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HOA President's UPDATES

Jerry Zielinski, HOA President, 727-225-3657

*****Facebook page: Serendipity Homeowners Association**

MEET SERENDIPITY'S NEW HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Hello Residents...My name is Jerry Zielinski and I'd like to introduce myself as your new Homeowner's Association President. My wife's name is Cass and we have been married for 56 years! We are from Pennsylvania...originally from Philadelphia but spent the last 26 years living in the Pocono Mountains.



We purchased our Serendipity coach in September of 2017 and moved in on the 19th. When the term "HOA" was first mentioned to me I had no idea as to what it was. I started researching and asking questions about the HOA.

In December of 2018 I ran for the position of Director. I didn't get elected and that was okay with me. I was a new resident and didn't know many people. In early 2019, I went to an "FMO" Certification Class for FS 723 as a resident. I wanted to know more about the rights of Residents of Mobile Homes owners in the State of Florida.

Shortly after the Elections in January of 2019 I was asked if I was still interested in becoming a Director with the HOA. There was a vacancy. I finished the year as a Director and ran for a Director in the 2020 election. I was nominated for Vice President by the HOA Board. I continued in that capacity until the Elections of 2022. After the Election I was nominated for the position of President. I accepted.

Since joining the HOA I have had the concerns and issues of the residents as my main interest. This will continue.

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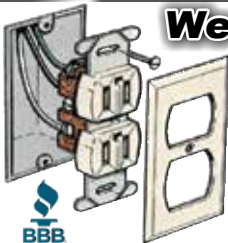
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Notes from Our January HOA Meeting.



There were several issues brought to the attention of the HOA Board. Lights at the entrance to the park, fountain issues, and the Robo Call system. The most concerning issue was the condition of the area around the pool, restrooms, shower area, chairs, lounges, tables, and the general area around the pool. These issues were brought to Management and Management said "That these issues will be taken care of"

We (the Board) need the help and support of the residents to move forward. Our "Senior Years" should be about relaxing, enjoying life, living in a safe community where issues are small and easily addressed without stress to the residents. Feel free to call me at the above phone number if you have any concerns or questions. I will be happy to help! Here is to a wonderful 2022!

Jerry

Serendipity Resident Messenger (Robo) Call System

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM DAVID HOWARD, DIRECTOR, HOA BOARD:

At the November HOA meeting it was approved to move forward with the program "Messenger (Robo) Call System" to notify residents about upcoming events, activities, and other important information happening in the park. This is at no charge to the residents. If you have not already been contacted to participate there is still time to sign up. The resident will have option to get the information via phone, email, or text. A dedicated number will be assigned so all calls will come from same number for recognition. If you would like to sign up, please contact Dave Howard by leaving a note in his mailbox at Lot # 276 or email him at: davehoward2924@yahoo.com. We just need your phone number and email address and state whether you wish to receive phone calls, texts, or emails. There will be a deadline to sign up by end of March. We look forward to your participation.



David

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-Beth Ott (727-787-3272)

NEW!!! WALKING CLUB

Join your neighbors as they walk the streets of Serendipity! We meet at the East Clubhouse at 9:00 AM every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The weather is glorious for this activity. Walk at your own pace, make new friends, and take the first steps towards a healthy lifestyle! If you have any questions, please call Margaret Ishler at 617-519-4130.



Line Dancing

Leslie Bellinger, 727-729-5039

Hi everyone. Line dancing is every Tuesday morning from 10-11:00AM at the East Clubhouse. Come and get a little exercise and have some fun too. We dance to songs like Boot Scootin' Boogie, Blueberry Hill, Beer Barrel Polka, and many more. If you have any questions give me a call. Hope to "see you on the dance floor!"



Hope to "see you on the dance floor"- Leslie



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- Remember to get your submissions in to me before the 10th of each month. Any errors or late submissions will be noted in the next month's Monthly Media.

Remember these articles...

