



Accents

May-August

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Directors Corner

Frank Phillips

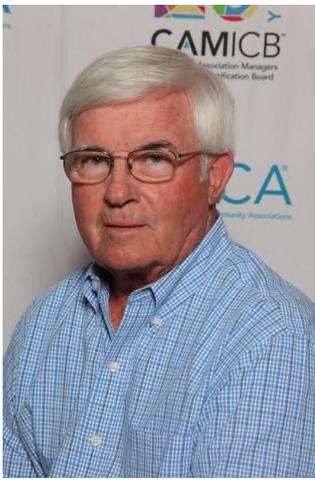
Well, another season is quickly coming to a close--annual General Meetings, farewell get-togethers and the annual 'Clean-Out-The-Fridge and Freezer' socials, have taken place. People have reminisced about the good times here at Maple Leaf and spoken of their upcoming plans for the summer. They are already looking forward to returning for the 2018-2019 season—of which the highlight will be the unveiling of our rejuvenated golf course.

When we leave and travel to our northern homes, many of us wonder what is happening down here. There was a time long ago when communication consisted of telegraph, telephone and tell-a- friend. Today social media has taken over. Facebook, Pinterest, Snapchat, Instagram, etc. are the norm, along with text messages and email. Tell-a- friend usually works, but on occasion, the message gets mixed up resulting in something that has little relationship to what was actually said.

Here are a few points on keeping in touch and staying informed. I suggest you regularly check our corporate web site, <http://mapleleafgcc.net/> for updates on the golf course, homes available for rent or sale, or general information on Maple Leaf. Word of mouth advertising, backed up by the information on our web site are two of the best ways to attract people to this life- style community. Also, signing up for the **electronic copy of Accents**, will further enhance your ability to receive timely updates of important information.

I'm sure we all felt helpless when Hurricane Irma was making her way up the south-west coast of Florida in September—her planned path right over top of our community. I, like many of you, was following the storm's devastation by watching a national station's news coverage. Unfortunately, the broadcast was the same thing, over and over; had no local flavor to it, and the projected results were gloomy at best. In keeping with the tools available over the internet I was able to access a local news station's web site and download their weather app. The app provided a real-time update on Irma's progress through Charlotte County. Once Irma passed by our area, emails started to filter through from year-round residents as well as ML staff with timely updates on the condition of our park.

In closing, while you are away, please make use of the technology available to communicate with ML, your friends and the Board of Directors. Stay safe and enjoy your summer wherever your travels may take you.



General Manager

John Bradley

May 2018

The pace of the Park has slowed considerably since most of the snowbirds have departed. From my perspective it was overall a great season. A brief update of some subjects follows:

WEATHER. April has produced warm and above average temperatures, but there has been little rain. This pattern is just a continuation of the recent months with higher temperatures and below average rainfall. We have only received 4.3 inches of rain to date for 2018 and the average would be 9 inches. Many of the counties in Southwest and Central Florida are under fire danger warnings. The lake levels are currently low so we continue to purchase effluent water from Charlotte County to keep enough water in the lakes for irrigation.

HURRICANE SEASON. This August 13th will be the 14th anniversary of Hurricane Charley. It destroyed over 450 homes and damaged almost all the others in Maple Leaf. We must always be prepared. Please do not be complacent because 11 of the past 13 hurricane seasons were inactive. The Gulf of Mexico water temperature is rising and warm water temperatures are the source of energy for hurricanes. Have you secured all loose objects on your lot? Do you have provisions if we lose power for a number of days? Do you have a plan to evacuate the Park? It is unlikely that County Emergency Management will permit manufactured home communities to remain occupied if a major hurricane is forecast. **HAVE A PLAN; BE PREPARED. DON'T BE COMPLACENT AND THINK IT WILL NOT HAPPEN AGAIN!**

LOT CARE. The much hotter weather, humidity, and frequent rains are just over the horizon. The spring and summer months produce a growth rate five times the winter rate. Grass and weeds can grow six inches a week. The Corporation only mows and trims lots; we do not maintain gardens, planters, shrubs, etc. Homeowners are responsible to ensure that your lot is maintained in your absence. Violations will be reported to the homeowner, not those who have been designated to care for the lot.

