

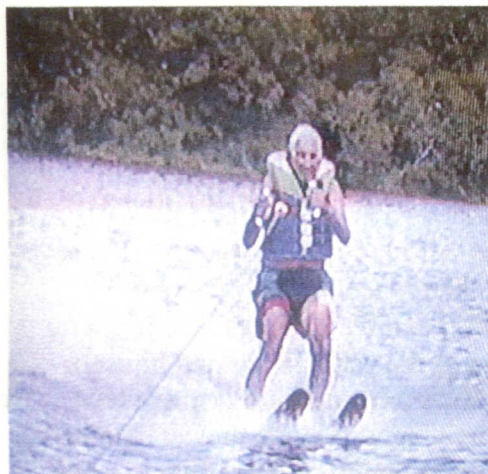


Port Carlos Cove

NEWSLETTER

Rick & Sue Hobot - Editors

November 2012



**Back Bay
85th Birthday
1999**



**Bill Dressel
1915 ~ 2012**

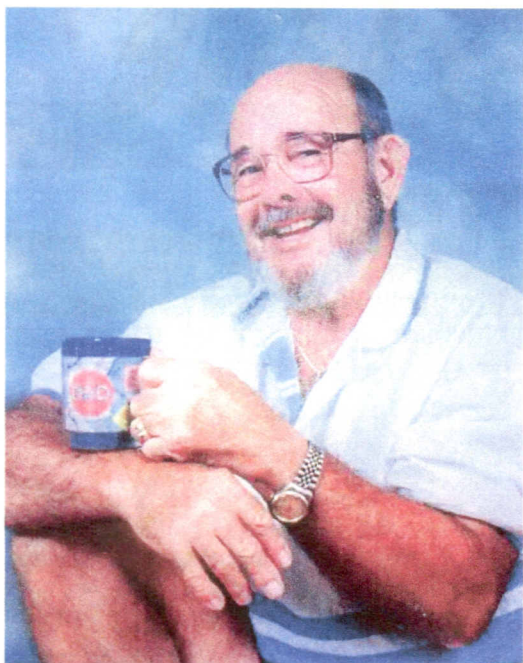


**Parasailing
95th Birthday
2009**

Happy Trails To You.

The patriarch of our park Bill Dressel passed away June of this year. I can only imagine all that he saw and experienced during his 97 years. He was not afraid to experience or try new things as you can see in these photos. He had and used a computer. He was the "Johnny Appleseed" of the park with all the palms he started and planted here in PCC. His Royals! Bill and his wife Mae moved into PCC in 1976 and he worked years to have the sidewalk installed down Main Street. He was a wonderful caretaker to Mae till her passing in 2004. Another love of his was singing with the Paradise Coastmen Barbershop Chorus of which he was the oldest member. He loved his trees, his music, his morning doves and was loved by his park.

You are truly missed Bill.



D.R. "Doc" Gumm

Doc Gumm always had a joke on the tip of his tongue, a tooth pick to chew on, or a smile on his face. He retired from the Illinois Central Railroad after 37 years only to work at an amusement park driving a "train". Can't you just see him? Doc purchased in PCC in 1997 and loved his winters here and always looked forward to his cruises. Sadly though he suffered with a bad heart for years. He passed away on Oct. 14th, 2012 at his home in Spirit Lake, Iowa. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Betty, daughter Debra, sons Daniel, Thomas and Steve & wife Mary of 85 Blackbeard Way, 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Hope he is enjoying running that train in the sky.
Rest in Peace Doc.

ANN HOLKEBOER

Some people living here in the park are not involved with the parties or events. They are private people who love Florida and their home here. Such is a small, quiet lady who also did not like her picture taken, Ann. She was known to join in on the morning aerobics and swim a bit afterwards. Ann passed recently. She and her husband, Dave had been married for 17 years. She was a teacher for 7 years in MI but left for Washington DC and went to work for a young congressman, Gerald Ford. She stayed with him during his time on the Warren Commission, thru his White House years, later she



Hugh P. West Sr.

Hugh with his wife Judy purchased their home in PCC in 2005. Hugh had recently retired as a New Jersey state trooper after 22 years. He instantly got into the swing of the park. He busied himself with remodeling their unit and purchasing a boat. All this before being diagnosed with cancer. He put up a good fight, struggling through treatments while Judy became his nurse, chauffeur, and strong partner. On July 6th he gave up the good fight leaving this world and "way to soon" and to young. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Judy, daughters Kathy, Jennifer and son Hugh Jr, plus 8 grandchildren.
Rest in Peace Hugh

worked for Jim Leach from Iowa till her retirement. I am sure she could tell us some stories. She is survived by her husband Dave and his two daughters and son. May she rest in Peace.