1. **Meet Your Neighbor!** With your permission, we will highlight a member of our community. Whether a new move-in or a seasoned veteran, we would like to know your name and a little about you.
2. **Marilyn's Recipe Corner!** Drop off your favorite recipe with your name at my home (#378) or email it to my address above and I will enter one each month in the newsletter.
3. **Community Articles!** If you wish to submit an article that may be interesting to our residents, feel free to email or drop it to me at #378 for editing and submission for publication. Be sure to add your name and phone number.

There is a GREEN wooden box on my driveway patio that says "NEWSLETTER" to leave any articles, recipes, or notices. You can also email me at nanci.j.dorau@gmail.com

Just-A-Note

Nanci Dorau, 321-201-2479 nanci.j.dorau@gmail.com

From: Pat Luksinger

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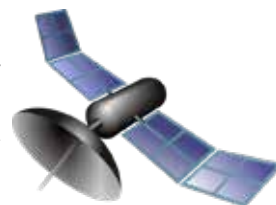
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Things That Make You Go...HMMMMMM?

submitted by Neil Thomas, resident

WHAT'S WITH NASA?

WE all know NASA (National Aeronautical Space Agency) as our space agency. Sending probes to Mars, feeding supplies to the Space Station and landing men on the Moon. NASA awarded a grant in 2014 to a group of 24 theologians to answer how well humans will react to news that intelligent life exists on other planets. Research published in 2017 found that people with a strong desire to find meaning but a low adherence to a particular religion are more likely to believe aliens exist. Many people would turn to religious traditions for guidance if it were needed. Is NASA preparing us for full disclosure?



On September 6, 2018, the FBI raided a NASA solar observatory in New Mexico. Several Blackhawk helicopters and a platoon of agents armed with AR15's was used to shut down the 250-acre complex for 11 days. All employees were expelled from the Sun Spot Solar Observatory and forced to sign a secrecy agreement. The reason for this was, evidently a janitor was using the observatory computers to look at pornography. No one has been charged yet and there has been no statement from the FBI. The local sheriff was not involved, and some residents were forced out for a few days. Some find this explanation difficult to believe.

The purpose of this complex is to chart the activity of the sun. If you want to sneak up on our planet you would come at it with sun at your back so no one can see you approaching. Did they see something that the government doesn't want you to know about because we might panic? Is the sun changing in size as it burns up all the hydrogen? Is there a corona mass ejection heading towards Earth? Does the government think the original cover story is adequate?

Everything seems to be going well with the James Webb Space Telescope. The solar panels, sunscreen, and primary lens has been deployed without any problems. There were 344 events that had to take place before full deployment. The craft is at its final parking spot about a million miles from Earth. It will take about 5 months to align the mirror segments and calibrate them. First pictures taken will be sometime this summer.



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~MARCH 2022~

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- 5 Anne Bittner
- 8 Ted Defesses
- 11 Kathy McDougall
- 14 Larry Sullivan
- 17 Douglas Wilson
- 19 Pam Cote
- 21 Doreen Legg
- 21 Karen Price
- 23 Margaret Houser
- 24 Jan Barrett
- 28 John Arnone
- 29 Lorraine Earley
- 30 Thomas Donegan



Celebrities with MARCH Birthdays

If you do not know who these people are, here is something for you to do in your spare time... Google their names!

March 2, 1779 - Joel Roberts Poinsett

March 2, 1917 - Desi Arnaz

March 2, 1962 - Jon Bon Jovi

March 4, 1888 - Knute Rockne

March 6, 1972 - Shaquille O'Neal

March 9, 1934 - Yuri Gagarin

March 11, 1903 - Lawrence Welk

March 12, 1948 - James Taylor

March 15, 1933 - Ruth Bader Ginsburg

March 17, 1902 - Bobby Jones

March 19, 1589 - William Bradford

March 19, 1848 - Wyatt Earp

March 22, 1948 - Andrew Lloyd Webber

March 25, 1947 - Elton John

March 27, 1931 - David Janssen

March 27, 1940 - Cale Yarborough

March 28, 1899 - August Anheuser Busch Jr.