CLUBHOUSE CLOSURE. The Queensway Center is now closed until the end of September to conserve utility costs. It will be open and available for special events. Obviously, it will also be available as a storm shelter and refuge center unless the County declares a mandatory evacuation of mobile home parks.

PROJECTS. Each year we have many, many capital projects usually approaching the total monetary value of \$500,000. This year is obviously different with the addition of the \$1,400,000 golf course construction project. In addition to the golf course one of the large approved capital projects this year is the milling and repaving of Beaver Lane, McKenzie Lane

(partial), and Queens Court. Additionally, we will be resurfacing eight shuffleboard courts, resurfacing the Kiddie Pool, purchasing new management software, and purchasing various pieces of motorized equipment.

UPDATES. There will not be another “Accents” until September. I will provide periodic updates over the summer when required via the “Accents” email address and our editor, Donna Sheppard. If not registered please contact Donna at mlaccents910@hotmail.com. Other sources of Park information are CH 195; the CH 195 website, www.mlgcctv.com; and the Park Website, www.mapleleafgcc.net. As most know the Park Website is packed with information.

RESTAURANT/SANDBAR OFF-SEASON SCHEDULE. We are now on a limited summer schedule due to decreased occupancy of the Park and the closure of the golf course. The Sandbar opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 2 p.m. daily except for Tuesday Happy Hours and Thursday Wings Nights. The Sandbar and Country Club are closed on Sundays.

GOLF COURSE. Please see Golf & Grounds Superintendent Nancy Miller’s article in this edition on the golf course rejuvenation. It has been proceeding at a very rapid pace – good weather is helping. You can view the progress on our website. I commend Superintendent Nancy Miller and Assistant Superintendent John Carpenter for all the hours they are working to oversee the golf course construction. The construction is going on six days a week and Nancy and/or John have been here from before 6 a.m. until sometimes as late as 8 p.m. daily. They are salaried and do not receive overtime pay.

SALES ACTIVITY. Since the beginning of 2018 there have been 27 home sales through April 20th and another 11 pending in later months for a total of 38 to date. This is just slightly below the 2017 total on this date of 41. The average sales price of a post hurricane home (2004 or later) is \$151,935. The average sales price of a heritage home is \$98,889. We encourage homeowners to utilize the Park Sales Office as your Corporation shares in that commission income. Our sales associates have the advantages of a Sales Office in the Park, a display board outside the Pro Shop, the Park website, the use of CH 195, multi-passenger golf carts, and other resources. The Park Sales Office will transition soon to posted summer hours. Your telephone calls will always be forwarded to the on-call sales associate.

RENTAL WEBSITE. Seldom a day goes by that there are not telephone inquiries about renting in Maple Leaf during the winter; we refer them to our rental website. Our rental website is extremely popular. Some homes are rented within hours of appearing on the website. Homes in Maple Leaf can rent for up to \$3,000 monthly during the winter. If you do not anticipate occupying your home during all or part of the season, then you might consider using the website. If interested, please call Debi in the Park Office at 625-3130.

MAPLE LEAF 2019 HARDCOPY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY. Any changes for the 2019 Directory should be submitted by September 15th. If we don’t have your disclosure form authorization then we can only print your name(s), local address,

lot number, and telephone numbers in the published directory. We need your authorization to print northern address and email addresses. An owner may exclude the telephone numbers by requesting in writing to the Park Office. If you edit your own information in the website directory you will still have to notify the Park Office for changes in the hardcopy directory.

Have a great summer. Thanks to the volunteers who do so much to make our community great.

FINANCES AT A GLANCE			
MONTH ENDING MARCH 31 2018			
	YTD	YTD	YTD
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
REVENUE			
PARK	927,811	902,140	25,671
GOLF	304,880	294,094	10,786
SALES	10,747	24,650	(13,903)
SB/CC	200,561	176,895	23,666
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 1,443,999	\$ 1,397,779	\$ 46,220
EXPENSES			
PARK	735,115	773,811	(38,696)
GOLF	236,366	250,118	(13,752)
SALES	3,653	6,898	(3,245)
SB/CC	193,622	176,383	17,239
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 1,168,756	\$ 1,207,210	\$ (38,454)
REVENUE TO EXPENSE	\$ 275,243	\$ 190,569	\$ 84,674
YTD CHANGE IN CASH POSITION			
YTD REVENUE TO EXPENSE	275,243		
ADD BACK DEPREC/AMORT	144,629		
ADD CERTIFICATE SALES	40,000		
LESS MORTGAGE PRINCIPAL	(68,003)		
LESS CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	(47,551)		
ADD ADVANCE ON MORTGAGE	-		
BALANCE SHEET ADJUSTMENTS	(160,046)		
YTD CASH FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 184,272		
CASH POSITION 12/31/17	\$ 4,342,505		
ADDED (USED)	\$ 184,272		
ENDING CASH BALANCE 2/28/18	\$ 4,526,777		



