any sun and wind damage from tropical spring and summer storms. They will be rolled down November 1 when the storm season subsides.

A meeting was held with Bob McGuire from Welch Tennis Company. We requested a proposal to get a tennis contract in place for yearly maintenance and supplies. We are still in discussions.

Your serve!

Library No report

Book Club No report

NEWS FROM THE ASSOCIATIONS

Antigua (Bob Melby)

I am not going to tell you again “the Antigua residents continue to enjoy a marvelous life as part of the Dolphin Cay Community, as do all of the other “lucky” people who live here,” as I know I told you in the last issue of *Currents*.”

I could have told you instead that 38 units in the Antigua were behind in their maintenance fees and thirteen were in foreclosure. That we also have \$1,200 in reserves to cover our \$250,000 in obligations. Fortunately, none of that is true, but it is in many condo associations. Our home owners in the Antigua have prepaid over \$7,000 in fees. So count your blessings.

George and Nellie DeJong have left for the season, as has Janet Ytterberg. The DeJongs took both cars up north and Marie Notarianni covered hers up. Only

Janet left me her car but I am looking for others. The Lenihans love Dolphin Cay but will go north the end of May. I don't think I will get a car from them either.

I owe an apology to Barbara Leone. The dog's name is Geno, not Chico.

Thanks goes to the few hard working people who again came through and did our fabulous pot luck dinner on the first floor a few weeks ago.

The Mahoneys bought in the Bermuda building to get a more spacious condo. We will miss them but they will remain next door. Their Antigua condo is for sale.

No one wanted to replace Bill Stickley or myself at the last meeting, so you are stuck with the same board for another year. We are taking good care of our property. The last major piece of maintenance was to paint all of the metal pipes in the garage. We are now working on the hanger supports. Jim Strickland and George DeJong have been very helpful.

So life goes on in our little piece of paradise. Remember, every day is precious so don't worry over the small stuff, and WEAR YOUR SEAT BELT!!

Bermuda (Janet A. Walder)

How nice it is to be in the "Merry Month of May". Our winter residents have left us, (and yes, we will miss them), we have a delightful summer to look forward to, and the Tampa Bay Rays are off to a very good start of the baseball season.

Both the exterior and interior of our building are in beautiful condition. Again, thanks to all those who have a hand in keeping that way. The entrance and exit areas to and from the garage are very much improved. Remember how much of an eye-sore they were? We just couldn't help but drive over the grass – I think most of us were guilty. Now we can enjoy looking at the curbing and the green grass as we take a bit of a wider turn in and out.

During the past few months, our residents have gone through the ups and downs of living. We have witnessed a beautiful wedding ceremony under the gazebo on the beach and we offer congratulations. We have had a death of one of our own residents, and we offer condolences. Several of our residents have been ill, and we send our best to all of them for rapid recoveries. We know there have also been many happy events to celebrate, and we send our very best to all of you. We care.

We would like to welcome two new families to Dolphin Cay and into our building: the Turtles (203) and the Morgans (208). Alan and Mary Turtle moved here from the other end of 54th Avenue So., off of Pinellas Point Drive. They are in the midst of a complete re-do of Unit 203, and have moved in. However, Alan is very talented and handy (a true do-it-yourself-er) with the tools, and is still working at the finer touches that will make it their dream home. Mary and I had a wonderful conversation about the magnificent amenities Dolphin Cay has to offer. She is eager to show off our fauna and flora to their five children and seven grandchildren, the newest having been born just this past February. Alan retired from a career in the financial field, and Mary had been active in real estate. It is grand to welcome such enthusiastic and happy people into Bermuda.

George and Marian Morgan will move into the other end of the second floor (208) in due time. They are currently in North Carolina while selling that home (unless they have already done so) and will return to St. Petersburg to work on selling a unit where they have also been living at Palma del Mar at Isla Del Sol. They also have a home on Tierra Verde, and George is currently the president of

that building. They look forward to moving here permanently, so Marian can get acquainted with the Dolphin Cay bridge players – a favorite past-time for her. George's career was with The Ford Motor Company as a National Account Manager.

