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Cheryl Mathews Park 1 President

October is here and fall is in the air. We're starting to have some of those beautiful evenings and mornings we remember having not so long ago.

October begins our Monthly Association meetings in Park 1. They are the 1st Saturday of each month and begin at 9:00am. We have coffee and donuts available before the meeting at 8:30am. Come to the meeting and hear what our community is doing.

We will not have a potluck as the Association is having a Toga/Movie night the first Saturday over at Park 2 Clubhouse and Pool.

Please check the calendar in this month's happenings for all the fun events each park is putting on! In addition to Park 1's regular events; Ladies Hobby every Tuesday, Bingo every Thursday, I Got It game the 3rd Friday of each month.

Watch for some other fun stuff going on around our community!

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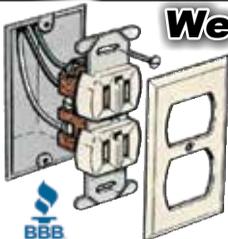
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Secretary: Jeanette Powers

Welcome Fall !!!!

PARK 2 ASSOCIATION MEETINGS WILL RESUME OCTOBER 14TH 7PM...PLEASE ATTEND THIS MEETING...DISCUSSING AND MAKING DECISIONS EFFECTING ALL 3 PARKS.

Scheduled Events:

- October 4th. Movie/Toga Party 6:30pm. Movie: **Animal House**. Admission:\$2
We will be selling Pizza by the slice, soda and water. As always BYOB. 50/50

Lottery Tree Sales will begin at this event... proceeds go to Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fund. Drawing will be at the December 13th Christmas Party.

- October 24th 6:30pm **Game Night**
- November 22nd at **PARK 3** Friendsgiving/Toys for Tots Details to follow.
- December 13th **CHRISTMAS PARTY...ALL 3 PARKS.** Details to follow

Keep watching for events posted in all 3 parks. Look for updates and details in your tubes and the **LAKE HAVEN HAPPENINGS PAGE ON FACEBOOK.**

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PARK 3 GUANA CAY

President: Bobby Kawasaki

It is the time of year where we start to see some familiar faces appear in the community as the residents who spend their falls and winters at Lake Haven return. It is a blast to see all the hugs and smiles as residents' welcome friends and neighbors back home for the season.

Thank You to everyone who came out, shared a dish, and made the Labor Day Party such a great time! Special thanks to **Dennis Gleeton** who manned the grill for us.

The Park 3 Association Meetings will resume on **Wednesday October 1, 2025**. Please join us at an upcoming meeting.

Bar Poker returns to Park 3 in October! Please check the calendar for dates/times of all the events that will resume this month! Start planning your costumes now for the Annual Lake Haven Halloween Party!



LAKE HAVEN HOA

President: Bobby Kawasaki

Capital Expenditure Updates for 2025



Park 1 Pool Heater – Park Management is waiting on a quote from Suburban Propane to install two vertical tanks by the pool pit to heat the pool. Once the quote has been reviewed/approved, then the Health Department will have to review/approve for the work to start. Updates will be shared as they become available.

Canal Seawall work behind Lots 411-413 in Park 3 has turned into a more complex issue. ELS has learned that they do not own that part of the canal and need the property owner's approval for the work to start. If ELS is unable to secure approval from the owner, they are considering starting work further down the canal where they own the land / canal. Updates will be shared as they become available.

Maintenance Crew

Lake Haven has hired a new part-time maintenance person, Keith B. He will be onsite 25 hours per week.

FEMA Trailer / New Home

The FEMA trailers that were put in place to provide temporary housing for Pinellas and Pasco County survivors of hurricanes will remain at Lake Haven for another 18 months.

A new mobile home will be installed on Lot 22 in Park 1.

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Water Main Shutoffs

Park Management had informed us that there are only 4 water main shutoffs in the community. There are two (2) in Park 1 and one (1) in Parks 2 and 3. We had hoped that there would be other shutoffs that could be used to reduce the number of residents impacted when a water main shutoff is required. No such luck.