Grounds Superintendent

Nancy Miller

Accents

May 2018

We've been consumed with the golf course renovation and the additional residential mainline installation, so this report will be based on updating you on those fronts.

It's been crazy-busy out here! As in any construction with multiple contractors, each must find their rhythm, separately and working together. We've had a few glitches but now we're flowing relatively smoothly.

PARK IRRIGATION

The new 6" HDPE (High Density Polyethylene) pipe has been installed from golf course hole 18 then across the west side of the humpback bridge and is tied into our existing mainline behind lot 17 with a pressure reducing valve. The contractor bored from the drainage swale at hole 17, under the swale, under the lots and connected on the west side of the bridge. We are also going to install an air vent in the pipe at the peak of the humpback.

One major incident: On Saturday, April 14, at the pump station, our old 6" steel pipe split apart with a 17" crack. Luckily, staff was on-site and shut the pumps off quickly, avoiding major damage to the pump station and surrounding areas. We have moved this pipe replacement up in the contractor's schedule and coordinated with our pump station experts to provide park irrigation as soon as possible. Today, Monday, April 23, the pump station lines are being replaced and we expect to have park irrigation back on by Thursday. Of course, it is the dry season, and lawns are feeling the heat. This is in the existing scope of work, we are just changing the timeline.

While our pump people are here today, we are also removing the Phase 1 pump station behind lot 14. We are keeping the underground connections and installing a valve to allow testing the lines as necessary.

PARK DRAINAGE

We will be replacing a section of large drain pipe behind lots 890, 892 and 893. The existing pipe didn't extend far enough into the lake and we found dirt and stone had collapsed around the end blocking the outflow.

We have also scheduled repair work in 3 places at seawalls on Queensway around pipes between lakes.

PARK LANDSCAPE

Golf course staff has been working with Landscapers on a massive Garden Club project behind the Can-Am. We are refurbishing all of the beds by removing old shrubs, old mulch and old soil. We are not re-planting yet because of the lack of irrigation and rainfall.

They have also removed and replaced the muhly grass on the west side of humpback bridge, replaced old mulch in the country club parking lot, removed and re-sodded the Country Club and Queensway Center lawns and worked on the waterfall plantings for the Fire Club.

With the lack of irrigation/rainfall, we must hand water all of the sod, our newly planted memorial trees and the replanted muhly grass.

GOLF COURSE

Construction is on schedule even though we switched priorities on the irrigation schedule. To date, holes 1 through 11 have rough shaping done. All of the greens, including lawn bowling, are stripped. Greens mix is in at holes 1-10 and PG. They are also working on drainage on holes 5, 6, 7, 1 and 4!

Tees have been lowered in height, moved closer to cartpaths and enlarged as much as possible given cartpath and materials constraints.

Irrigation has been installed at 5, 6 and 7. Next up are holes 1, 2, 3 and 4. When we have irrigation on the greens, they'll be fumigated to control existing weed seeds, nematodes and destructive fungae.

Unfortunately, we did need to remove the large tree (*Ficus aurea*) at #4 green. The roots were massive and had already invaded the green and shifted the cart path. The root mass and shady characteristic of that particular tree make it extremely invasive and destroys the grass under it. We do have another ficus and an oak immediately adjacent to this one which will now spread to cover the vacant space.

