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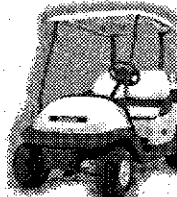
 

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Prayer For March 2007



Eternal, Loving and Gracious God we magnify Your name and praise You as we are preparing our hearts and mind during this time of Lent. It is difficult to concentrate on the things that should be most important to us. We are distracted by the many things that occupy our minds and actions with our every day living. We call on Your Holy Spirit to keep us on track with prayer and devotionals during this month. We ask Your forgiveness when we fail to keep the most important things of life in front of us. We thank You God that you are always loving and forgiving. We'd be in a pretty sorry state without Your Eternal Grace. **Amen.** —*John Whittredge Hill, Chaplain*



I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life goes on, and it will be better tomorrow. ~Maya Angelou

Vespers



By Jennie Lee Titus, Leader

It doesn't seem possible that the last six vesper meetings for this season are upon us! Yes, we have four meetings this month and two next month. I've sent a card to each pastor who helped us this season. Each has added something to our meetings. During March, we expect **Hector Swain from the United Church of Canada; David Keister of Westminster Presbyterian** on the day we begin Daylight Saving time; **J.R. Carrel**, formerly of Northeast Christian and **Rick Thompson of Riviera United Methodist Church**. I'd like to extend my sincere thanks to each who has served as a greeter, or helped in the kitchen, set up & take down, to the faithful bulletin board changer, choir, special music and of course, our choir director. You all have been a blessing to my life. Especially a big thank you to all the beautiful smiles we see from the pulpit. Keep on serving our Lord.

With hurricanes, tornados, fires out of control, mud slides, flooding, severe thunderstorms tearing up the country from one end to another, and with the threat of bird flu and terrorist attacks, are we sure this is a good time to take God out of the Pledge of Allegiance? ~Jay Leno

Editor's Note



A few month's ago, I announced I would be resigning as Editor of the Forecaster. I sent out a plea for someone else to step forward and assume my role. I am very pleased to announce we will be welcoming Mary Bickhart from 224 Mt. Piney Avenue as your new editor! Mary, Nora Adell Andrews and I will be sitting down soon to discuss the nuts and bolts of our duties and I have no doubt you'll all be pleased with the future editions. Please stay tuned and we'll keep you informed of any important changes. Thank you, Mary, for agreeing to accept the challenge!

Directions for Submitting Information for the Forecaster

Submissions for the Forecaster during the months of November, December, January, February, March, April and May will be accepted either by email, or by dropping information off at 120 Mt Curve Avenue. If submitting information by email you can either send it as an attachment, or include it as part of your email text. Information can be sent to: **Linda Lou Fairbanks, EDITOR, at the following email address: mspiglover@aol.com**. You can also contact **ASSISTANT EDITOR NORA ADELL ANDREWS at 528-9888** if you have questions regarding delivery or the calendar. When you do send information by email or if you drop it off, **PLEASE PUT "FORECASTER"** in the subject line or on your envelope. This will avoid having your information overlooked and possibly deleted unintentionally. Thank you for your cooperation.

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The **DEADLINE** for articles is the **14th** of every month. When submitting information please don't use fancy fonts- the publisher requires font type **TIMES NEW ROMAN** in size **twelve (12)**.

FORECASTER CALENDAR

The deadline for the **CALENDAR** is different from the articles, **so please make note of this**. Deadline for entries is the **13th of each month**. **ALL** calendar submissions must come from, and be approved by the **Americana Cove Association**. Please contact **President Betty Chase if you need or require information at 525-7481**. **COORDINATOR** for the calendar is **Nora Adell Andrews**. Her telephone number is **528-9888**. If you need to reach her by email please send information to: **nandrews3@tampabay.rr.com**. Thank you.

Ain't She Sweet?



A mother is driving her 7 year-old daughter to her friend's house for a play date when the little girl asks "Mom my," how old are you?" "Honey, you are not supposed to ask a lady her age," the mother replies sweetly. "It's not polite." "OK", the little girl says, "How much do you weigh?" "Now really," the mother says, a bit less sweetly. "Those are personal questions and are really none of your business." Undaunted, the little girl asks, "Why did you and Daddy get a divorce?" "That's enough questions, young lady, honestly!" mom says as her daughter is getting out of the car. The exasperated mother drives away as the two friends begin to play. "My Mom won't tell me anything about her," the little girl says to her friend. "Well," says the friend, "all you need to do is look at her driver's license. It's like a report card, it has everything on it. "Later that night the little girl says to her mother, "I know how old you are, you are 32." The mother is surprised and asks, "How did you find that out?" "I also know that you weigh 140 pounds." The mother is past surprised and shocked now. "How in heaven's name did you find that out?" "And," the little girl says triumphantly, "I know why you and daddy got a divorce." Now mom's getting mad. She says, "Oh really? And just why is that, young lady?" "Because you got an F in sex!"



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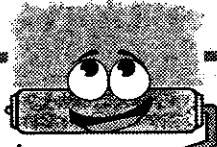
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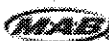
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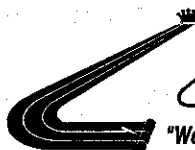
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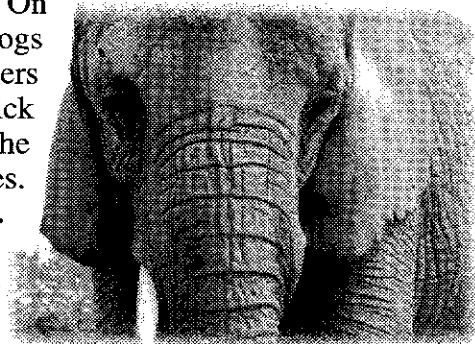
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White Elephant Sale! Saturday, March 3, 2007

By Beck Hopkins



If you've got something you'd like to donate to the White Elephant, please get it down to the Clubhouse pronto! Kay Jones is looking for sparkly shiny things for the jewelry table. **Sale set-up begins on Friday, March 2, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse.** It takes many hands sorting and pricing to make the sale a success. On Friday, coffee will be available in the morning and hot dogs will be served for the workers. Also, on Friday, all workers (both for Friday and Saturday) are asked to sign in and pick up name badges. Saturday workers are asked to be in the Clubhouse at 8:00 a.m. to put the final touches on the tables. **The White Elephant hours are 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** The emergency gate on Americana Place will be opened and used as an exit. Don't forget to tell your friends to come—they'll find fabulous bargains!



Be alert to give service. What counts a great deal in life is what we do for others.
~Anonymous

Editor's Note: I don't think in my lifetime I've had the honor of meeting and knowing a couple who have celebrated 60 years of marriage! Below is a special thank you from one of our couples who just celebrated this milestone. CONGRATULATIONS!!!

