

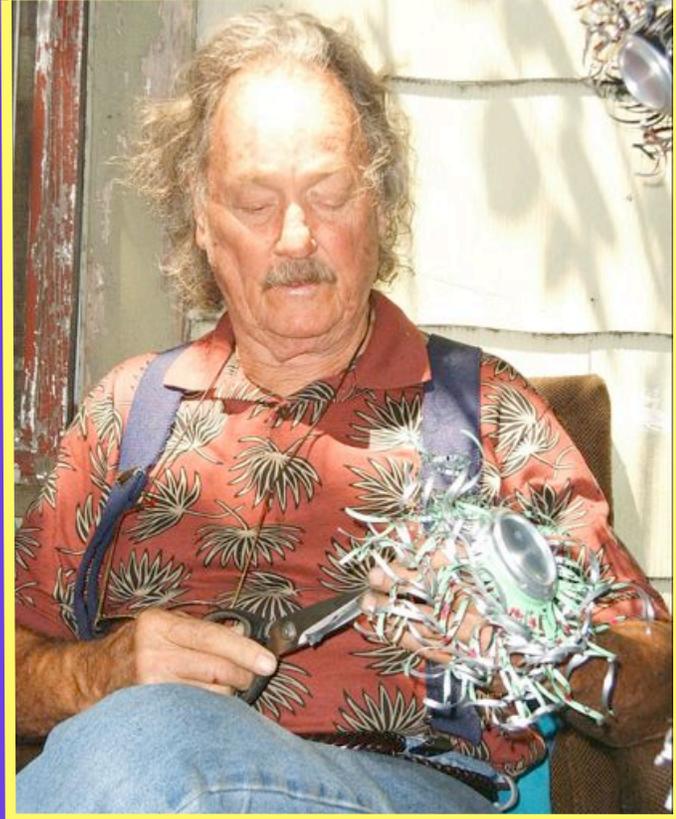
Dallas Musing About Numbers

(continued from last month)

By The Ink Tank

Eleven is the number for peace in the I Ching: During a time of social harmony the leader shows favor to all and all are well disposed to be led. Light is powerful and darkness is submissive. During a time of peace heaven seems to be on earth. Heaven and earth are in contact. They are part of each other. Good elements are in control. The idea of the BBP is up there. The real patch is right now, here.

Dallas: The Patch is an organic flowing place but it is also ethereal. It is always in flux. No material is unproductive. Everything has value. It can be turned into art, or recycled or repurposed or re-used as art or as an artful function. Every nick-nack and doo-dad will find its use at the patch.



Sharevival is a uniquely dedicated way to be: To be dedicated to the smallest of things, to recognize the creative potential in everything and everyone, to see the value of everything that exists in three dimensions. The Patch puts industry's cast-offs into transition as an offering to our mother nature. Even the unruly may allow themselves to be led, if they are following goodness, kindness, creative energy and ultimately, spirituality.

There are leaders and there are those who are happily led and gladly follow since we are all striving toward the same goal, which is peace.

When friends show up on the eleventh, maybe after a hard day in their world, they come into a different perspective. They enjoy the sense of being in the moment with a myriad of lights to hold the darkness at bay, and the music to hold their blues away.

Blueberry Patch Wish List:

Ceiling Fans

Cat and/or Dog food

**Paint for our mural wall
(outdoor)**

**Tractor
(just to pull things)**

**Good useable wood
(2x4, plywood, no trim pieces please)**

Nails, screws

Tarps

Farming equipment

Volunteers!!

They may meet new friends and gather with old buddies and know that, here we are all still growing.

Question: But how does the leader deal with imperfect beings?

Dallas: Well, you grit your teeth and hope for the best, knowing that we are all imperfect beings. Not many people can understand what there is to bear. Some have more to bear than others do. I look at everyone as good people. Their goodness will come out of them and shine on all of us.

The I Ching, however, says that a gradual slackening lurks in any time of peace, so one must be alert and aware.

Next month see what Dallas has to say about the number 22...



Little Patches Inside the Patch

An interview with Hal Bailey

How did you first start working at the patch?

On volunteer days. That's how I started coming to the patch. I'd sit and talk with Dallas in the morning. And it was fun, I had a good time, so I kept coming.

When I first came to the patch it seemed like whenever we'd clean one spot we'd just dirty up another place. So I said why don't we put like with like? Put similar things together to try to organize it. You can just stack junk up or you can make junk into art. And that's pretty much what we do now.

See those trees - we could, say, give this space to someone and let them make it look nice. Make it be their space, where they could do whatever they wanted. They could bring materials or use things they found here. I could see quite a few people coming in here and

expressing themselves or an idea at the patch and they could just take it and go with it. They could make little patches inside the patch. It'd be nice to have people come in and work on the mural wall too, we need to get that going.

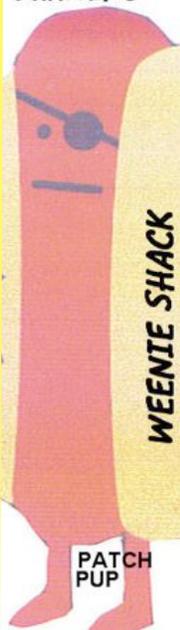
I would like people to feel more vested in the place, like they feel more a part of it, not just a place to come on patch nights and then leave. What we need are key volunteers who can just come here and know what to do. They could come in and take ownership of the patch - to some degree.

Tell me more about the animals at the patch and the farm project.

We have lots of cats, and Chewy the turtle, and we do have a pet fund, we can always use contributions towards that. We have eight new hampshire reds. The chickens do serve a purpose. We're trying to compost everything so eventually we won't need soil, the chickens give us lots of good compost. We're aiming at being all organic.

And Brian is so invested in the garden and all the trees around the patch. It's just beautiful during the day. I don't know why people don't come and hang out on Saturdays. It's the day to volunteer! Artists, musicians, photographers, and everyone else come out to the patch on Saturdays! It's fun to volunteer here doing art and different projects. You can come see the patch even if you don't do anything. It starts at 11:11 and we could always use some extra hands. Plus, Dallas is offering free entry on patch nights for volunteers!

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October Events

1st - Open Mic

7th - Sing-a-Long

11th - Open Jam

22nd - Rebekah Pulley

Patch Pals who like to sing...

Clyde runs Karaoke at Trotti's in
Safety Harbor every Thursday.

Come out and share your talent!