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## ASSOCIATION - PRESIDENT – PAT PIPHER

The 2024 GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION (GKA) Board of Directors were sworn in at our annual meeting on January 8<sup>th</sup> and Officer and Director positions were determined the following morning. I am privileged to serve as your President and thank everyone for their support. The new Officers and Directors and their positions are listed above. They bring a variety of experience and talent and we're off to a great start with a very strong Board!

The *Waste Management (WM)* program is the most important topic to start the new year. California state law (*SB1383*) requires organic recycling services including single family and multi-family residential, as well as industrial and commercial sites. The new program starts in March of this year but the process begins earlier as follows:

## ASSOCIATION (CONTINUED)

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Continued)

- ◆ Around mid-February, you will receive a letter from *WM* or the *City of Murrieta* explaining the pricing with an attached list of how your trash is to be separated into three (3) barrels: a black, brown or gray barrel for trash; a blue barrel for recycling and a green barrel for organics. The guidelines for separating each waste properly are strict and fines will be issued by the *City* or *WM* for non-compliance, so please read the instructions carefully. That notice should also include information on setting up your account with *WM*.
- ◆ The barrels will be provided to you at some point by *WM*. Our pick-up day will remain on Thursday for all three (3) barrels. Do your best to store these barrels out of sight. GKA will ease the restrictions on barrel storage. That means GKA will not issue violation letters or fines for exposed barrels until we can assess the new program, the concerns of our membership and the limitations on storage.
- ◆ The biggest change is that each unit owner or tenant will be responsible to pay *WM* direct and not through the HOA. The Board will pay January and February as usual. Starting in March, you will be invoiced by *WM* for a single month followed in April by a quarterly charge for April, June and then billed quarterly thereafter. The gross bill, before discounts, for March will be \$29.70 and the quarterly bill \$89.10. If you are 65 or older or are part of a *CARE* or *FERA* program, these income qualifiers reduce your monthly rate. To get this lower rate you will need to contact *WM* directly.
- ◆ In the past, GKA provided and paid for one (1) barrel for each unit. Extra barrels were at your expense. In the new *WM* program, all billings will go to the residents and GKA will be under the same guidelines paying for the barrels used at the facility. Your annual dues for 2024 include GKA paying for one (1) barrel for the year. The GKA Board will come up with a plan to refund 10 months of that single barrel cost to each owner so look for more information in future issues of the *GOLF KNOLLS DIGEST*.
- ◆ Lastly, the dumpster located in the GKA facility parking lot will be removed as it is not feasible to control the separation of trash under the new program.

### SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT – JANE RECHT

**W**e had our last GKA General Meeting on January 8, at 6:00 PM in the Banquet Room. We had a total of 46 members present. New Board of Directors were introduced and took their oath of office. I am looking forward to working with a very qualified team.

**DON FORTNEY** and **BILLY RANKIN** did a great job. They will be missed. Both have offered to continue to volunteer within our community. Gentlemen, we could not have done it with out you. Many thanks.

Now, **JANE** the *Treasurer*. gladly hands the office of *Treasurer* to **FRANK LIPPMAN** (previous *Chairman of the Finance Review Committee* and has a solid back ground in Finance/Bookkeeping). So, this is my last report as *Treasurer*.

**ASSOCIATION (CONTINUED)**  
**SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT (Continued)**  
**Cash & Accounts Receivable for December 2023**

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</u>		
<i>Cash Operating Funds</i>			
California Bank	Checking .....	\$ 215,169	
California Bank	Money Market .....	230,154	
Petty Cash	Cash .....	<u>118</u>	
<b>TOTAL OPERATING FUNDS</b>			<b>\$445,441</b>
<i>Reserve Funds</i>			
Charles Schwab	Checking	\$155,919	
Charles Schwab	Money Market	<u>249,000</u>	
<b>TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>			<b><u>\$404,919</u></b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING &amp; RESERVE FUNDS</b>			<b><u>\$850,360</u></b>
<b>ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>		<b>\$ (181,873)*</b>	
<b>DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS</b>		<b>0</b>	
<b>FOUR (4) ACCOUNTS IN COLLECTION</b>		<b><u>16,778</u></b>	
<b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>		<b>\$165,095</b>	
<i>* HOA dues 2024 paid in advance</i>		<b>\$185,202</b>	

**ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE – CAROL ARMSTRONG**

**H**i, I'm CAROL ARMSTRONG and I am so pleased to be a member of GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION (GKA) Board. I will be heading up the *Architectural Control Committee (ACC)*. My committee will be inspecting all homes – once a month (only from street-side). We will work with you regarding any concerns you might have and address any changes you might want. I am here to help GKA – the place to live.

