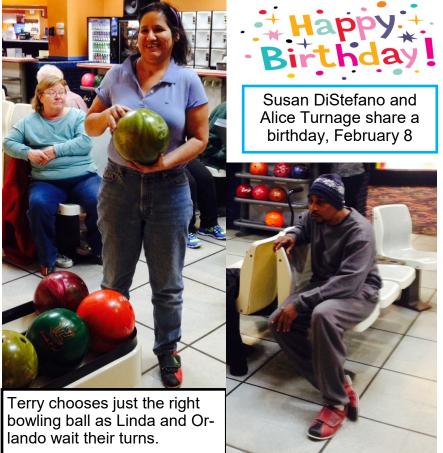
February 8, 2016 Vol.6, Issue 13

Susan: srdistefano@comcast.net Katie: kwalters.hosanna@comcast.net



(This is Connor's re- Connor's sponse to last week's editorial comments.)

tentions.

To let you know, my thoughts have percolated, and my intentions are now an active response. YES, we ARE on the same thought level. Good intentions are NOT enough; there must be actions with heart to make a meaningful point. People can criticize Jedi Master Yoda all they want, but his belief "Do or do not, there is no try" goes directly to the truth. I personally feel that far too many people, when they are trying to succeed, look for creative ways of getting away with it, while the successful-minded people look for ways of getting on with it. I can actually rely on Nike's slogan-JUST DO IT-when dealing with in-

ECR

Upcoming activities

Monday, Feb. 8, HUMC Solo Ladies come to Hope house for dinner and fun activities!.

Tuesday, Feb. 9, It's Shrove Tuesday, which means pancake suppers at each house.

Friday, Feb. 12, It's time for the Shine Prom at Stuart Heights Baptist Church. Put on your finest or come as you are. Enjoy a night of dancing, activities, and good food! Saturday, Feb. 13, Walmart shop-

ping for those who need it. Valentine's dinner at each house.



In the Christian calendar, Lent is the 40-day period from Ash Wednesday to Easter. This year, Ash Wednesday is Feb 10. If you would like to attend a service, please let your house manager know. When it was first observed, its focus was on self-examination and self-denial in preparation for Easter, and Christians used fasting from eating as a visible demonstration of this process. Today, many "fast" by giving up things like television or Facebook, in addition to the traditional chocolate, caffeine, or sugar. Others give up free time and add in activities designed to encourage self-examination or connection with others such as devotional readings, volunteering in the community, or increased outdoor activity. What you do isn't as important as the fact that you are doing some-

thing (see Connor's piece), with the hope that your actions will result in a transformation.