

KOUNTREE KAMPINN SNIPPETS

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Well Thanksgiving has come and gone, we just entered the month of December, and only 21 days are left until Christmas. Folks who left for home to celebrate Thanksgiving have returned and some, will be leaving shortly to be with their families over Christmas.

HELP TRIM THE PARK AFTER TODAY'S MEETING.

Ann (Tony) Gambardella has returned home from the hospital after suffering pulmonary embolisms in both lungs. Jeanette (Tony) Bucci is also home after spending a few days hospitalized. Please keep Ann and Jeanette in your thoughts and prayers.

Last Thursday we bid farewell to Sharon, John and Bill Abbott who have returned home to Minnesota after spending several weeks at Kountree Kampinn. Herb and Florence Schmitz, who share the trailer with the Abbotts, will be here in a couple of weeks.

I received a note from Bud Standish's son Rick who informs me that Bud is looking forward to getting back down to KK. He is getting around quite well and will be flying down on Dec 11 with his son Mark.

The recycling is off to a good start. The recently installed newspaper dumpster is about ¼ full and will obviously reduce the load on the garbage dumpster. PLEASE remove any plastic bags or wraps from newspapers before depositing we are still seeing plastic inside the bin. Management has also provided a caged trailer for "aluminum cans" and other "aluminum only products."

A new green recycle container is located on the west side of the dumpster, adjacent to the Aluminum can trailer. This container is for ALL glass jars, colored bottles, all types of plastic beverage bottles, and non-aluminum "tin cans" all of which may be commingled. Please note that other, small non-beverage, plastic items should be put in the garbage dumpster. Put larger and bulkier plastic items like A/C or fan housings adjacent to the dumpster near the newspaper bin.

Flatten all cardboard boxes and place them in the receptacle on east side of dumpster. Magazines and phone books go where the newspaper used to go adjacent to the cardboard box. Small type appliances, i.e., televisions, microwaves, toasters, etc, should be placed on the ground near the newspaper dumpster.

Kudos to John Tunnell, Jack Essling and others for their continued efforts in keeping the dumpster area tidy.

Management requests those choosing to read the office newspaper, show consideration to other readers, and not remove or take any of the newspaper sections out of the office.

December is a busy month loaded with a number of activities such as, a trip to Shark Valley Dec 4, Thrifty Shopping Dec 7, Christmas Trolley Tour Dec 13, Dec 14 Christmas Party/Skit/Gift Exchange, 24 Lighting of Luminaries and Christmas Eve Candle Light Service, and Dec 31 New Year's Eve Party.

If you are interested in the Christmas Trolley Tour please sign-up ASAP. Last year we sold out and had a waiting list. This is an enjoyable trolley ride around Naples and an opportunity to see the lights. The final number of signups will determine the cost per person. As of today, we only have 20 signups which would make the cost per person unaffordable and we may cancel this event unless we fill the Trolley.

In our last newsletter, we were looking for ideas for a New Year's Eve party because at the time Sandy was unable to book an entertainer. Sandy has found an entertainer named "Johnny Angel" and the party is on. There is a Bio of Johnny posted in the Rec Hall and it looks rather impressive. In addition to performing in area establishments, he has performed on cruise ships. Join us for what should be a memorable evening as we welcome 2008. Ticket sale is on Dec 27 but we need you to sign up now so we can order and prepare the correct quantity of refreshments.

Be advised that if you want to come to the Christmas Party and Skit and do not wish to participate in the Gift Exchange that's perfectly okay. You just won't be eligible for a gift when they are distributed.

Paul and Janey Cottrell still have their unit for sale. It is a 33.5 foot, 2003 Fleetwood Pride. Triple slide 5th wheel trailer. It has a nice layout with fully equipped rear U-shaped galley, booth, pantry, microwave and LP oven, desk, living room with sleep sofa, easy chair, electric fireplace, TV, A/C, ceiling fan, center bath with enclosed toilet, vanity, large shower, and a queen island bedroom suite with third slide-out, mirrored wardrobe and dresser. Exterior storage with basement and patio awning. No smokers, and no pets. Add-on 12x15 screen room designed to be put up and down easily. They are asking \$28,000.

Ronnie Hill's truck is also still for sale. It is a dark green 1998 Dodge 2500 4 X 4, Cummings Turbo Diesel, Crew Cab, Laramie SLT with 109k miles. You can see it in the overflow parking lot adjacent to the Bocce Court. See Ronnie at Site 457 or call her at 973.738.6267. Asking price is \$9500. The office also has a list of other Motorhomes and trailers for sale.

