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Largo/Mid-Pinellas Chamber of Commerce.....	584-2321
Social Security Administration	1-800-772-1213
VA Regional Office Benefits Information & Assistance	727-464-8400

HOSPITALS

Bay Pines Veterans Administration Hospital	398-6661
10,000 Bay Pines Blvd., St. Petersburg 33708	
Largo Medical Center	588-5200
201 – 14th Street S.W., Largo 33770	
Largo Medical Center – Indian Rocks	581-9474 2025
Indian Rocks Road, Largo 33774	
Morton Plant Hospital.....	462-7000 300
Pinellas Street, Clearwater 33756	
The towing company is Kotakis, located on Missouri.....	727-447-1952.



Ambulance Fund

Cathy Griffin Coach 244 315-783-7701

Those due in October are:

279	Peterson Nancy	10/4/25
104	Heil Roger Debbie	10/12/25
244	Griffin Ron Cathy	10/30/25



The Ambulance Fund is open to all residents for \$2.50 per person per year. Payment qualifies members for 1 emergency transport per person per year. The fund pays the balance of the bill, up to \$75, after Medicare and insurance. Membership period is stated on your card. There are no grace days.

Editor Notes

Directory Reviews have all been delivered and so far, only a couple of corrections. I want to thank Carol for all her help in updating our list. The directory would not have happened without her help. Thank You, Carol. We should all thank our Review delivery people. They are out in very hot, humid weather, not to mention trying to deliver between raindrops. Thank you all for that also.



This month our Thank You spotlight is on Barb Lehman. Barb (along with Kathy Trombin) are the ones who are trying to keep or feral cat under control. She traps the cats, takes them to be fixed, then they must come back here, and Kathy fosters them until a home can be found. Barb also is responsible for running the food pantry every month. Thanks to Barb and her crew this is a very smooth operation that is appreciated by many in the park. So. The next time you see Barb, give her a big Thank You.

Now. I would like to get on my soapbox. Have you noticed how everyone seems so angry, mean and not caring lately? This is not the world we grew up in. When we grew up, people were respectful, friendly, helping each other out. Not sure when it all changed, but it would sure be nice to be living in that atmosphere again.

Perhaps, we could start a new trend here. Remember the words of President John Kennedy in his inaugural speech? "Ask not what your country can do for you, Ask what you can do for your country". We can start small and change that to "Ask not what this park can do for you, but you can do for this park". Just imagine how beautiful and wonderful this park would be if we worked together. If we help our fellow neighbors, make a new friend down the street or a block away.

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Remember the old saying “what goes around, comes around”? We could start small here in our park, then maybe it would grow outside the park and expand even more. Wouldn’t that be wonderful?

I would like to challenge my fellow Ranchers for the week of October 12th-the 18th, every time you meet or pass someone here at the Ranch, say “Hello Neighbor” It worked when Carol Carmadell was here, let’s bring back that friendly neighborhood.

Smile when you see someone and see if you don’t get that smile back.

Ok, so I’m off my soapbox and hoping I didn’t offend anyone.



Manager's Moment

Carol Alvey

As usual. I have to start by reminding everyone that the dumpsters and the field are not to be used for large furniture and mattresses. Etc. You must take all these items to the dump yourself or plan for someone to do it for you.

Let’s try to get our homes shaped up. Some homes need pressure washing, car ports need to be cleaned up, etc. Notices will be going out shortly if you are in violation. We can all work together to make our park look more inviting.

Reminder: Rentals are not allowed here at Bay Ranch. House sitting for more than 30 days is considered the same thing and not allowed. Also, anyone house sitting for those 30 days must have a background check done on them and Manager approval.

You should have or will be receiving your letter about the 2026 rent increase starting January 1, 2026



JUST SAYIN'

Jeanne Hunter

Iworry about our intelligence. Weather service is now issuing Extreme Heat Warnings to make us aware it's hot out. Really?

I Carlo Acutis was canonized as a saint on September 7, 2025. He died of leukemia at 15. He was, obviously, an amazing young man. Here is a saying he used often. Let it be your thought for the day. “All people are born as originals, but many die as photocopies.”