Maple Leaf Staff tasks during this phase of construction:

- With Wade, facilities staff, re-sided the golf course rest room with vinyl siding and trim.
- With Wade, facilities staff, re-decking the golf course bridges.
- Stripped the perimeter and plinth boards from the lawn bowling green to be re-used by Bocci and Garden Club.
- Removed all golf course sprinkler heads, valves and control boxes. These will be sold to a used irrigation equipment dealer.
- Removed "Titlest Tree" (pineapple palm) from #4 and counted the golf balls for future raffle.
- Trimmed trees and removed certain trees that blocked play. (We have capital budget monies to replace these and plant more.)
- As previously stated, worked with staff landscapers on park projects.
- Assisted irrigation contractor.
- Assisted Charlotte County with locating the sewer force main which runs through the golf course on holes 1,4,7,8 and 10.
- Assisted Charlotte County with locating our re-claim water line.
- Assisted contractor in locating greens drains.
- Removed split old split 6-in steel pipe with solid concrete thrust block and 8-in mainline from main pump station.
- Removed 8 feet of 8-in old steel pipe with flange and butterfly valve in main pump station.
- Assisted contractors installing new steel pipe, flanges, butterfly valve.
- Assisted contractors installing new 8-in HDPE to main pump station.
- Disconnected Phase 1 pump station from residential irrigation system.
- Assisted contractor in removing pump station skid and loading on trailer.

A great deal of work has been done in just 3 weeks.

Thank you for the great turnout on our first tour of the construction site!

I've got to run...they're removing the old Phase 1 pump station!!

Enjoy your summer!



Presidents Corner

Rick Hull

Most of our snowbirds have headed north for the summer. Maple Leaf had a very busy winter season and now with many residents gone you can certainly see the difference in activities and traffic. Many of the snowbirds are probably wishing they had not left as early as they did because they encountered some bad weather on the roads and if they flew they were greeted with snow and cold weather. Those of us who live here all summer are having some nice weather and anticipate the start of our rainy season, but it hasn't arrived yet. Hopefully our northern residents will soon be enjoying the warmth and sun of summer.

As promised, on April 2nd at 7:00 a.m. the golf course rejuvenation project got underway. Both contractors, construction and irrigation are moving along at a great pace. With no significant rain yet they are making great progress. Due to the construction we had advertised to our remaining residents to please stay off the course but that first night about 50 or so golf carts went out on the course to take a peek at what was going on. There was even one gentleman who was teeing up a ball on the 15th tee for one last shot. There was so much curiosity that we arranged for a guided tour by Nancy Miller. All those interested lined up at 10:00 a.m. on the designated day and followed Nancy, staying in line so as to not drive into any of the holes that has already been dug on the course. There was so much interest by residents that a second tour was arranged for 1:00 p.m. that same day.

The Board of Directors as well as the Golf Committee wanted to save the big Fig Tree to the right of the 4th green. Many residents as well as myself were fond of this tree and arrangements were made to work around the root system during the rejuvenation in order to save the tree. Once they started digging up the 4th green and the 5th tee box it was discovered that the roots had already grown into both areas and it was determined by all parties involved that if the tree remained it would cause problems for the newly rejuvenated course and therefore the tree has been taken down.

Many other projects are also underway. The five tennis courts are being resurfaced and the shuffleboard courts at the Queensway will soon be resurfaced. Three bridges on the golf course are being rebuilt and the golf course bathrooms are getting a facelift. The lawn bowling green and side board are being replaced. Any deceased trees are being removed and landscaping projects around the park are being completed.

You can check out the progress of these projects by going onto the Maple Leaf web site (mlgctv.com) and reviewing the pictures that will be posted. Please enjoy your summer and get ready to enjoy another wonderful season upon your return in the fall.

Maple Leaf Web Report for the May-August Version

1. Alert Charlotte

Charlotte County has a feature called "Alert Charlotte" which allows people to receive voice, text or email notices of imminent severe weather. You may enroll for this service as follows:

- Log in to MapleLeafGcc.net
- click OUR COMMUNITY
- click HURRICANE INFORMATION AND DISASTER PLANNING
- click item 14. ALERT CHARLOTTE

2. St. Patrick's Day Parade

Thanks to Pat McEvoy for all her hard work.

We had 55 Parade Carts and sold 350 corn beef sandwiches.

You can see all the carts by:

- Log in to MapleLeafGcc.net
- Click MEMBERS
- Click HOME OWNERS MEETINGS PHOTOS
- Follow the prompts

3. Maple Leaf Facebook

If you don't already subscribe to Maple Leaf Facebook, you are missing pictures and stories of the great fun at Maple Leaf.

