

## The Retreat Newsletter November/December 2013 Volume 10, Issue 5

## WHAT IS ON YOUR BUCKET LIST?



#### What's on my "Bucket List"

By Marlene Boobar

Most important to me on my "bucket list" is to create loving memories that my grandchildren will keep of their Grammy "Boo." When I was a little girl, I had an Aunt Theresa whom always made me feel special. I felt loved. I remember a warm feeling of being cared about...one that I still feel today as an adult every time I think of her. My Aunt Theresa sometimes would take me (*just me*) on trips. How special was that?!

Today, I have four grandchildren. How lucky I am to have two living close by at the Oaks, and the other two I enjoy when visiting in Maine. Two years ago, when there were just two grandchildren, we planned a family Disney cruise. Annabelle then four and Griffin then three still remember and talk about going on the "big boat."

In three years, when those new little ones each turn four and the older ones turn nine and eight respectively, I would like to take them all on another family cruise. I would very much like to create that memory for them and myself. The intention is for both young families to simply enjoy each other with a fun, carefree vacation. Those four grandchildren will remember a special time of fun with a Grammy "Boo" who just loves them. When they become adults, perhaps they will feel that special warm feeling of a time with their family when they vacationed all together on the "big boat." *I'm saving up!!* 



#### WAR MEMORIALS

By Alan Benson

I want to visit three war memorials this year. They are: Gettysburg, the Arizona



memorial including the Punchbowl, and Normandy beaches and cemeteries.



## SEE THE REST OF THE USA

By Wally Malinowski

I would like to visit all the states that we have not yet been to. The states are Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Wyoming, and North and South Dakota. Our plans are to visit them next summer.



GAM ALERT! Can you guess whose legs they belong to? For the answer to this question, go to page 3.

#### WILDLIFE IN THE RETREAT

By Bill and Elaine Sandilos



Top picture—This fellow likes to perch on the sill of the window in our front door. He's not shy about looking right in at us.



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Top picture—This beautiful doe emerged from the preserve behind our house while we were having dinner in the lanai. She stared at us for some time, then darted away. I think she may be a friend of the raccoon. (The picture of the raccoon was in the last Retreat Newsletter.)

Left picture—Elaine and I were biking one day last January when we encountered two turtles sunning themselves in the middle of the street at the Glacier-Retreat circle. I picked them up and moved them back to the pond.



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such wonderful friends.

Sincerely, Elaine Anderson

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Father & Son (Tom & Ben D'Avanzo) showing off their garters

## RETREAT TENNIS TEAM STEPS UP IN RED STILETTOS

By Tom D'Avanzo

It's that time of year again when a few brave men of the tennis group venture forth out of the closet to display their hidden talent/yearning to walk in red high heel shoes - - - for the benefit of **SafeSpace**, a shelter for victims of domestic violence. Stepping right up are **Bill Burns (Wild Bill), Tom Morea (Buddha), Joe Perry (Pepperoni Joe) and yours truly**. These brave soles, mean souls, were the stalwart representatives of the **Retreat's Tennis Group** with ample support coming from over 20 tennis players. Last year the tennis group raised \$535 for this worthy cause, but this year the players kicked up their heels and contributed an amazing **\$1,000!** Much fun was had in the process as evidence by the photos.



The Line UP: left
to right -- Joe
Elson, Tom
D'Avanzo, Ben
D'Avanzo (our
tennis screen
manager), Tom
Morea, Joe
Perry, Bill Burns
and George
Harris

#### **MORNING FOLK**

By Chuck Eschenburg

There seems to be more activity in the morning as I bicvcle South on Hawks Nest Court.

I often almost run into **VIRGINIA DARCY** who prefers the presumably softer asphalt of the street instead of the concrete sidewalk. Virginia was a long time New York gal, born there, raised in Westchester and working there for many years as an executive secretary and assistant. In 1987, she enjoyed the snowbird life between New York and Florida. Then, in 1992, she and her late husband became permanent Floridians. There were four moves before settling in The Retreat. Virginia says, "Just keep moving so the dust doesn't settle on you." Meaning, I think,---walking but not changing homes. She has done this many mornings when health allows it.

