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Home Owners Association Update

Bob Campbell, President, 727-426-9200



In our March update, we mentioned that one of our objectives this year is to increase membership. Currently, less than 20% of our residents pay dues. This is an important figure for a number of reasons. As you know, HOA dues are currently our only source of revenue for our corporate fund. The primary purpose of the fund is to enable us to carry out our corporate objective/responsibilities consistent with our by-laws. Increased membership will not only result in an increase in our corporate fund, but it will also serve to strengthen our effectiveness as an association, through increased participation and new ideas. Concurrent with our efforts to increase membership, we will also be evaluating various fund-raising initiatives, about which we will keep you posted. In the meantime, we encourage you to sign up soon. You can contact any one of us on the Board for assistance, or simply pay your \$10 dues at the next HOA meeting, May 10, 2023. The more members we have, the louder our voice.

Oak Crest / Acorn Residents' Club, Inc.

Karen Stancick, President, Lot 205, 610-349-7614

Happy spring 2023! Thank you to all of the residents who came out to help the March breakfast be so successful! Your feedback has been great! We are hoping that April is another record-breaker!

Our *Silver Sneakers Meet and Greet* was also a big success. I am working with our contact Kathy Clark, to possibly bring a weekly class to the clubhouse and a Water Aerobics class to work with our current water aerobics class. Silver Sneakers is an activity covered by most Medicare Advantage plans. You can check with your carrier to learn your benefit status. If you do not have Silver Sneakers coverage, you can still participate for a small fee. The classes are open to both men and women. If you are interested in getting further information, you can text me your name and email address and I will add you to our list. My phone number is listed above.

I hope that everyone who participated in the Carport sale made room for new things!!! There was lots of food sold, so I hope there were lots of treasures sold, as well.

We are also hoping to start movie night up again soon. Keep an eye out for more information.

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Activities Committee

Co-Chairs, Marianne Olson and Roberta Zanol



As we welcome Spring, the activities committee would like to thank everyone who came out to the March breakfast. We set a new attendance record with 129 breakfasts served! Our next breakfast will be on April 1st.

The *adult-only* Easter Egg Hunt will be on April 8 and lunch is by the pavilion.

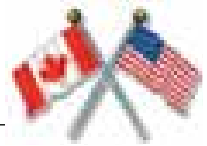
There is a Hula Hoop Fitness class on April 16, taught by Cyrena Lang. Cyrena is a ball of energy and joy! She is certified in hoop fitness, yoga, wheel and more! To reserve your spot, Venmo Marianne, @Marianne-Olson-5. Space is limited, so reserve asap.

Mark your calendars now for the May events: Kentucky Derby Party May 6th and Memorial Day Picnic at the pavilion May 28, details to follow.

Please come out and enjoy your great community!

Oakcrest-Acorn Residents Canadian Club

Suzanne Thrasher, Secretary, Lot 356, 727-581-2642.



This is our last entry into the Messenger until Autumn 2023. Once again, we had a shorter season than in previous years. Hopefully we can return to something closer to normal in November.

We are happy to announce that we have a new Canadian Club President, John Bell. Thank you for stepping forward, John.

April is traditionally when most of us head home, which means having to say goodbye to friends and neighbors for another year. Thank you to those volunteers who helped make 2023's events successful. For those of you who missed this year, we hope to see you next season.

A reminder that our first Canadian Club event will be our annual Potluck Supper. Mark your calendars for Monday, Nov 20th 2023.

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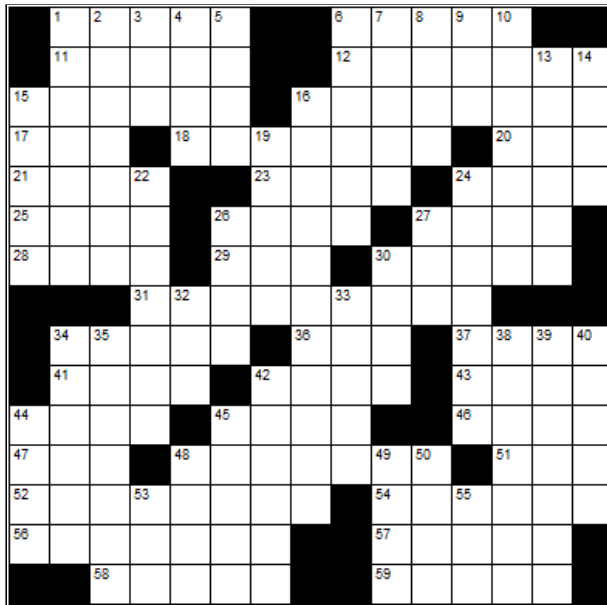
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- 1. Secret meeting
- 6. Manila hemp
- 11. Oozing
- 12. Drive crazy
- 15. Jogger
- 16. Breaks into many pieces
- 17. Half of a pair
- 18. Employees
- 20. Male adult
- 21. Make a raucous noise
- 23. Difficult
- 24. Memorization method
- 25. Asian nurse
- 26. Memory unit
- 27. Rational
- 28. Easter flower
- 29. An uncle
- 30. Might
- 31. Western shrub
- 34. Rewrites
- 36. Buffoon
- 37. Thought
- 41. Oriental grain
- 42. Credulous
- 43. Lairs
- 44. Euphemism for death
- 45. Not his
- 46. Carve in stone
- 47. Flowery verse
- 48. Book lovers
- 51. Beer
- 52. Caulks
- 54. Choice
- 56. Perfume
- 57. Affaires d'honneur
- 58. Consumed
- 59. Eliminate



