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An Award Winning Publication

President Donny gets thing moving , followed by our speaker Harry Hackney, Attorney with Florida State Guardianship Org. who spoke on Elder Abuse and what to watch for. Rather than using my notes I have copied the highlights he has sent to us . This is too important and too much information for me to just take notes. Read them over , you will find them interesting.



Elder Exploitation in Florida

- How many seniors in America are abused? 0 One in ten over sixty years old
 - Five million each year 0
 - Only one in fourteen reported 0
 - 0
 - Seniors are vulnerable. May have:
 - impaired mental functions 0
 - 0
 - isolation from family 0
 - loneliness 0

Financial Exploitation: What to Look For

- Five Tricks of a Con Artist
 - Promises something for nothing 0
- Makes you like him 0
- Makes you think it's now or never 0
- Says he will make you rich 0
- Makes you believe scheme 0
- What to do
 - Choose Power of Attorney wisely 0
 - Don't isolate yourself 0

Investment Scam

- Takes initial investment, pays dividends to gain trust. Takes balance, disappears
- What to do
 - Verify broker is licensed.
 - Don't buy if you don't understand. 0 Don't trust high yield, little risk 0
 - pitches.

Health Care Fraud

Bad guy claims to be Medicare rep to get personal information. Might bill Medicare and pocket the money.

- One in 14 Cases Unreported. Some: afraid to report 0 feelings of shame 0
 - afraid to be alone 0
 - fear loss of independence 0
- threatened by perpetrator 0
- Many seniors stereotyped by criminal justice system:
 - Forgetful 0
 - Fragile 0
 - Poor witnesses 0
- - Exploitation by Family or Friend Someone steals from bank account o 0
 - runs up credit card debt
 - Senior's appearance gets worse 0
 - Utilities are cut off 0
 - Check license of investment agent 0
 - Don't do business with strangers

Sells inappropriate products to seniors such as annuities.

• Ask

- Who regulates "advisor"? 0
- Does "advisor" get commission? 0
- What are the risks? 0
- Does investment meet your needs?

What to do

- Speak with family members 0
 - Report suspected fraud:
 - 1-800-MEDICARE, cms.gov
 - Inspector General: HHSTips@oig.hhs.gov

16% abused by family member crisis health care needs



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Exploitation by Stealing Your Personal and Financial Information

Identity Theft

- Theft of personal and financial info
- What to do
 - Shred important papers
 - Don't put outgoing mail in unsecured mailbox
 - Don't carry too many credit cards
 - Only share personal info if you initiate contact
 - Use virus protection & firewall
 - Review credit report annually

- Email Fraud
- Seemingly legitimate email asking you to confirm or update personal information
- What to do
 - Do not update information that is requested from an email.
 - Report spam to your email provider.
- Solicitation by mail
 - Be cynical of "free" and "you must pay something upfront".
 - Carefully examine "official" or "government" mail.
 - Reduce junk mail: www.dmachoice.org

Callers attempting to sell bogus products to gain your personal information

Do not call list: (888) 382-1222, www.donotcall.gov

Exploitation by Fraudulent Businesses and Non-Profits

Moving company promises price, holds furniture, then demands another price

- Get 3 written, binding estimates
- Company, employees insured
- Check local laws
- Check with:
 - Better Business Bureau
 - Florida Division of Consumer Services csapp.800helpfla.com

- "Repair" person says your home needs repair. Threatens if you don't pay.
 - 3 written estimates
 - Don't fall for high pressure sales.
 - Get references.
 - o Must be licensed, bonded, insured
 - o Never pay cash.
 - o Make sure job done correctly
- Phone call soliciting money for charity
 - Ask where money is going.
 - o Ask for something in writing.

Use Vigilance and Caution

- Florida's Chief Financial Officer
 - MyFloridaCFO.com 877-MY-FL-CFO
- Florida Department of Veterans Affairs

 http://floridavets.org
- National Center on Elder Abuse
 - o www.ncea.aoa.gov

- Florida Abuse Hotline 800-96-ABUSE
- Fla Atty General myfloridalegal.com
- Fla Dept of Elder Affairs 800-96-ABUSE
- Office of Public & Professional Guardians
 - OPPGinfo@elderaffairs.org
 - o (855) 305-3030

What is the Florida State Guardianship Association?

- Premier guardianship org promoting guardianship excellence & advocating for incapacitated persons & their guardians
- 550 members 14 Chapters
- www.floridaguardians.com 800.718.0207

The Four Way Test

Of the things

We think say or do

- 1. Is it the <u>truth</u>?
- 2. Is it <u>fair</u> to all concerned?

3. Will it build goodwill and better <u>Friendships?</u>

4. Will it be <u>beneficial</u> to all concerned?

5. Will it be FUN?

Make Up Opportunities:

Wildwood—Wednesday 7:30 P.M.