We would like to say a special "thank you" to the "Canadian Gang" from the recent Canada Night. Sue Line surprised us by presenting us with a large red vase filled with beautiful flowers, decorated with a red & white bow. Attached was a heart-touching card adorned with a 60th anniversary bell. The message read: *"To the lady who started it all, Happy 10th anniversary for Canada night too!"* We also wish to thank all who sent flowers, cards, and best wishes for our 60 years together. We received many phone calls, gifts, invitations to dinner- all celebrating the "roaring '20's". One phone call in particular touched our hearts. It was from Cornwall, Ontario and was from the Administrator of the Chateau Cornwall Retirement Centre. We also spoke with Monique, Gordon Miller and Eileen Hickey. When we are "up north" John entertains folks at the Centre for an hour or so, playing the piano, once a month. We appreciate all that happened to make our 60th Anniversary so memorable. Thank you one and all. ~John & Shirley Wadsworth

Love at first sight is easy to understand; it's when two people have been looking at each other for a lifetime that it becomes a miracle. ~Amy Bloom

Sunshine Report March 2007

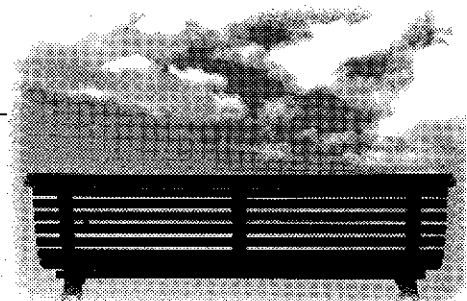
By Gerri Bassett

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Let children walk with Nature, let them see the beautiful blendings and communions of death and life, their joyous inseparable unity, as taught in woods and meadows, plains and mountains and streams of our blessed star, and they will learn that death is stingless indeed, and as beautiful as life. ~John Muir



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05 Pearl Walker, David Cook
06 Marjorie Dodd, Jim Tanner
07 Cecile Lescarbeau, Barbara Tumminia,
Rick Tumminia
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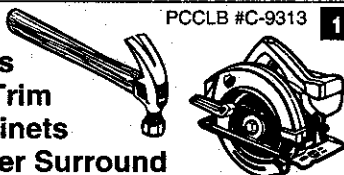
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Age puzzles me. I thought it was a quiet time. My seventies were interesting and fairly serene, but my eighties are passionate. I grow more intense as I age. ~Florida Scott-Maxwell

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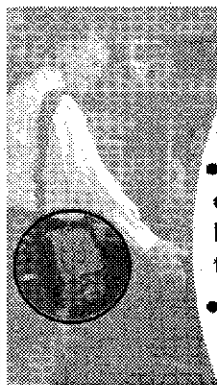
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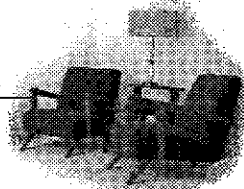
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25	Betty and Jim Chase	53 years	28	Barbara and Rick Tumminia	29 years

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A Tender Resignation



It is with mixed emotions that I regretfully tender my resignation as Manager of the Kitchen, effective May 1, 2007. I have made many dear friends and received much fulfillment during these past 12 years. But I feel it is time to retire while I still have the health to enjoy more recreational activities. A special thanks to the wonderful Kitchen Krew that have faithfully performed such hard work and never complained about the enormous projects I talked them into over the years! I will never forget the fun and wonderful times we spent together. Please be assured that I will always be available to share any aid possible to my successors. I give my love and appreciation to all of you that have faithfully participated in all the functions we have provided over the years. And, finally, I would not have survived without the aid and abiding support of my loving husband, Jim. Thank you one and all.

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True friendship consists not in the multitude of friends, but in their worth and value. ~Ben Johnson

Things Aren't Always as They Appear – A True Story

A woman was flying from Seattle to San Francisco. Unexpectedly, the plane was diverted to Sacramento along the way. The flight attendant explained that there would be a delay, and if the passengers wanted to get off the aircraft the plane would re-board in 50 minutes. Everybody got off the plane except one lady who was blind. A man had noticed her as he walked by and could tell the lady was blind because her Seeing Eye dog lay quietly underneath the seats in front of her throughout the entire flight. He could also tell she had flown this very flight before because the pilot approached her, and calling her by name, said, "Kathy, we are in Sacramento for almost an hour. Would you like to get off and stretch your legs?" The blind lady replied, "No thanks, but maybe my dog would like to stretch his legs." Picture this: All the people in the gate area came to a complete standstill when they looked up and saw the pilot walk off the plane with a Seeing Eye dog! The pilot was even wearing sunglasses. People scattered. They not only tried to change planes, but they were trying to change airlines!



Board Report

By John Bassett, President



COMMITTEES

The Board Committees are in operation and getting plans in place, and in some cases work is progressing, as in the installation of zone valves as a prelude to the replacement of water pipes throughout the community. This will take one or two years, and we hope to be able to fund it as we progress. It is necessary to install zone valves prior to the installation of the water lines, first, to reduce the amount of time the water is shut off when the lines are replaced, as with zone valves we can isolate one or two streets at a time. The time to install zone valves is much less than required to replace a complete waterline. And second, in the future, when a water break or other maintenance is needed, we can again isolate the line to be worked on, thus inconveniencing as few residents as possible.

Committees are being led this year by some new directors. Finance is Crailey Gillies; Planning is Gail Jones; Architectural Review Committee (ARC) by Dick Nemi and Marketing is again led by Don Delzell. We have also created an ad hoc committee to review and revise the Rules and Regulations led by Ed Mosakowski.

NEW TREASURER

I am pleased to announce we have a new Treasurer- Crailey Gillies. He has taken over from Virginia Curtis. Welcome to the position Crailey. What can I say about Virginia? She has been a backbone of our community for many years, holding the position of President for many years and guiding us through our formative years. However, she made it clear that taking the position of Treasurer this year was only temporary until we could get another director as Treasurer. Thank you, Virginia, for your outstanding contributions to the community.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

During the past few weeks there have been several social events involving many residents of the community. Canada night on January 27, 2007 organized by resident Dave Turner, and it seemed like a cast of thousands, followed in quick order by the Heartland evening, headed up by resident and Director Gail Jones, and the New England Night, led by Tom & Annette Solomon for the seventh consecutive year! None of these social events and food extravaganzas

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would have been possible without the very up- to- date and modern kitchen equipment that the ACA and Kitchen Krew, led by Betty Chase, purchased and installed over the last few years. We are sorry to lose Betty as head of the Kitchen Krew. She has been an outstanding volunteer (along with her husband Jim) who has contributed so much to the community. You will sorely be missed Betty!

VOLUNTEERS

On the inside cover of the Forecaster, you will note the numerous clubs and the names of the dedicated volunteers who are giving of their time, talents and efforts and who help to make life in Americana Cove so enjoyable. We are fortunate to have them.

Leadership: The art of getting someone else to do something you want done because he wants to do it. ~Dwight D. Eisenhower

Manager's Report

By Dawn Simmons

WATER SHUT OFF

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: EVERY THURSDAY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THE WATER WILL BE SHUT OFF FOR APPROXIMATELY 1 HOUR TO INSTALL ZONE VALVES.

FLORIDA TAG REGISTRATION

If you are renting your space you should have recently received your 2007 renewal in the mail. The current color is bright green, last year was orange. So, if you don't have a bright green tag displayed in your window you need to check it out. The Pinellas Co. Inspector will be through the park in March to find anyone in violation. If you are a shareholder you should have a black sticker with RP on it, which should also be displayed in your front window. **If you have any questions please call the business office at 526-9141.**

FRUIT TREES

The trees are loaded with fruit this year. We have a large problem with fruit on the ground attracting fruit rats. Please be vigilant and keep your fruit picked up. Make sure your tree is picked and cleaned before you head up north. There are so many citrus trees that are in need of pruning and many that could be cut down. If you no longer want a citrus tree in your yard, the park is willing at this point to remove them. Call the office and we'll be happy to schedule a time for removal of your tree(s).