**FACILITIES/HAVEN MANAGER – ROGER MARCEAU**

**H**appy New Year, GOLF KNOLLS, welcome to 2024! The pacemaker year is to finish different things that were discussed to do this year. I feel comfortable to say it will be an exciting time for all. I encourage all community members to come out and be a part of it. Also, I will be working on game tournaments for pool, ping pong and darts; so come on out and have some fun. Thank you!

**LANDSCAPE – VICKI DAVIS**

**W**ell here we are with a New Year and a new GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION (GKA) Board of Directors. First, want to thank the previous Board of Directors for all they accomplished with a skeleton crew! Great job! Thank you! My next 'thank you' goes out to ROGER MARCEAU, DONNA and DON FORTNEY for all the hard work for beautification of the facility grounds. Great job!

## ASSOCIATION (CONTINUED)

### LANDSCAPING (Continued)

You've given me some big shoes to try and measure up to. I will do my best to fulfill my duties and am honored to be a member of the Board. For all of you reading this, please remember that all that is done and accomplished at GOLF KNOLLS is done by volunteers.

### FACILITIES – DON FORTNEY

Here's a look back at what turned out to be a full year of upgrades:

1. Complete refurbish of both men's and women's bathhouses.
2. Installation of all new epoxy flooring around indoor spa. This is the same product used in the bathhouses.
3. Entire pool deck area was pressure washed and sealed against moisture and deterioration for decades to come.
4. Timers were installed in most buildings to control the overhead lights, which were often left on overnight.
5. "Passion Pit", (small barbeque area off the courtyard mezzanine) received a complete makeover, including the removal and spider infested hedges; fresh paint; all new plants and mulch in the flowerbeds. A beautiful, handcrafted sign representing this area's new name "*The Cove*" was installed from overhead cover, along with a new, fully charged hand fire extinguisher.
6. All carpets, windows and chairs were professionally cleaned in all five (5) buildings.
7. All nineteen (19) crepe myrtle trees were successfully replanted from the hillside, to several areas around the parking lot.
8. The Community Bulletin Board located between the bathhouses was completely refurbished with fresh corkboard, paint and plexiglass.
9. Two (2) new sets of Bag Toss (Corn Hole) are currently hung on the wall near the ice machine and available to use.

### DIRECTOR AT LARGE (NEW TITLE) - HILARY WYLIE

**H**ello Golf Knolls! **STREETS** – Tuesday, February 6; Wednesday, February 7; and Tuesday, February 13 and Thursday, February 15, prepare for **DETOURS** at **Via Zapata, Fuentes Court, and Via Vela**. Seal coat crack repair. Please follow **DETOUR SIGNS**. Divot repair, February 6 and 7th on **Calle De Amor and Calle Alta**. Residents will be notified via flyers.

**PETER SMITH** is our New Director of *Streets/Lighting, Security*. Congratulations **PETER**. He has a wealth of experience and knowledge.

What does a *Director At Large* do? I'll be helping each Director as needed. So far that's all I know. But I'm sure that our Board will keep me busy. Take care and remember - everyday is a new adventure!

### **GOLF KNOLLS EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM - MICK HEROD, CO-CHAIRMAN**

**W**e survived the holidays, so it's time to get into a routine. The **ERT** meets every month on the third Wednesday at 1:00 P.M. and has an evening meeting the following day (Thursday) at 7:00 P.M.

**ASSOCIATION (CONTINUED)**  
**EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (Continued)**

Why do you need to know this? Frankly, we've had some turnover on the Team (such as houses sold and folks moving away), but that also means that there's an opportunity to recruit some "youngsters"...you know, those of you under 70 years of age.

