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Also, please check your mail on a regular basis as the mailboxes fill up fast. If mail is not picked up for awhile, we will assume you are not here, and the mail will be sent back.



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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Bob Mazingo, Lot 511

Hi Gang!

I hope that everyone is having a great summer and enjoying the new spirit of community that we're working hard to establish for our full-time and summer residents.



The Sloppy Joe dinner was a great success due to the delicious food prepared by Cindy and Kevin Fox and the Sangria Deluxe prepared by Dawn and Brian Carney. Well over 30 people were in attendance with several people new to the community.

For July we're planning on having some type of pool event along with the full BBQ that's being provided for us by the insurance companies we've been working with. They've been providing free food giveaways twice a month and it's been a huge success. We owe a big vote of thanks to Zayna Williams for bringing this program to the community. Her and her "walking buddy" Lois Ellis are like 2 little busy bees filling their cars with bags for those who can't make it down. That's what community is all about... helping each other.

Some things to look forward to.... The Baileys have told me that the Pickleball court will be installed this summer and that they're working on getting the watering issues resolved so that the hanging baskets throughout the community can be restored to their original beauty.

As you can see things are busy and I'll keep you all posted as best as I can through the Gazette and the bulletin boards in the breezeway and in the recreation center. Have any questions? Contact any Board member. Have a great summer.

Bob

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Mary Lantz, Lot 431

Well summer is in full swing, and the heat is ramping up for all that are full timers or those that are just passing through. So glad that you all are finding time to host and/or attend events that make Yankee Traveler the fun filled wonderful park that it is. Stay cool, have fun, and enjoy your summer.

And remember, don't forget to send me new ideas for stories, your own stories, events, etc. for anything you would like to see published in the next Gazette by July 15th at mplantz5029@gmail.com.



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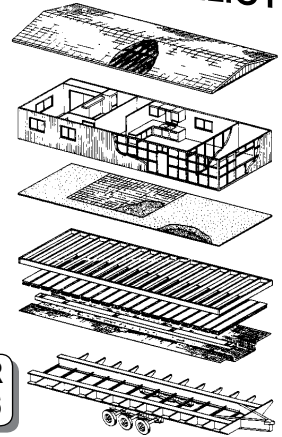
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Sally Skene, Lot 529

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I have volunteered to take it over October 1st and will be taking care of any corrections, changes, etc. My e-mail address is: sallyjs@hotmail.com.

Also, if you are a long-term RVer or a work camper who would like your information included, please contact me in early December so it can be put in the 2024 directory.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE DIRECTORY:

- Tony & Jeannie Michaud – Phone # 506-447-9443
- Bob Mozingo – email rcm0424@aol.com
- Eric Wix – Lot 306
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HUMANA

Darley Perlakowski, Lot 430 & Zayna Williams, Lot 337

In January, Humana began delivering free food to the residents of Yankee Traveler. This program will continue through the end of the year. They will be here the fourth Monday of each month in the Rec Hall from 3:00-4:00. The items will vary monthly, and all will be in bags. If you would like to receive these food/paper items at no cost to you, feel free to drop by and pick up your bag.

Theses are very generous gifts from Humana that we can all be thankful for.



MY CARE FOOD BANK

Zayna Williams, Lot 337

The third My Care Food Bank event was held on June 14th where bags of food items, drinks, and a small variety of non-perishable items were made available for Yankee residents. We have been blessed to have them come to our park along with the Humana Food Bank. The next event will be on:

- July 12, 2023 @ 10:30

They have also generously agreed to continue this program and will soon be letting us know the additional monthly dates and times they will be here.

But not only are they providing these free bags of food, but they are also going to host a BBQ on July 12th for all you lucky residents!

So, its extremely important to mark your calendars now so you don't miss these great gifts. Also watch for the various posters that will be placed in the breezeway by the office, outside the Rec Hall, and on the dumpsters reminding you of these events.



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BINGO

Cindy Fox, Lot 417

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MENS GOLF

Tony Sarvo, Lot 319

Men's golf has concluded for the season. See everyone in the fall when we resume.



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Bev Sprague-Chestnut, Lot 526

Ladies golf has concluded for the season. See everyone in the fall when we resume.



CRIBBAGE/DOMINOS/NICKEL NICKEL/COURT WHIST

Games were played in the Rec Hall on Wednesdays and Sundays, but please check message boards to see if any games are scheduled going forward. So many of us have headed out for the summer, but I am sure with this active group if there are enough people around to play games will continue.



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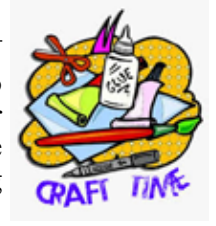
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ARTS & CRAFTS

Ann Miller, Lot 338 & Kay Ritchie, Lot328

The Arts and Crafts classes have ended for the 2023 season. Thanks to all the presenters! Everyone enjoyed the projects. We are looking for new ideas for next year. There are many talented people in YT who have hobbies that others would love to learn. If you would be interested in showing others how to do your craft or art, please contact Ann Miller at 217-235-3423 or email at armvirtues@consultant.com.