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RESIDENT FILE UPDATES

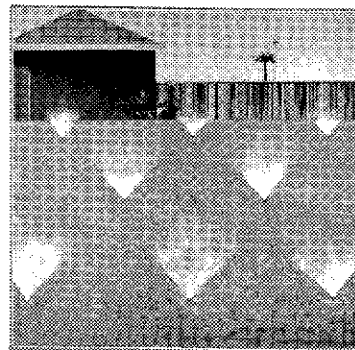


It is time again! We have not done a new registration form since 2005 so it is time again. We need to update your information as to northern address, phone number and how many months you are here and **MOST IMPORTANT** who does your flower beds etc. this is information we must have whether you are a "Snow Bird" or not. We also need to know who your emergency contact is and who has keys to your home. We will be keeping a record as to who has turned in the little purple sheet and if you have not please do so before you depart for the summer. You will be called and reminded to do so.

WELLS



All the wells have been put on a timer so you will need to adjust your sprinkler timer accordingly. I have observed too many people watering all times of the day, for hours at a time. **The timer is set for 5am-9am and 7:00 pm-11:00 pm.** If you have your timer set for a different time your grass will not get watered. **Please remember** you are to water **once a week on your scheduled day only.** Here is the **WATERING SCHEDULE:**



Zone 1: Monday – Odd numbers (last number of your street address), Friday – Even numbers. (Mt. Oak, Piney Rd., Piney Ave. (East of the maintenance building), Mt. Key, Mt. Lancaster, Mt. Madison, Mt. Newcastle, Mt. Pleasant and Mt. Curve). **Zone 2:** Tuesday - Odd numbers, Saturday – Even numbers. (Americana Ct., Mt. Isle, Mt. Piney Ave. (west of the maintenance shop), Americana Dr. north and south). **Zone 3:** Wednesday – Odd numbers, Sunday – Even numbers. (Mt. Arlington, Mt. Bristol, Mt. Deleon, Mt. Essex, Mt. Fairfield, Mt. Georgetown, Mt. Hawthorne, Mt. Jupiter, Mt. Quincy, Mt. Orange, Mt. Richmond, Mt. Saxon). No section is-scheduled for Thursday. **Only water 20 min. per zone on your scheduled day.**

The City Water is shut off for plumbing repairs from 1-3:00 pm on the South side, third Wednesday of the month, 1- 3:00 pm on the North side, fourth Wednesday of the month. I hope this helps anyone who was not sure what day and when to water.

FROM THE OFFICE



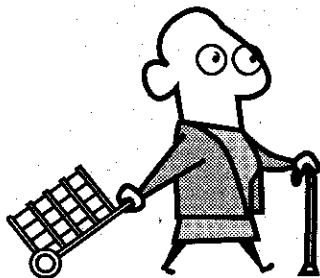
PLEASE. Do not put your check in an envelope and drop it off at the office or rent drop box. First, it is a waste of an envelope and it takes twice the time to open, and then second, we just throw it away! Save a Tree!

SPRING CLEAN UP



On Wednesday March 7, 2007 beginning at 10:00 am the maintenance men will do one (1) sweep of the Community to pick up any unwanted items you may need to throw away. **The items must be street side prior to 10:00 am.** If you have any items that you cannot haul to the street and you need assistance, please call the office **prior** to Wed. morning. **This will be the only park wide clean up we do this spring.** Let's make it a good one!

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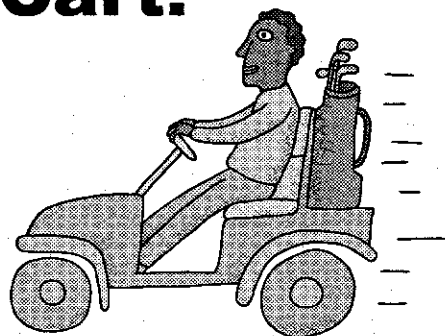
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ROC SCHOOL

On Thursday March 22, 2007 the ROC (Resident-Owned Community Organization) is holding a school for all newly elected Board Members. This will be held in the main Clubhouse from 9:30 to 4:00 pm. The ROC asked if it could be held in our Clubhouse as we have one of the largest meeting rooms and could accommodate the number of people attending.



PROSPECTUS

When a shareholder sells their home the prospectus needs to be passed on to the new owners. If you have lost your prospectus there will be a \$25.00 charge to you (seller of the property) to give one to the new owner.

We don't accomplish anything in this world alone ... and whatever happens is the result of the whole tapestry of one's life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that creates something. ~Sandra Day O'Connor

Community Notices



AIR PUMP: There is an air pump that you may use to inflate your bicycle tires. It is located outside the Hobby Shop on Mt Piney Avenue.

PHONE BOOKS: *There has been a change for disposal of phone books.* Please place old phone books out on trash pick-up days. Make sure they are separated from your garbage.

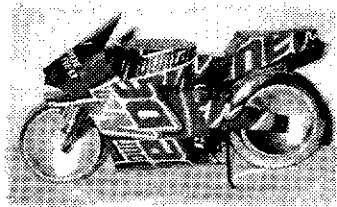
NEWSPAPERS/MAGAZINES: **NEWSPAPERS** are to be placed in the newspaper bins located at two places: one on Mt Piney Avenue, the other on Americana Drive. Please *do not* put brown paper or plastic bags in these bins! **MAGAZINES** may be placed in the storage area on Americana Drive. If you want to donate current, popular magazines to the library, contact Rita Lewis.

ALUMINUM: The Old Timers Club collects and crushes cans and other aluminum items, which are then taken to be recycled. The proceeds from the sale of these items help with social activities here in our community. We ask that you bring your aluminum to one of the storage sheds located on Mt Piney Avenue or Americana Drive. Please do not put these items in the trash bins- the bins are for household trash only.

TABS: Please save the tabs from your cans and donate them. Each tab counts towards helping a sick or dying child/family member at a Ronald McDonald House. There is a large jar, clearly marked, located in the Clubhouse.

LABELS: The Crafty Crafters Club collects and donates food labels to area schools for the purchase of much-needed school supplies and equipment. There is a large "Campbell's Soup" container in the crafting area in the Clubhouse. Start saving your labels today and help a child! A list of accepted labels is available from Annette Solomon.

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BRUSH PICK-UP: Please place your brush &/or tree trimmings at the side of the road **ON MONDAYS ONLY**. The exception to this is if there is a Monday holiday. Make sure your brush is either in trash bags, plastic containers or bundled tightly, for easy pick-up.

DUMPSTER: The large dumpster located on Mt Piney Avenue is for **RESIDENTS ONLY**. It is **not** for contractors doing renovations or repairs on your home/property. Contractors must remove any materials from the community and dispose of it at their cost.

ICE MACHINES: The ice machine located in the Clubhouse is NOT for personal or visitor use. It is used for community functions ONLY. You are asked to please refrain from walking through the kitchen area for safety and sanitation reasons. Questions may be directed to Betty Chase.

ACA News for March 2007

By Betty Chase, President



Winter is nearly over and so far it has been so mild! Soon many of you will be packing to return to your northern homes. We hope you have enjoyed your time with us here at the Cove. March is always a busy month as Club and activities begin to wind down and finalize their awards and banquets. **Don't forget the ACA Council meeting on Tuesday March 6, 2007 at 10:00 am in the Atrium.** We will be accepting information from the Nominating Committee for the slate of officers for 2007-2008. **Then on Wednesday March 7, 2007 we'll have the ACA Luncheon at 12:00 pm in the Clubhouse.** A representative from Sweetbay Pharmacy will join us and provide free diabetes and blood pressure tests. As a courtesy and good neighbor, they will also furnish the desserts for our meeting. So remember you will NOT need to bring a dessert to this meeting. We will also have tickets on sale for the Annual St Patrick's Day Gala for \$7.00 a ticket. Of course we'll be serving the ever-popular corned beef and cabbage dinner. Stay tuned for details on entertainment! Come and join us for friendship and fellowship.