With the addition of the Turtle family to Dolphin Cay our own menagerie of fauna has been broadened. Are you ready for the name game? In Building A, we have Fish(er); in Building B we have Turtle, Fox and Lyon; in Building C, Wolf; in Building D we have Chicken, Hart and another Fox; in Building E, Bird; in Building G, another Wolfe and a Lemmink – and that could be a Mink or a Lemming. Do you happen to have any of the following friends? It would be lovely to be able to welcome a Doe, a Stag, a Trout, perhaps a Salmon, or a Bear and a Duck (we'll accept a Duckworth). We are also looking for a Sparrow and a Hawk, and wouldn't it be lovely if Mr. Moose and Mother Goose moved in?

Lynda Sue Tantish, who is our dedicated cleaning person, and with us enough to be considered part of our "family," was proud as a peacock during the Saturday Art Show at the Casino in April. Lynda-Sue's daughter Ashley provided a room full of art work for all to enjoy. The scope of her talent is huge: pen on paper work; pencil art; light box work; photography; these are but a few of the mediums she presented. One of her works was an imaginary view of Harry Pohlig's "Beach House". Harry has been a catalyst for Ashley's creative talent, so much of which was showcased at the Casino. It was Harry who suggested to Ashley that she sign up for a water color class, which also led to Ashley attending art camp. A couple of her special works were a "Storybook with Art and Verse," which she authored, and a self-portrait she painted while in the 7th grade. The self portrait was shown at the Dali Museum. Ashley was only in the 5th grade at Lealman Intermediate School when she won her first award. She is still a young lady (of 14) and it appears that she will continue her creative journey to reach her full potential. Congratulations to Ashley and to her mother, Lynda Sue.

If anyone ever wishes to have me put news of any sort into this column, please call me, or e-mail me. I am always grateful for current happenings and other interesting bits. (Tel: 864-3434 and e-mail: jwalder1@tampabay.rr.com)

A reminder to you and your friends: if you require the services of a Notary Public, do not hesitate to call me. I am licensed and would be happy to be of help -- no charge. (864-3434).

Curacao No report

Dominica (Pam Engquist)

The residents of "D" building are happy to say farewell to the unusually cool winter weather and hoping to enjoy the summer as it quickly approaches.

We all would like to express our gratitude and thanks to Rick Gill who has retired from the Dominica Board of Directors. Rick has given a great deal of time and energy to us and has served in the capacity of President, VP, and secretary over an 11 year period. We are pleased to report that Linda Crotwell has accepted a position on the board for the next term.

Welcome to our new residents Dan and JoAnn Weiss who have moved here from Isla Del Sol. They have been busy remodeling and are looking forward to returning

after spending the summer at their home in Ridgefield CT. Also, returning to Dolphin Cay but to “A” building is former resident Julia Lewis. We are happy to have her back in our community.

Congratulations go to Sara Mulligan who recently won the women’s tennis championship at Isla Del Sol CC.

Some of our residents have been doing a bit of traveling. Raoul Baumel just returned from a 17 day repositioning cruise aboard Holland America’s Ryndam. Leaving from Tampa, his ports of call included Georgetown (Cayman Islands), Santa Marta (Columbia), San Blas Islands (Panama), the Panama Canal, Costa Rica, Huatulco, Acapulco, and Cabao San Lucas Mexico. Raoul left the ship in San Diego, but some passengers stayed on to Vancouver, BC where the ship will be doing the spring and summer Alaska cruises.

Joan and Walter Kipp enjoyed several trips. In April they joined six other family members and friends aboard a Royal Caribbean cruise through the western Caribbean. In May they traveled to Negril, Jamaica where they spent a wonderful week at Sandals Resort resting, enjoying the beach and snorkeling.

In April Sue Clark traveled to Barcelona, Spain where she spoke to the International Forum on Drug and Alcohol testing about global workplace testing. Upcoming summer travels will include Phoenix, Las Vegas, and Bar Harbor, Maine.

On April 15 Steve Wroblewski left Tampa for a much anticipated trip to Portugal, Spain and Italy. Due to a huge volcano erupting in Iceland the airlines rerouted his trip to depart from Atlanta instead of NY routing him through Frankfurt, Germany. During the flight there were no updates on the volcano and most of the passengers were unaware of the unfolding drama. After dinner and 4 ½ hours into the flight the captain made the briefest of announcements: “The Frankfurt airport is closed due to the volcano and we will be making a hard turn to the right and returning to Atlanta”. That 15 second announcement was the only one made until the plane landed back in Atlanta. Steve was one of the fortunate ones in that he was able to get back to Florida. He left again three days later but had to miss the Lisbon portion of the trip. We’ll learn more about his trip in the next issue.