March 29, 1867 - Cy Young

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Bowling

Bob Jones, 727-638-0822

Practice bowling starts at 9:15 AM. The last league bowling day will be on March 11, 2022. The next Friday, March 18, 2022, will be Fun Friday – 9 Pin No Tap. The Banquet has been scheduled for Saturday, March 19, 2022. Watch the bulletin boards for more information.

We bowl at Maple Lanes, 27867 US Highway 19 N, Clearwater, Fl. Their phone number is (727) 796-8100. Watch this Monthly Media and the bulletin boards for information on any changes or updates. If you have any questions, please call me at 727-638-0822.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the lanes! -Bob



Pam Mailloux bowled a 199 at our League at Maple Lanes! Congratulations!

Bridge

Steve Sisson, 727-772-5882

BRIDGE GAMES WILL RESUME SOON! Games are played on Thursdays at 7:00 P. M. at the East Clubhouse. New players are welcome, and instruction is available. Call for information and to let us know you will be attending.



-Steve

Cards – 65 Rummy

Diane L. Clement Coppens, 727-453-9752



65 RUMMY is held Wednesday at 6:30 PM at the West Clubhouse all year round. Bring \$.70 for both games and a friend! Come join us for a fun night out!

Cribbage

Steve Gebbett, 727-784-0439 or Jim Beatty, 727-216-3715

CRIBBAGE has started again! Cribbage is played on Tuesdays at 7:00 P. M. in the card room in the East Hall. Here are our winners for the past weeks:

January 18, 2022

1st Jim Beatty
2nd Carol Beatty
3rd Annette Davis

February 1, 2022

1st Steve Gebbett
2nd Jan Barrett
3rd Annette Davis

January 25, 2022

1st Bob Coppo
2nd Annette Davis
3rd Gary Krupski

February 8, 2022

1st Steve Gebbett
2nd Jim Beatty
3rd Kay Krist

See you there! -Steve

Dominoes

Phyllis Messina, 727-453-2742



Call Phyllis for more information! We are always looking for more players. Everyone is welcome. Come for the **FUN!** Dominoes are played every Sunday at 6:30 PM. at Phyllis' house, Lot # 172. Please bring \$.95! Phyllis's phone is 727-453-2742.

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-Beth and Marty



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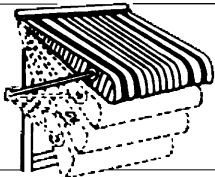


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Jean-Louis Lamontagne, 727-787-1213, or Jim Beatty, 727-216-3715

The Serendipity Tuesday Golf League has an arrangement with Crescent Oaks Golf Club where we enjoy special green fee rates. Tee times have been changed from 10:00 AM to 9:20, to allow for everyone to finish early and meet in the Oak Tree Grille afterwards for fun and distribution of prizes.

Please contact J.L. at jeanlouis.lamontagne@gmail.com or Jim at j.beats@hotmail.com if you wish to join us and have fun. We are open to all skill levels, and you do not have to be a resident of Serendipity MHP.

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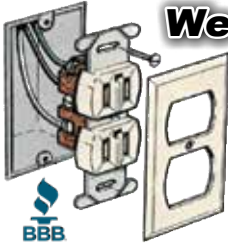
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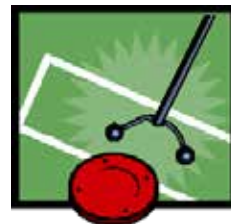


Pinochle is every Friday at 6:30 P. M. in the West Clubhouse. It is only \$1.00 to play. Everyone is welcome. Come watch, learn this old-time game, and have fun! Watch the bulletin boards for future information.