If you don't know about the *ERT*, we invite you to an upcoming meeting to see what we're all about. We think you'll like what you see and want to join, but you're under no obligation if you do attend. Please consider it. As a reminder, please continue to contribute CRV recyclable plastic bottles and cans (no glass, please). Caps should be left on empty plastic bottles. Money collected at redemption comes right back to GOLF KNOLLS in the form of funding resident emergency training and disaster materials, without impacting your HOA dues. No matter what you may read from *Waste Management*, recycling plastic bottles and cans in their supplied containers is **NOT MANDATORY**. *Waste Management* is already getting enough of our money; so let's keep it in our own coffers.

We're planning another *Emergency Fair* in late spring and early summer. We'll be inviting representatives from Murrieta Fire and Rescue, Murrieta Police Department and other City of Murrieta dignitaries. We'll make announcements once details are available.

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**DO YOU KNOW ABOUT GKA (EMAIL) NOTICES?** Periodically, the GKA Board will send out an "official" notice about HOA Board Meetings, facility closures or any other topic that may be of general interest to the Golf Knolls residents. If you wish to subscribe, use your internet browser and go to [tiny.cc/gkanotices](http://tiny.cc/gkanotices) (capitalization is not important). You will receive an email from GKA, confirming that you want to sign up. Simply respond to the confirmation email and you will be instantly subscribed. Family members outside the park are also invited to sign up, so that they can inform residents that may not have access to email. If at any time you want to stop receiving these notices, there will always be a subscribe link at the bottom of each email that is sent. There is no cost or obligation to subscribe. You will not be receiving any spam resulting from your subscription. Once you've confirmed your intent to subscribe, you will receive all future notices

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**COMMUNITY CLUB**  
**COMMUNITY CLUB PRESIDENT – JEANNE NICHOLS**

**H**ello, my name is JEANNE NICHOLS, I am the newest President of your COMMUNITY CLUB. The *Super Bowl* is coming; it's on February 11<sup>th</sup> and we're having a "Super" Party to go along with it. Doors open at 2:00 PM; game starts around 3:30 PM. There is a flat fee of \$3.00 for anyone who comes through the doors. We're having hot dogs, chips and sodas. Guests are invited to bring side munchies or desserts to share. There will also be our famous popcorn. Come, please, you'll have a good time.

At our great COMMUNITY CLUB meeting, the audience came up with some wonderful ideas for events, etc. for the coming year. Come join us; everyone is certainly welcome at any or all of our "get together" activities.

**COMMUNITY CLUB - (Continued)**

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT - (Continued)**

I want to say "Thank You" to the 2023 COMMUNITY CLUB Board of Directors, ARLENE, LINDA, PEGGY and BETH (and GLENDA); they each did a stellar job!

That about does it for this month. Here is my cell phone number (951) 691-6000. Please, please call me anytime with questions or comments you might have. Thanks again!

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**WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS - LINDA FULLER**

**H**ello everyone and welcome, Winter! Please join me and welcome the following new residents to our GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION (GKA) community.

**JUDY KIRPATRICK, Lot 338  
28983 Camino Alba**

**PHONE: 949-697-8448**

JUDY moved here from Needles, California. JUDY was born in Pennsylvania. She enjoys cards, boating and Bingo.

**HYESOO (RACHEL) KIM, Lot 444  
38283 Calle Cervato**

**PHONE: 310-749-2996**

RACHEL moved here from Torrance, California. She was a Property Manager before retiring. She enjoys hiking and traveling.

**BARBARA BOYD, Lot 280  
28930 Camino Alba**

**PHONE: 831-325-8808**

BARBARA moved here from Santa Cruz, California. She was born in Brooklyn, New York. BARBARA was an Event Coordinator and Wedding Officiate before retiring. She enjoys gardening, dancing, yoga and meditation. She also looks forward to being a part of this wonderful community.

"Be the light in someone's darkness".