If we all did the things we are capable of, we would astound ourselves. ~ Thomas Edison

Pearls of Wisdom to Start Your Day

My wife and I had words, but I didn't get to use mine.

Frustration is trying to find your glasses without your glasses.

Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting.

The irony of life is that, by the time you're old enough to know your way around, you're not going anywhere.

God made man before woman so as to give him time to think of an answer for her first question.

I was always taught to respect my elders, but it keeps getting harder to find one.

Every morning is the dawn of a new error.



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Enter the Publisher's Cover Photo Contest

If you have a photo that you think would be entertaining for the covers of all of our Monthly Media Newsletters, send it to Monthly Media at 151 1st Street N.W., Largo, FL 33770. We are looking for pictures of mobile home residents that are funny, odd, interesting, silly, crazy, impressive, eccentric, unusual, remarkable, daring, exciting, unique, extraordinary, rare, festive, playful, relaxing and, well you get the idea. Also if people tell you that you look like a celebrity, send in your best impression photo. All photos must include the following four things ... (1) your park name, (2) your phone number, (3) name(s) of person(s) in photo and, (4) signed, written permission of all people in picture to print. Photos will not be returned to sender. **If we use your photo you will be our guest for a dinner for two at a local restaurant.**

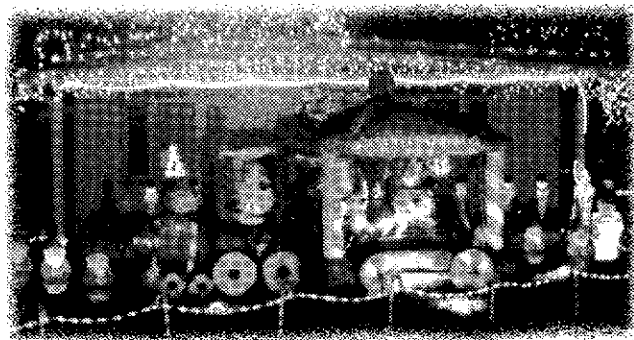


Did You Know?



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Tribute to a Friend



Al Hodgini, a special friend who made Christmas in Americana Cove memorable, and whom we all called "Christmas Man", recently passed away. He decorated his home on Mt Orange every year for everyone to enjoy. His front yard would be on display with all kinds of unique holiday decorations, from talking Santa to trains that whirled around and around. He will be sorely missed by his friends and neighbors.

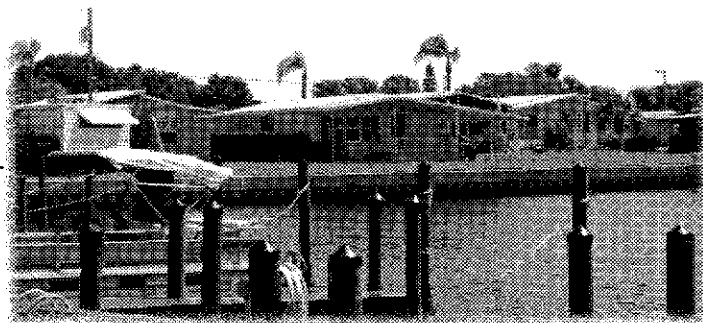


Around the Cove

Contributions by Nora Adell Andrews
& Linda Lou Fairbanks

News in the Cove is buzzin'. With the Snowbirds here and the club activities at full speed it is hard to keep up! Most of the clubs will have their banquets this month. Plan to get your tickets early and come on out to celebrate! Kudos to **John Bassett**, our MAROA president, who has done a good job with the Board meeting and Town Hall meetings in keeping them on track! If you get a chance to walk or drive around the pet section on the chilly and wet days, it is like going to a pet show. Our pets have the latest attire in sweaters, raingear, and collared coats and boots. What a fashion statement our pets make! **Ray and Cindy Dixon**, former residents, recently decided to return from their island home in the Chesapeake Bay and are all settled in at 7185 Mt Essex Dr. Welcome back Ray and Cindy- we'll all be anxious to know when the next book is published! Word has it **Ralph Rogers** is recuperating from foot surgery and he is happy not to be experiencing any pain! If you must have surgery that has to be the one-with NO pain! On the other hand, **Randy Rogers**, Ralph's son, cut a tendon in his hand so he is wearing a cast and trying to do everything with his left hand! Must be a father-son thing! We certainly have some newcomers in our park this year that are joining in the activities and contributing to the fun we

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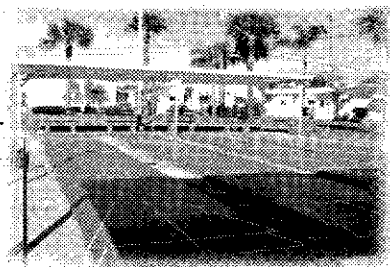
all have! Glad to see you here! If you've been walking through the Clubhouse on any given afternoon you are apt to hear the melodious sounds of the Clavinova being played by **Claire Mosakowski**, accompanied by a motley group of music lovers. There have been singers galore and a few talented residents accompanying Claire with their musical instruments- **Brian Birch** on the trumpet, **Bob Niblick** on the sax and the clarinet, **Gail Jones** on the clarinet and **Jim** (piano) and **Polly** (snare drums) **Bodle** who just blow everyone away with their talent! Stop by when you hear the music in the air!

Never doubt that a small, group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. ~Margaret Meade

Shuffleboard Club News



By Jo Waldron



This is a public apology to Ronnie Sheppard. I've already apologized in person for omitting her name in the Team Captain listings. Ronnie is most deserving of our appreciation for pulling together a team from scratch. She, together with her co-Captain Pat Vargas, have worked very hard this season and it shows. They now have a winning team. Both Friendship teams and Jubilee have used their talented players as substitutes. Congratulations to all the Nova players for a great season.

Now for the news! Get your running shoes on and plan to play in every tournament that you qualify for. Remember Nova's- if you have played 10 games in a League you are eligible to enter their tournament. There is a \$5 entry fee for all League games and all matches begin at 8:30 a.m. The **RED & BLACK** Monday games play-off will be held on March 5, 2007. It is a one game elimination format, you lose, and you're out! **BLUE SKY** Singles tournament is March 8 & 9, 2007 in Clearwater. Their Trophy party is at Harbor Lights at noon on March 16, 2007. The **FRIENDSHIP** League Singles is March 12, 13, & 14, 2007 at Sunshine Park. **Note: Please carpool, parking space is limited!** **FRIENDSHIP II** is hosting the Doubles here on March 19, 20, & 21, 2007. If you are not eligible to play, Pat McCarthy would love to have volunteers (Novas?) to help with set-up, serving and making desserts. Please give her a call. The Friendship Trophy party is being held at Harbor Lights on March 27, 2007 at 2 p.m. The **JUBILEE** tournament is at Palm Hill North on March 14 & 15, 2007. Our big event, winding up the season, will be the banquet/trophy party on March 24, 2007. Cocktails at 5 p.m. Don't miss the Club meeting on March 7, 2007. If you have any questions, they can be answered then. Also the pancake breakfast will be back on March 10, 2007. It's going to be a busy, busy month, but we love it, don't we? Good luck to everyone in the tournaments. And last but certainly not least...on the Pro circuit, in January doubles tournament, Sil Oliveira and Nick Misciagna finished 2nd in the Main event, and in the Ladies Amateur doubles Doreen McGrath and her partner finished 1st in Consolation! In mid February Nick & Sil made the finals with a 4th place in consolation! Our sincere **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Red Hat Chillies

By Adele Seaman, Queen Mother



Our March meeting is going to be amazing! **On Thursday, March 8, 2007 at 7pm we're going to have TV Night in the Atrium.** Rita Varney and "Friends" will be hosting the festivities. This event is for the Red Hatters, and there will be NO fees, but there will be lots of fun and plenty of prizes. Come and join us and prepare for a good time! Last month, on February 3, 2007 Red Hatters had an outing at the St Petersburg Little Theatre to see a 'Tribute to Frank Sinatra. Then we went to the Athenian Gardens for dinner and had a great time. The group wishes to thank Queen Mother Adele for getting this together!