Danny Adam and others put up pictures for things like St. Patrick's Day Parade, events at the Country Club and the Craft Show.

If you join, you will be notified by email of new items. You can just click on the link that comes with the email. If you would like to comment or add pictures of your own, you may do so.

If you would like to join, please send an email to Danny Adam at dannyonlcc@yahoo.com or Mike Smith at support@mapleleafgcc.net

4. Accents Newsletter Evolution

In the last few years, the Accents Newsletter has gone from a double column, black and white and low picture issue to a single column, high color, high picture and professional issue.

Our congratulations to Donna Sheppard for this great evolution.

Note: the color version of the Accents is only available in the digital version which comes to you by email. If you have not already enrolled for the digital version of the Accents, you may enroll as follows:

- Log in to MapleLeafGcc.net
- Click on ACCENTS LIST, ADD YOUR NAME
- Follow the prompts

5. Country Club, Give Us A Try

If you have not been to the Country Club lately, please give it a try.

Its under new management and people who used to eat outside are coming back and are pleasantly surprised.

Please see our ad elsewhere in this issue. And thanks to Phil Bamforth who helped us with a thumb drive full of food pictures which we used for the ad.

6. Maple Leaf Historical Group

Our committee of Tom Kanigan, Chairman; Cindy Shannon, Secretary; Jim Ritchie, Dorothy Mumby, Mike Smith and Bill O'Hare is going strong.

We are going to focus on interviewing people who came here before 1990. They best understand our history and will not be here very much longer.

So far we have received some old Accents issues and some great pictures which we are sure you will find interesting. In times gone by, the Accents was 6-8 pages, versus 30 pages today.

If you have people you would like us to interview, please contact Jim Ritchie at jcritchie@sympatico.ca .

7. Web Development Support

The Pickle Ball Club has developed their own web site using a package called "Weebly". This allows them to manage their own web site.

Other Clubs may want to convert to their own web site but don't know how to do it. So we are looking for people who know HTML or who are willing to learn HTML. These people could then help Clubs manage their own web sites. If you would like to help, please contact Mike Smith at support@mapleleafgcc.net

8. ID Photos

We are so pleased to get such great photos for our On-Line Directory Profiles.

If you would like to have your photo included in your profile in our On-Line Directory, please email your photo to Mike Smith at support@mapleleafgcc.net .

And have a good summer.

Mike Smith, Web Manager, MapleLeafGcc.net

Mardi Gras Party In The Park

Pat McEvoy

Lawn Bowling Club

The Lawn Bowling Club is hosting the first every Mardi Gras In the Park on March 7th, 2019. It will take place outside on the deck and around the whole of the area. It will be from 2:00 pm to 7:00pm. There will be lots of fun, food and entertainment all afternoon. We have lots of Mardi Gras decorations and beads to get you into the mood. Keep that date open for a great day. For more information contact Pat McEvoy patmcevoy987@yahoo.co.uk

Entertainment Committee

Pat & Miles McEvoy

By the time you read this many of you will be away from Maple Leaf. We want to thank you for all your support for the season in the Country Club. It has been great fun and we were able to book lots of good entertainment with your generous tips. We have lots of plans in place for next season so keep healthy and you can enjoy the following events.

Wings & Things will start the entertainment on Thursday 8th November and will be every week until 11th April 2019

- There will be a Name That Trivia Night with a buffet & dancing
- Several dinner shows.
- Prime rib dinners with entertainment.
- Many Saturday nights with food & entertainment.
- Return of the Valentine Dinner & Irish Pub night.

There are many new entertainers booked and many of your favorites.

See you in November.

Maple Leaf Tennis Club Report- Greg Freeman

Tennis League - Ladies - submitted by Margie Brannen

The Ladies Tennis League comprised of six teams with the **3.5B Gram Slammers** placing third in their division and the **2.5 Match Makers** placing second in their division. Next season we will have approximately 50 players competing in five divisions.

During our year end banquet we had seven ladies among the door prize winners. There were around 350 ladies who enjoyed their luncheon at the Punta Gorda conference Center.

If you are interested in the Ladies League, please contact the Ladies Liaison for information –

Margie Brannen - 941 - 627- 2225

Have an enjoyable summer.

