

Winter 2018

Celebrating The Holidays at Jacaranda Trace



Hanukkah and Menorahs

Ronald and Sonia Weismehl, left and Arthur and Helena Simmons, right stand by the Hanukkah display they created in the lobby of Jacaranda Trace. The Gold menorah pictured was purchased 40 years ago in Israel by the Weismehl's. It was originally displayed in their home and was made to be lighted with oil. The Simmons purchased the silver menorah and also have dreidels on display, a game played during the Jewish Holiday.

The menorah celebrates an eight day festival of Hannukah. It is the story of the Maccabees founds in an ancient scroll. The modern-day festival calls for the lighting on eight days of a Menorah, playing of a game (dreidel), eating of potato pancakes (latkes), and giving of small coins to the children.



Jacaranda Trace staff, residents, and families at the Alzheimer's Walk



A Christmas Village

Dickey Everson stands by the Christmas Village on display during the holidays in the 2nd Floor Clubhouse. The display has more than 46 homes and other detailed items to make up the beautiful lighted Village. The entire display was donated by Everson for everyone to enjoy and she along with a number of volunteers set it up every year . It is a big hit with all of the residents and their families during the holidays. Everson has been collecting these houses and holiday items for almost 30 years.



Taking Steps Together To Fight Alzheimer's Disease

Residents and employees and their families participated in the Alzheimer's Walk this fall in Sarasota. Jacaranda Trace raised \$3,505 for the cause. This event is the world's largest event to fight Alzheimer's. Our sister Community The Sarasota Bay Club were one of the top fundraising communities. Congratulations to all who participated.

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Artist Travels The World Creating Sparkling Watercolors

By Susan Cairo, Jacaranda Trace.

Rose Edin of Venice has been painting since she was eight years old. She has spent a lifetime patiently recreating as art the beauty and wonderful scenery from her travels throughout the world.

"When I was a little girl my dad used to put my artwork all over the walls of our home," she said. With this encouragement she started illustrating a children's newspaper at 13 for her church. She began her education at North Park University, Chicago and later attended Colorado State University Graduate Study and Minneapolis School of Art. Rose was teaching art when she won several awards for her oil paintings. "The first award was from the Minneapolis State Fair for an oil painting, and I



Painter Rose Edin (photo: Susan Cairo)

took first place" she said. After receiving many first place awards, she made a difficult decision to quit teaching school and travel the world teaching art. "My husband Stan was very supportive of my decision and that helped me make the change."



This decision came about when she was asked to host a trip to Portugal by the Wyoming University Art Tour group. "That tour really set the plan for what I wanted to do in the future ," she said. "At first it was a disaster, all of the students headed for the bar as soon as we arrived." But that evening she created a program where she would show the students what to paint the next morning and then during the day she would then send them out into the beautiful scenery to work. Each evening they would bring back their work so she could critique it before dinner. The University really didn't set a program plan for each day's workshop so I had to devise one when we got there. "But it all worked out at the time," she said.

After a few trips, Rose decided that she could do the tour better by running it herself. That was many

years ago and she has since been to 50 countries and taught many talented students. Each tour has about 20 students and together they have gone to Egypt, all over the Mediterranean, Spain and many other exotic places. Her next tour is scheduled for Switzerland in 2018.

She is also a very busy artist, doing 20 workshops a year. She has written four watercolor books that have sold thousands of copies and have been translated into many foreign languages including Chinese. The next workshop in our area will be at the Venice Art Center, February 5, 6, and 7. Her specialty is using color to achieve a lively glowing effect. By using simple tricks she creates sparking passages of color. Most of her artwork show scenes from her many trips. She has a beautiful studio in her apartment at Jacaranda Trace Venice with a balcony. "I chose the apartment because the light is perfect for my studio," she said.



Her awards are too numerous to mention; they include winner of the High Winds medal and award at the 2011 American Watercolor Society annual competition; first place in the animal/wildlife division of the Artist Magazine's International Competition in 2011; winner of the Barse Miller Watercolor Memorial Award at the 2014 American



Watercolor Society. She is a signature member of the American Watercolor Society, National Watercolor Society, and the Transparent Watercolor Society of America, where she holds a masters status.