You can get a greenwise steak at Publix for \$25.99 a pound. I don’t care if it’s purplewise, that’s a little too expensive for me! And they also have Reao’s homemade pasta. Homemade? Really? I’m picturing all the women in Italy slaving in their kitchens to make pasta for us. Publix is so creative with their salads. I just bought a southwest chicken fajita salad. That’s fried chicken, Mexican street corn, tortilla chips, cheese and, oh yeah, some chopped up lettuce underneath. Heh heh, sure I had salad for dinner.

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I miss having a basement. I asked my uncle how many dead bodies does it take to change a light bulb? He said, "Well, it's not six because it's still dark in my basement."

I thought all coffee was pretty much alike. I was wrong. Instead of a Publix run this week, I opted for a Target pick-up. Have you ever used Target like this? It's so convenient. Order online and in an hour or so you get a message that it's ready. Click on "On my way" when you head out and "I'm here" when you pull in. They come out almost instantly and load your car with a smile. No tip, just a thank you, and you're on your way. No extra fees, same price as trudging through the store and checkout line. Oh, back to coffee. I usually get coffee BOGO at Publix. Target had some for less than those costs. What can I say? The smell of socks before they hit the laundry was a hint of the taste to come. My hint for this month.....don't buy the cheapest coffee on the shelf. I just stocked up because my favorite brand was BOGO this week at Publix. I noted it has become the latest victim of sneaky shrinkage. Suddenly my package of 12 K-cup pods is 10 pods. Hmm. At least the price stayed the same.

Animal Tails: I've got everything ready for Pip. I have a covered hall between the mobile and my shed. It's out of the rain. What a set-up, A beautiful waterproof house with a moon roof, front and back door and it's raised up a couple inches on little legs so it won't get wet from the ground. An automatic feeder so I can fill it with kibbles to last for days and an automatic waterer to do the same. And Pip still comes inside twice a day to eat wet food, say hi, cry at the door and run off when I open the door for him (two or three times, then he finally goes back out).

THREE DAYS LATER...The house remains unused and pristine, the feeder is totally emptied and the water bowl is disgustingly dirty. The raccoons could have the decency to leave a thank you note. Now every morning I leave a much smaller amount of kibble, wash and refill the water container, maybe throw a little catnip in the cat house as a hint.

Lucy is enjoying the changes. She has special soft kibbles because she only has a few teeth now. Turns out she prefers the little rocks (cat kibbles) in Pip's bowl. So, I have to leave a little more for him because she eats it every morning while I refill the water. And now she eats Sheba cat food too. She won't touch the fancy, expensive dog food anymore.

Yesterday I opened the back door for Lucy to go out. Pip was lying in the grass about ten feet away. Lucy put one foot out and froze. Stinker Pip was giving her the cat evil eye (you know how two cats will stand like statues and stare each other down). Lucy, not the bravest warrior in the bunch, started moving her head around so she was looking every direction but at Pip. He didn't move, continued to stare. Heck, I was a little scared. I couldn't get Lucy to go forward. If I gave her a push, she moved like a cat you try to get in a carrier bag. While I was chasing her to get her back to the door, Pip sauntered in with his kitty smirk. He and Lucy did their morning circle ritual, making sure they sniffed both ends and Lucy went on her way while Pip proceeded to his food bowl.



No jokes to end the column this month. Instead, this column is...

In memory of
Pip
Master of the Universe
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World Adventurer

IN LOVING *Memory*

Whether he went over the bridge or maybe under the fence to a neighbor who fed him and got him inside, I miss the little rascal and am sure he is continuing his adventures.

Resident Club News

The Resident Club board has been very busy these last two months. They have sponsored breakfasts, ice cream social, Labor Day potluck just to name a few.

The board was recently asked what they did with the money they earned. The board recently approved the purchase of new audio equipment that will be helpful and necessary for the Christmas Pagen, Variety Show and Karaoke.

The board, along with Mr. Larson, also invested in some new kitchen equipment. We now have a 4 slotted food warmer, which doesn't require water. A true improvement from having to fill and empty the water each time. A new griddle was also purchased as the old one was only working on one side. We thank and appreciate Mr. Larsons help with these improvements.