**HEIDI WICHMANN** is seen most mornings with a broom sweeping her immaculate garage, or carrying little Schatzy, her tiny Yorkshire pooch. Heidi grew up on a large farm in the Hamburg area of Germany where they had cattle, corn, all sorts of things including weeds. She then went to work for Lufthansa airlines, travelling all over the world to places like New Zealand and Africa before being stationed in New York. Used to rising early for work as she did for 38 years, she continues to get up and enjoy the mornings with her Schatzy and neighbors..

She says, "Follow the rules--But ENJOY the Peace!"



#### 2014 RELAY FOR LIFE OF HOBE SOUND

By Lill Malinowski

The Relay For Life of South Martin has been renamed to the Relay For Life of Hobe Sound! We already have a date, site, and theme for this 2014 Relay:

Saturday, April 05, 2014 at 6:00PM till
Sunday, April 06 at 6:00AM
Martin County Kartway
5400 SE Bridge Road, Hobe Sound
Theme: Racing to the finish line to finish the flight!

This will be the tenth year that **The Retreat Remembers... Team** will be participating. We have a very ambitious goal of raising \$10,000 this Relay.

We need your help in supporting our fundraisers. We continue to sell Retreat logo items: polo shirts, t-shirts, caps, visors, bags and towels. The contact person is Dottie Williams at 546.3866.



Wally Malinowski is again selling Enjoyment Books. The books are \$35 with \$10 per book going to the American Cancer Society. Wally can be reached at 545.3732.

On Sunday, December 1st, we will have our 9th Holiday Home Tour. This has been a successful fundraiser for our team. Residents

open up their homes and their hearts so others can see not only the holiday decor but also the improvements to their DiVosta homes. Each year the "honey do lists" get longer. The donation for this event is \$15. Please watch the bulletin boards and Channel 63 for dates that we will be selling the tickets. Or you can contact me at 545.3732. If you wish to have your home on the Tour, please let me know.

We are always looking for new team members. It is a very satisfying experience and a great way to meet new friends. Please join us in our fight against cancer.



#### LOST LAKE ADVENTURE CLUB

By Fred Dembowski

I organize the Lost Lake Adventure Club. We are going to begin our fifth season of activities in October. We have over 60 people in our email listing from The Lost Lake Golf Club, The Falls and the Arbors. We would welcome more. This is non-profit, with each person

paying their own expenses for admission, lunches, etc. I simply organize the activities. We usually have 18-24 people at each event. I would appreciate it if you would spread the word about these events. It is a great way to meet new friends and to explore the area. If you have any questions, please contact me.

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#### LOST LAKE ADVENTURE CLUB

2013 - 2014 Calendar

Saturday 11/9/2013	Kayaking, walk & picnic at Halpatiokee Park, Stuart
Thursday 11/14/2013	Shark Valley, Everglades \$20/person for tram ride
Thursday 12/5/2013	A Day at Riverbend Park, Jupiter
Saturday 12/14/2013	Dubois Wildlife Preserve & Barber/Barley Preserve
Thursday 1/9/2014	St. Lucie & McKee Botanical Gardens (Entrance Fees)
Saturday 1/18/2014	Fairchild Gardens, Coral Gables, FL (Entrance Fee)
Thursday 2/13/2014	Loxahatchee, Wakodahatchee, Green Cay, Boynton Beach
Saturday 2/22/2014	Lake Kissimmee State Park, Lake Wales

Thursday 3/13/2014	Hobe Sound Wildlife Mgt. Area, Hobe Sound & (if time) Short Hike Blowing Rocks Preserve, Jupiter Island	
Saturday 3/22/2014	Boat Trip to Bird Island \$35/person	
Thursday 4/10/2014	Oslo Riverfront Conservation Area, Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute & D.J. Wilcox Natural Area	
Saturday 4/19/2014	2.2 Mile Hike Fern Forest Nature Center, North Fort Lauderdale, Lunch (TBA), 1 Mile Hike At Secret Woods Nature Center, Ft. Lauderdale	
Thursday 5/8/2014	Swim/Snorkeling at Peanut Island \$10/person	
Saturday 5/17/2014	Key Biscayne National Park, Miami, tour & snorkeling (\$45/person)	

#### **Bathroom Wipes Put Drain on Nation's Sewage Systems**



Printed in the Palm Beach Post September 24, 2013

## Clogged drains coincide with sales push of towelettes By Carolyn Thompson

Bemus Point, NY - Increasingly popular bathroom wipes – pre-moistened towelettes that are often advertised as flushable – are being blamed for creating clogs and backups in sewer systems around the nation.