Come and join us, *Jan Barrett and Annette Davis*

Shuffleboard/Fun League

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KEEP YOUR EYES TO THE BULLETIN BOARDS AND THE MONTHLY MEDIA FOR NEWS ON SHUFFLEBOARD THIS SEASON! I hope all is well with everyone and you are enjoying the cooler weather. You are encouraged to continue to shuffle, just get a group to meet on any day. You can put a notice on the Shuffle white board if you want to get a group together. Happy holidays to all!

Try it you will like it! Chuck Bellinger, President

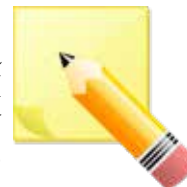
HOA and Social Committee Update

Pat Lucksinger, President, 518-573-0968, Sue Shumyhora, Social Director, 203-615-1043

Our HOA meetings are the third Tuesday of the month from November till April at 7:00 pm at the East Clubhouse.

Notes from the Social Director:

Greetings to the residents of Serendipity. My name is Sue Shumyhora and I am your new Social Director! I appreciate the warm welcome I have received from many residents! I am excited to announce some new activities and many plans are in the works! Call me if you have any questions, ideas for new events or activities at 203-615-1043.



-Sue

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MARCH Calendar of Events

(See below for specifics on these events)

Friday, March 4, 2022	6:30PM	Soul Sensations	Host Sue Shumyhora	E
Friday, March 11, 2022	9:15AM	Last League Bowling	Maple Lanes	
Saturday, March 12, 2022	8-10A	Pancake Breakfast	Host Beth/Marty Ott	E
Tuesday, March 15, 2022	6:00PM	HOA Guest Speaker	TBA	E
Tuesday, March 15, 2022	7:00PM	HOA Meeting		E
Friday, March 18, 2022	9:15A	Bowling Fun Friday	Maple Lanes	
Saturday, March 19, 2022	5:00PM	Bowling Banquet	Host Bob Jones	TBA
Saturday, March 20, 2022	6-7PM	Golf Cart Parade	Meet at West CH	W
Sunday, March 20, 2022	7-10PM	St. Pats Spring Fling	Music by Stan Johnson	E
Saturday, March 26, 2022	7:00PM	Trivia		E
Wednesdays in March	7-9PM	Big Band	All Invited to Listen	E

***Please check out our flyers regularly for further information. Sign-up sheets are posted only in the East Clubhouse. Checkout the Facebook Serendipity Homeowners Association Page as information may change.

MARCH EVENTS INFORMATION

Pancake Breakfast: The pancake breakfast is back! Join us for pancakes, bacon, sausage, pastries, coffee, tea, and juice. Saturday, March 12, 2022, in the east clubhouse. Choose your seating time from 8:00, 8:30, 9:00 or 9:30AM. The sign-up sheet will be in east clubhouse. Advance tickets \$4.00. Tickets at door \$5.00. Tickets will be sold on Saturday, March 5 in the East Clubhouse from 10:00-12:00am.



Trivia: Trivia is BACK! Saturday, March 26, 2022, at 7:00 PM at the East Clubhouse. Please bring \$1.00 to play!

10 O'clock Big Band: This 18-piece big band is practicing in the East clubhouse every Wednesday night in March from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Masks are required in the clubhouse and social distancing still will be adhered to. You may also make yourself comfortable on the porch. Please clean up your area when done. We hope you will come to listen to the music and have a fun night with friends and your neighbors!

Fun Shuffleboard: Want to join a fun group of residents to play shuffleboard? There's a signup sheet by the west pool shuffleboard closet. Times will be Tuesday and Thursday at 1:00 PM. Watch the bulletin boards and the HOA website for more details. Instructions will be offered for those new to the game and anyone who wants a refresher. Details will follow. Gayle Koeppel at 260 570-3482 for questions

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- Cards in either clubhouse
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FUTURE EVENTS AT SERENDIPITY

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Saturday, April 2, 2022	Yard Sale	Details TBA
Saturday, April 23, 2022	HOA Appreciation Outdoor Party	Details TBA

MAY

Poker Run		Details TBA
Sip & Paint		Details TBA
May 29, 2022	Louie Bravo – Entertainer	Details TBA

Please Remember: Be responsible! Maintain safe social distancing. Wear masks where required. **Clean off your tables, chairs, and gym equipment after use!** This is good practice even though restrictions have been lifted. Have a good time staying safe and healthy!