A reminder Elections for the Board will be coming up in November, If you are interested in running for a position on the board, you have from October 6th until November 3rd to submit your nomination. Your nomination should be handwritten and include your full name, phone number and Lot number. Nominations should be given to: Kathy Trombini, Paige Andrews or Cathy Griffin by the November 3rd deadline.

Regular meetings will resume on October 6th with Coffee time 8:30 and the meeting starting at 9.





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Planned Events

October 2nd: 6: 00 PM Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner \$10.00
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October 4th Karaoke 6:30 Come down and check out our new equipment, sing a song, or just come and enjoy all the other songbirds. Public Service Announcement: I'm told they sound even better if you bring a certain beverage with you.

October 11th: Breakfast Buffet Items include French toast, pancakes, blueberry pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, home fries, biscuits and gravy, and toast.

Bring your appetite and \$8.00 8:30-10:00

October 18th Karaoke 6:30

October 23rd: Buffalo Bingo 6:30 This was popular from our Labor Day celebration. It's a very easy, fun game. We will give you a board, we have the dice. Everyone takes turns rolling the dice and cover the number you roll on your board, already covered? Goes to the next person needing it. First one to fill car, wins the pot. All you need is to bring your pennies. We will have some extra pennies if you need to make change. Come on down and enjoy the fun and comradery, bring a snack and a drink if you choose.

November 1st will be our annual Halloween party. We have moved it to Saturday the 1st, so we don't conflict with the Friday No9ght Bingo crowd.

We will have DJ Les N' More starting at 7 PM. We will have a costume contest; light snacks a 50/50 and maybe a few other surprises Tickets will be available soon and available at the door also. Imagine all this for only \$10.00.



What are special events in October?

Some special events include:

- October Holidays and Monthly Observances
- Columbus Day (Second Monday of the month)
- Halloween (October 31st)
- World Smile Day (First Friday of the month)
- World Egg Day (Second Friday of the month)
- Adopt a Shelter Dog Month.
- Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- National Apple Month.





Points To Ponder

What if the dog only brings the ball back because he thinks I like throwing it?

If the poison expiration date is past does that mean it's less poisonous?

Which letter in Scent is silent? Is the S or the C?

Do twins ever realize that one of them is unplanned?

Why is W pronounced double U instead of double v?

Every time you clean, you make something else dirty.

100 years ago, everyone had a horse, only the rich had a car. Today everyone has cars & only the rich have horses.

If you replace the W with a T in "What, Where & When", you will have the answer to each one.



Exercise for People Over 60

Begin by standing on a comfortable surface where you have plenty of room on each side.

With a 5-lb potato bag in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can.

Try to reach a full minute, then relax.

Each day, you'll find that you can hold this position for just a bit longer.

After a couple of weeks, move up to 10-lb potato bags

Then try 50-lb potato bags... and eventually work your way up to where you can lift a 100-lb potato bag in each hand and hold your arms straight out for more than a full minute! (I'm at this level.)

After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag.

You're welcome, I just want to help us all stay fit and healthy. LOL



Clubs and Organizations

Ash Emperors

Cigar Dudes are now known as the Ash Emperors and will be meeting every other Saturday at 1PM at Cozy Cigar, which is located on West Bay in Largo. If interested or have questions, please call Adam Pirhofer at 623-7808 or Dave Andrews at 727-542-6917.



Bid Euchre

Keep posted for update



Bingo

Cindy Devinney 550-7377

We start selling at 5pm. We stop selling at 6pm and Bingo starts at 6:30.

We need more people to come, so we can continue to play through the summer. So come on down for a night of fun, and who knows, you might even win.

Please no large bills.



Canasta

We will meet every Tuesday at 1:00

Card Bingo

Roger Heil, Coach 104, 423-1264

This is Bingo where every 4-some (and sometimes 3-somes) deals out a full deck of cards, then discards the card as the caller calls it. Whoever runs out of cards first wins the pot of 1 quarter for each player.

Held on Wednesdays, calling starts at 6:30.

Chorus

Sunday December 7th at 1:30 we will hold our rehearsal for the Christmas Concert. The concert will be on the 10th of December at 7:00pm

Sunday December 21st, we will have our annual tree lighting at 7pm.