Tennis League - Mens - submitted by Jeff Papiez

The Peace River Men's Tennis League included 7 teams from Maple Leaf. This year we went through a major realignment of teams, assisted by the club pro. We had 4 of our teams finish in the top three in their respective divisions. **A2 - Maple Leaf Red** and **B2 - Maple Leaf Green** both finished 2nd in their divisions and **B1 - Maple Leaf Blue** and **B4 - Maple Leaf Crimson** finished in 3rd place in their divisions. Congratulations to the all teams for their successful year and for their efforts in being wonderful ambassadors for Maple Leaf. Many of the visiting teams often comment about the enthusiasm for tennis at Maple Leaf and the number of spectators who come out to watch both the men and ladies league games on Thursday and Friday mornings. At the year end banquet, in addition to the presentation of the certificates, Richard C., Rick D., and Ron St. G were fortunate to win prizes during the lucky draw. Next year, the Peace River Men's League is introducing a NEW division for those players OVER 75 who are still interested in playing competitively, but in a less demanding division. To date, there are four teams registered in the division, including one from Maple Leaf.

If you are interested in the Men's League, please contact the Men's Liaison for information - Jeff Papiez - 941 - 249 - 9444 or jpapiez@bell.net

Tennis Court Improvements -submitted by Lindsay Brannen

The Tennis Club is again, giving a contribution of \$10,000 to The Maple Leaf corporation to help with the resurfacing of the five tennis courts. To protect the rubberized surface and keep these courts the finest in the area, a resurfacing is required about every five years. That is one of the reasons we ask that all players wear proper tennis shoes, when on the courts.

The resurfacing consists of three layers of dark blue and forest green acrylic latex color wear material and is expected to be completed late in April.

This is another example of the Tennis Club supporting the Maple Leaf Community. Many thanks to the Tennis Court Improvement Committee for their time, effort and researching to put forward ideas to the membership and see them to fruition to make the use of the tennis facilities at Maple Leaf more enjoyable.

Tennis Club Membership - submitted by Peter Murphy

Maple Leaf has a vibrant Tennis Club. There are a variety of opportunities to play tennis, from recreational ladder play for Women's, Men's and Mixed Doubles, a variety of tournaments held over the course of the season, and for those players who would like to play competitively, there is an over 55 League for both Men and Women. In addition to weekly practice, there is also a team lesson each week for the league players, given by our club pro. If you are interested in tennis but feel that you would benefit from a basic refresher course, come out to our **Taste of Tennis Program** in the fall. There will be more information in the November ACCENTS. We have a mentor program as well for new members to the tennis club to orient you to tennis at Maple Leaf.

Our membership currently stands at 227 - 193 playing members, 31 associate members, and 3 honorary members. The annual dues remain at \$40.00 for playing and \$20.00 for associate members.

Members can register on line at any time. Membership money will be collected at the opening Wine and Cheese in early November. The on-line form can be completed and sent to:

mltcmembership@gmail.com

Tennis Club members are asked to please keep us updated on any changes to your contact information.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL - submitted by Phil Scott

On March 14th we held our annual Strawberry Festival in the CanAm and surrounding areas. We served over 1100 shortcakes to residents and visitors over a period of just 2 hours. Musical entertainment was furnished by **Diversity**, and our thanks go out to “**Me, The Magician**”, and “**Face Painting by Lynn Jenkins**” for keeping our younger guests occupied. We would also like to thank our corporate sponsors; All Florida Weather Proofing, Cart City, Harlan Domber, Esq., Harrell Fertilizer, R & L Construction, and Tri County Air Conditioning, for their support.

Finally, a sincere Thank You goes out to all the wonderful volunteers who, once again, stepped up to make this event such a success.

Photo Club

Betsy and Dennis Ausel

The Maple Leaf Photo Club enjoyed being part of the Maple Leaf Arts and Crafts Fair in April. Our competition, “The People’s Choice” Photo contest had over 60 photos and over 1000 votes! We were pleased not only with the number of participants who entered photos this year, but also that Maple Leafers showed interest and took the time to vote.

Overall, there were a number of very nice photos of varying subjects. The “People” chose the following photos as the winners:

1st Place: Duplicity by Donna Schmader, 2nd Place: Sunset At Charlotte Harbor by Jeannine Dykstra, 3rd Place: Migrating Monarchs by Jeannine Dykstra.