****Billiards and Shuffleboard players must be 18 years old to play without adult supervision! ****

Serendipity Travel -

Pat Lucksinger, Dawn Roberts

Stay tuned for more travel adventures to come!



March 13, 2022

THE CURIOSITY CORNER

by Dennis Buehrle

The Winter Storms of 1888

One of the raging debates today is about the weather. Blame for the devastating tornadoes, hurricanes, or unusually wet rainy seasons, causing floods and landslides, is said to be caused by man's prolific use of fossil fuels. The reason often cited for these catastrophes is the buildup of CO₂, a by-product of fossil fuel combustion, in our atmosphere that has a profound effect upon our climate. Mankind is doomed, (according to some individuals) if we don't change our ways within twelve years. However, I'm not going to delve into the merits of each side of the debate or the geopolitical issues that do not seem to be considered, discussed, or deliberately ignored. The climate has oscillated throughout earth's history, and while man's activities certainly have some influence upon the weather & climate, we may find that we have little actual control over its fluctuations.



It seems that no matter where you live, you may experience a natural catastrophe. Parts of the country may experience droughts, floods, wildfires, or earthquakes. California may someday have up to a quarter of its coast slide beneath the waves of the Pacific Ocean. Volcanic eruptions in the Northwest. Hurricanes ravaging the southern and eastern coast states. Tornadoes sporadically grazing the countryside causing destruction anywhere from Oklahoma to New York, and winters that bring bitter cold and snow to most of the country. If you bother to investigate our past, you will find many instances of unusual, harsh, or catastrophic natural weather events.

The winter of 1888 provided a couple such notable weather events. These storms happened at the tail end of a six-year run of extreme weather, called the "Little Ice Age." Climate historian Thomas St. Martin wrote a paper or essay about the eruption of the Indonesian volcano, Krakatoa in August 1883, forming an atmospheric shield against the sun's warmth that plunged the globe into a deep freeze from 1882 to 1888.

The country experienced two devastating blizzards that year, one in January, the other in March. The morning of January 12th had been unusually mild and warm, a nice reprieve from the cold, icy weather conditions of the previous day. So later that day, when the storm system swiftly dropped down from Canada into the U. S. on January 12th and 13th, extending from Colorado to the Great Lakes, many people were caught unprepared. According to some accounts, the temperature dropped approx. 100° F in 24 hours. The resulting severe cold wave extended all the way to southern California and created a blizzard for the northern Plains and upper Mississippi Valley. The blizzard trapped many children in schoolhouses where they froze to death. This blizzard has been referred to by several different names; the Schoolhouse Blizzard, Schoolchildren's Blizzard, or the Children's Blizzard. Across Nebraska, North Dakota, and Minnesota the storm brought high winds and blinding snow conditions, adults and children became victims of the blizzard, and thousands of cattle perished.

Most of the victims in rural areas were children, trying to make their way home from

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school. This storm produced stories of heroism and tragedy. Schoolteacher Seymour Dopp in Pawnee City, Nebraska, kept his class of 17 at school when the storm began at 2 p.m. They stayed overnight, burning the stockpiled wood to keep warm. The following day their parents trudged over five-foot snow drifts to rescue their children. In South Dakota, in order to lead a class safely through the snow, two men tied a rope from the schoolhouse to the nearest shelter. In Nebraska, Minnie Freeman, a teacher, successfully led her children to shelter after the storm ripped the roof off of her schoolhouse.