New and existing residents: If you like to sing or just want to be part of a fun group, please come join us. Rehearsals will be starting in November, so all you need to do is just show up. All are welcome. Can't carry a tune in a basket?? Maybe Becky will have a basket for you, so no excuses, come join us.

.Becky Webber

Chorus Director

beckywebber61@gmail.com



Coffee Klutch

Held at the clubhouse every Monday just before the Residents Club meeting. So, plan on coming down, have a cup of Joe, a donut, and a great visit with your fellow Ranchers.

Cornhole

Dawn Fear-Walters

Cornhole will be returning for more fun starting on the 14th of October. Please come and sign up by 6:15 and we will start playing at 6:30. 50/50 will also be held.

Hope to see you come and join in the fun.

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Crafts

Nancy Peterson

Crafts will start again on the 10th of October. Nancy will continue from then if there are enough people who are interested. So, meet us at the clubhouse at 9:30.

ARTS & CRAFTS



Euchre

Joan Seiders, Coach 123, 532-8409

Starting soon

Fitness For Life

Patty -Schlagel Adair

With the weather changing, we will be back inside for chair exercises, Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00am.

Golf

Off the greens until fall.



HOA

Watch the website for any information about upcoming meetings.

Hoss Collar

See you at the courts next fall.



Karaoke

Adam Pirhofer 623-7808

Bring your voice, beverages, and you down and join in the fun and entertainment. As usual subject to change.

If you can sing or not come out and join in the fun, there is no judging here. Want some free entertainment? Come on down to the clubhouse and enjoy the music and cheer on your fellow Rancher.



Koffee Klatch

Come join us at 8:30-9 for coffee and doughnuts or muffins or whatever we can find. Join in the conversation and meet some of your fellow Ranchers.

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Ladies Having Fun

Cindy Douglas 260-715-0646

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Library

Bonnie Bach, Coach 1051

Books in the library are donated by Bay Ranchers.

Come on in and borrow a book or drop off the ones you have read. Please put books in the tote and we will put them back on the shelf. Looking for any large print books. Sorry. No magazines please.



Residents' Club

Meetings start at 9am right after Koffee Klatch. Want to stay informed and help plan events?? Then join us every Monday. Hope to see you there. 9AM

Shuffleboard

On break for the summer, but you can practice all summer if you so desire and be ready to take on the fun next fall. Jim Jones or Wayne Jones will be back in the fall and will be willing to help you learn if you need some help.



Stein Studs

Adam Pirhofer 623-7808

Stein Studs (and Beer Babes) are a group of folks who enjoy the sampling of Craft Beers from local, as well as everywhere else, brewers.

But we also enjoy craft and other distilled spirits and cocktails.

We are so blessed in the Tampa Bay region to have such diverse and numerous amounts of breweries and distilleries in our area. As well as fine drinking establishments to sample the abundance of libations.

We normally meet at Willard's Tap House,

12500 Starkey Rd, Largo, FL 33773, on Friday's at 2:00 pm. But if someone would prefer distilled libations, we are happy to make trips for those.

Let me know if you have any suggestions,

Apirhofer@hotmail.com



Bay Ranch Recycle

Please drop off any aluminum cans and bottles at Lot 191 on Carmen Street. Pull tabs are given to Shriners Children's Hospital.

All proceeds from the sale of aluminum provides funds to the Cornhole organization.

Please do not crush cans prior to dropping off. Please no garbage, cigarette buts or glass bottles. Only aluminum cans.

Thank you for your co-operation and your donations.



Yom Kipper

Have you ever wondered what Yom Kipper was meant to celebrate? After seeing it for so many years on my calendar, I decided to check it out. Thought someone else may be interested also.