DRESS MAKING

Debi Bowman, Lot 131

We finished our season making little dresses and shorts for children in Haiti at the end of March. We will resume January 2024. If you would like to sew and help a child, come join us in January. Bring your own machine or use one of ours, we would love to have you.



EVENTS

SLOPPY JOE DINNER

Cindy & Keven Fox, Lot 417 & Dawn Carney, Lot 432

A Sloppy Joe dinner was held on June 13th and was a big success. Everyone had a great time. Cindy & Kevin Fox were the chefs while Dawn & Brian Carney prepared Sangria Deluxe for all.

We are working on a pool party and another Taco Tuesday. Once again all are invited. More information will follow on the community boards at the Rec. Hall and the breezeway by the office.



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Bill Miller, Lot 338



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RECIPE CORNER

Mary Lantz, Lot 431



Who wants to share their favorite recipe with others? Send me your recipes (mplantz5029@gmail.com) so I can share them in the coming months!

WHITE CHOCOLATE MACADAMIA NUT BROWNIES

- ½ cup (1 stick) butter
- 8 ounces white chocolate, cut into chunks
- 4 eggs, room temperature
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 2 cups flour
- 1 ½ cups macadamia nuts (three 2-ounce packages)

Preheat the oven to 325F. Grease an 8 X 10 X 2 baking pan. Melt the butter in a double boiler, add the white chocolate and melt completely.

In a separate bowl, beat the eggs and salt until frothy. Add the sugar and beat until thick and pale, about 90 seconds. Scrape down the sides. Add the chocolate mixture and the vanilla to the egg mixture and beat for five seconds. Add the flour and mix until just moist. Fold in the nuts with a spatula and pour into the prepared pan. Place in the oven and bake for 40 minutes. Let cool for 1 hour. To serve, drizzle the top with the sauce.

THE SAUCE

- 3 ounces white chocolate, cut into chunks
- ½ cup heavy cream
- 1 tablespoon butter

In a double boiler, gently melt the white chocolate. Add the cream and butter and cook briefly until smooth. Let cool a little. Either spoon over brownies or use a squeeze bottle to sauce the brownies.

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Kiss THE COOK

CABBAGE CRUNCH SALAD

- 4 tablespoons sesame seeds
- 1 cup slivered almonds
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 medium head of cabbage, chopped
- Two 3-ounce packages chicken ramen noodles broken into bite size pieces
- 4 green onions, chopped fine
- Optional 1 to 1 ½ cups of diced meat - choice of turkey, ham, chicken, or shrimp

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- 6 tablespoons vinegar
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
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Sauté sesame seeds and slivered almonds in butter. Mix with cabbage, noodles, onion, and meat. Mix dressing and chill. Add to cabbage mixture just before serving.

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THE OLD LADY AT THE BANK – Rroysutton.com

An old lady walked up to the counter in her bank, handed her bank card to the teller and then said, “Mam, I would like to withdraw \$10.”

Giving the old lady a look bordering on contempt, the teller replied, “For withdrawals of less than \$100 you must use the ATM, mam.”

Looking a little crestfallen, the old lady asked why she couldn’t withdraw her money from the counter.

“These are the rules, mam,” said the teller irritably, as she returned the bank card to the old lady. “Now move along please because there’s a line of customers behind you.”

The old lady remained silent for a few seconds, as she gathered her thoughts.

She then handed the card back to the teller and said, “Then please, can you help me withdraw all the money I have in my account?”

The teller took the old lady’s card and tapped her details into the computer. She was astonished to see just how much the old lady had in her account.

“Mam, you have over \$300,000 in your account,” said the teller, “the bank doesn’t have that much cash available today. You’ll need to make an appointment and come back tomorrow?”

The old lady smiled and asked, “How much can I withdraw now?”

“Well mam, you can withdraw up to \$3,000”, the teller responded.



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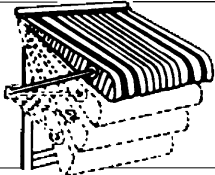
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“In that case, let me have \$3,000 now, in \$10 bills, please “, said the old lady.

So, the teller laboriously counted out the \$3,000 in \$10 bills, then counted again, and finally, she handed the cash to the old lady.

As the old lady took \$10 from the top of the pile and put it in her purse, the teller then said, “Would there be anything else I can help you with today, mam?”

“Yes!” said the old lady with a smile, “I’d like to deposit \$2990 into my account, please.”

Moral of the Story: Don’t mess with old people, they’ve spent a lifetime mastering skills younger people couldn’t even begin to appreciate.

THE DEAF DEBT COLLECTOR – Roysutton.com



The Mafia was looking for a new man to make weekly collections from all the private businesses subject to their protection racket.

As they were feeling the heat from the Police, they decided to use someone deaf for the job. If someone deaf gets caught, they figured that he wouldn’t be able to communicate easily with the Police.

In his first week on the job, the deaf debt collector picks up over \$50,000. That’s a lot of money he thinks, and the deaf debt collector’s greed gets the better of him. He decides to keep the money and he stashes it in a safe place.

However, it’s not long before the Mafia realizes that the collection is late, and they send out a couple of heavies to look for the deaf debt collector.