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**WOMEN'S SOCIETY - GLENDA SMITH PRESIDENT**

**H**ello to All... So nice to see everyone at our January luncheon, featuring Murrieta's new Mayor LORI STONE and JOHN INGRAM, who brought us up to date on all that is going on in and around our beautiful city. Lots and lots of helpful info. We enjoyed a wonderful luncheon, tuna casserole, salad and dessert; it was a huge success. Many thanks to CHUCK DONNELLY, and his kitchen volunteers; we simply couldn't do this without you guys and gals. Our Guest Speaker in February will be BRIAN from the Murrieta Senior Center. The WOMEN'S SOCIETY encourages volunteers. If you or someone you know would like more information, please attend our luncheon and ask GLENDA or PAM BYERS, VP, how you can be involved. We look forward to seeing everyone on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

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**Please contact GLORIA BACHMANN (696-8253), to notify her of any BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES, illnesses or deaths IN WRITING AND place in tube at 28760 VIA DEL SOL. (No notices will be printed in the GOLF KNOLLS DIGEST without written notification.) WE WANT YOU TO BE A PART OF OUR COMMUNITY, so keep us posted. If you don't see your birthday or anniversary, please call. IF YOU ARE A NEW RESIDENT BE SURE TO ATTEND AN ORIENTATION MEETING.**

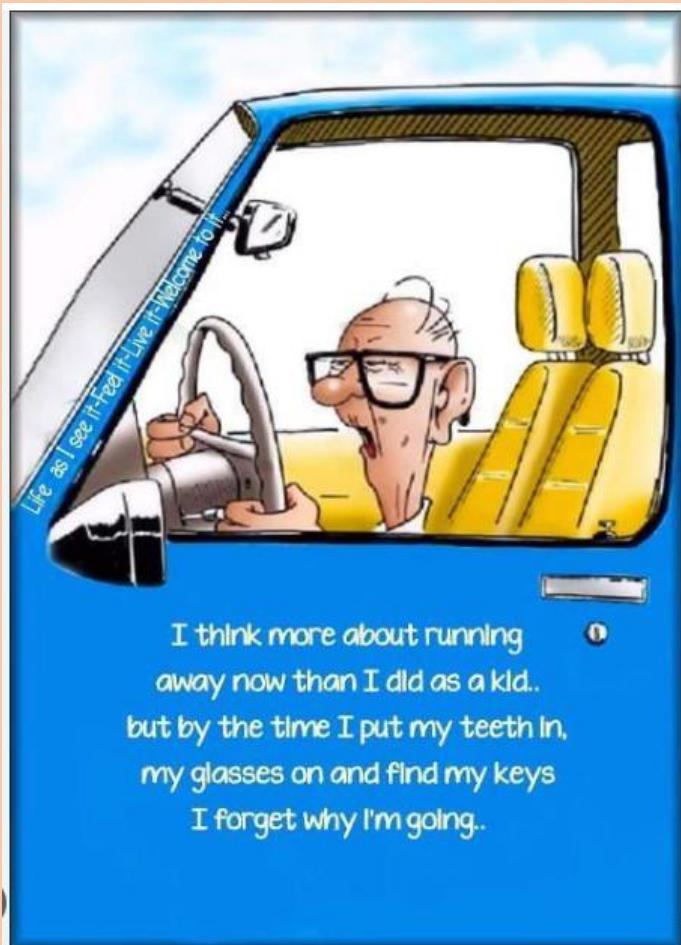
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## **GENERAL INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **• ELIGIBLE FOR MONTHLY INTERNET SERVICE DISCOUNT?**

*The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has a program that provides a monthly internet service discount and a one-time connected device benefit from participating internet companies for qualifying low-income consumers.*

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**GENERAL INFORMATION (Continued)**  
**INTERNET DISCOUNT (Continued)**

If you qualify, your household can receive a monthly *Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)* benefit of up to \$30 to cover the cost of internet service. The *ACP* is a federal benefit program that provides a monthly benefit on internet services. Internet Services must also meet certain criteria to determine if it participates (*SPECTRUM* does participate). To qualify, you must show official documents to prove participation in a qualifying government assistance program; your income must be the same or less than the amount listed for California from the *Federal Poverty Guideline*; or your identity. **This program will end on February 7, 2024 at 11:59 PM EST.**