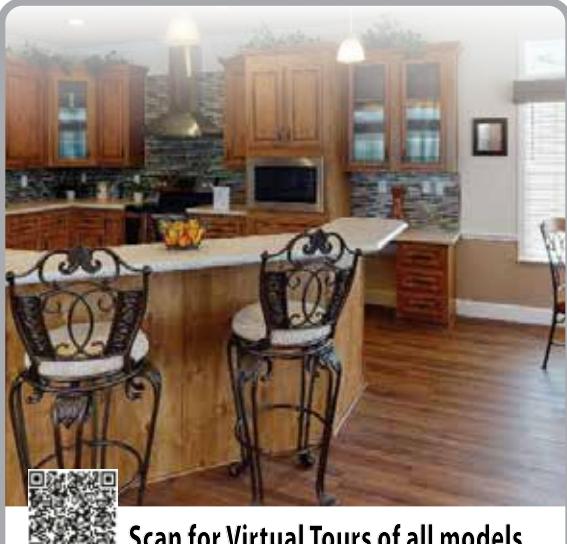
Yom Kippur literally means the "Day of Atonement". The holiday is just a few days after the Jewish new year. Although differences are noticeable within each branch of Judaism, the underlying principles involved in Yom Kippur are the same. Yom Kippur is a time for individuals to atone for their sins of the past year.

The "five rules" of Yom Kippur, also known as the five afflictions, are prohibitions against eating and drinking, wearing leather shoes, bathing or washing (except for cleansing dirt), anointing oneself with oils or lotions, and engaging in marital relations. These abstentions are meant to minimize physical distractions and allow focus on the spiritual purpose of the day: repentance, prayer, and reconciliation with God and fellow humans.

Here are the five afflictions in detail:

- Prohibition of Food and Drink: This is the most well-known custom, a complete fast from both food and water for the entire 25-hour period of Yom Kippur.
- Prohibition on Wearing Leather Shoes: Wearing shoes made of leather is avoided, as it is considered a luxury and a physical comfort.
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- 23 Steven Richetts
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- Steve Czapinsky



Trivia

H ave some fun my sharp-witted friends. This is a test for us 'older kids'! The answers are printed after Halloween Funnies (Page 30).

01. After the Lone Ranger saved the day and rode off into the sunset, the grateful citizens would ask, Who was that masked man? Invariably, someone would answer, I don't know, but he left this behind. What did he leave behind? _____.

02. When the Beatles first came to the U.S. In early 1964, we all watched them on The Show.

03. 'Get your kicks, _____.'

04. 'The story you are about to see is true. The names have been changed to _____.'

05. 'In the jungle, the mighty jungle, _____.'

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06. After the Twist, The Mashed Potato, and the Watusi, we 'danced' under a stick that was lowered as low as we could go in a dance called the '_____.'

07. Nestle's makes the very best _____!

08. Satchmo was America's 'Ambassador of Goodwill.' Our parents shared this great jazz trumpet player with us. His name was _____.

09. What takes a licking and keeps on ticking? _____.

10. Red Skelton's hobo character was named _____ and Red always ended his television show by saying, 'Good Night, and' _____.'

11. Some Americans who protested the Vietnam War did so by burning their _____.

12. The cute little car with the engine in the back and the trunk in the front was called the VW. What other names did it go by? _____ & _____..

13. In 1971, singer Don MacLean sang a song about, 'the day the music died.' This was a tribute to _____.

14. We can remember the first satellite placed into orbit. The Russians did it. It was called _____.

15. One of the big fads of the late 50's and 60's was a large plastic ring that we twirled around our waist. It was called the _____.

16. Remember LS/MFT _____ / _____.?

17. Hey Kids! What time is it? It's _____.!

18. Who knows what secrets lie in the hearts of men? Only The _____ Knows!

19. There was a song that came out in the 60's that was "a grave yard smash". It's name was the _____.!

20. Alka Seltzer used a "boy with a tablet on his head" as it's Logo/Representative. What was the boy's name? _____.





Halloween Funnies

What do ghosts have in their noses? Boo-gers!

Why did the ghost starch his sheet? He wanted to scare people stiff.

What is a ghost's favorite desert? I-scream!

What kind of horse does a ghost ride? A night-mare

Why don't mummies take time off? They are afraid to unwind.

Where does a mummy go for vacation? The Dead Sea.

What do you get when you cross a vampire and a snowman? Frostbite.

Why do vampires not want to become investment bankers? They hate stakeholders.

Why are vampires bad at art? They are only able to draw blood.