Good Neighbor Soapbox

We have discussed pool etiquette this year, and I hope it has helped to foster some understanding and respect for each when we are using the amenities. Unfortunately, there have been several complaints and incidents about other behaviors that are easy to remedy if WE ALL DO OUR PART.

PLEASE!!!

SLOW DOWN this applies to all vehicles (Golf Carts and E-Bikes) traveling through the park. The speed limit in the park is 15 mph. We are a senior community and a pet-friendly community. Speeding puts all of us at risk for an accident. The board has discussed with Park Management about having speed bumps installed to help with this issue, but they have declined the request citing liability issues.



STOP at stop signs (see above).

BE A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER, pick up after your pet.

These are simple things we can do to ensure we have a safe community and respect each other's homes and property.

Increases are Coming!

There are several rate hikes that will impact ALL Lake Haven residents in 2026. Two of which will be reflected in our monthly bill from ELS.

Base Lot Rent* – It would be prudent to plan for another Base Lot Rent increase in 2026. In the three years that I have been a resident at Lake Haven I have only seen the rent increase. The Lake Haven Homeowners Association and residents will be informed of the proposed lot rent increase at the end of September or early October. The HOA does plan to form a Lot Rent Negotiation Committee to counter the proposed increase.

City of Dunedin Water/Sewer Rates* - Starting October 1, 2025, City of Dunedin water and sewer rates will increase, following the adoption of Ordinance 25-04 by the City Commission.

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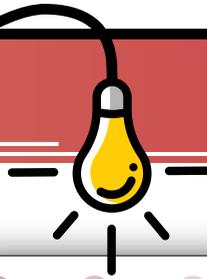
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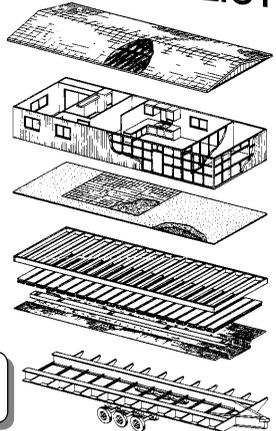


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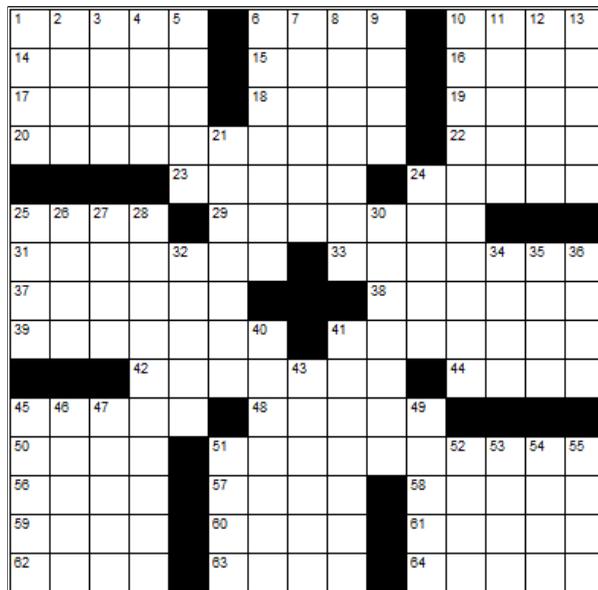
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- 6. Wheelchair access
- 10. Cumberbund
- 14. A 4 base hit in baseball
- 15. One of the Great Lakes
- 16. Arm bone
- 17. Drama set to classical music
- 18. All right
- 19. Lives, in brief
- 20. Relating to menopause
- 22. A heavy open wagon
- 23. Go inside
- 24. In need of cleaning
- 25. Tallow source
- 29. Universal
- 31. Spoke
- 33. To the touch
- 37. Streamer
- 38. Mild expletive
- 39. Less reputable
- 41. Interpret incorrectly
- 42. Confined to certain regions