Wastewater authorities say wipes may go down the toilet, but even many labeled flushable aren't breaking down as they course through the sewer system. That's costing some municipalities millions of dollars to dispatch crews to unclog pipes and pumps and to replace and upgrade machinery.

The problem got so bad in this western New York community this summer that sewer officials set up traps – basket strainers in sections of pipe leading to an oft-clogged pump – to figure out which households the wipes were coming from. They mailed letters and then pleaded in person for resident to stop flushing them.

"We could walk right up, knock on the door and say, 'Listen, this problem is coming right from your house,'" said Tom Walsh, senior project coordinator at South and Center Chautauqua Lake Sewer Districts.

The National Association of Clean Water Agencies, which represents 300 wastewater agencies, says it has been hearing complaints about wipes from sewer systems big and small for about four years.

That roughly coincides with the ramped-up marketing of the "flushable cleansing cloths" as a cleaner, fresher option than dry toilet paper alone. A trade group says wipes are a \$6 billion-a-year industry, with sales increasing nearly 5 percent a year since 2007 and expected to grow at a rate of 6 percent annually for the next five years.

Manufacturers insist wipes labeled flushable aren't the problem, pointing instead to baby and other cleaning wipes marked as nonflushable that are often being used by adults.

"My team regularly goes sewer diving" to analyze what's causing problems, said Trina McCormick, a senior manager at Kimberly-Clark Corp., maker of Cottonelle. "We've seen the majority, 90 percent in fact, are items that are not supposed to be flushed, like paper towels, feminine products or baby wipes."

Wastewater officials agree that wipes, many of which are made from plastic, aren't the only culprits but say their problems have escalated with the wipes market.

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, which serves Montgomery and Prince George's counties in Maryland, has spent more than \$1 million over five years installing heavy-duty grinders while the Orange County California Sanitation District, in a single year recorded 971 "de-ragging" maintenance calls on 10 pump stations at a cost of \$320,000.

**EDITOR NOTE**: Here at the Retreat we have had similar problems. At the request of South Martin Regional Utility, we have hung notices on some resident's doors to ask that they or their house cleaners not flush cleaning products. A fairly simple test one could try is to put the questionable product in a bowl of water for 30 to 60 minutes. If the fibers disintegrate when handled or mixed, the product is flushable.









## WHAT'S UP AT THE WOMEN'S CLUB????

#### By Mona Wiley

**Season 11 began October 1**st. Can you believe it! The Women's Club of the Retreat continues to provide opportunities for women of the Retreat to welcome new residents, make new friends and share many experiences together. Every woman is welcome and encouraged to join our meetings held at 7:00pm every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. Welcome All!!

**November 1<sup>st</sup>** will be a welcome back brunch at the Clubhouse. Gather at 10am and visit with friends who have been away for the summer or those you haven't met.

Paint a beautiful serving tray! Come to the Clubhouse on **November 9**<sup>th</sup> from 10-2 and begin the pre-paint poinsettia on the tray. Finish the tray process on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 10-2. Painting of 2014 calendars will take place on Saturday if you want to participate.

As always, please sign up in the mailroom and pay that day. Cost for tray and materials is \$12/pp Contact: Emily Mussatto

Another creative event in which to participate is a card-making event. **Saturday, November 16**<sup>th</sup> between 10-2 you can create your own personalized greeting cards and gift cards. Cost is \$5 pp

**November 15<sup>th</sup>, Friday** there is a social committee event. A "**State**" **Dinner** at the Clubhouse. Wear something that displays the state from which you hail. Bring an elementary school picture of yourself with your name on the back. Cocktails (BYOB) at 5:30pm and 6:30pm will be dinner and dessert. Check the mailroom for more info.

Our regular monthly meeting will be November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Come for refreshments and a get to know you time with old and new friends!