DOWN

- 1. Destructive sea wave
- 2. Reclamation
- 3. Craving
- 4. Gush forth
- 5. Apprentice
- 6. Stick
- 7. Whiskers
- 8. Cultural doings
- 9. Feline
- 10. Windflower
- 13. Food shredder
- 14. Feudal worker
- 15. Regal
- 16. Boards with wheels
- 19. What limericks do
- 22. Science of matter and energy
- 24. Untanned animal skin
- 26. Pleads
- 27. Mayday
- 30. Breathe noisily
- 32. Consumed
- 33. Lift
- 34. Wears away
- 35. Illness
- 38. Specifics
- 39. Surround completely
- 40. Pale
- 42. Tidy up
- 44. Fail to win
- 45. Therefore
- 48. Tirade
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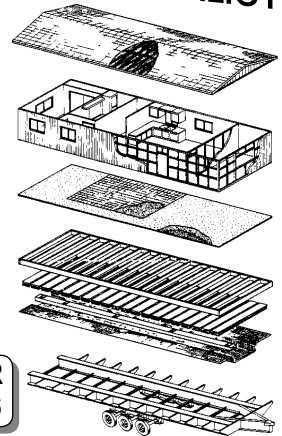
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Daily

April Fools' Day. April 1. A tradition that began in France in 1564. April 1 used to be New Year's Day, but it was changed to Jan. 1 that year. People who insisted on celebrating the old New Year date became known as April fools, and it became common to play jokes and tricks on them.



Reconciliation Day. April 2. Columnist Ann Landers suggested in 1989 that this day be set aside for writing that letter or making that phone call to mend a broken relationship.

Earth Day. April 22. First observed in 1970, Earth Day was an attempt to accelerate the transition to renewable energy worldwide. The efforts continue. For more information, browse www.earthday.net.

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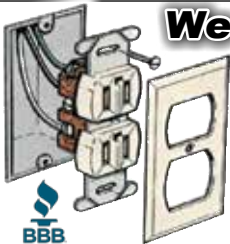
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<p>2</p> <p>1pm Bingo (\$3.25)</p> <p><i>Palm Sunday</i></p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:45 H2O Aerobics</p> <p>6 pm Hand & Foot</p> <p>7p.m. Residents' Club Meeting</p>	<p>9:45 H</p> <p>12:30 B</p> <p>4p Car</p> <p>5pm P</p> <p>6:30 C</p>
<p>9</p> <p>11:30 -Adult Easter Egg Hunt</p> <p>No Bingo</p> <p><i>Easter</i></p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:45 H2O Aerobics</p> <p>6pm Hand & Foot</p>	<p>9:45 H</p> <p>12:30 p</p> <p>4p Car</p> <p>5pm P</p> <p>6:30 C</p>
<p>16</p> <p>1pm Bingo (\$3.25)</p> <p>3:30 Hula Hoop Class</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:45 H2O Aerobics</p> <p>5:30 Can Club Dnr</p> <p>6pm Hand & Foot</p>	<p>9:45 H</p> <p>12:30 B</p> <p>4p Car</p> <p>5pm P</p> <p>6:30 pr</p>
<p>23</p> <p>1pm Bingo(\$3.25)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9:45 H2O Aerobics</p> <p>6 pm Hand & Foot</p>	<p>9:45 H</p> <p>12:30 B</p> <p>4p Car</p> <p>5pm P</p> <p>6:30 pr</p>
<p>30</p> <p>1pm Bingo (\$3.25)</p>		

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				8:30 -10:30 Brkfst Buffert <i>April Fool's Day</i>
20 Aerobic Bridge Club Shuffleboard Pinochle Crafting	5 9:45 H2O Aerobics 1 pm Shuffleboard 1 pm Bingo	6 9:45 H2O Aerobics 12:30 Bridge 7 - 8 Food Share <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	7 9-11 am Crafting 9:45 H2O Aerobics 1 p.m. Bingo 7 p.m. LRC (\$9) <i>Good Friday</i>	8 9-10 am Food Share <i>Holy Saturday</i>
20 Aerobic Bridge Club Shuffleboard Pinochle Crafting	12 9:45 H2O Aerobics 1pm Bingo	13 9:45 H2O Aerobics 12:30 Bridge 5pm Pinochle 7-8 pm FoodShare	14 9-12 Crafting 9:45 H2O Aerobics 1p.m. Bingo 7pm LRC (\$9)	15 9-10 a.m. Food Share
20 Aerobic Bridge Club Shuffleboard Pinochle m Crafting	19 9:45 H2O Aerobics 1p.m Bingo	20 9:45 H2O Aerobics 12:30 Bridge 5 p.m. Pinochle 7-8 Food Share	21 9-11 am Crafting 9:45 H2O Aerobics 1pm Bingo 7pm LRC (\$9)	22 9-10 a.m. Food Share
20 Aerobic Bridge Club Shuffleboard Pinochle m Crafting	26 9:45 H2O Aerobics 1p.m Bingo	27 9:45 H2O Aerobic 12:30 Bridge 5 p.m. Pinochle 7-8 Food Share 7p Game night	28 9-11 am Crafting 9:45 H2O Aerobics 1pm Bingo 7pm LRC (\$9)	29 9-10 a.m. Food Share