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- 44. Glimpse
- 45. Grizzlies for example
- 48. Pertaining to the sun
- 50. Precipitation
- 51. Being at the right time
- 56. Rear end
- 57. Thought
- 58. Female demon
- 59. Misfortunes
- 60. Breathing organ
- 61. Enlighten
- 62. Colors
- 63. French for "Head"
- 64. Pub game
- 1. Which person?
- 2. Lariat
- 3. Portent
- 4. Detective ____ Wolfe
- 5. Vineyard fruit
- 6. Proved false
- 7. Come to light
- 8. Mosque turret
- 9. Rind
- 10. Social group
- 11. Assumed name
- 12. Haughty response
- 13. Hurried
- 21. Irate
- 24. Freshwater fishes
- 25. Subscriptions
- 26. Mormon state
- 27. European volcano
- 28. Affection
- 30. Extreme
- 32. Harnesses
- 34. Frosts, as a cake
- 35. Jump
- 36. Countercurrent
- 40. What's left
- 41. Non-metric road distance
- 43. Instant
- 45. Plait
- 46. Not late
- 47. A long narrow passage
- 49. Angered
- 51. Pitching to one side
- 52. Nil
- 53. Arab ruler
- 54. Search (through)
- 55. Articulates



October
Crossword





October Word Search



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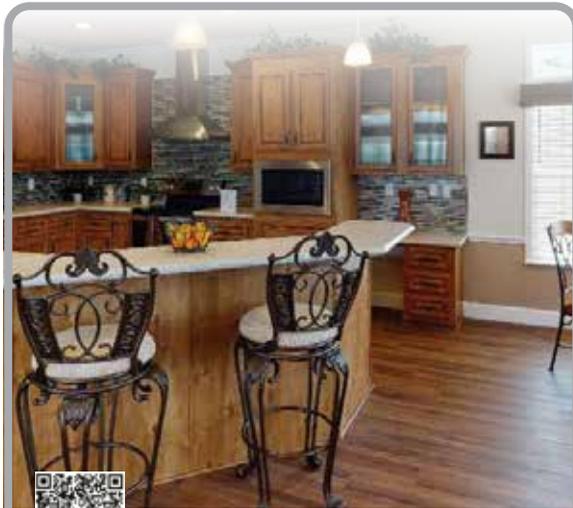
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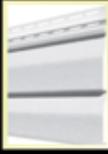
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- Halloween** – October 31

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- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
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- National Pizza Month
- Emotional Wellness Month
- National Cybersecurity Awareness Month
- National Bullying Prevention Month

Health & Awareness Days

- World Mental Health Day – October 10
- National Depression Screening Day – October 9
- National Mammography Day – October 18
- Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day – October 15
- World Arthritis Day – October 12
- World Menopause Day – October 18
- National Physical Therapy Month – All October

Animal & Nature Days

- World Animal Day – October 4
- National Fetch Day – October 19
- National Black Dog Day – October 1
- National Pitbull Awareness Day – October 26
- National Pumpkin Day – October 26

On patience

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On questions

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Halloween Humor



The Vampire Who Couldn't Bite

A little boy dressed as a vampire went trick-or-treating with plastic fangs so big he couldn't talk properly. At every house, he'd mumble "Trick or treat!" and people would ask, "What are you supposed to be?"

He finally pulled out the fangs and yelled, "I'm a vampire, okay?! But I can't bite anyone because my mom says no chewing plastic!"

Pumpkin Panic

One family carved a super elaborate jack-o'-lantern and placed it on the porch. The next morning, it was gone. They checked the security camera and saw a squirrel trying to climb inside it, then getting stuck and rolling off the porch like a pumpkin bowling ball.

The squirrel was fine—but the pumpkin? Not so much.

Ghost in the Mirror

A dad tried to scare his kids by dressing up as a ghost and hiding in the bathroom. He waited quietly behind the shower curtain.

His daughter walked in, saw her reflection in the mirror, screamed, and ran out—because she thought she was the ghost.