Lake Miona Golf Club

Villages Morning-Thursday 7:00 AM

La Hacienda Recreation Center

Bellview Rotary — Fridays 7:30 AM

Jitter café- Summerfield

Leesburg Rotary—Wednesday 12:15

Leesburg Community Center

Villages Evening — 5PM

Lake Miona Recreation Center

E-Clubs login and follow instructions:

www.rotaryeclub34.org

www.rotaryeclubone.org

www.rotaryeclubcarolinas.org

Visit your Web Site:

www.rotaryclubofthevill agesnoon.org

Up Coming Programs

2/20 Club Assembly

2/27 No Meeting

3/06 Our own Ray Levy will more about his new organization— "Spread Kindness and Make a Difference"

3/13 Barb Cooksey of The Villages Honor Flight

Attendance:

Regular& Snowbirds Members: 30

Visitors : 16

Total: 46



February Birthdays

2-4 Don Maddox

2-8 Brenda Abraham

2-10 Chuck Canfield

2-17 Bonnie Rae Cypher

2-18 Brenda Dauner

2-21 Bob Gersh

2-21 Mickey Braffet















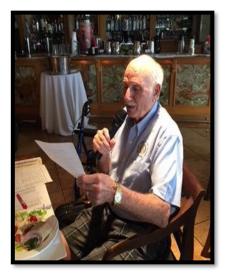






















March 22nd- Service Project with Habitat

Starting Time is 08:00 at:28415 Helena Run Dr. (Corrected) Leesburg, FL 34748.

This will be a Clean up, Paint up, Fix up Job.

Let <u>Danielle Stroud</u> know if you are going to attend.

<u>Club visit to Camp Boggy Creek on April 14,</u> at 11:00.

Details and directions can be obtained by contacting Past President Tracy.

We will be presenting a large check to them, from the proceeds designated from Carols By Candle light and our budgeted funds



The Pot Grows and the cards diminish, so if you want to miss a meeting, go ahead, that gives the rest of us a better chance to win.

There are only 35 cards on the table that is all that is left between you and the pot, his "Honor the Mayor " Jim draws the eight of diamonds, the wrong card, the Joker is waiting for you to start over again next week.



Over \$422.00 up still up for grabs









Great News

Our own Mickey Bradffet and Dick Kanyan were back among us, looking good.

Also Barbara Mangels is home from Hospital.

District Upcoming Dates

March 1 – 3, 2018

PETS2

Doubletree by Hilton at Sea World in Orlando

March 7 – 11, 2018

RYLA

March 24, 2018

RLI

Rosen College

May 3, 2018

Club Officer Submission Deadline

May 11 – 12, 2018

District Conference and Assembly

Marriott World Center

June 16, 2018

District Awards and Guards Banquet

June 24 – 28, 2018

Rotary International Convention

Toronto, Canada

July 27 – August 4, 2018

Wheelchair Games

Orange County Convention Center

Miscellaneous Notes

Aba Sherpa "Top of the World" program for Interact Clubs



9TH ANNUAL CONTRACTOR SHOWCASE & LIFESTYLE SHOW

Presented by Rotary Club of The Villages-Noon **February 24th, 2018 Wildwood Community Center** (Near Pinellas Plaza | 6500 CR 139 (Powell Rd) | Wildwood, FL) **9:00am -1:00pm**

This year's show brings together vendors offering new innovations for The Villages homes and services for our ever changing lifestyles.

FREE ADMISSION





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"A Quick Peek" of Some of Those Who Will be at the Show...

All American Gutter Protection Artistic Design & Resurfacing Cap Tel Outreach Cubicals Plus Office Furnishings D'Amico & Associates **D&D** Garage Doors **EVITA - Savannah Center March 20-22 Fairbanks Construction Holy Moly Glass Cleaning Cloths Home Repair Contractors DBA DryER Inside Style - Patti Belton Insight Credit Union Kalos Services, Inc** KB Lawn & Landscaping, Inc. **Kinetico Water Treatment** Liquid Lights, LLC Lowe's Mid-Fla Heating & Air, LLC Mr. Handiman Nurse Next Door - Lou Acuff, Executive Director

Reverse Mortgage Funding SECO Energy The Remodeling Guys The Villages Insurance The Villages Shrine Club Visiting Angels ...And Many, Many More



Will you be there to help?







WHAT?

Attracting more than 600 athletes each year and 4,000 volunteers, the National Veterans Wheelchair Games is the largest annual wheelchair sports event in the world. A multi-event sports and rehabilitation program for military service Veterans who use wheelchairs for sports competition due to spinal cord injuries, amputations or other neurological disorders.

WHEN & WHERE?

JULY 29 – AUGUST 4, 2018 All events will take place in the Orlando area.

WHY?

The Orlando VA Medical Center and Paralyzed Veterans of America Central Florida Chapter are committed to improving the quality of life for Veterans with physical disabilities and fostering better health through sports and recreation. Over the years, the Games have produced a number of national and world-class champions. However, the event provides the opportunity for newly disabled Veterans to get involved and push further than they thought possible. Typically, one quarter of the competitors are new to the Games.

OUR EVENTS:

Competitive events at the National Veterans Wheelchair Games include swimming, table tennis, weightlifting, archery, air guns, basketball, boccia, nine ball, softball, quad rugby, bowling, handcycling, trapshooting, wheelchair slalom, power soccer, a motorized wheelchair rally, and track and field. Athletes compete in all events against others with similar athletic ability, competitive experience, or age.

Free. The public is most welcome.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

www.wheelchairgames.org/volunteers

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