June Lunderville is selling her fifth wheel. It is a 1994, 34 foot Avion with a slideout and a aluminum roof screen room. June says it has always been in the park - never towed, and is asking \$17,500. June can be reached at site 446 or call her at 239.793.1178.

Earlier this year I included a comment in one of our newsletters regarding a recent cell phone law enacted in Florida. One of our newsletter subscribers suggested that maybe the cell phone law did not go into effect as reported, and requested I verify its existence. I did check into it and found that it was an "Internet Hoax" and that Florida has no such law. Here is an excerpt a State of Florida's web page, "*We have had many visitors from the State of Florida inquiring about the Florida hands-free driving law. Apparently there has been an email circulating since early in 2007 that the new Florida driving law would be going into effect on August 1st, 2007. The email is a Hoax or e-rumor.*"

Sandy has scheduled (not on calendar) a Strawberry Jam making class for Dec 6 at 2 PM in the Rec Hall. Please signup and check with Sandy for details on cost and what to bring.

The following is a list of functions, not on the calendar, scheduled for this month in Naples, and may be of interest to you.

Dec 5 6-9 PM, Fifth Avenue South lights up for the holidays with open houses and businesses and holiday entertainment along the Avenue. Santa and the Mayor of Naples light the tree at 6:00pm. All other entertainment stations open at 6:30pm.

Third St South Farmer's Market opens every Saturday from 7:30-11:30 AM Parking behind Tommy Bahama's at 1201 Third St. The new Saturday Morning Market is open at St Paul Episcopal Church at 3901 Davis Road also from 7:30-11:30 AM.

Dec 7 7 PM The Barron Collier High School Band will be performing a free concert at Cambier Park.

Dec 11 6 PM the Naples Christmas Parade starts at 6 PM at the corner of Third St South and Broad Avenue South, it turns onto Fifth Avenue and ends near City Hall on Eight St South. All floats will be illuminated.

Dec 12 6 PM, there is a Tuba Christmas Concert in front of the Sugden Theatre at 701 Fifth Ave S.

Dec 13 7 PM the Golden Gate HS Band will be offering a free concert at the Golden Gate HS.

Just a reminder to all pet owners, "keep your pets off other guest sites, and do pick up after your pets." Pets are not allowed in or near any of the common areas - Pool, Rec Hall, Shuffle Courts, Office, and Laundry and Rest Rooms.

Joyce (Dick) Wiegand has posted the Phone List worksheet. The final list will be released sometime in January only those that are on the list are eligible to receive the final copy.

Janey Cottrell wishes to know if there is any interest in the Smuckers Ice Show at Germain Arena on Mar 3. Tickets start @ \$70 - \$180 pp, plus your own transportation. A "Interested Only" signup sheet will be posted in the Rec Hall.

Akeelah and the Bee is the movie scheduled for this Friday, Dec 7 at 7 PM in the Rec Hall. A heartwarming drama, "Akeelah and the Bee" stars Laurence Fishburne, Angela Bassett and newcomer Keke Palmer in the inspirational story of Akeelah Anderson, a precocious 11-year-old girl who advances from the inner city of South Los Angeles to the Scripps National Spelling Bee. She unites her friends, neighbors, and skeptical family in a story of courage that overcomes countless obstacles, and underscores the limitless possibilities of hope, talent and faith.

We will show "The Nativity Story" on Dec 21 at 7:00 PM in the Rec Hall. We serve free Hot Buttered Popcorn at all our movies. Cold drinks are also available @ .50 each.

I have placed a number of photos in the KK Photo Album, which are viewable by clicking on the appropriate link on the KK webpage referenced in the above heading. A few pictures of the giant rattlesnake, which Harry (Lonnie) Curtis heroically eliminated from the park, are also in the album.

Please use caution when driving through the park and do observe the posted speed limits and one-way signs. There have been reports of several speeding vehicles with some actually going the wrong way. We do have small children in the park that are on bicycles or walking. We had a vehicle-to-vehicle hit and run last week as a further example our concern.

If you wish to have, someone added or removed from the prayer list, send me an email or tell Sandy.

Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers, as each deals with their individual family loss or medical concerns: Mom (Olive) Millsbaugh, Jerry Bryant son of Vernon and Billie Bryant, Connie Cook, Jeanette (Tony) Bucci, Ann (Tony) Gambardella, Dorie (Ray) Mendez's brother John, Bud Standish, Dot (Jim) Greenwood, George and Jane Ferguson, Betty (Dick) Ingersoll, Sandy and Terry Hall's daughter Julie, Dale (Betty) Weddle and Betty's brother Ray, Gene and Sharon Rider, and Sharon (Bruce) Atkin. Remember our troops in Iraq.