There were four *honorable mentions* going to **Roberta Overland** for her photo titled Florida Kayaking, **Marcie Vajcovec** for Lake Magic, **Phyllis Dagleish** for Taste Test and **Alan Townsend** for Taking Off.

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We are looking forward to next season’s club events and invite all photo buffs to join us! Our first meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00 p.m.** in the **Can Am** building.



Vlogging, Blogging and Having Fun (YouTube, Instagram, blogs, etc.)

Donna Sheppard V.P. Activities

If you remember last month we had an article about a cooking demonstration to be held next season. I mentioned that it would be fun to meet some of our resident bloggers or YouTube presenters and enjoy their presentations. As we delve deeper and deeper into the world of global media, more of our residents will take flight in this new kind of "Activity". Here are a couple of Tubers.



Hi Folks.

My name is Pete Myers. I was a career firefighter for twenty-eight years in Ontario, Canada and I used to love cooking for the crew. A couple of years ago I hung up my boots and now I'm cooking for the world...or at least for anybody who checks out my cooking videos on YouTube. Simple and delicious: that's my approach to food. When I was cooking at the firehall I was often asked to share my recipes; so, this past November I created a channel on YouTube, called - 'In the Kitchen with Pete.' To date, I've completed over 20 cooking videos featuring my favourite, fire-fighter approved recipes, ranging from

perfect poached eggs, to Toad-in-the-hole grilled cheese, to mouth-watering garlic mussels. I've really enjoyed making these videos and am incredibly pleased that thousands of people have viewed them. What a great hobby!

I'm so excited to announce a fun day of cooking 'In the Kitchen with Pete', set for next season, at the Queensway, on February 19, 2019. I'll be putting on a cooking instructional and eating event from 11am-2pm. You'll learn the recipes, the techniques, and then (the best part) we'll sit down and enjoy the meal together. This coming December I'll announce the details of the dishes we'll be creating. With all the eager participants we have here at MLGCC you'll need to secure your space early. There will be limited seating of 30 people and the cost will be around \$20. Any profits will be donated within the park.

My wife Kelly will be in the kitchen with me as well that day, helping out, but we'll still need a few more hands to assist with serving etc. If you're interested in that, or you have a question about the event, please call me at 905-339-9324 or email me: inthekitchenwithpete@gmail.com

Have a great summer! Let's get together soon, 'In the Kitchen with Pete.'

Paperdreamer 1 AKA Donna Sheppard

Hi all, I am an avid YouTuber and blogger since 2011. My YouTube channel is called paperdreamer1 as my first videos deal exclusively with paper crafts. I have been crafting all my life. Knitting, Crochet, sewing etc. I remember the frustration of those trying to teach me as I am left handed and work everything kinda backwards. Over the years I have tried hundreds of different crafts and can honestly say I mastered none. It sure is fun though. A few years ago, I discovered YouTube. The crafting was a great therapy for my stressful job as an RN. Being the shy person that I am (NOT), I love doing the videos and tutorials. I also deal with my weight-loss struggles and share the ups and downs (literally). This summer I will be re-vamping my blog. Currently it has not been used for a while but can be seen at donnasdreamworks.blogspot.com.

Stop by and view some of my videos.

Finally, don't forget to check out the Maple Leaf Facebook page to see all kinds of pictures and posts written by out residents.



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PICKLE BALL CLUB

PARTY IN THE PARK

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018

The success of the past Party in the Park events is a testament to the founders of the 'Party' on how to bring many clubs and guests together for a well-liked community gathering.

Maple Leaf Pickleball Club is excited to sponsor this event and plan to welcome our returning winter residents to join the full-time residents with a fun-filled 2018 Party in the Park

Guests will enjoy their community listening to music, dancing and enjoying their friend's while sipping wine, beer, both soft drinks and alcoholic drinks and eating some of the vendors offering.

This year look for door prizes, competitions and perhaps a club exhibition here and there. Many clubs will have a chance to showcase what they do and how they cook!

Pickleball

Tom Kanigan, Past President

A very successful inaugural season on our new courts has come to an end, and the Executive is busy planning the 2018-19 season in which we will launch two new modalities of play. The Team League will involve teams of 8 players each of all skill levels (Beginner, Intermediate, Intermediate Plus and Advanced) and will begin Saturday, November 10, 2018. A Singles Ladder will start on Monday, November 12, 2018. The rules for each are posted on our club website, which also includes the schedule for next year.