They soon find him, and they ask the deaf debt collector what he’s done with the money. The problem is that the deaf debt collector can’t communicate with them either, so the Mafia heavies drag him off to an interpreter.

They get to a sign language interpreter and the leading Mafioso then says, “I want ya to ask him where da money is. “

So, the interpreter signs, “Where’s the money? “

The deaf debt collector tries to bluff his way out of his dilemma by saying, “I don’t know what they’re talking about. “

The interpreter looks at the Mafioso and says, “He’s saying he doesn’t know what you’re talking about. “

The Mafioso reaches into his coat and pulls out a .44 Remington Magnum handgun which he points at the forehead of the deaf debt collector and then with real menace in his voice he says to the interpreter, “Ask him where da money is, and tell him I won’t be askin’ again. “

So, the interpreter immediately signs, “Where’s the money? He says he won’t ask again, and I think he’s serious. “

At this point, the deaf debt collector’s nerve goes, and he signs, “The \$50,000 is in Central Park, hidden in the third tree stump on the left by the gate near 72nd Street on Central Park West, and close to Strawberry Fields. “

Getting impatient, the Mafioso looks at the interpreter and asks, “What did he say?”

The interpreter looks at the Mafioso and says, “He says he still doesn’t know what you’re talking about, he thinks you’re an idiot, and he doesn’t think you’ve got the guts to pull the trigger! “



July Word Search



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Daily

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Independence Day (Fourth of July). The United States commemorates adoption of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776.

National Ice Cream Day. July 16. To promote America's favorite dessert, ice cream, on Sundae Sunday.



Safety tips for seniors

Seniors often have special safety and health concerns. Here are a few tips to keep seniors active and healthy:



- Excessive heat can have a severe impact on senior health. When it's really hot, it's probably a good idea for seniors to stay inside in air conditioning. Seniors should not overexert themselves, and they should drink plenty of liquids, unless for some reason their doctor tells them not to.
- Are your hands always cold? If so, you should tell your doctor. There's a chance that you suffer from hypothyroidism. The thyroid helps maintain body temperature, and when it's not working right, your body can become less able to tolerate cold.
- If you suffer from arthritis, you might want to attach your toothbrush handle to a sponge. It will make the brush easier to hang on to. If you suffer from limited shoulder movement, buy an electric toothbrush.
- Wear comfortable shoes. This will allow for proper circulation to take place in the feet. Also, make sure that the shoes you do wear are slip resistant. Women should not wear high heels.
- Exercise. This will help keep your spine, bones and muscles healthy. If you don't exercise, you run the risk of your bones becoming thin and porous, which is known as osteoporosis. Exercise helps you build strong muscles, protect your joints and spine and increase your agility. Exercise also promotes proper posture and balance, which can decrease the likelihood of falls.

— adapted from The Johns Hopkins Geriatrics Center Web site

Prevent senior accidents with home improvements

One-third to one-half of accidents seniors suffer at home can be prevented by making repairs or improvements. Here are a few:

- A shower or tub that's hard to get in and out of. Install grab bars, shower benches or seats.
- Slipping in the tub or shower. Get non-skid strips and place them on the bottom of the tub or shower.
- Difficult doorknobs or faucets. Install lever handles.
- Home access. Install ramps to make access easier.
- Poor ventilation, inadequate heat or air conditioning. Make sure the home has proper insulation, storm windows, screens and air conditioning.
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-Monthly Media Staff



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- 6. Anger
- 10. College bigwig
- 14. Australian "bear"
- 15. Smooth or level
- 16. Small island
- 17. Formula 1 driver
- 18. Repair
- 19. Put away
- 20. Stewards
- 22. British tax
- 23. Durable fabric
- 24. Large marine eel
- 25. Rear end
- 29. Stud farm operator
- 31. Midday
- 33. Anticlimax
- 37. Prey
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- 41. Insanity



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- 44. Exam
- 45. Direct
- 48. Funnel shapes
- 50. Puncture
- 51. Wandering
- 56. Jewish month
- 57. Location
- 58. Ice or steam
- 59. Day, month and year
- 60. At any point
- 61. Lacquer ingredient
- 62. Got a good look at
- 63. C C C
- 64. Evil spirit

- 1. Gumbo ingredient
- 2. Jacket
- 3. Diplomacy
- 4. Away from the wind
- 5. Fixes socks
- 6. Wed again
- 7. Seek revenge
- 8. Civilized
- 9. Stops
- 10. Lacking in harmony
- 11. Aromatic compound
- 12. Shad
- 13. Paperboy
- 21. Argues
- 24. Doled
- 25. Initial wager
- 26. Horse color
- 27. Classify
- 28. Designed
- 30. Postponed
- 32. Interior layout and furnishings
- 34. Curved molding
- 35. Wimp
- 36. Bird home

- 40. Get
- 41. Social skills
- 43. A small chin beard
- 45. Protective covering from sunlight
- 46. This day
- 47. Fill with joy
- 49. Stitched
- 51. Millisecond
- 52. Rattling breath
- 53. Any thing
- 54. Captain of the Nautilus
- 55. Smile



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