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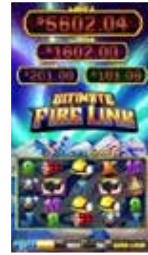
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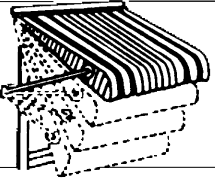
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Sometimes, the best way to solve a difficult problem is to slice away some of the complexities with a single stroke, despite opposition and advice to do otherwise. — adapted from IdeaBank

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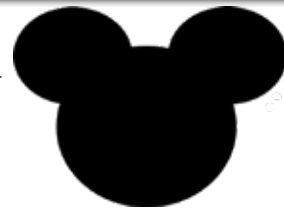
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How Mickey Mouse was born



The legacy of Walt Disney is now a \$20 billion media giant. It includes film studios, TV networks, publishing houses, famous theme parks and hundreds of retail stores.

Disney was the last of five children born in 1901 to parents who lived in Chicago. Disney became enamored with drawing and started a company with his brother Roy to try and build an animation business. Disney was barely making it financially.

On a long train ride back from a disastrous business setback in which he lost the rights to a character he had created, the idea came to Disney to create another character based on a mouse that scampered across his drawing board. This idea blossomed into the character of Mickey Mouse.

Later, when Disney spent an unprecedented \$1.5 million to produce the masterpiece Snow White, critics and naysayers dubbed the project “Disney’s Folly.” However, the animated film became the most profitable ever released and set Disney on the path of creating animated classics, and he became known as the father of the animated-film genre. — adapted from the Los Angeles Times article “50 people who most influenced business this century”

The devil’s secret weapon

There is an old-time fable that the devil once held a sale and offered all the tools of his trade to anyone who would pay their price.

They were spread out on the table, with each one labeled — hatred, malice, envy, despair, sickness, sensuality — all the weapons that everyone knows so well.

But off on one side, apart from the rest, lay a harmless looking, wedge-shaped instrument marked “DISCOURAGEMENT.” It was old and worn looking, but it was priced far above all the rest.

When asked the reason why, the devil explained: “Because I can use this one so much more easily than the others. No one knows that it belongs to me, so with it I can open doors that are tightly bolted against the others. Once I get inside, I can use any tool that suits me best.” — from IdeaBank



On vision

I had an almost intolerable awareness that every morning began with infinite promise. Any book may be read, any idea thought, any action taken. Anything that has ever been possible to human beings is possible to most of us every time the clock says six in the morning. On a day no different from the one now breaking, Shakespeare sat down to begin Hamlet.

— **Ralph Waldo Emerson**

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Treating bee stings



Bee stings can be extremely dangerous if you are allergic. So if you are and you get stung, go immediately to the hospital.

If you do not have an allergy, then you can treat most bee stings yourself.

Remember, if you are stung you should scrape the stinger out. You can do this using a credit card, the side of a knife blade or the edge of a long fingernail. Never try to pull the stinger straight out.

You can neutralize some of the swelling that occurs because of inflammatory agents in the venom by rubbing a wet aspirin directly on the sting. However, if you can't take aspirin normally, you should not use it for bee stings either.

Taking an antihistamine can ease pain and swelling for adults. For children, cough syrups that contain antihistamines work better. — *adapted from Tyco Wellness*

How to avoid blisters on your feet

If you are a walker, you have probably had a few blisters on your feet. The faster you walk the more likely that you will sweat and perspire — and moisture is what makes blisters occur. Here are a few tips to avoid blisters.

- Before setting out on your walk, swab your feet with rubbing alcohol. The alcohol is a drying agent and will help control sweating. Make sure your feet are completely dry after you swab them before you put on your socks and shoes.
- Well-fitting shoes and socks that are made to absorb moisture also help reduce the occurrence of blisters.
- Take an extra pair of socks with you, and when your feet feel like they're getting wet, stop and put the dry pair on.



— adapted from *Weight Watchers Magazine*

On staying active

If I had to live my life again I would have made a rule to read some poetry and listen to some music at least once a week; for perhaps the parts of my brain now atrophied could thus have been kept active through use.

— **Charles Darwin**

On meaningfulness

I suppose the moments one most enjoys are moments alone when one unexpectedly stretches something inside you that needs stretching.

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