Marilyn Hett recently headed to NYC to view new Broadway shows, two selected for the Tony Awards. “Red” is a Socratic dialogue between the artist, Mark Rathko, and his studio assistant about the methods and purpose of his art as Rathko prepares his murals commissioned in the 1950’s for the Four Seasons restaurant. “Come Fly Away”, a dance music choreographed by Twyla Tharp, celebrates the music and era of Frank Sinatra. An early contributor to the NYC Zagat dining guide, Marilyn enjoyed Becco’s the west side Italian brownstone café opened by PBS chef Lidia Bastianich, a perfect place before or after a matinee. Haru, just off Shubert Alley was wonderful for sushi.

Bruce and Pam Engquist enjoyed some local Florida trips to Key West and Ft. Lauderdale. They were joined on a trip to Orlando by Bill and Theresa Cadell. In April they traveled to Chicago for a family party and some Cub games.

Linda Crotwell retired in May after 43 years of teaching and Jim plans to retire on Labor Day. They will be enjoying their retirement by taking a transatlantic cruise and also look forward to being able to spend more time with their West Coast families. Their San Diego daughter is expecting her third child the end of June. On Easter Sunday they welcomed the third of their St. Pete grandsons, Jameson David Vann, who was named after his grandfather, Jim!

Bill and Theresa Cadell are looking forward to returning to their summer residence in Annapolis, MD. On June 4 they will join family and friends to witness the marriage of their granddaughter, Lara, to her fiancé, Sam. The Cadell's, daughter, Kim, Lara's mother and son-in-law, Dirk, who live at Vina del Mar in St. Pete Beach will also be traveling to MD for the celebration.

In March, Joan and Walter Kipp's granddaughter was preparing to run in the NYC Half Marathon and while putting on her running shoes discovered an engagement ring in one of them. It had been placed there by her now fiancé, Will. They were elated with the news and Kristen wound up completing the race and finishing up with the top runners.

Sy and Bobbie Block are the proud grandparents of twins, Samantha and Heather Block. They both graduated Summa cum Laude in the Pre Med College and will be attending medical school!

Debbie DeFoe's daughter, Madison Murray will be graduating from St. Pete High on June 10th. She is looking forward to attending Florida Gulf Coast University in Ft. Meyers next fall.

Taffy Annino will be traveling to her daughter Susan Ibarguen's home in Middletown, CT. They will be joined by another of Taffy's daughters, Dr. Carol Annino who is completing her first year of residency at Middlesex Hospital. Taffy is also proud to announce that her granddaughter, Kasey Kuchta, has been selected for one month of architectural study in Vincenza, Italy. Kasey is currently a junior at the University of Virginia.

Recently, Peggy Peseckas returned home to Dolphin Cay for a brief visit. She and her husband Walt have been temporarily living in Santiago, Chile. Peggy warns us to "Be prepared for Mother Nature's bad hair day. . . .The closer we get to hurricane season, the more we hear about being prepared for a disaster. My husband Walt and I wish some of that 'be prepared' attitude had been in our consciousness in late February when we experienced one of the largest ever recorded earthquakes at 8.8. Once the sheer terror of the 90 seconds of violent shaking and horrific noise subsided, we picked our way through broken glass and spewing water pipes to the relative safety of darkness outside our apartment building. Almost immediately we realized that any flashlights we owned were hidden away with dead batteries. We only had several bottles of water and this too caused concern. Our cell phones weren't fully charged and our supply of prescription medicines was low. On the bright side we had a full tank of gas and ample cash on hand.

"Once the worst had passed, 'Be Prepared' became our new mantra as we rehearsed our game plan for future disasters. As soon as possible we restocked our supply shelves with essential items – enough for at least a week. So stay safe neighbors, have a game plan and be kind to Mother Nature.....she seems to be in a very bad mood this year."

Eleuthera (Seena Baker)

This is that sad time of year when we bid adieu until the Fall to many of our neighbors who seek cooler climes in the summer. We hate to see them go. But meanwhile we will be "plant-sitting" and "unit watching" while we await their return. Unfortunately, we can't look forward to the return of Carol and Bill Neihaus who have made a permanent move to the Ocala area. They promise to come back for visits so we'll keep them advised of our schedule of lobby cocktail parties.