Members who have not yet signed up for the Team League or Singles Ladder are encouraged to do so as soon as possible if you wish to play in November. Just email Chris Garner at chris162@gmail.com with either PB Team League or PB Singles Ladder as the subject and provide your name and phone number.

Our new club website, <https://mapleleafpickleballclub.weebly.com>, will be our primary means of communicating with members in future, and all current and potential members should bookmark this site and consult it regularly.

Our fees for next year remain unchanged: \$30 for the season; \$20 for a two-month membership; \$10 for a one-month membership. Non-members who play during scheduled club times pay \$4 per day. Our first Membership Drive will be on Sunday, November 11, 2018, starting at 2 PM on the CanAm Deck, and will include a Social.

This year our membership exceeded 180, and players used the courts throughout the day on most days. We played over 12,000 games. If this level of membership and court utilization is sustained in 2018-19, the Club will be proposing the construction of two more courts next to the current courts, as well as lighting on all four courts.

The Pickleball Club is pleased to sponsor Party in the Park, which this year is scheduled for Monday, December 10, 2018. Details about the Party are elsewhere in this issue of Accents.

I wish everybody a safe and happy summer and hope most of our members continue pickling up North.

Hole in One Report for May Accents

Sheridan Yetman

The final Hole in One for this season (2017/2018) was held at the Queensway Center on Wednesday, April 4th, 2018. There were many members in attendance, including the Board of Directors and their partners of Maple Leaf. A special warm welcome was extended to them for all they do for Maple Leaf Golf & Country Club.

A big thank you was also extended to David Warren and Ken Facer in their absence, but nevertheless, their efforts and involvement during the season was very much appreciated.

To conclude the hole in one for this season, there was a total of 50 gifts awarded to lucky members of the club, who went away with big smiles on their faces.

The lucky recipient of the 50/50 draw of \$235 was Mr. Dwight Hesson - Congratulations Dwight!

A very hardy round of applause was extended to the Hole in One Committee for a wonderful year by all in attendance. The committee extends a very happy summer to all and we will see you in the Fall.

HAPPY TRAVELS TO ALL WHEREVER YOU GO!!

Arts & Crafts Club

Carole Hebert, president 258-8924

Another wonderful, challenging and active season for our Arts & Crafts Club. Registration, mini registration, workshops, Holiday Bazaar, Executive meetings, General meetings, Arts & Crafts Show, Appreciation Dinner and planning next season all kept a dedicated group of hardworking members quite involved and busy.

Special thanks and congratulations to Barb Braithwaite for the best of the best Arts & Crafts Show. All season long Barb worked incessantly to set up her 4th show as show convener. Barb, you set the bar high in dealing with all aspects of putting on a wonderful show. Again, this year your hard work resulted in a super great show. every year we hear comments about the show being the best ever and the next year it's even better! We are so fortunate to have so many talented people in our community.

Many thanks to all teachers and assistant teachers for your dedication and for sharing your talent to allow our members to create such beautiful masterpieces. Our sincere appreciation to all Executive Board members, Carol Hebert, Carol Coglan, Holly Paulsen, Barb Dunsmore, Kathryn Garrett, Ruth Ann Fifer, Betty Stringer and Lise Boudreau for their time and countless energy. Special thanks to Betty Stringer who terminates her mandate on the board. Welcome aboard Diane Shimmons who embarks as director on the club board.

To all have a great summer! Safe travels! Look out for the Arts & Crafts class descriptions and schedules in the November Accent. If you have not arrived for registration, ask a friend or neighbour to sign you up.

Thank You

We would like to thank the friends and neighbors of Maple Leaf particularly the Garden Club and the Ruby Gems for their kind wishes and prayers throughout this difficult time in our lives.

Sincerely,
The family of Bob Brunelli

Deaths

March

Sally Bostad Formally of 592
Tom McKennell 619
Edward Forsey 419



Welcome to the Country Club

We have been under new management and our customers have been giving us excellent feedback on our new menus.



The secret is we order our food and ingredients fresh and cook it the way you like it.

People who used to go to outside restaurants are coming back to the Country Club.



If you have not been coming out to the Country Club, please give us a try. We are sure you will be presently surprised.