The dad never got to jump out. He just stood there, defeated, in a sheet.

Witchy Mix-Up

A teacher wore a witch costume to school and added a fake wart to her nose. One student stared at her all day. Finally, he raised his hand and asked, "Miss, is that wart part of your costume or... should we be worried?"

Funny Halloween Quotes

"I'm just here for the boos."

"Halloween: The only time of year when cobwebs are decorations, not neglect."

"If you've got it, haunt it!"

"I would make a skeleton joke, but you wouldn't find it very humerus."

"Witch better have my candy!"

"Ghosts are just people who didn't get enough attention in life."

"I'm too ghoulish for school."

"You say witch like it's a bad thing."

"Creepin' it real since 1800."

"Resting witch face."





Halloween Pets



The Hot Dog Dilemma

A golden retriever named Max was dressed as a hot dog—complete with bun and mustard. At the local pet parade, he saw a real hot dog stand and bolted toward it, tail wagging. The vendor panicked, thinking a giant hot dog was attacking. Max just wanted a snack.



The Costume Rebellion

A cat named Luna was dressed as a bat. She tolerated it for exactly 3 minutes before climbing onto the bookshelf and knocking down every Halloween decoration in protest. Her owner said, “She’s not a bat—she’s a wrecking ball.”



Superdog Takes Flight

A Labrador named Buddy wore a Superman costume with a cape. During trick-or-treating, a gust of wind caught the cape and made it flap dramatically. A toddler screamed, “He’s flying!” Buddy just ran faster, loving the attention.



The Pumpkin Thief

A pug named Olive was dressed as a pumpkin. She blended in so well with the porch decorations that neighbors kept trying to pick her up, thinking she was a plush toy. She didn’t mind—she got belly rubs every time.



Bunny in a Shark Suit

A rabbit named Snowball wore a shark costume. When guests arrived, she hopped out from under the couch, and one person shrieked, “It’s a land shark!” Snowball paused, then casually started nibbling on a shoe.

Animal Quotes for Halloween

“My dog’s Halloween costume cost more than my own. He’s going as a spoiled brat.”

“Cats are the only creatures that can knock over your decorations and still look like they’re doing you a favor.”



“My pet’s costume is so good, even the squirrels are scared.”

“If you think ghosts are scary, try taking a costume off a cat.”

This Halloween, my dog is going as a vacuum cleaner — because he already eats everything off the floor.”

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Autumn

The Great Leaf Chase

A man tried to rake leaves on a windy day. Every time he made a pile, the wind scattered it. After the fifth attempt, he yelled, "I'm just giving the yard a haircut now!" His dog thought it was a game and chased every leaf like it was a squirrel.



Sweater Roulette

A woman wore a chunky sweater to work because it was 55°F in the morning. By lunchtime, it was 82°F. She spent the afternoon fanning herself with a file folder and muttering, "Florida fall is a prank."

Pumpkin Spice Panic

A guy ordered a pumpkin spice latte and took it outside to enjoy the crisp air. A gust of wind blew leaves into his cup. He took a sip and said, "Extra fiber. Very seasonal."

Forecast Fail

A family planned a fall picnic based on a "clear skies" forecast. It started raining halfway through. They huddled under a tree with soggy sandwiches and declared it "a very authentic autumn experience."

Squirrel Sabotage

A woman set out decorative mini pumpkins on her porch. A squirrel stole one every day. She finally put out a fake one. The squirrel tried to bite it, got mad, and threw it at her window.

On change

We all have big changes in our lives that are more or less a second chance.
— **Harrison Ford**

Life belongs to the living, and he who lives must be prepared for changes.
— **Johann Wolfgang von Goethe**

On stepping into life

It may be hard for an egg to turn into a bird, it would be a jolly sight harder for it to learn to fly while remaining an egg. We are like eggs at present. And you cannot go on indefinitely being just an ordinary, decent egg. We must be hatched or go bad.
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On rules for life

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