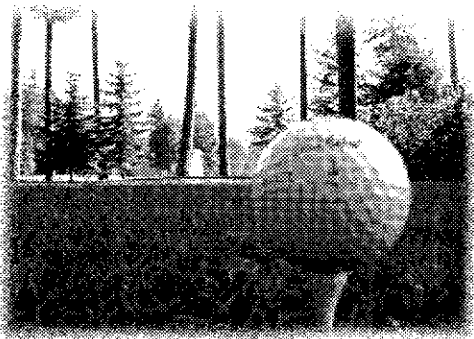
Remember, Ginger Rogers did everything Fred Astaire did, but she did it backwards and in high heels. ~Faith Whittlesey

Par Seekers

By Ed Higgins, President



The Annual Banquet will be held on Monday March 26, 2007. Cocktail hour will be from 5-6:00 pm, followed by dinner at 6:00 pm. Then we can all sit back and relax as the awards for the 2006-2007 Season commence. The Canadian Open, The U.S Open and the Club Champions prizes will be awarded. **Good Luck to All!** The menu and price for the banquet will be posted and Roger LaBerge will be selling tickets at the March 1, 2007 meeting. It's hard to believe we only have nine (9) weeks left to our season. During the last few weeks we will schedule some fun things- a 4 person scramble, using 3 drives for each set of players and a 2 person alternate shot using 1/2 each handicap, etc.



There is no beautifier of complexion, or form, or behavior, like the wish to scatter joy and not pain around us. 'Tis good to give a stranger a meal, or a night's lodging. 'Tis better to be hospitable to his good meaning and thought, and give courage to a companion. We must be as courteous to a man as we are to a picture, which we are willing to give the advantage of a good light. ~Ralph Waldo Emerson

Duplicate Bridge

Submitted by Gerri Bassett



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SUNDAY JANUARY 14, 2007

NORTH & SOUTH

1. Irene Schoetker & Michell Willett
2. Gerri & John Bassett

EAST & WEST

1. Lenore Helson & Shirley Wadsworth
2. Linda Cook & Bev Hamel

SUNDAY JANUARY 21, 2007

NORTH & SOUTH

1. Irene Schoetker & Michell Willett
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EAST & WEST

1. Daphne & Dick Gunton
2. Milene & Al Wingrove

SUNDAY JANUARY 28, 2007

NORTH & SOUTH

1. Joy & Bill Slepín
2. Lucy & Roger LaBerge

EAST & WEST

1. Penny Bodle & Joan Dell' Angelo
2. Linda Cook & Bev Hamel

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2007

NORTH & SOUTH

1. Linda Cook & Bev Hamel
2. Milene & Al Wingrove

EAST & WEST

1. Joy & Bill Slepín
2. Daphne & Dick Gunton

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS!!!

Life is like a game of cards. The hand that is dealt you represents determinism; the way you play it is free will. ~Jawaharal Nehru

The Crafters Corner

By Judi Connolly, President

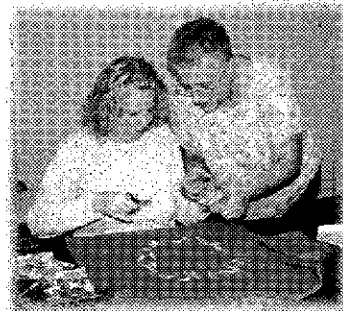
The State Fair is behind us!! We worked very hard and are extremely pleased with the results of that hard work. We won 12 Ribbons! We will be displaying winning entries at the ACA luncheon on March 7, 2007. Come see what your Cove crafters did! State Fair ribbon winners are: **Jean Birtcher**- Vintage look scrapbook 1st place & Multi-pink shawl Honorable Mention; **Lorraine Brown**- 3 Beaded Frames 2nd place & Mohawk hanging basket 1st place; **Mary Chalker** - Gray cocktail dress 2nd place; **Isobel Colby**- Blue Pullover with Cap 1st place; **Linda Gillies**- Quilled picture 2nd place, **Beck Hopkins**- Cake Set 1st place; **Nancy Hubbard**- Picture delica beads 2nd place; **Eva Pratt**- Swedish weave table cloth 2nd place & Stash purse 3rd place; and **Annette Solomon**- White kitty bib 3rd place.



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Monday March 12, 2007 we will be cleaning strawberries for our Annual Strawberry Social! Are you ready to get filled up on Strawberry Shortcake? Well, you can on Tuesday **March 13, 2007 at 7:00pm in the Clubhouse**. Bring a friend so you can share the guilt of indulging in strawberries, cake, and **REAL** whipped cream! **Tickets are only \$3.00 and may be purchased at the Old Timers Luncheon and at the ACA meeting.**

Last year we had a great turnout for our demonstration of One Stroke Painting so we are having Joan Waff who teaches at Michaels come this year on March 19, 2007. Anyone can come to our demonstrations- you don't have to be a craft member. The bulletin board has all our Club activities listed for the month so please check it out and consider becoming our 66th member! Our dining experience this month is scheduled for March 21, 2007 at Novo's (formerly Carino's). We will post a sign up sheet for anyone that wants to attend. We had a great month with everyone busy making decoupage plates, can tab belts, painted flower pots, and our knitters and crocheters always have a blanket or dish cloth in the making. It's hard to believe the end of the season is almost here. The Crafters would like to thank Dick Stevens and Doc Jones for volunteering to be our new ladder climbers. We needed a replacement for Beck Hopkins who did the ceiling decorating in the club house. It was so nice of you to offer to help. Don't forget we still collect non-perishable items any Monday night for Isobel Colby to bring to the free clinic. We also collect coupons to be used at Michael's and Joanne's, as well as can tabs and Campbell labels. I hope everyone has a happy and safe month. **HAPPY CRAFTING!**



Every artist was first an amateur. ~Ralph Waldo Emerson

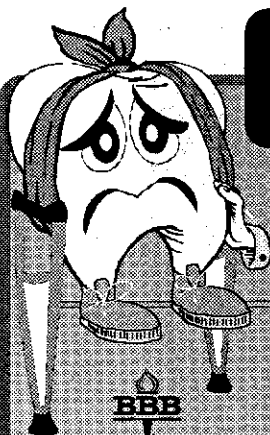
Cue Club News

By Brian Birch, President



First, I'd like to extend my gratitude to all Cue Club members who helped make our Beer & Brats event such a success. A special "thanks" must go to Vice-President Irene Goulet and her Committee of helpers that cooked, diced, served, cleaned up, sold tickets, and worked hard all day. And of course I have to say thanks to **CLAIRE MOSAKOWSKI** for arranging such wonderful entertainment and playing her heart out for hours on end, and to Bob Niblick for acting as our Master of Ceremonies! We are already planning next year's dinner so if you missed this year's, get ready for 2008! And while I'm offering accolades, I want to congratulate two members who accomplished the incredible feat of an Eight-on the Break: Ken Sanders and Dean Schirm. Be sure to congratulate them when you see them. The season is starting to wind down and soon our tournaments will be done and the winners will be honored at our **Annual Awards Banquet on Thursday March 29, 2007 at 5:00 pm in the Clubhouse**. We will be served our usual delicious and outstanding Prime Rib dinner, with all the fixings, by Betty Chase and her awesome Kitchen Krew. If you don't have your tickets yet please see one of the Club officers- myself, Irene Goulet, Nora Adell Andrews or Nancy Hubartt. **TO MEMBERS:** Don't forget to attend our Club meeting on **Monday March 6, 2007 at 10:00 am in the Atrium**. The Nominating Committee- Linda Lou Fairbanks, Bob Niblick and Tony Daleo will be presenting the slate of candidates for our 2007-2008 Season. Please support your Club and come out to vote.