On **Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>** there will be a group tour to the **Elliott Museum** on Hutchinson Island. Meet at the clubhouse at 9:30am to carpool. Cost is \$10/pp and will be collected by the end of the Tuesday prior. If you join the museum, the \$10 will be credited toward the membership. Lunch is planned after the tour. Contact: Lyn Kennedy

**November 24<sup>th</sup> – Sunday** the Treasure Coast Community Singers will present a Classical Concert at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$20 at the North Stuart Baptist Church, 1950 N. Federal Hwy., Stuart. Contact: Dottie Williams

Then it's **GET READY FOR THE HOLIDAYS! November 29**<sup>th</sup> – **Friday** is Clubhouse Decorating and

Pizza/Salad Party. Come and help decorate at 10AM the stay for pizza and salad lunch and join the fun for a Yankee swap gift exchange. \$15 value for the gift. As always – sign up in the mailroom for an accurate count.

Take a deep breath now cuz you'll need it for all the activities in December!

December 1st - Sunday - Relay For Life, Holiday Home Tour

Beautiful homes here are on display. It's amazing how the same model can look so different on the inside. This has always been a fun event and a successful fund raiser for the American Cancer Society. Tickets are \$15. Contact: Lill Malinowski

**December 4th – Wednesday** is a thrift store shopping spree and lunch! Look for bargains and help a charity at the same time. Contact: Audrey DeLoffi

**December 6, 7 and 8<sup>th</sup> is a "Home for the Holidays"** concert by the Treasure Coast Community Singers at the North Stuart Baptist Church. Tickets are \$10 Contact: Dottie Williams

December 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> is an overnight trip to Mt. Dora for a "Girls Christmas Shopping Trip". It's a quaint little town in "old Florida" with many antique shops and craft stores. We have blocked off 10 rooms at the Lakeside Inn \$134.46 for single occupancy; \$67.23 for double occupancy and includes all taxes and morning breakfast. Call the inn directly to give credit card and confirm reservation. For specific room requests call 352-383-4610. Be sure to say you are with the RETREAT GROUP. Any concerns should be directed to Kim and you must reserve by November 15<sup>th</sup>

Contact in the Retreat: Vicki Celio

#### December 12th is a Lost Lake/Retreat Event

Bok Towers Holiday Carillion and Christmas House Tour. Tour the museum and enjoy a self-guided tour of the beautiful gardens and listen to the beautiful performance of the Bok Tower Carillion. Cost is \$75/pp and includes motor coach, tickets for guided garden tour, museum, decorated home tour, box lunch on property, tax and gratuities. A minimum of 30 is needed for the bus. Contact: Carol Schmidt 772-221-1712

**December 14<sup>th</sup> – Saturday** Calendar 2014 painting event at the Clubhouse from 10-2. We will be selling these as a fund raiser for the Women's Club. Just show up! You don't even have to know how to paint by numbers. Our resident artist, Emily is guiding our latent artistic talents.

Need to relax and enjoy some beautiful music? On **December 15 – Sunday** The Stuart Community Concert Band will perform at the Kane Center at 900 SE Salerno Road at 2:00pm "Holiday Merry Music Making" will set the mood for the holiday season. Contact: Lena Rublowsky 772-223-7800

AND now the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of December rolls around and it will be the Retreat Family Christmas Party! Gather at 6:30 for special music and fun for everyone. Families are welcome.

Put these dates on your calendar: January 25<sup>th</sup> – Saturday International Food Festival and

January 31<sup>st</sup> – Friday a tour and lunch at beautiful Butterfly World

There's lotz to do – you just have to do it!

Thank you to our board members Marlene Boobar, president, Mickey Vernacchio, vice president; Gerri Strong, treasurer; Emily Mussatto and Jean Scerbo, cosecretaries who put in many hours to offer so many events for our enjoyment. Thank you also to all committee members who make "things" happen!

Let's have a great year!!



Women's Club Retreat Christmas Party

Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

Refreshments: 6:30 PM

Singing begins: 7:00



**Clubhouse** 



All are invited....



## HOUSE OF HOPE HOLIDAY THRIFT SHOP

4456 Federal Highway, Stuart FL

Corner of Monroe Street & Federal Highway

Open Thursday thru Saturday 10AM to 4PM

Open thru December 31, 2013

If you have holiday goods that you no longer need, please donate during regular business hours.