However, there were also instances of people not as fortunate. Teacher Loie Royce tried to lead three children to the safety of her home, less than 90 yards from their school in Plainfield, Nebraska. They became lost, the children died of hypothermia and Royce lost her feet to frostbite. Farmer Erik Olson, of Beaver Creek, Minnesota, was found a mile and a half from his home several days after the storm. Only his feet were visible under the piles of snow. Some unfortunate individuals were not found until April, after enough snow had melted away to uncover their bodies. Ten-year-old Johnny Walsh of Avoca Minnesota froze to death trying to find his house. Six siblings died trying to make their way home from school. The storm is considered one of the worst blizzards in our nation's history, killing an estimated 235 to 500 people and setting, at the time, a record low of -65° F in the continental United States. Approximately two months later the East Coast would experience a harsh blizzard, known as The Great Blizzard of 1888.

March 10th brought pleasant weather to the Northeast, grass peeking through the snow, chirping birds and thoughts of an early spring. However, by the following day, Sunday afternoon, the temperature had dropped, and rain began to fall. Monday morning, March 12th, the rain changed to snow and the once warm breezes changed to powerful wind gusts of more than 50 miles per hour. In Albany, NY the snow had reached a depth of 2 ½ ft., most of which had fallen on that day, and by 7 PM that evening everything had come to a halt. Railroad travelers became stranded. Downtown hotels were crammed with frustrated travelers and people that lived on the city's fringes who couldn't make it home. Streets became



unpassable and the trains were not operating. No coal or milk was being delivered. Theaters and saloons were closed, and even the state legislature adjourned for a couple of days. The snow blocked front doors requiring some people to crawl out second story windows on to huge piles of snow. Snow drifts in Albany ranged from 10 to over 20 ft. high.

The storm, stretching from Maryland up to Maine and parts of Canada, severely impacted the northeastern states costing an equivalent of approx. \$650 million in damages. The storm immobilized many coastal cities. Many economically struggling people in New York City defied weather conditions and went to work, resulting in many accounts of people stranded or freezing to death. The storm claimed more than 400 people, 200 in New York City alone. The winds generated by this storm were so ferocious that more than 200 vessels were destroyed along the eastern seaboard, resulting in the death of 100 seamen. The winds created drifts 30 to 40 feet high, but the tallest drift in New York City was 52 feet. Outside the cities, telegraph poles were destroyed, and locomotives almost buried in snow drifts. On the 14th of March, a train that had started in Buffalo arrived in Albany. It had spent 3 days struggling to make it from Schenectady to Albany, approx. 21 miles, and was pulled in by 7 engines.

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By Friday the weather had improved, and gangs of men and boys worked to clear major streets, roads, and stretches of railroad track. In Albany, N.Y. the storm would top its 20 worst snowstorms list, exceeding the next highest snow accumulation by 20 inches. It recorded an accumulation of 46.7 inches. The storm was nicknamed the “Great White Hurricane” with the highest recorded snowfall of 58 inches, in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

We still feel the impact from this storm today. The failure to issue a "Cold Wave Warning" spurred congressional legislation, removing the meteorological service out of the War Department, and creating the Weather Bureau under the Dept. of Agriculture. The bill was signed by President Benjamin Harrison on October 1, 1890. The storm also helped city planners realize the value of underground subway systems and moving power and communication lines underground. We may come to realize that we have little control over our climate, and that adapting in a slow, methodical and thoughtful way is better than running around yelling the sky is falling, trying every conceivable solution in the hope we can impede or stop the inevitable.

