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## AMBER GLADES HOA MEETING IS 1st TUESDAY OF THE MONTH.

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The next HOA Board Meeting will be on February 7, 2023.

Election of Board Directors was scheduled to take place at the Annual meeting in January, but since there were only 4 residents running for 5 slots, no election was necessary. The Board is in the process of appointing a resident to fill the last vacancy.

If you have not paid your 2023 HOA Dues, please either put them in the dues box in the clubhouse or give them to Pat Peterman, #205, 618-960-9284. Dues are \$15/year.



## Notes from the HOA Board of Directors

As we continue plodding through 2023, we have been very lucky that some wonderful residents have stepped up to provide us with activities. January was sponsored by Hazel Holiday and included a Winter Dance with the Boomers and a Mystery Luncheon. February is sponsored by Randi Sanderford and will include a Tailgate Party, a Valentine breakfast Brown Bag and a Mexican Fiesta. March activities are already in the planning stage by Marsha Lemon and Rose Hendershot, including the Annual Resident Dinner. If you would like to take a month where you plan the activities (with the Board's help), please let Marsha Lemons know. Pending someone stepping up to become Social Chair, we will have to do our activities month by month. We are still hoping someone will step up to take on the role of Social Chair so we have someone to coordinate the month by month activities.

We would like to send a big thank you to **Wayde & Vicki Hart**. They graciously donated a freezer full of ice cream to us for our resident activities along with a milk shake machine.

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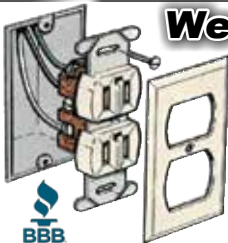
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Overnight parking has greatly improved since the implementation of the new Prospectus but there is still a problem with cars and trucks parking directly across from each other in the streets making it impossible for other vehicles to get through. If you have a vendor working at your house that is parked across the street from another vehicle, please ask them to move forward or backwards away from the other vehicle. Courtesy is greatly appreciated.

We still seem to have issues with residents not picking up after their dogs in other yards. There has also been residents walking their dogs behind units and not picking up their dog droppings. Florida statute states that you are required to pick up after your dog. Except in emergencies you should let your dog do business in their own yards.

Construction on the Pickle Ball Court is approved but has been delayed due to weather conditions. We will keep you informed when we get more information.

Your HOA Board will continue working with park management on improvements and issues within our community. As always, we welcome your suggestions and ideas. If you believe there is an area that could use improvement or you have an idea, please present it to your board. If you have a concern that needs addressed by park management, first stop by the park office and speak with Samantha or Karen. If you feel there are no results, please contact Craig Rodgers. At times the office may not be able to correct the issue in the way you were hoping.

## 2023 SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE –

The 2023 Shuffleboard league started Thursday, January 26th at 10:00 a.m. The league playing ends Thursday, April 13th. There will be a banquet at the end of the season. There are prizes for the first, second and third place winners. The fee is \$15 for the season and this fee goes toward the prizes. If you are interested, please call or text Pat Marks at 419-304-5568 or sign up at the clubhouse. Hope to see you there! We always have a great time!



## WELCOME COMMITTEE NEWS –

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## GAME DAY

We have added a game day on Wednesdays at 11:00 am. Residents have been playing several games such as Horses, CLR, dominos, etc. All are welcome to join. Attendance was impressive before the holidays but has fallen off – we encourage residents to attend so we can keep this going for those who don't have anything to do. Its good for your mental health to get out and socialize.

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## DEADLINE FOR MARCH UPDATES.

Updates for the March 2023 Media Guide need to be turned in to Pat Peterman, #205, 618-960-9284, [patt74429@yahoo.com](mailto:patt74429@yahoo.com) by February 8, 2023. This includes calendar updates.



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## New Alzheimer’s Drug Gets FDA Green Light

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on Jan. 6 granted accelerated approval to lecanemab (brand name Leqembi), a drug that in initial clinical trials slowed the rate of cognitive decline in patients in the early stages of Alzheimer’s disease.



The medication — a monoclonal antibody that’s given by IV every two weeks — is the second of its kind to get the green light from federal regulators. Unlike most other medications approved for the disease that affects more than 6.5 million Americans, lecanemab goes after the underlying pathology of Alzheimer’s, not just its symptoms.

A similar drug, called Aduhelm, received accelerated approval in 2021. This fast-track process used in both instances allows medications for serious conditions to come to market more quickly based on promising data, though additional studies are required to confirm the “anticipated benefit,” the FDA says.