***TO APPLY FOR AN APPLICATION: On Line - AffordableConnectivity.gov; Email - ; or Call - (877) 384-2575; Contact participating company.***

- **WASTE MANAGEMENT DISCOUNT** – With the new 3-barrel system starting in March, seniors that are age 65 or older, can take advantage of a discount on the bill that will be available if proof of age and residence can be verified by providing a copy of a State issued document i.e. *Identification card* or *DMV Driver's License* or a copy of their utility bill. Those with assistance under the *California Alternative Rates for Energy (CARE)* program may receive a 12.5% discount on the monthly rate. Disabled residents qualify for a backyard “*Valet Service*” program that will take the barrels to and from the curbside.

***TO APPLY FOR AN APPLICATION: CALL – (714) 558-7761. Send completed form to: WASTE MANAGEMENT; 5701 SO. EASTERN AVE., SUITE 300; COMMERCE, CA. 90040.***

- **RED CROSS SMOKE DETECTOR INSTALLATION** We have been advised that the Red Cross will be visiting all three units on **March 9, 2024** to install smoke detectors (bed shaker alarms available for those who are hard of hearing). **BOB BONHAM** will be calling each house that previously signed up, to verify that units are still needing to be installed. If you are not sure if you signed up, or you would like to have detectors installed, please call **BOB BONHAM (951) 553-4478** and leave a message if necessary.

- **RECALL – TOYOTA** is recalling about one million cars and SUVs due to possible defects of the Occupant Classification System (OCS) that could cause the passenger airbag to fail. The recall involves 15 different 2020 and 2021 *Toyota* and *Lexus* models including the *Toyota Camry, RAV4, Sienna and the Lexus RX350 and ES350*. Owners of vehicles involved will be notified by the middle of February and asked to bring the vehicles to a *Toyota* or *Lexus* dealer for inspection and replacement at no cost.

☺ *The best road to progress is freedom's road.*

**JOHN F. KENNEDY**



## GENERAL INFORMATION (Continued)

### RECALLS (Continued)

**HONDA, ACURA – HONDA MOTORS** in Torrance is recalling more than 2.5 million vehicles in 2017-2020 *ACURA* and *HONDA* models, due to a fuel pump defect that can increase risks of engine failure or stalling while driving. *HONDA* will replace fuel pumps for all vehicles impacted by the recall at no cost in separate phases with the first batch of owner notification letters going out in February. The *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)* and *HONDA* announced a recall of more than 106,000 2020, 2022 *CR-V* hybrid vehicles due to a missing fuse on the power circuit of exterior 12-volt battery cables that may cause the battery cable to short circuit or overheat during a crash.

**STELLANTIS** – is recalling 32,000 hybrid 2021-2024 models of the *Jeep Wrangler 4xe SUVs* because they pose a potential fire risk. The *SUVs* affected by the recall can still be driven until they are fixed; *STELLANTIS* plans to contact owners of the *SUVs* that need to be fixed.

**BLENDJET BLENDERS** – *BlendJet* is recalling about 4.8 million of its *BlendJet 2 Portable Blenders*. According to the *Consumer Product Safety Commission*, the blenders can overheat or catch fire and the blades can break off during use. Regulators urge consumers to stop using the recalled blenders immediately and contact *BlendJet* for a free base unit replacement. To receive the replacement part, customers will need to remove and cut up the base's rubber seal and email or upload a photo using *BlendJet's* website.

**SNACK TRAYS FROM SAM'S CLUB** – *Fratelli Beretta USA*, a New Jersey meat processing company recalled more than 11,000 pounds of *Bussetto Food Charcuterie Sampler Prosciutto, Sweet Soppressata and Dry Copa* products because they may be tainted with salmonella according to the *U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*. The Lot Number is *LO75330300* and a "Best By" date of April 27. They have establishment numbers *EST7543B* inside the *U.S. Department of Agriculture* mark of inspection and *EST. #47967* on the package.