I would never belong to a group that would accept someone like me as a member. ~Groucho Marx



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Line Dancing

By Norine Fisher, Leader



Wow! Where is the time going? We are having so much fun learning old and new steps in our line dancing class. It's just amazing. And speaking of amazing, if you were fortunate enough to attend the Heartland Valentine Dinner dance, we had such a great time- one of the best so far. The deejay Dee played wonderful music and gave us all a chance to strut out stuff. I was so pleased and so proud of all my students. It was a spectacular evening. So, let's keep dancing!!! It's fun and keeps you young at heart.

If you cannot get rid of the family skeleton, you may as well make it dance. ~ George Bernard Shaw

Attention All Americana Cove Snowbirds



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A man travels the world over in search of what he needs and returns home to find it. ~George Moore

Thanks For The Memories – Heartland Dinner



210 Tickets were sold for the Heartland Dinner. Four states-Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio were recognized. Community members from those states made up the committee. Each household from those states was solicited to provide funds towards making up door prizes or raffle baskets. Dee was our entertainment. Everyone in attendance has expressed how nice the evening was and how they enjoyed themselves.

Because the Kitchen Krew served the dinner our proceeds went to them. The final balance was \$923.45. I personally and publicly want to thank each and everyone for the fine work and cooperation that made this a successful event. June Helsel and Helen Schirm have agreed to Co-chair next year's event. The states to be involved will be Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin.

Thank you. Gail Jones, Chairman

Gratitude is the most exquisite form of courtesy. ~Jacques Maritain

About Saint Patrick

(From St-Patricks-Day.com)



Saint Patrick is believed to have been born in the late fourth century, and is often confused with Palladius, a bishop who was sent by Pope Celestine in 431 to be the first bishop to the Irish believers in Christ. Saint Patrick was the patron saint and national apostle of Ireland who is credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland. Most of what is known about him comes from his two works, the Confessio, a spiritual autobiography, and his Epistola, a denunciation of British mistreatment of Irish Christians. Saint Patrick described himself as a "most humble-minded man, pouring forth a continuous paean of thanks to his Maker for having chosen him as the instrument whereby multitudes who had worshipped idols and unclean things had become the people of God." Saint Patrick is most known for driving the snakes from Ireland. It is true there are no snakes in Ireland, but there probably never have been - the island was separated from the rest of the continent at the end of the Ice Age. As in many old pagan religions, serpent symbols were common and often worshipped. Driving the snakes from Ireland was probably symbolic of putting an end to that pagan practice. While not the first to bring Christianity to Ireland, it is Patrick who is said to have encountered the Druids at Tara and abolished their pagan rites. The story holds that he converted the warrior chiefs and princes, baptizing them and thousands of their subjects in the "Holy Wells" that still bear this name.

There are several accounts of Saint Patrick's death. One says that Patrick died at Saul, Downpatrick, Ireland, on March 17, 460 A.D. His jawbone was preserved in a silver shrine and was often requested in times of childbirth, epileptic fits, and as a preservative against the "evil eye." Another account says that St. Patrick ended his days at Glastonbury, England and was buried there. The Chapel of St. Patrick still exists as part of Glastonbury Abbey. Today, many Catholic places of worship all around the world are named after St. Patrick, including cathedrals in New York and Dublin city.

I have a total irreverence for anything connected with society except that which makes the roads safer, the beer stronger, the food cheaper, and the old men and old women warmer in the winter and happier in the summer. ~Brendan Behan



A husband and wife go to a counselor after 25 years of marriage. The counselor asks them what the problem is and the wife goes into a tirade listing every problem they have ever had in the 25 years they've been married. She goes on and on and on and on and on and on and on.....Finally, the counselor gets up, walks around the desk, embraces the woman and kisses her passionately with a French kiss, all the while giving her some manipulation, some rubbing, and touching. The woman shuts up and sits quietly in a daze. The counselor turns to the husband and says, "This is what your wife needs at least three times a week. Can you do this?" The husband thinks for a moment and replies, "Well, I can drop her off here Mondays and Wednesdays, but Fridays, I go golfing."



Recipe for Irish Champ



8 medium potatoes
1/2 cup milk
5 tablespoon butter
One bunch scallions or green onions, chopped



Peel and cube potatoes and boil in salted water until tender. Drain and mash slightly. In a small pan, heat milk and butter until butter is melted. Add chopped scallions. Fold mixture into the potatoes until well blended. For 6 people.

Irish Joke



An Irish man walks into a pub. The bartender asks him, "What'll you have?" The man says, "Give me three pints of Guinness please." So the bartender brings him three pints and the man proceeds to alternately sip one, then the other, then the third until they're gone. He then orders three more. The bartender says, "Sir, I know you like them cold. You don't have to order three at a time. I can keep an eye on it and when you get low I'll bring you a fresh cold one." The man says, "You don't understand. I have two brothers, one in Australia and one in the States. We made a vow to each other that every Saturday night we'd still drink together. So right now, my brothers have three Guinness Stouts too, and we're drinking together. The bartender thought that was a wonderful tradition.

Every week the man came in and ordered three beers. Then one week he came in and ordered only two. He drank them and then ordered two more. The bartender said to him, "I know what your tradition is, and I'd just like to say that I'm sorry that one of your brothers died." The man said, "Oh, me brothers are fine - I just quit drinking."

May your troubles be less, your blessings be more and nothing but happiness come through your door.

Important Decision



After a church service on Sunday morning, a young boy suddenly announced to his mother, "Mom, I've decided to become a minister when I grow up." "That's okay with us, but what made you decide that?" "Well," said the little boy, "I have to go to church on Sunday anyway, and I figure it will be more fun to stand up and yell, than to sit and listen."



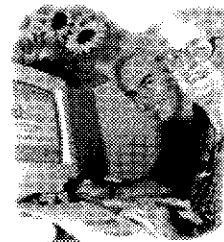
E-Mail Lessons From a Computer Expert

(Forwarded from Gary Myers, member of Americana Cove Listbot)



EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the best advice I've ever seen and thought it warranted passing along to others. It contains some GREAT lessons on Emailing. I hope you find it helpful too! These suggestions come from a computer administration expert. Here are his basic **RULES TO LIVE BY:**

QUESTION: Do you really know how to forward emails? 50% of us do; 50% DO NOT. Do you wonder why you get viruses or junk mail? Do you hate it? Every time you forward an email and there is information left over from the people who got the message before you, namely their email names and addresses you are contributing to your own problem. As the messages get forwarded along, the list of addresses builds, and builds, and builds, and all it takes is for some poor sap to get a virus, and their computer can send that virus to every email address that has come across their computer. Or, someone can take all of those addresses and sell them or send junk mail to them in the hopes that you will go to some site and he will make five cents for each hit. That's right, all of that inconvenience over a nickel! How do you stop it? Well, there are several easy steps. **Try the following if you haven't done it before:**



1. **DELETE PREVIOUS ADDRESSES** When you forward an email, **DELETE** all of the other addresses that appear in the body of the message (at the top). That's right - Delete them. Highlight them and delete them, backspace them, cut them, whatever it is you know how to do. It only takes a second. **You MUST click the 'Forward' button first and then you will have full editing capabilities against the body and headers of the message. If you don't click on 'Forward' first, you won't be able to edit the message at all.**

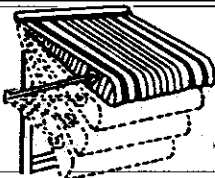
2. **USE THE BCC: OPTION FOR MULTIPLE TO: ADDRESSES** Whenever you send an email to more than one person do NOT use the TO: or CC: fields for adding email addresses. **Always use the BCC: (Blind Carbon Copy) field for listing the email addresses.** In this way, the people you send to will only see their own email address. If you don't see your BCC: option in your outgoing email message, click on where it says TO: and your address list will appear. Highlight the address and choose BCC: and that's it. It's that easy. When you send to BCC: your message will automatically say 'Undisclosed Recipients' in the 'TO:' field of the people who receive it.