Welcome to John and Phyllis Ray who, at this writing, are planning on moving into unit 205 of our building. We look forward to bumping into them at our unplanned elevator meetings.

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Guadeloupe (Sandie DeSalvo)

As usual we have gone from winter to summer in a blink of an eye here at Dolphin Cay. It's amazing how beautiful the flowering trees and shrubs are after such a cold and windy winter. It may be that a shot of cold is good for our plantings.

Rick and Beth Corwin had a wonderful trip to Egypt which included a cruise on the Nile River. Rick says he was glad to get out of Cairo! After returning from that trip they left for the island of Guadeloupe where they and a group of friends chartered a catamaran and sailed the waters of the Caribbean for seven days. Their daughter, Jennifer, presented them with their second grandchild on May 5. The baby who joins his brother, Jacob, is named Jordan.

Pat and Marty Miller are pleased to report that their daughter-in-law, Jan, is well on her way to recovery from the devastating brain aneurysm she suffered last spring. They are hoping that Jan will be coming to Dolphin Cay for a visit very soon. Pat and Marty want to express their thanks to all their neighbors and friends in Dolphin Cay who kept them, their son Michael, and Jan in their thoughts and prayers during these difficult past months.

Ed and Margaret Yatsko journeyed to New Jersey where they attended the graduation of their grandson from Drexel University as a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, CRNA for short. They also celebrated their daughter's and Margaret's birthdays while in New Jersey.

Guadeloupe Building welcomes Paul and Sharon Figarole. They are leasing the Dennison's condominium for at least a year. Originally hailing from the Baltimore-Washington, DC, area, they came to Dolphin Cay from Mount Dora, Florida. Paul works at the Food and Drug Administration as a Supervisor, Consumer Safety Officer. He has been with the FDA since 1974. Sharon is a very accomplished artist working with wood, paints, and needlework. Paul's mother, Marie, will be spending time with them during the winter months. Marie has five children, two in Florida and three up north, and spends the year visiting them.

Sandie and Joe DeSalvo will be celebrating their fiftieth anniversary in Junel by taking a trip to Southeast Asia visiting Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, and Viet Nam.

Single Family Homes (Bob Stoffels)

Jack and Arlene Schierholz have been doing their share of traveling. Last summer they were on The World for two trips – the first to the Bering Sea and into Russia, and the second to Asia where they walked the Great Wall in Beijing, walked in Tiannamen Square, and visited the Forbidden City. Naturally they also checked out the terra cotta warriors. This summer things will be a bit quieter. They will be playing golf in Colorado, and eagerly awaiting their 11th grandchild in October.

Bob and Jan Stoffels recently returned from a repositioning cruise. They went from Fort Lauderdale, across the Atlantic, to Madeira (nice wine), then on to Spain, France, Corsica, Sicily, Albania, Croatia, and Italy. Included in the Italy

segment was Naples, Rome, and finally Venice. Fortunately they missed the volcano ash problem by a couple of days . And of great interest – on the first day they encountered John and Martha Schoeppner, from Dominica. Half way around the world and you meet neighbors!

John and Patricia Gehron report: Our daughter is an equestrian jumper and spent a month and a half competing in Wellington, FL, near Palm Beach. We drove to see her and realized there is no easy way there from here! If anyone has a favorite way of going I'm all ears. We went to Ft. Meyers and across on 80.

This from Jerry and Suanne Eatman: Our daughter, Amanda, is home for the summer after enjoying her first year at the University of Florida majoring in Marketing. She is currently a Marketing Intern, at the UF Counseling & Wellness Center and Assistant Director of Feedback, UF ACCENT Speakers Bureau.

Amanda is going to be a sophomore and is looking forward to Gator football which she and her father dearly love. This summer we will be spending time in St. Petersburg in addition to Singer Island, Sanibel, and West Virginia. June is the annual family trip to Sanibel with our four children and six grandchildren ages 1 to 10 years old to enjoy some fun in the sun, bike riding and fishing. Jerry and Amanda will be driving 13 hours in August to West Virginia on Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church's adult mission trip to build homes for those in need.

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