“Alzheimer’s disease immeasurably incapacitates the lives of those who suffer from it and has devastating effects on their loved ones,” said Billy Dunn, M.D., director of the Office of Neuroscience in the FDA’s Center for Drug Evaluation and Research. “This treatment option is the latest therapy to target and affect the underlying disease process of Alzheimer’s, instead of only treating the symptoms of the disease.”

### Tackling amyloid

The specific causes of Alzheimer’s are unknown, but the disease is marked by changes in the brain, one of them being the accumulation of sticky clumps of protein, known as amyloid plaques. These plaques disrupt brain cell function and affect a person’s ability to remember and think, and a leading hypothesis among researchers is that clearing them will slow the progression of the disease.

The FDA’s decision was based off phase 2 clinical trial data, which showed that participants

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in the early stages of Alzheimer’s disease who received lecanemab had a “statistically significant reduction in brain amyloid plaque” compared to those who received a placebo over the course of the study period.

Results from a phase 3 trial, which were published after lecanemab’s manufacturers applied for accelerated approval, support the initial findings. In a study of nearly 1,800 adults between the ages of 50 and 90 with early Alzheimer’s, participants who received lecanemab saw a reduction in amyloid levels over 18 months. What’s more, the drug was associated with “moderately less decline on measures of cognition and function” compared to the placebo, though some Alzheimer’s experts have questioned whether it’s enough to show a true benefit to patients.

The prescribing information for lecanemab includes a warning for amyloid-related imaging abnormalities, which can include swelling and bleeding in the brain. Common side effects of the drug include infusion-related reactions (this may include flu-like symptoms, nausea, vomiting and changes in blood pressure) and headache.

The FDA said in its decision that the drug is not for all Alzheimer’s patients, just those whose disease has progressed only to mild cognitive impairment or mild dementia, matching the population studied in the trials.

### **Will the drug be covered?**

It’s unclear how many people could potentially benefit from lecanemab, which will cost \$26,500 per year, its makers said in a news release. In April 2022, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued a national policy for coverage of Aduhelm, which is also a monoclonal antibody that goes after amyloid, and other drugs like it.

In its decision, CMS said it will cover monoclonal antibodies that target amyloid for the treatment of Alzheimer’s disease that receive traditional approval from the FDA but will restrict coverage for those granted accelerated approval to beneficiaries enrolled in approved clinical trials. In a statement released Jan. 6 after the FDA’s decision, CMS said it is “examining available information and may reconsider its current coverage based on this review.”

The companies behind lecanemab — Eisai and Biogen — have indicated they plan to seek full FDA approval using the recently published phase 3 data.

Anti-amyloid therapies are one avenue scientists are pursuing for the treatment of Alzheimer’s disease, which without intervention is expected to affect some 14 million Americans by 2060, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Other areas of research focus on keeping tau proteins from tangling — another hallmark of Alzheimer’s — and reducing inflammation, also a driver of the disease. And many Alzheimer’s experts say treating the disease will likely require more than one approach.

Meanwhile, research surrounding Alzheimer’s prevention is picking up speed. Recent studies show that adopting certain habits — such as controlling high blood pressure, staying physically active, avoiding excessive drinking, and preventing or treating hearing loss — can help to reduce the risk of Alzheimer’s and related dementias. In fact, it’s estimated that 40 percent of dementia cases can be attributed to 12 modifiable risk factors.

*Rachel Nania writes about health care and health policy for AARP. Previously she was a reporter and editor for WTOP Radio in Washington, D.C. A recipient of a Gracie Award and a regional Edward R. Murrow Award, she also participated in a dementia fellowship with the National Press Foundation.*

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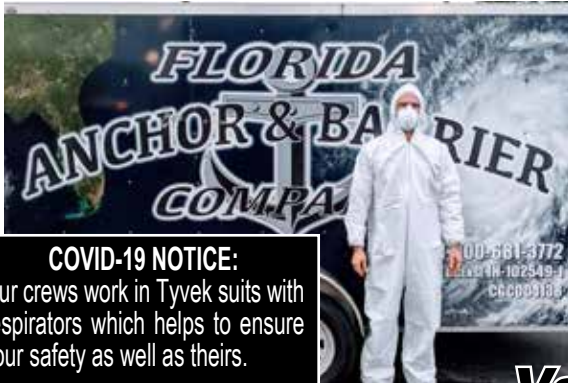
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# Biggest Medicare Changes for 2023



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Some of the biggest changes to Medicare in years take effect in 2023, with more than 65 million Americans paying lower premiums and deductibles and about to feel the effects of landmark legislation designed to bring down the runaway cost of prescription drugs.