3. **CLEAN UP THE SUBJECT LINE** Unless you really, really want to tell the recipient you had forwarded the message, **remove any 'FW' in the subject line.** You can re-name the subject if you wish or even fix spelling.

4. **DO NOT 'NEST' FORWARDED EMAILS** Ever get those emails that you have to open 10 messages in order to read the one page with the information on it? **ALWAYS hit your Forward button from the actual email you are reading.** By forwarding from the actual message you wish someone to view; you stop them from having to open many emails just to see what you sent.

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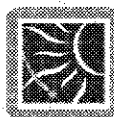
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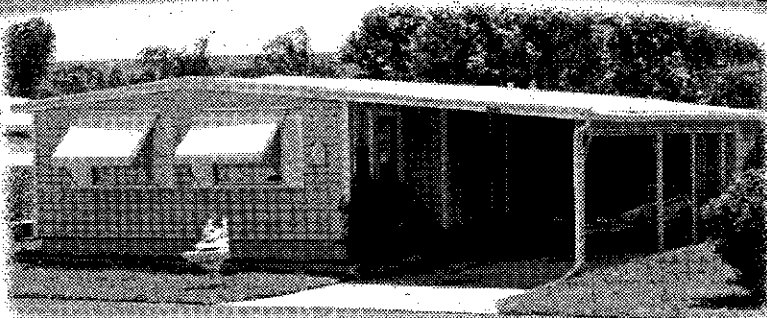
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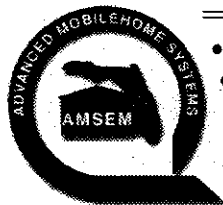


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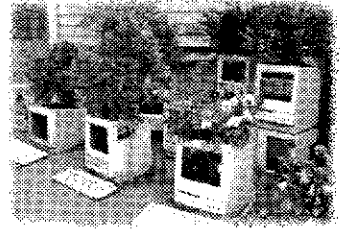
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6. **DONOT FORWARD AMBER OR VIRUS ALERTS** Before you forward an 'Amber Alert', or a 'Virus Alert', or some of the other emails floating around nowadays, check them out before you forward them. Most of them are junk mail that's been circling the net for YEARS! Just about everything you receive in an email that is in question can be checked out at Snopes or Urban Legends. Just go to www.snopes.com or www.urbanlegends.com. It's really easy to find out if it's real or not. If it's not, please don't pass it on.

7. **DELETE ALL THE EXTRANEIOUS GARBAGE AT THE END OF THE ORIGINAL MESSAGE** You've received them. The pertinent part of the message is two lines long. After that, there is 10 or 15 pages of 'Buy more Emoticons' or 'to subscribe to this' or 'live forever without paying taxes', etc. etc. etc. ad nauseum. **Highlight all this stuff and hit 'Delete'.** Save the next poor sap from having to scan through all that.

So please, in the future, let's stop the junk mail and the viruses. Finally, here's an idea!!! Let's send this to everyone we know (but strip my address off first, please).

Drama



A college drama group presented a play in which one character would stand on a trap door and announce, "I descend into hell!" A stagehand below would then pull a rope, the trapdoor would spring, and the actor would drop from view. The play was well received. When the actor playing the part became ill, another actor who was quite overweight took his place. When the new actor announced, "I descend into hell!" the stagehand pulled the rope, and the actor began his plunge, but became hopelessly stuck. No amount of tugging on the rope could make him descend. One student in the balcony jumped up and yelled: "Hallelujah! Hell is full!"

The cure for boredom is curiosity. There is no cure for curiosity. ~Dorothy Parker

The Thought Forgot



*I thought a thought the other day,
The thought I thought just went astray,
I sought my thought,
And grew distraught,
That the thought I thought had got away.
I knew, of course, it would come back,
It always does, though I do lose track,
About Four A.M.
I'd think it again,
That's when I think less about thought lack.*

*And if my thought returned by then,
I'd want to call and tell a friend,
But no friend that's home,
Would pick up the phone,
So by morning it would be gone again.
I know who wrote this - "Old Whazzername,"
Who won't admit it; she's so ashamed,
Her name rhymes with Ninny;
Do you s'pose that's Ginny?
Oh dear, now she's forgotten her name.
~By Virginia (Ginny) Ellis*

You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you can not fool all of the people all of the time. ~Abraham Lincoln

Obedient Wife

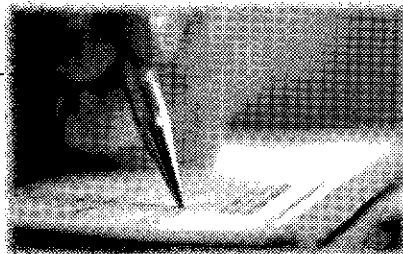


There was a man who had worked all of his life, had saved all of his money, and was a real miser when it came to his money. Just before he died, he said to his wife, "When I die, I want you to take all my money and put it in the casket with me. I want to take my money to the afterlife with me." And so he got his wife to promise him with all of her heart that when he died, she would put all of the money in the casket with him. Well, he died. He was stretched out in the casket, his wife was sitting there in black, and her friend was sitting next to her. When they finished the ceremony, just before the undertakers got ready to close the casket, the wife said, "Wait just a minute!"

She had a box with her; she came over with the box and put it in the casket. Then the undertakers locked the casket down, and they rolled it away. So her friend said, "Girl, I know you weren't fool enough to put all that money in there with your husband."

The loyal wife replied, "Listen, I'm a Christian; I can't go back on my word. I promised him that I was going to put that money in that casket with him."

Her friend asked, "You mean to tell me you actually put that money in the casket with him!!!!?" "I sure did," said the wife. "I got it all together, put it into my account and wrote him a check. If he can cash it, he can spend it."



You can observe a lot just by watching. ~Yogi Berra

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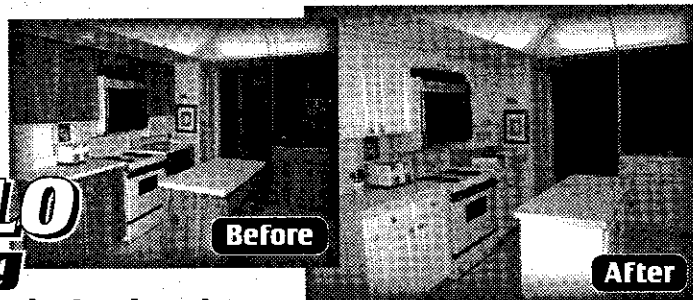
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- Unplug the dryer when you are not using it.
- Don't use a hair dryer while bathing, and keep it away from water and other liquids.
- Don't put a hair dryer where it can fall or be pulled into a tub or sink.
- Don't block the air openings of a hair dryer (for example, by laying it down on a soft bed or couch) while it's turned on. Keep the air openings free of lint, hair, and other matter to reduce the risk of fire.
- Don't use a hair dryer outdoors.
- Don't use a hair dryer where aerosol or spray products are being used. Be sure to turn it off before applying hairspray.
- Don't use a hair dryer to dry water that's been splashed on your clothes. This can damage the fabric and could lead to a fire.