Why does Dracula struggle to make friends? He's a real pain in the neck.

What kind of medicine do witches use on their warts? I don't know, but it's not work-ing.

What's the problem with twin witches? You never know which witch is which.

How do you mend a jack-o'-lantern? With a pumpkin patch.

Why did he jack-o'-lantern fail out of school? Someone scooped his brains out.

Why don't zombies like pirates? They're too salty.

What do vegetarian zombies eat? Graaaains!

How do you know if a zombie likes someone? They ask for seconds.

Why are graveyards so noisy? Because of all the coffin.

What happens if you don't pay the exorcist on time? You get repossessed!

Knock Knock? Who's there? Phillip! Phillip who? Phillip my bag with candy!

Trivia Answers

1. The Lone Ranger left behind a silver bullet.
2. The Ed Sullivan Show
3. On Route 66
4. To protect the innocent.
5. The Lion Sleeps Tonight
6. The limbo
7. Chocolate
8. Louis Armstrong
9. The Timex watch
10. Freddy, The Freeloader and 'Good Night and God Bless.'
11. Draft cards (Bras were also burned. Not flags, as some have guessed)
12. Beetle or Bug
13. Buddy Holly
14. Sputnik
15. Hoola-hoop
16. Lucky Strike/Means Fine Tobacco
17. Howdy Doody Time
18. Shadow
19. Monster Mash
20. Speedy



Halloween Snack Mix – (10 minutes) Quick and Easy

Ingredients:

- 2½ cups Cheez-its
- 2½ cups Bugles
- 2½ cups pretzels small or mini
- 1 cup peanuts salted or unsalted
- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil I use peanut oil
- 1 ounce dry Ranch Salad Dressing and Seasoning Mix
- 2 cups assorted Halloween candy

Instructions:

1. Combine the Cheez-its, Bugles, pretzels, and peanuts in a gallon-size plastic storage bag or large bowl.
2. Drizzle the vegetable oil over the mixture and shake the bag gently, or toss it if in a bowl, to coat the mixture evenly.
3. Add the dry Ranch dressing mix and shake again, or toss it if in a bowl, to coat the mixture evenly.
4. When you are ready to serve it, place the snack mix in a bowl, and add the candy.

Notes:

- You can replace my snack ingredients with your favorite snacks or dry cereal like Chex Mix, popcorn, Goldfish, mini Wheat Thins, oyster crackers, sesame sticks, etc.; you get the idea. You can even make it gluten-free by substituting gluten-free snacks.
- Instead of peanuts, feel free to substitute roasted pecans, almonds, pistachios, or a nut mix.
- As far as candy, shop the grocery store candy aisle to find your favorite candy. Candy corn is always a favorite, as are mellow creme or jelly pumpkins. Orange and black jelly beans, skittles, or M&Ms are also a great choice. I sometimes include edible can-dy eyeballs to give it a little personality. Or, you can leave the candy out altogether.
- You can also use this recipe to make a holiday or special occasion-specific snack mix, by swapping out holiday-specific candy.
- You can make it ahead and store your Monster Munch Halloween Snack Mix in a tightly sealed Ziploc plastic storage bag on your kitchen counter for up to a week. I think it keeps better if you wait to add the candy until right before you are ready to serve it, but I've stored it with and without the candy, and it still stays fresh for over a week.
- This recipe calls for a package of dry Ranch salad dressing mix. Do not use the liquid salad dressing.
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- $1\frac{3}{4}$ cups + 2 tbsp all-purpose flour
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- $1\frac{1}{2}$ tsp vanilla extract
- Green food coloring
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- $\frac{3}{4}$ tsp baking soda
- Halloween sprinkles
- Candy eyeballs

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Gone are the days when girls used to cook like their mothers. Now they drink like their fathers.

I didn't make it to the gym today. That is five years in a row. I decided to stop calling the bathroom "John" and renamed it "Jim". I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.

Old age is coming at a really bad time.

When I was a child, I thought "nap time" was a punishment. Now it feels like a small vacation.

The biggest lie I tell myself is... " I don't have to write that down, I'll remember it".

I don't have gray hair... I have "wisdom highlights"! I'm just very wise.