- **IMPORTANCE OF DETOURS** – With road work commencing on February 6, 7, 13 and 15, (Page 4), to avoid dangerous situations, an area may be temporarily closed; a roundabout/alternate route may be taken to avoid construction equipment. Cones or similar blockages may be placed. These cones are placed for security reasons and are **NOT TO BE MOVED OR REMOVED** by residents. Following the *DETOUR* signs is also an indication of everything we do here at *GOLF KNOLLS* and in life. It's crucial to understand the detour and follow it. In the event of closure, know the *EXIT* streets so that they can be used during an emergency. Detours may cause frustration but it gets you to discover a new interesting route. Embrace the detour; compare it with Life and an attitude of adventure. (This will also give *PETER SMITH* a helping hand in his new position.)

☺ *He that falls in love with himself will have no rivals.*

**BENJAMIN FRANKLIN**

## GENERAL INFORMATION (Continued)

- **WELCOME BACK!** – On February 1, after almost 30 years, the *Murrieta Hot Springs Resort* will reopen to the public as a state-of-the-art Fitness Center with over 25 strength classes tailored to individual needs – with 50 natural geothermal pools, thermal mud loft, rejuvenating spa treatments, as well as a Conference Center for municipal gatherings such as the State of the City address. Opening in April, *Restaurant Talla Kitchen; Café Azuli; Tortoise Shell Bar; Brew 1902 and Guenther's Lounge*. The resort has currently 174 rooms (increasing to 220); rates per night, \$399 – temporary price for day passes, adults \$70, children under 13, \$40. Seniors, military or first responder verification is required upon check-in.  
**Membership** (Murrieta address with valid government issued identification); call 951-290-0887 or 844-844-0700.  
Limited Soaking, - Monday – Thursday \$1,700; Unlimited Soaking - 7 Days/Week \$2,900; 10% off food and non alcoholic beverages, merchandise and spa treatments.
  - **NOTIFY BOARD** – If you know that an unauthorized under-age person is living in our community, please notify the GOLF KNOLLS ASSOCIATION Board with the resident's address so that the Board can check it out.
  - **SOME HOUSEHOLD HINTS**
    - ☞ Use non-whitening toothpaste and an old toothbrush to get crayon marks off the wall.
    - ☞ Dental floss can help you to tie up a roast.
  - **ALERTS – MARTI GABRIEL**  
If you aren't on the *Alert System* and you have an internet email and you want to know what is happening in our neighborhood, give MARTI GABRIEL a call at 951-553-1259 or email her at [marilyngabriel@gmail.com](mailto:marilyngabriel@gmail.com).
  - **PROFILES – MARTI GABRIEL**  
A *profile* is a short article describing a person's life, work and/or character. We are all interested in knowing more about each other, which is a way of communicating. You may feel you don't have an exciting life, but you have lived, so you have a story to tell. Call MARTI GABRIEL at 951-553-1259.
  - **INSPIRATION – From LYN MARI**  
To God who loves our soul. Happy Valentines Day!  
*Psalms 143:8* – Cause me to hear your loving kindness in the morning.  
For in you do I trust. Cause me to know the way in which I should walk,  
for I lift up my soul to You.  
*1Corinthians 13:4* – Love is patient and kind...
- ☺ *In the field of world policy, I would dedicate this nation to the policy of the good neighbor.* **FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT**

## GENERAL INFORMATION (Continued)

- **SCHEMES, SCAMS, AND FLIM-FLAM** – Romance related scams seem to rise in February when scammers, swindlers and thieves are exceptionally active. The criminals are masters in manipulating human emotions and target victims when their defenses are down. The victims are usually in the 40–69 age group; however, those 70 and older paid out the most to scammers with medium losses per person of \$10,000. Scammers create fake online profiles and attempt to build phony emotional attachments until a potential victim is comfortable sending them money. They woo the victim, building affection and trust until they see an opportunity to ask for money. The reasons for the request are for one false crisis after another; - to pay for a medical emergency, or travel costs for a long-awaited visit; family or personal emergencies. Their messages may get desperate and aggressive. The *Federal Trade Commission (FTC)* claimed that romance related scams have surged and the amount lost by victims are in the millions; the median reported loss for victims was \$2,600. Readers are urged to recognize the warning signs of a scam: (1) *professing love too quickly*, (2) *reluctance to meet in person*, (3) *distance often in another state or country* (4) *requests for money*, (5) *specific payment methods* (6) *photos that look more professional than an ordinary snapshot*, (7) *break promises to visit*, (8) *pressing to leave the website or other forum*.