Hello and Goodbye

Around the World



Many languages have a word that means both "hello" and "goodbye," such as "shalom" in Hebrew and "aloha" in Hawaiian, but see if you can match these hellos and goodbyes to their proper nationality:

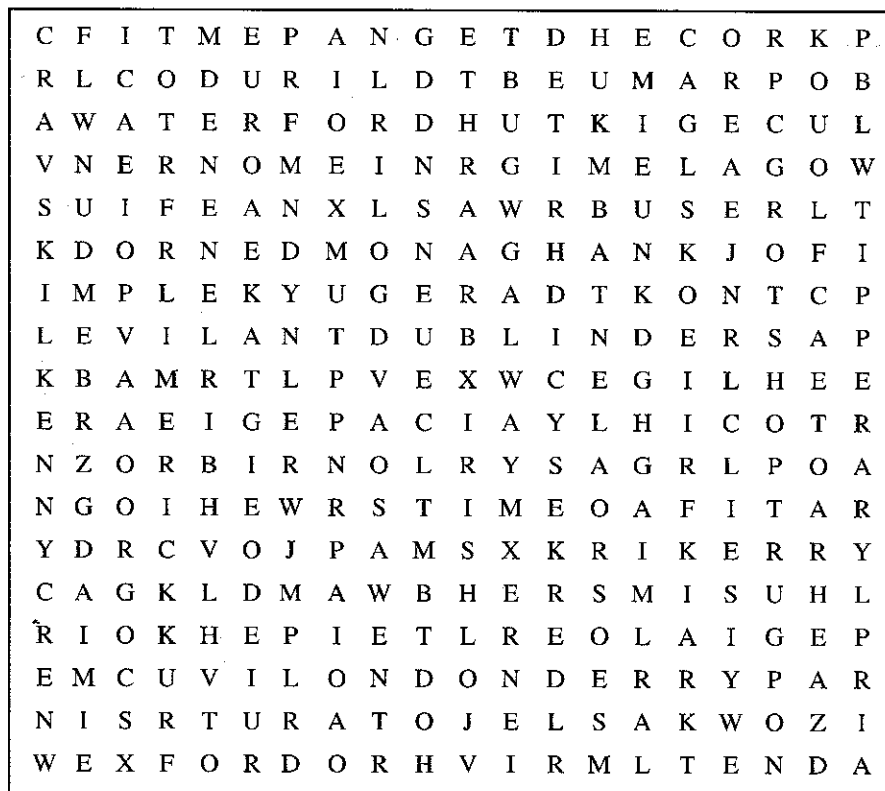
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| 1. Hola/Adios | A) German |
| 2. Bonjour/Au revoir | B) Italian |
| 3. Guten Tag/Auf Wiedersehen | C) Russian |
| 4. Ohayo/Sayonara | D) Japanese |
| 5. Jambo/Kwaheri | E) Spanish |
| 6. Zdravstvuite/Dos vidaniya | F) French |
| 7. Buon giorno/Arrivederci | G) Swahili |



Answer Key: 1E; 2F; 3A; 4D; 5G; 6C; 7B

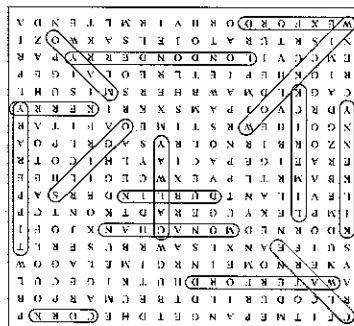
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Sat., Mar. 3, 8:30 - 1, **CRAFTSALE.** Golden Acres MHP, 1040 Main St., Dunedin. Jewelry, Crafts, Bake & Penny Table.

Thurs., March 8, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. **ARTS & HOBBY SHOW & SALE.** Down Yonder MHP, 7001 142nd Ave. No., Largo. Lunch available.

Sat., Mar. 10 'CHINESE AUCTION', Southwind MHP, 795 CR 1, Palm Harbor. Food and Preview 5:00P. Auction 6:30P. Come have some fun!!!

Sat., Mar. 10, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., **BAZAAR.** Blue Jay Estates, 2755 Curlew. Bake Sale and Lunch.

Sat., Mar. 10, 2007, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. **ANNUAL FLEA MARKET & BAKE SALE.** Bay Ranch Clubhouse, 7349 Ulmerton Rd.

Sat., Mar. 10, 8-11:00, **PANCAKE BREAKFAST.** Lake Seminole Resort, 10245 110th Ave. at clubhouse.

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Mar. 16, noon to 3; Mar. 17, 9 to noon, \$2 Bag Sale at noon. Church of the Isles, 200 24th Ave., Indian Rocks Beach, 595-1038. Clothes, household items, books, jewelry, etc. **BARGAINS!** March 31, 9 to noon - **CRAFT MATERIALS** - bargain prices - Crafters need this sale! Church Hall.

Thursday, Mar. 22, 12:30 p.m. **CDA EASTER BONNET LUNCH/CARD PARTY.** Espiritu Santo Parish Center, Philippe Pkwy. & Enterprise Rd. \$8.00 Contact for tickets before 3/18/07 Mary, 789-0331; Barb, 724-2937.

Sat., Mar. 24, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. **HUGE RUMMAGE SALE.** Benefits All Children's Hospital, 8625 Bryan Dairy Rd. near the corner of Bryan Dairy and Starkey.

Sun., Mar. 25 at 12:00, **WOMEN'S FASHION SHOW AND LUNCHEON.** St. Dunstan's Church, 10888 126th Ave. N., Largo. For tickets call 581-1435. Credit cards accepted.

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10 Years Ago

1997 (March 22) The comet Hale-Bopp has its closest approach to Earth. Four days later, 39 members of the Heaven's Gate cult in San Diego, Calif., commit suicide, believing that the comet heralded an alien spaceship come to collect them.

20 Years Ago

1987 (March 29) The World Wrestling Federation hosts WrestleMania II in Pontiac, Mich., at the Silverdome. It is the largest indoor gathering in American history, with an official attendance of 93,173.

25 Years Ago

1982 (March 5) John Belushi, comedian and original Saturday Night Live cast member, dies of a drug overdose at age 33.

30 Years Ago

1977 (March 1) Credit card issuers unite to adopt the new name VISA for cards issued by a consortium of banks.

35 Years Ago

1972 (March 8) The Goodyear blimp lifts off on its inaugural flight.

40 Years Ago

1967 (March 14) The body of President John F. Kennedy is moved to a permanent burial place at Arlington National Cemetery.

45 Years Ago

1962 (March 1) K-Mart, an offshoot of the S.S. Kresge Company, opens its first store.

50 Years Ago

1957 (March 7) Congress approves the Eisenhower Doctrine, which asserts the United States' willingness to use force and provide aid to resist communism throughout the world, particularly in the Middle East.

100 Years Ago

1907 (March 15) Finland holds the world's first parliamentary elections in which women are eligible to stand as candidates. Nineteen women are elected.

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