In addition, a number of changes to improve the way Medicare beneficiaries can access behavioral health care will take effect in 2023. Changes could also be coming to telehealth. Some virtual services expanded during the COVID-19 pandemic will continue, while others could be phased out if, as expected, the coronavirus public health emergency is lifted sometime in 2023. Congress could act to extend those telehealth expansions.

“We are keeping the more than 65 million people in the Medicare program at the center of everything we do,” Meena Seshamani, a surgeon, health economist and director of the federal Center for Medicare, told AARP in an interview. “All the work that we’re doing is to make care more accessible for them, make it work better and make it more affordable.”

Here’s a closer look at the biggest changes coming to Medicare in 2023.

For most Medicare beneficiaries, Part B premiums are deducted directly from their monthly Social Security payments. With Social Security’s cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) increasing benefits by 8.7 percent in 2023, Americans who are enrolled in both programs will see more money in their pockets each month.

The higher monthly charges paid by 7 percent of Medicare beneficiaries with high incomes also will decline in 2023. Part B beneficiaries with annual incomes greater than \$97,000 will pay more than the standard premium — exactly how much more will depend on their income. For example, someone filing an individual tax return whose income is between \$97,000 and \$123,000 will pay \$230.80 a month for Part B. Premiums for high-income beneficiaries started at \$238.10 in 2022.

Enrollment in Medicare Advantage (MA), the private health insurance alternative to original Medicare, is likely to continue growing in 2023. Experts expect half of all Medicare enrollees selected an MA plan for the new year. Most Medicare enrollees must pay the Part B premium whether they have original Medicare or an MA plan. Some of these private plans do offer a “giveback” benefit in which the insurer covers part or all of a member’s Part B monthly premium.

## Deductibles also going down

The annual Part B deductible for 2023 is decreasing to \$226, a \$7 decline from 2022 and the first drop in a decade.

Annual deductibles in Medicare Advantage plans and stand-alone Part D prescription drug plans vary by what plan you pick and where you live. The government does set a limit on Part D deductibles. That limit is \$505 for 2023, compared with \$480 in 2022.



## Part A costs increasing

A fixed cost in Medicare that is going up is the Part A deductible. While most Medicare enrollees do not pay a monthly premium for Part A, which covers inpatient hospital, skilled

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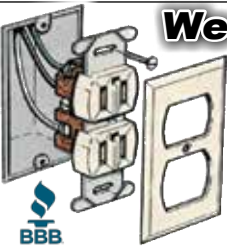
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For 2023, the Part A deductible will be \$1,600 per stay, an increase of \$44 from 2022. For those people who have not worked long enough to qualify for premium-free Part A, the monthly premium will also rise. The full Part A premium will be \$506 a month in 2023, a \$7 increase. Whether a beneficiary must pay the full Part A premium depends on their or their spouse's work history. Beneficiaries with Medicare Advantage plans should check with their plan for hospital charges.

### **Insulin copays capped**

Under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022, which includes a number of provisions to lower the prices of prescription drugs for Medicare beneficiaries, beginning in 2023 copays for a 30-day supply of any insulin that a Medicare drug plan covers will be capped at \$35. Enrollees won't have to pay more than \$35 even if they have not yet met their annual Part D deductible. Note that not every plan covers every type of insulin.

### **Free vaccines**

Also under the new law, vaccines recommended for adults by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) will be available to Medicare recipients free of charge.

Some vaccines are covered under Part B and are already free to Medicare enrollees. Others are covered by Part D prescription drug plans and require beneficiaries to pay some of the cost.

For example, shots for the flu, pneumonia, COVID-19 (initial shots and boosters) and hepatitis B for some enrollees are free under Part B and that coverage will continue in 2023. Part B also covers vaccines needed to treat certain injuries or if you have direct exposure to a disease. Those include hepatitis A, rabies and tetanus.

Other vaccines, most notably the two-dose Shingrix, which guards against shingles, are covered under Part D prescription drug plans and may require cost sharing depending on the plan. Shingrix, for example, can run as much as \$200 a dose. Starting in 2023, even if a beneficiary hasn't satisfied their Part D deductible, that vaccine and others recommended by ACIP will be free to beneficiaries.