#### **BRIDGE SCORES**

By Patsy Shattuck

Where has this year gone? We are starting in our wonderful fall and winter schedule. It will be nice to have our winter residents here for a brief while. Hope everyone had a happy, healthy summer.

#### **August 6, 2013**

- 1 Alan Shattuck
- 2 Peggy Johnson
- 3 Maryon Gonzalez
- 4 Laura Rothman
- 5 Patsy Shattuck

#### August 13, 2013

- 1 Ann Sterling
- 2 Peggy Johnson
- 3 Muriel Barry
- 4 Alan Shattuck
- 5 Carol Flynn

#### August 20, 2013

- 1 Maryon Gonzalez
- 2 Ann Sterling
- 3 Peggy Johnson
- 4 Alan Shattuck
- 5 Lena Rublowsky

#### **August 27, 2013**

- 1 Ann Sterling
- 2 Muriel Barry
- 3 Stan Rublowsky
- 4 Fran Elson
- 5 Patsy Shattuck

#### September 3, 2013

- 1 Patsy Shattuck
- 2 Laura Rothman
- 3 Peggy Johnson
- 4 Mimi Burns
- 5 Bill Burns

#### **September 10, 2013**

- 1 Carol Flynn
- 2 Bill Burns
- 3 Alan Shattuck
- 4 Marie Ferrandino
- 5 Mimi Burns

#### **September 17, 2013**

- 1 Lena Rublowsky
- 2 Laura Rothman
- 3 Maryon Gonzalez
- 5 Iviai yoti Gorizalez
- 4 Muriel Barry
- 5 Stan Rublowsky

#### **September 24, 2013**

- 1- Patsy Shattuck
- 2 Marie Ferrandino
- 3 Laura Rothman
- 4 Peggy Johnson
- 5 Stan Rublowsky



## **Pharmacy Topics**

By Connie Bandy, R.Ph., Doctor of Pharmacy

#### The Treatment of CORAL SNAKE BITES

In last month's *Retreat Newsletter*, there was an article that caught my attention – by Chuck Eschenburg, entitled *Caution Pool Users* about finding Coral Snakes in our pool. Yikes!! This was the first time that I had heard of this snake being spotted in our community. I often jump into our pool without giving it a second thought. It got me thinking about what to do if I did get bitten by a Coral Snake. And so, I started researching information related to the treatment of venomous snake bites – in particular the Coral Snake.

So, what happens if you do get bit by a coral snake?? First, the **good news** -- as far as venomous snakes go, the coral snake is a clumsy biter. Unlike pit vipers such as the rattlesnake, which has very efficient fangs that point forward during a strike and inject venom like hypodermic needles, the coral snake has small, rear-facing fangs that guide venom into a wound. As you might imagine, the rear-facing fangs do not always work well—and experts estimate that only 25 percent of coral snake envenomations are "dry bites". The other good news is that these snakes are usually unaggressive and generally only about 100 or so bites are reported in the U.S. each year.

The **bad news** is what the coral lacks in efficiency and aggressiveness, it makes up for in **neurotoxicity**. Unlike bites from pit vipers, which cause immense pain and swelling at the wound site, coral snake bites may be painless at first. Do NOT make the mistake of thinking you will be fine if the bite area initially looks good and you are not in a lot of pain. Major symptoms typically appear within hours, with symptoms such as tingling sensations in the extremities, dysarthria (slurred speech) and ptosis (droopy eyelids) appearing at first. As the neurotoxins take hold, other possible symptoms include: blurred vision, breathing difficulty, convulsions, drowsiness, headache, low blood pressure, excessive salivation, nausea and vomiting, numbness, pain and swelling at site of bite, paralysis, shock, swallowing difficulty, swelling of tongue and throat, weakness, skin color changes, skin tissue damage, stomach or abdominal pain, and weak pulse. Untreated coral snake bites can be deadly. **IF YOU HAVE BEEN BITTEN BY A CORAL SNAKE, YOU NEED TO CALL 911 – AND IMMEDIATELY BE TRANSPORTED TO THE HOSPITAL.** 

The treatment of choice for an Eastern Coral Snake bite, if the victim is asymptomatic, or if signs and symptoms of envenomation are already present, is to immediately administer the appropriate antivenom (also called antivenin). In the United States, there is only one FDA-approved product, North American Coral Snake Antivenin (Micrurus fulvius) of Equine Origin.