If God wanted me to touch my toes, He would've put them on my knees.

Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet.

Why do I have to press one for English when you're just going to transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?

Of course, I talk to myself. Sometimes I need expert advice.

At my age "Getting Lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for.

I have more friends I should send this to, but right now I can't remember their names.

Now, I'm wondering... did I steal this meme from you, or did you steal it from me?



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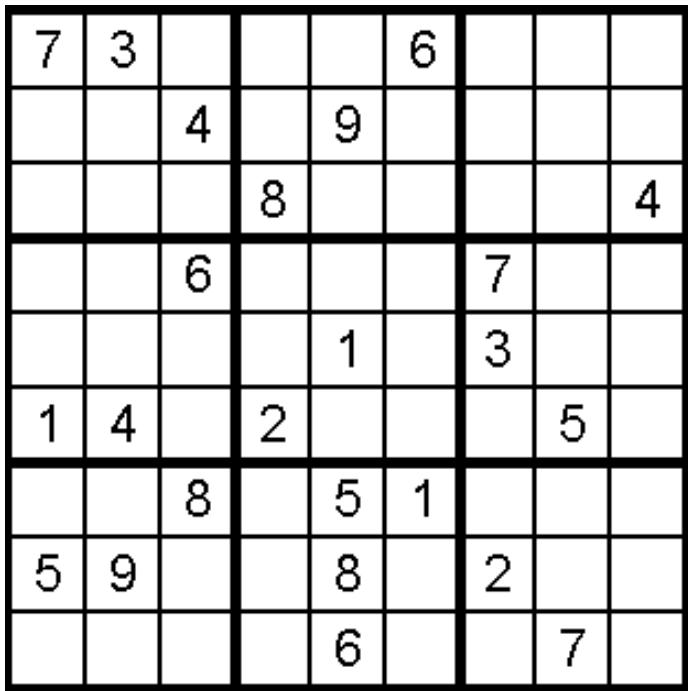
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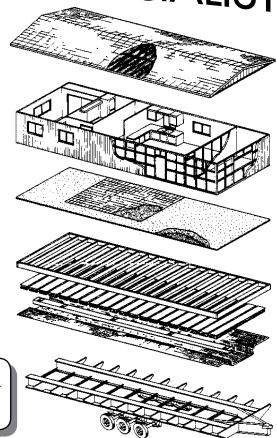
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2 Day Park Wide Sale. Friday and Saturday, October 3 and 4, 2025. 8am - 1pm. Vendors in the clubhouse on Friday ONLY. Semiannual Bake Sale and Refreshments available Friday ONLY in the Clubhouse. La Plaza MHP 6700 150th Ave. N. Clearwater	November 8th. 9am-2pm. Craft & Bake Fair - Island in the Sun. Multiple vendors with multiple wares. Held in the clubhouse. 100 Hampton Rd, Clearwater, FL 33759. Come check us out!	Carport Sale - Oak Crest Acorn, 9925 Ulmerton in Largo, Nov 1st, 8am-2pm
Community flea market. Paradise Island, 1001 Starkey Rd. Largo. Saturday, October 4th, 9-2. Early bird entry 8am for \$1. Bake sale, hot dogs, golf cart taxi service. Follow signs to the clubhouse.	FALL BAZAAR Ranchero Village 7100 Ulmerton Road, Hacienda Clubhouse. Sunday 11/9/25 from 11am-3pm. Crafts, baked goods, raffle baskets & more. Vendors: Rent a table for \$15. Contact: Donna Dahmm 309-263-2640	OTHER
BINGO at Pointe West MHP starting Tues. October 14th. Doors open at 4:30pm. Bingo starts at 6:30pm. 12651 Seminole Blvd, Largo.	Crafters Wanted Fair Nov 15th at Palm Hill Country Club 401 8th Ave, Largo. 8am - 1pm. Email Tom for more information at brendas76@verizon.net	Attention shufflers! Friendly League is looking for additional teams to join our league or a smaller league to merge with ours. Our teams are located within 10 miles of East Bay Drive in Largo and play our games on Thursday. Please contact John Halliday, Embassy Park, johnhalliday3@aol.com , 508-360-3875
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