### **Drugmakers face penalties for high price hikes**

Another provision of the new law that will be fully effective in 2023 requires pharmaceutical manufacturers to pay a rebate to Medicare if they raise the prices of their drugs more than the rate of general inflation.

Beginning in 2023, companies that market both Part D prescription drugs — those bought at pharmacies — and Part B drugs, typically administered in doctor's offices, will face penalties if they increase prices more than the rate of inflation. The rebates the companies owe will be the amount they raised a drug's price above an increase to equal inflation, multiplied by what Medicare paid for all sales of that drug.

This new requirement is intended to discourage drug companies from raising their prices above inflation. According to research from the nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation, from 2019 to 2020 the prices of half of all drugs covered by Medicare increased more than the rate of inflation.

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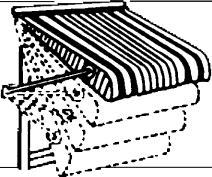
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## **Beginnings of price negotiations**

By Sept. 1, Medicare will announce the first 10 Part D drugs that under the new law will begin a first-ever process in which Medicare will negotiate prices with drugmakers, Seshamani said, and that “will have a huge impact for providing more affordability for drugs for people with Medicare.”

Negotiated prices for that first group of drugs, which will be selected from the 50 medicines for which Medicare prescription drug plans spend the most, will take effect in 2026.

## **Some telehealth rules will change**

During the pandemic, Medicare expanded the availability of telehealth. This included allowing patients to talk to providers by phone, not just on face-to-face video calls, which is what Medicare rules had required. The government also expanded the types of providers who would be available for telehealth visits, including physical, occupational and speech therapists.



Expanding these extra services and the way telehealth visits can be held was made possible because Medicare officials were able to temporarily waive existing rules due to the coronavirus public health emergency. But once the emergency declaration is lifted, many of those extra services will be available only for another 151 days, Seshamani says. Congress would have to act to extend these pandemic expansions or make them permanent.

One area where the new telehealth flexibilities have been made permanent is behavioral health. Beneficiaries will continue to be able to access these visits via telephone only, in addition to via video.

## **Increased emphasis on behavioral health**

“There’s a lot coming in terms of mobilizing the behavioral health workforce,” Seshamani says.

Medicare will be paying for licensed clinical social workers, psychologists and other behavioral health specialists to be part of a beneficiary’s primary care office visit “so that they can get their behavioral health services right there, so that the whole person is taken care of,” Seshamani says. The program will also improve access to licensed marriage and family therapists.

In addition, Medicare is going to expand its services for substance abuse. “We are going to be paying for mobile vans, for example, for opioid treatment to bring care to where people are,” Seshamani says.


## **Enrollment access improved**

Beginning in January, as long as people eligible for Medicare enroll during official enrollment periods, they won’t have to wait for their coverage to take effect. Also under a new federal regulation, more special enrollment windows have been established, including for people who, through no fault of their own, didn’t sign up when they were first eligible.

Before this new rule, people who signed up for Medicare after they were supposed to — generally within three months of turning 65 — sometimes had to wait two or three months for coverage to kick in. For example, signing up during the general enrollment period (Jan. 1 to March 31) meant waiting for coverage to begin in July.

Beginning in 2023, as long as you apply for Medicare during either the general enrollment period or during a special enrollment period, your coverage will take effect at the beginning of

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the following month.

People eligible for some of the new special enrollment periods include: individuals who missed their initial enrollment period because they were affected by a natural disaster; and individuals who were given bad information from an employer that led them not to sign up when they were supposed to. In addition, people who no longer qualify for Medicaid, the federal-state health insurance program for low-income persons, will be able to apply for Medicare during a special enrollment period if they lose their Medicaid coverage. Seshamani said this will be especially important when the COVID-19 public health emergency is lifted.