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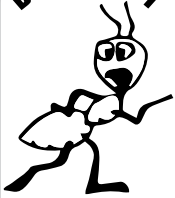
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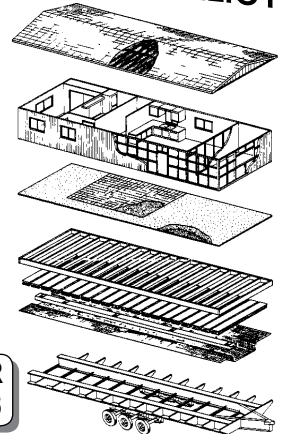
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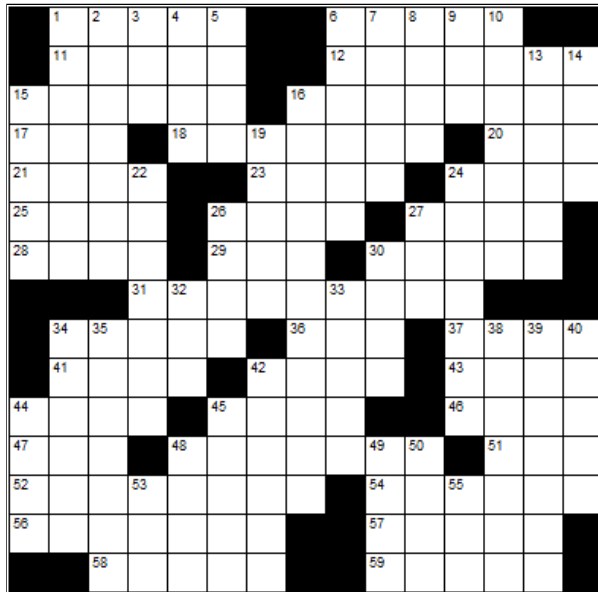


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ACROSS

- 1. Long-tailed parrot
- 6. A type of coffee
- 11. Hemp
- 12. Scholarly
- 15. Jubilant
- 16. An eating disorder
- 17. Woman
- 18. Journal keeper
- 20. Explosive
- 21. Violent disturbance
- 23. To endure (archaic)
- 24. Clothing
- 25. Feudal worker
- 26. Teller of untruths
- 27. Not there
- 28. Adolescent
- 29. Hankering
- 30. Silly mistake
- 31. Fights
- 34. Steeple
- 36. Before, poetically



DOWN

- 37. Skin irritation
- 41. Paris airport
- 42. Exclude
- 43. "Iliad" city
- 44. Run away
- 45. Engendered
- 46. Harvard rival
- 47. Record (abbrev.)
- 48. A window above a door
- 51. Religious sister
- 52. Emigree
- 54. Unhealthy vapors
- 56. Resulting
- 57. Shoemaker's awl
- 58. Overact
- 59. Homes for birds
- 1. Listlessness
- 2. Type of shellfish
- 3. Feline
- 4. Brezed through
- 5. Dry riverbed
- 6. One who denies
- 7. Jagged
- 8. Brusque
- 9. Citrus drink
- 10. Something firmly attached
- 13. Kindling
- 14. Dines
- 15. Everglades bird
- 16. An orderly grouping
- 19. French farewell
- 22. Ductile
- 24. Compactness
- 26. Stringed instrument
- 27. Furrow maker
- 30. Decay from overripening
- 32. Attempt
- 33. Gratings
- 34. Earnest
- 35. Exact
- 38. A surveying instrument
- 39. Pillars
- 40. Doglike nocturnal mammal
- 42. A citrus fruit
- 44. No charge
- 45. Small goose
- 48. Threesome
- 49. Portent
- 50. 5280 feet
- 53. Some people chew this
- 55. Donkey



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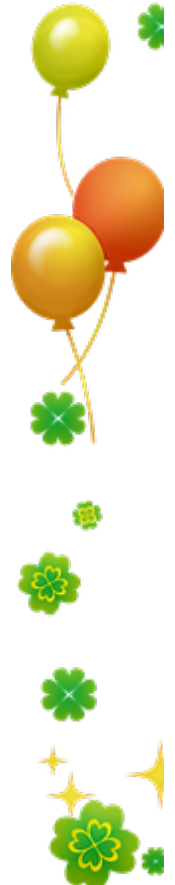
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