JOHN BIELEC

John and his wife Eileen were private people who did not participate in park activities and many of us did not get a chance to meet. Recently they purchased a bigger and newer motorhome and rented their unit out. This past summer they sold their home and John passed away about a month ago. Our sympathy to his wife and family. Rest in Peace.



Yes we did it again.
 September 5th, and 6th
 The 4th Minnesota /
 Florida connection got
 together again on
 beautiful Lake Wabedo.
 It was hosted by Don &
 Sue Vance, Gary & Judy
 Steffen and Rick & Sue
 Hobot. Everyone from
 MN, renters or owners
 were invited. 23 gathered
 at Judy and Gary's lake
 home for cocktails and
 appetizers. Afterwards a
 tour of the lake with 3

pontoons was enjoyed. Dinner was at Don & Sue's lake home, down the bay from the Steffen's. All enjoyed pulled pork, potato salad, baked beans, coleslaw with brownies and a birthday cake to celebrate Paul & Carol Lenz and Nancy Willaby's birthdays. Some drifted back to their beds while others sat around the bon fires and enjoyed the Minnesota night with a night cap in hand. The next morning a brunch was served at Rick & Sue's cabin a few doors down from the Vance's complete with Bloody Mary's. What an enjoyable 2 days and our thanks to everyone for making the trip and hope to see you all next year at the 5th.

Don & Sue, Gary & Judy, Rick & Sue

Men's Club

The Men's Club had their first meeting of the new season on November 5. We had 19 guys show up to enjoy the conversations, coffee and doughnuts.

Items that were discussed are:

1. New Grill grates for our Chicken Barbeque. They are finished and look great.
2. Fence in the compound. Will work on this project after the Holidays.
3. Deck extension in the pool area. (Completed)
4. Pulling the marking poles up in the boat yard area.
5. The Bazaar. (Scheduled for January 19, 2013.)
6. Christmas Decorations; By the time you receive this Newsletter, the park and clubhouse should all be decorated. This will be done on Monday, November 19.

Our next meeting is Monday, December 3rd at 9 AM.

Have a nice Thanksgiving.
 Thank you for all your help.

Ken Eul

Letter from the Editors

It's impressive to see "mother nature" in action, sometimes it is darn right scary as with "Sandy" but come Sept. we see the days grow shorter, less sun light means the leaves on the trees change from green to a beautiful vibrant red, orange and yellow. The deer loose their summer coat and get a darker heavier one which keeps them warm during the colder weather and camouflages them in the stark empty forests of winter. The ferns and plants turn brown and "die: back. The lakes sometimes turn green as the weeds in the lake also die and we call that "turning over". The squirrels are busy finding and packing away acorns for their coming winter and the birds change into their winter coat and start to move. Some just a short distance and others like the humming bird start to eat like little piggys as they have thousands of miles to fly before they get to their winter home. We call that "heading south". So it is for many of us humans as we feel the temperatures falling, the leaves change and fall, and we feel the tug for us to pack and head to our winter homes. We are referred to as SNOWBIRDS! We come from all different directions, different states and gather here in PCC, our winter home. We see old faces and meet new ones all to enjoy the same, the sun, blue skies and warm weather. What a wonderful cycle it is and I am so glad to see you all as you return to enjoy another "season". Welcome back all you Snow Birds, life is good.

HARRY CHAPIN

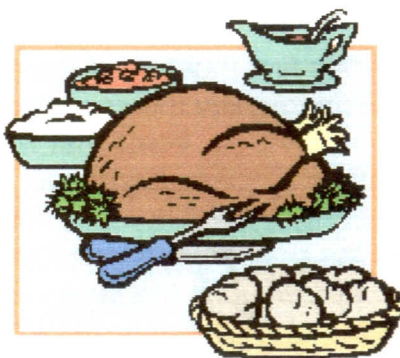


Once again I ask for HELP for those less fortunate. I sometime feel like a broken record but the need still exists. Many are still without work, children going

with out food, elderly having to decide between medication or food. As our national holiday approaches and we gather to count our blessings and fill our stomachs, "please" give to Harry Chapin Food Shelf. Whether it be a check, canned goods or personal products it will all be accepted and truly appreciated.

For I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed Me. Matthew 25:35

Thank you, Sue Hobot



THANKSGIVING

Dinner will be held at the clubhouse on Nov. 22. Cocktails at 12:30 and dinner at 1pm. Turkey, ham and potatoes

will be furnished with side dishes to be brought by the residents. The sign up sheet is in the clubhouse and a donation of a canned good is ask to be brought. Hope to see you then.

Carolyn Hartman-Mary Gumm