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## TV Guide 1960's Trivia

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1. The first episode of Scooby Doo, Where are You aired on which network? A) ABC; B) CBS; C) NBC; D) PBS
2. What iconic TV housewife claimed in her 1960 divorce suit that her marriage had become “all booze and broads”? A) Lucille Ball; B) Donna Reed; C) Harriet Nelson; D) Jane Wyatt
3. Joan Rivers made her debut on what show? A) Mike Douglas; B) Nightlife; C) Tonight Show; D) Joey Bishop Show
4. Which long-running sci-fi series premiered the day after President Kennedy was assassinated? A) Star Trek: The Next Generation; B) The X-Files; C) The Twilight Zone; D) Doctor Who
5. What TV comedy’s theme song began: “Come ride the little train that is rolling down the tracks...”? A) Green Acres; B) Petticoat Junction; C) The Beverly Hillbillies; D) Mister Ed
6. When a plane was hijacked in 1969, passengers thought it was a prank because the host of what hidden-camera program was onboard? A) Boiling Points; B) Totally Hidden Video; C) To Catch a Predator; D) Candid Camera
7. What catchphrase did Richard Nixon utter on Rowan & Martin’s Laugh-in in 1968? A) “Danger, Will Robinson?” B) “To the Batmobile” C) “Sock it to Me”; D) “Marcia, Marcia, Marcia”
8. Which 1969 sketch comedy was canceled before its first episode finished airing? A) Turn-On; B) The Entertainers; C) Hee Haw; D) The Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour
9. Which man’s testimony before a Senate subcommittee in 1969 prevented PBS funding from being cut? A) Fred Rogers; B) Johnny Carson; C) Jack Benny; D) Milton Berle
10. In 1961, FCC Chairman Newton N. Minow described television using what famous phrase? A) “Endless Desert”; B) “Vast Wasteland”; C) “Hugh Mess”; D) “Massive Wasteland”

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## Trivia Answers

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Answers: 1.B, 2.A, 3.C, 4.D, 5.B, 6.D, 7.C, 8.A, 9.A, 10.B





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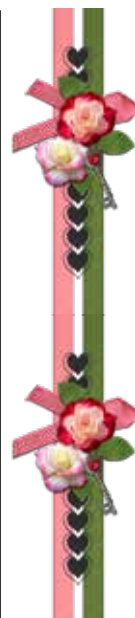
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- 1. Back of the neck
- 5. Plant louse
- 10. Pinnacle
- 14. Unidentified flying objects
- 15. Biblical possessive
- 16. Rude person
- 17. Amateurish
- 19. Be aware of
- 20. Chapter in history
- 21. Garbage
- 22. Satisfies
- 23. To provide maintenance
- 25. Elastic fabric
- 27. Antlered animal
- 28. Imploring
- 31. Utopian
- 34. Coming up
- 35. Zero
- 36. Formal dance
- 37. Geologic period
- 38. Heredity unit
- 39. Frozen water
- 40. Not back
- 41. Femme fatale
- 42. Aberrancy
- 44. Total
- 45. Type of viper
- 46. Scorn
- 50. Particles
- 52. Young
- 54. US spy agency
- 55. Murres
- 56. Savory (Br. spelling)
- 58. Advanced
- 59. Will
- 60. Marine mammal
- 61. Opera house box
- 62. Mud volcano
- 63. A Great Lake



**Down**

- 1. Naked people
- 2. Ardent
- 3. Frigid
- 4. East southeast
- 5. Assault
- 6. Stage
- 7. Suggestion
- 8. Smarts
- 9. D
- 10. On a ship or train
- 11. Basket or bowl
- 12. Speck
- 13. Anagram of "Rose"
- 18. Ribbed fabric
- 22. Cigarfish
- 24. Calf's meat
- 26. Yes (informal)
- 28. Fake
- 29. One less than 10
- 30. Secluded valley
- 31. Footnote note
- 32. Minnow-like fish
- 33. Raising
- 34. Dubious writings
- 37. Sea eagle
- 38. Hobbling gait
- 40. crazes
- 41. Japanese dish
- 43. Envisage
- 44. Agree out of court
- 46. Affaires d'honneur
- 47. More aloof
- 48. Red Sea peninsula
- 49. American symbol
- 50. Ponder
- 51. Black-and-white cookie
- 53. Iridescent gem
- 56. Donkey
- 57. South southeast