This product was manufactured by Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, now a subsidiary of Pfizer, Inc.. Wyeth kept up production of coral snake antivenom for almost 40 years. But given the rarity of coral snake bites, this product was deemed unprofitable, and the company shut down the factory that made the antivenom in 2003. Wyeth worked with the FDA to produce a five-year supply of the medicine to provide a stopgap while other options were pursued. After that period, the FDA extended the expiration date on existing stock from 2008 to 2009, and then again from 2009 to 2010. A final expiration date extension for North American Coral Snake Antivenin (Micrurus fulvius) (Equine Origin)

Lot 4030026 occurred last year -- and the existing supply can be used through October 31, 2013. A final expiration date extension for North American Coral Snake Antivenin (Micrurus fulvius) (Equine Origin) for Lots #4030024 and #4030026 occurred this year -- and the existing supply can be used through April 30, 2014 and October 31, 2014 respectively.

With no new antivenin being produced since 2003 -- there is currently a shortage of the antivenin product across the U.S. Hospitals that do not have the product on-hand, will call their local **Poison Control Center** to locate nearby hospitals that do have the Coral Snake Antivenin and get it transported to their facility as quickly as possible. Our closest **Poison Control Center** is located in Tampa – their hotline **is 1-800-222-1222**.

There is no alternative product licensed in the U.S. for coral snake envenomations. Without antivenom, victims can be managed with sound supportive care with an expectation of an excellent outcome as long as airway management (intubation) and respiratory support are administered. Ventilator dependence could persist for many days (even weeks) following serious bites until the effects of the toxin wear off.

There is a coral snake antivenom produced by Mexican drug manufacturer Instituto Bioclon that researchers believe could be even more effective and safe than the outgoing Wyeth product. But that drug, Coralmyn, is not currently licensed for sale by the FDA. The tests required for licensing would cost millions of dollars, and for such a rare treatment, it could take decades for Bioclon to make its money back. So, this drug company will probably not pursue FDA approval to market the antivenom in the US.

So, long story – short – this is a very dangerous snake – its bite is venomous and contains deadly neurotoxins! Be able to recognize the coral snake, and note that it has very distinctive markings (see photo below).



Coral Snake

The coral snake has a black snout, and the colored rings go all the way around the body of the snake. Also, note that the red band always touches the yellow band. If you have trouble identifying the Coral Snake from some of the harmless snakes which have similar colored bands – remember this rhyme:

"If red touches yellow, it can kill a fellow" (Eastern Coral Snake)
"If red touches black, it is a friend of Jack" (Scarlet Kingsnake or Scarlet Snake)

If you see one, do whatever you can to avoid direct contact or confrontation. If you or someone around you gets bitten – even if symptoms do not manifest or appear at first – call 911 and get to the hospital. Also, take extra measures to "look before you leap" into our community pool.

## NEWS FROM OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### By Bill Cole

- 1. Welcome home to our seasonal residents. The fall weather is beautiful here. The Retreat looks great!
- 2. Please be alert for any one that you do not think belongs in The Retreat. All roads are private property. No trespassing signs are posted. If you see any one that you do not think belongs, call 911 at once. Do not call me...do not call Ron...do not call your friends. CALL 911. This is the only way we can help keep our homes safe from people who do not belong. The Sheriff wants you to call and so do we.
- 3. All is operating well here and on Seabranch.

Enjoy your fall and send us your ideas or questions. Thank you.

#### **Landscape/Irrigation Work Orders**

By Ron Barrow

Please submit landscape/irrigation work orders directly to Capital Realty at 800.940.1088.

#### Business owners—The Retreat Newsletter

is a great place for you to reach local customers. Ads are business card size in black and white. The ads appear in color on our WEB site, www.retreatatseabranch.com. Cost for each ad is \$125 for the year. A yearly contract is required. Please contact Coni McGuinn at 545.3465 or conimcguinn@aol.com. The revenue from the ads is used to defray our newsletter printing expenses.