Rose also designed a special watercolor paintbrush named after her. When faced with a problem that the No. 12 brush was too small and the 20 brush was too big she designed a number 18 brush. "There was nothing like it on the market and if there were it was terribly expensive," she said. Many artists must have thought the same thing because she has sold thousands of them at a very reasonable price.

"I love to travel and I love my art," said Rose. She spends her life teaching and traveling and enjoying both.

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From left: Constance Blum, Dee Jepsen, Nell Russo, Berniece Warner, Gayle Rainville, Joyce Smith, and Barbara Maugans modeling at a fashion show with outfits from Chico's at Jacaranda Trace. 2nd Row woman from Chico's who supplied all of the clothing for the show.



Thomas Gooding stands next to a classic Morgan car displayed recently at the British Car Show at Jacaranda Trace. The Morgan was one of more than 20 classic British cars that were brought on the Jacaranda Trace property for the residents to admire.



Enjoying an overnight trip to Rollins College, Winter Park Florida are a group from Jacaranda Trace. While there they visited several buildings designed by Frank Lloyd Wright from left Don and Sis Courtsal, Ruth Geniesse, Ginger Eakin, Alice Sawyer, Cay Harman and Kris Cottrill.



Elsbeth Connors enjoys a kayaking trip with a group of residents from Jacaranda Trace.



Linda Sharp stands by one of the sand sculpture at Siesta Key Beach at a resident event recently held at Siesta Key Beach at the Classic Master Sand Sculpture competition. Residents toured the beach and got to see all of the beautiful prize-winning sculptures.



Mary Louise Morris, Sunny Urban and Ruth Geniesse enjoying the view from on top of the Rockefeller Building during their tour of NY city.

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Jacaranda Trace Travel Club Upcoming Adventures For 2018

- January 14-21 Royal Caribbean Rhapsody of the Seas 7-day Western Caribbean cruise. Key West, Cozumel, Belize and Costa Maya. Cruise leaves out of Tampa.
- **February 22-26** Royal Caribbean Brilliance of the Seas 4-day Western Caribbean cruise. Cozumel Cruise leaves out of Tampa.



- March 11-16 All around Bus Tour New Orleans Adventure Three night stay at the Four Points by Sheraton in the French Quarter. Tour includes accommodations for five nights, eight meals, City Tour of New Orleans, School of Cooking, Mardi Gras World, Jazz show. Naval Aviation Museum. Round trip motor coach transportation, taxes, meal gratuities and baggage handling included.
- June 2-16 Princess Cruises Baltic Heritage Sailing round trip from Southampton aboard the Sapphire Princess for a 14-night cruise to Scandinavia and Russia. Explore Copenhagen; two-day visit to St. Petersburg. Cruise travels: Southampton, Zeebrugge, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Tallinn, St. Petersburg, Russia, Helsinki Gdynia and back to Southampton.

Day Trips

FEBRUARY – Marina Jack Lunch Cruise; **MARCH** – Strawberry Festival, Arcadia Rodeo, Sarasota Jazz Pub Crawl; **APRIL** – Solomon's Castle; **MAY** – Bearadise Ranch in Myakka City, Trip to Ikea, Tampa; **JUNE** – Weeki Wachie Springs Overnight, CineBistro Movie and Dinner; **JULY** – Trip to Ava Maria, Dali Museum & Chihuly Glass museum in Tampa; **AUGUST** – Hawaiian Luau Stalite Majesty Lunch Cruise; Venice Train Depot Tour; **SEPTEMBER** – Mote Aquarium & Eco Boat Tour; Murder Mystery train; **OCTOBER** – Johns Pass Village and Boardwalk Madeiran Beach; Dinner at Heinrich's German Grill; Close Encounters of the Exotic Kind; **NOVEMBER** – Englewood's Farmers Market; JC Paddlewheel Cruise; **DECEMBER** – Ding Darling Wildlife Sanctuary on Sanibel; Christmas Lights at Marie Selby Gardens.

Feeding The Giraffes!

Clockwise from upper left: Dorothy Lapelle; Helen Phillips & Donald Batch; Virginia Stoltzner; Nichols Foster & June LaPelle



Evening at Jacaranda Trace

Rainbow picture caught by staff member Joe Heid in the sky above Jacaranda Trace. *A Perfect way to end a perfect day.*



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