☎ **FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION 1-877-382-4357 (1-877-FTC-HELP), 1-877-438-4338 your attorney general ([www.naag.org](http://www.naag.org)) and your local police.**

☎ **Ask to file a written report about the incident and file your complaint at [www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov) or call 1-800-321-2752.**

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- **TRIPS** – The *SUN CITY TRAVEL CLUB* hosts Day and Multi-Day trips; if anyone is interested in participating you can contact NYLA (951-757-6760) or DEBBIE (1-858-442-1677) between 9 AM to 7 PM. Trips will originate from Sun City.

### **TRIPS:**

Apr. 8-13	WASHINGTON DC – CHERRY BLOSSOMS	\$3499/4199
May 4-15	CROATIA & ITS ISLANDS	4999/5499
May 5-8	SEDONA, VERDE CANYON RAILROAD TRAIN	1199/1499
May 19-26	AMERICA'S MUSIC CITIES	4099/4999
Aug. 8-13	BEST OF CHICAGO	2975/3655
Oct. 14-22	COSTA RICA	2899/3399

- **FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>** - **CHINESE NEW YEAR OF THE DRAGON** – Celebrations last up to 16 days but only the first 7 days are considered a public holiday. It is celebrated by more than 20% of the world, and is the most important holiday in China. Preparations begin on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and some companies and public institutions enjoy a longer holiday up to 10 days or more .

**GENERAL INFORMATION** (Continued)

- **YES OR NO?** – Will the famous Pennsylvania **PUNXSUTAWNEY PHIL** appear on February 2<sup>nd</sup> to make the annual prediction on the 138<sup>th</sup> Groundhog Day whether there will be six more weeks of early spring or longer winter? So many states have their own favorite predictors; (here's a few) - California has **CHUCKWOOD**; New Jersey, **ESSEX ED**; Tennessee, **CHATTANOOGA CHUCK**; West Virginia, **FRENCH CREEK FREDDIE**; New York, **STATEN ISLAND CHUCK**; Massachusetts, **MRS. G.**; Wisconsin, **JIMMY THE GROUNDHOG**; Ohio, **BUCKEYE CHUCK**; Oregon, **STUMPTOWN FIL**; Connecticut, **CHUCKLES THE GROUNDHOG**.

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**EDITOR COMMENTS** – *Oops! Mea Culpa! I neglected to include three very important people in my message last month. Sometimes the medulla oblongata part of the brain freezes, "takes a vacation" and fluffs off; however these three are greatly appreciated and certainly should not have been excluded. JIM CLAYTON had served on the ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS since 2019 as Landscaping Director.*



*He devoted diligently, unimaginable hours in the beautification of the land and was instrumental with the preparation of LOT A. Thank you, JIM for your many years of service. The other 'absentees' were STEVE PHELPS and his wife, MARLENE. They are the lovely couple that introduce the newcomers to GOLF KNOLLS with the Orientation Program. Again, my sincerest thanks to all who contributed to making GOLF KNOLLS the great place it is; without the time, talent and energy of our ASSOCIATION and COMMUNITY CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS, - both past and present – how could so much be accomplished without them; they should be remembered and appreciated!*

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*LOVE is always patient and kind;  
LOVE is never jealous;  
LOVE is not boastful or conceited.  
It is never rude and never seeks its own advantage.  
It does not take offense or store up grievances.  
LOVE does not rejoice at wrongdoing,  
But finds its joy in the truth.  
It's always ready to make allowance,  
To trust, to hope and to endure whatever comes.  
LOVE never comes to an end.*

*1 Corinthians 13:4-3*

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- ☺ **RECIPE FOR 2024** – The best thing to give:  
To your Enemy – *Forgiveness*; To an Opponent – *Tolerance*; To a Friend – *Your Heart*; To Your Child – *A Good Example*; To All – *Charity*.