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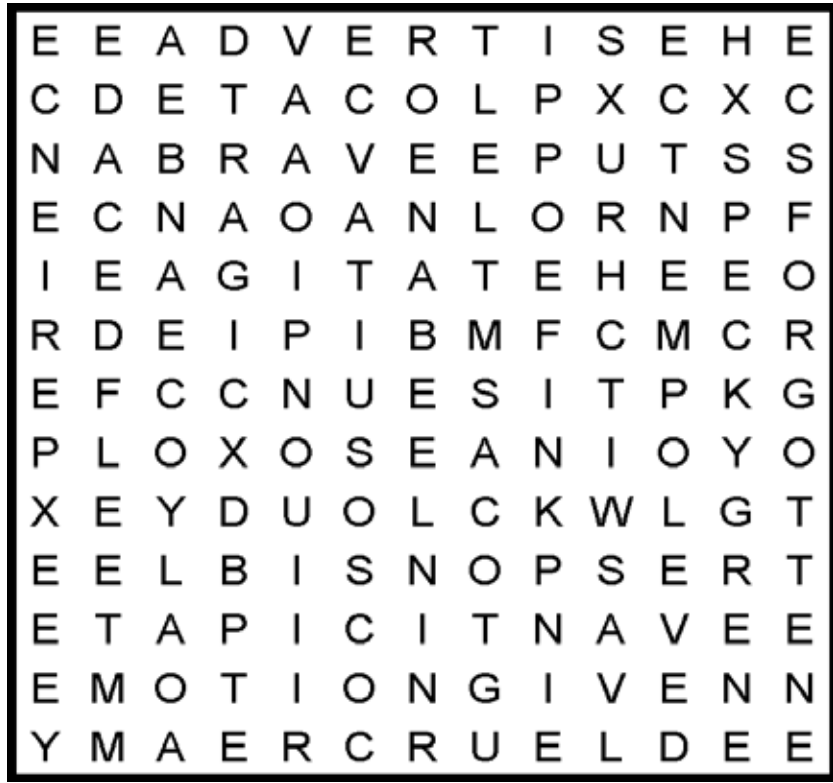
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<p><b>OTHER</b></p>	<p>Flea Market Sat. Feb. 25th, 8-12noon. Colonial Village, 2000 East Bay Drive, Largo. Furniture, kitchen appliances, housewares, bicycles, clothing, home-baking.</p>	<p>Community Yard Sale: Holiday Shores Park, Feb 17th and 18th. Entrances on 104th Avenue North and 106th Avenue North, Largo. 8AM to 2PM</p>
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<p><b>EVENTS &amp; PROGRAMS</b></p>	<p>Carport Sale, Clearwater Cascade MHP, Sat. Feb. 25th, 8 AM to 12. 9790 66th St. N., Pinellas Park.</p>	<p>Parkwide Mobile Home Carport Sale. LaPlaza 6700 150th Ave N, Clearwater, FL. March 3rd &amp; 4th 8am-4pm.</p>
<p>Sat. Jan 28, 2023 – Community Sale – 8:00AM-1:00PM. Paradise Island Section of Lake Haven MHP. Main St. (SR580) &amp; Lake Haven Rd. (W of Keene/CR1) Dunedin. Housewares, Linens, Small Appliances, Bakery, Jewelry, Raffle Baskets, 50/50 drawing, lunch.</p>	<p>Shady Lane Oaks Bazaar - Shady Lane Oaks 15777 Bolesta Road, Clearwater. Saturday, February 4th, 9am - 2pm. A huge variety of items for sale! Raffles, Chinese auction, bake sale, breakfast &amp; lunch and more!</p>	<p>Carport Sale: Saturday, Feb. 18th, 8am to 1pm. Sugar Creek Mobile Home Park, 10265 Ulmerton Rd. Largo, FL</p>
<p>Annual Flea Market – Four Seasons Estates MHP clubhouse, Largo. Saturday, February 25, 8am-1pm. \$1.00 early bird 7:30. Furniture, clothes, tools, jewelry, linens, kitchen, books, raffles and more. 13225 101st Street, off Ulmerton (east of Largo Mall).</p>	<p>Paradise Island Annual Flea Market February 25, 2023. PI Clubhouse 9-2 Early entry \$1 @8am. Water, coffee, bake sale, quilt raffle, 50/50. Huge inventory: Furniture, household, collectibles, clothing, holiday, tools, linens, lamps, kitchen, and more! Entire clubhouse utilized. 1001 Starkey Road, Largo. Look for banner.</p>	
<p>Lincolnshire Estates Annual Bazaar is back Saturday Feb 4, 8AM to 1 PM 1071 Donegan Road, Largo furniture, tools, jewelry, housewares, bake sale, nick-nacks linens, appliances, silent auction, breakfast and lunch served.</p>		<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p><b>ATTENTION RESIDENTS!</b>            Did you know this Emporium/ Classified listing reaches over 21,500 homes in Pinellas County? It goes into 60 community newsletters (just like this one) from Dunedin to St. Petersburg. This is a great market to sell items, advertise your next event, try and get help for a function, and many other things. Remember to think about this the next time you're planning something.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-Monthly Media Staff</p> </div>
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