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If you are not currently listed in the 2013 Telephone Directory and wish to be listed in the 2014 Directory, please fill out the form below. If you are currently listed in the 2013 Directory and would like to update it, please fill out the form below with the updated information. **Please sign the form** and place it in the Drop Box in the Property Management Office located in the Clubhouse or mail it to Retreat Homeowners Association, 8700 SE Retreat Drive, Hobe Sound, FL 33455, ATTN: Communications Committee **no later than February 1, 2014** 

List your information exactly as you want it printed in the Directory.

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#### **RETREAT MAP FACTS**

The information below is compiled from Retreat Maps used during the construction phase. Some are taken from Site Information charts on the maps and other statistics are obtained by taking accurate measurements directly from the maps.

- 313.4 acre Represents the area within our boundary. To give some perspective, try to visualize the area of 237 football fields including the end zones. (One such field equals 1.32 acre) (91 yards without end zones equals one acre.)
- 4.83 miles (25,500ft) Represents the Retreat perimeter. If you were to hike beginning at our entry and the Lost Lake Doubletree entry, to the end of Lake 1 at the end of Angelina, proceed around the lake and walk the length of lake 2 back to the end of lake 2 across from the Clubhouse where the fence gate is located, this would be about 1/3 of your hike. Continue from the gate and follow the fence and drainage ditch the length of Eldorado, behind lake 10 at the end of Eldorado. Then proceed East along Glacier and Hawks Nest and continue following the fence behind the ends of La Creek, Maryhill and

- along Nicolete to our East Entry. To finish, hike back to the start point.
- 5.46 miles If you were to add to your hike the .74-mile perimeter fence and wall around Seawind School, the distance would add to this.
- <u>.74 miles</u> (3900 ft) SeaWind School perimeter wall/ fence.
- 3.85 miles (20,250 ft) This is the approximate length of our privately owned paved street system. It would also follow that this number to a degree represents the length of water pipe, sewer pipe, cable and phone trunk lines, and electric power cable. Street and swale drainage pipe systems and lake pipe systems are probably twice that length. Irrigation piping and control wires are so many miles long that I can't even guess.
- .84 miles The length of our drainage ditch located on our property. It begins by the fence gate across from the Clubhouse and ends at the SeaWind ditch off property behind Lake 10 at the end of Eldorado Way.

Information compiled by Dave Williams, BOD January, 2007.

#### RETREAT FACTS

The Retreat at Seabranch was permitted to DiVosta by various county and state authorities using the following criteria. This information is taken from our Planned Unit Development (PUD) maps.

#### Retreat Land Use Allocations (based on 313acre total)

Residential lots	87.74 acre	28%
Roads & right of ways	22.4 acre	7.15%
Recreational parcel	2.96 acre	.94%
Lakes & water bodies	55.89 acre	17.83%
Green/open space	144.42 acres	46.08%
Lot Development Criteria-	Oakmont/Carlyle	<u>Capri III</u>
Minimum lot area	6500 sq ft	4750 sq ft
Minimum lot width	50 ft	36 ft
Minimum lot length	135 ft	135 ft
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Maximum building height 1 story or 35 ft

Max lot coverage: bldg, pool ,deck, drive 75% of total lot size

#### Other Info

Our house slabs are built between 18.5 and 23 feet above sea level. Check this on your house survey. It has other interesting info on it.

We have 10 lakes in the Retreat. Eight lakes are held by Control Structure at 15ft; one at 16ft and one at 14ft above sea level.

Compiled by Dave Williams: Retreat BOD; VP, October 2007

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All Retreat residents are invited to take part in our Retreat Activities. Retreat Homeowners are also invited to participate in the Retreat Committees. For more information, please call the contact person.

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Dear Retreat Residents.

We thank all that have contributed to this newsletter. Your input is key to this newsletter.

Many of the homes in the Retreat are 10+ years old. What are some of the maintenance problems you are encountering and how are you fixing them?

This is our theme for the upcoming newsletter. Examples are: tile tenting, roof leaks, cabinet problems, driveway problems, sto coat peeling, algae growth on house exterior, sewer drainage, water quality, hot water heater and smell, sliding glass door rollers, brush seals, deck/sidewalk paint.

Enjoy your holidays!
Your newsletter staff





Don't forget to FALL BACK on Sunday, November 3rd at 2AM



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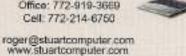
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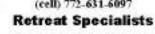
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