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President's Report

By Paula Bunevith #202



Hello everyone, as I write this on Aug 8, we are having a huge Thunder, Lightning storm with a Tornado Warning!

The board has looked into the cost of treating for mole crickets and it is very costly with no guarantee that the treatment will get rid of them. The board will discuss it again in the fall and come up with a cost-effective solution.

There are a couple of cars in driveways that have flat tires. Inoperable vehicles are not permitted in the park. If you have someone caring for your coach and lot, please notify them to have the tires inflated.

There are no units for sale at this time.

Enjoy the rest of the summer, Safe travels and see you all soon in our little place of paradise.

From the Editor's Desk

By Sue Bailey #188

suebail999@gmail.com



September is here. Where did the summer go? It won't be long, and the park will begin filling up and we'll start another season of friendship, fun, and great conversations.

School will be starting shortly in the north (already started in Florida). Hopefully some of you took advantage of the tax free days of shopping. Both the US and Canada will be celebrating Labor (Labour) Day on September 4th and the first day of Fall (Autumnal Equinox) on September 23rd with equal hours of day and night.

Patriot Day is the day the US remembers the terrorist attacks on September 11th, 2001 (commonly referred to as 9-11). President George W. Bush proclaimed September 11th as Patriot Day in 2002. Flags should be flown at half-mast both on US soil and abroad. A moment of silence will be held at 8:46 a.m. (EST) across the nation commemorating the time the first plane struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center.

Established by the United Nations in 1981, September 21st is an International Day of Peace to promote peace among nations and people. On this day the UN urges all hostilities to stop worldwide. Let's hope and pray that this day is recognized for what it's intended.

Many thanks to all who provided articles and pictures for this month's newsletter. Wherever you are located, please keep in touch with all of us by sending articles and pictures for the monthly newsletter. We love to read about what's going on with you.

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Quote of the month: “Allow yourself to enjoy each happy moment in your life.”
— Steve Maraboli, *author, speaker, and behavioral scientist.*

Until next time,
May God bless and keep you well and safe...

Greetings from the Office

By Karin Desmone #1



The office has a waitlist of 25+ people wanting to rent in the park during the months of January through April 2024. If you are looking to rent out your unit or already have tenants for next season, Owners *must* provide the office with the seasonal rental form and tenants *must* submit paperwork for a background check (\$50 fee) prior to their arrival. Owners have to make sure that your tenants familiarize themselves with the Rules & Regulations of the park and adhere to those rules during their stay. Please contact the office for the forms.

Park Directory - If you want to make any changes to your contact information, please contact the office. Changes must be received by September 30th. 2023-2024 directory will be distributed in October.

A Mini-Golden Acres Reunion

By Connie and Al Woodlock #71

Four couples got together on July 26th at Lakeview Park in Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, on the shores of Lake Ontario for a mini-Golden Acres reunion. Moya and Wayne Bettridge #147, Connie and Al Woodlock #71, Jean and Ed Morin #134 and Gail and Gil Callingham #159. We had a picnic lunch and lots of wonderful laughs, good friendship, and great stories of here and our southern Dunedin paradise. Until we return, stay healthy everyone. See you all soon!



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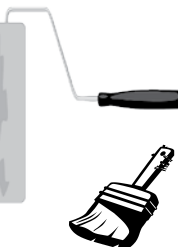


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By Paula Bunevith #202



As we continue our tip down 6 A, along the East Coast of the Cape the next town we come to is Barnstable. Barnstable got its name from Barnstaple in county of Devon in England, it was settled in 1638 and Incorporated on Sept 4, 1639, same day as the Towns of Sandwich and Yarmouth. Back in the day it was mostly a farming, fishing and salt works due to the numerous salt marshes located in the community, now it is known for tourism. A very popular location in the summer.

The Town of Barnstable has several Villages (Cummaquid, Centerville, Cotuit, Hyannis, Marston Mills, Osterville, and West Barnstable). Hyannis is the biggest Village and the most popular, known because the Kennedy Family had their summer home there.

In Recognition and Gratitude to a Long-time Resident of Our Park

If you see a red golf cart with flames painted on the sides, it's Dave Merriam #50. When you see him, reach out and thank him. Multiple times a day, Dave is traveling throughout the park and if he sees something that needs attention, he runs it by the office, then fixes it if possible.



As a full-time resident, Dave has volunteered and has gone the extra mile of accomplishments that he's done this summer in our park. These are just some of the undertakings he has done, the list is too long to mention all of them. In acknowledgement of some, such as fixing the PA system in the clubhouse; maintaining the streetlights (checking, painting, washing every glass lens, and replacing batteries and bulbs); fixing the water sprinklers at the front entrance which have never worked; repairing and painting all of the street signs; replacing a carbon monoxide detector in the clubhouse kitchen; maintaining the workshop equipment and replacing supplies such as sandpaper, saw blades, etc.

Therefore, it is with sincere appreciation to spotlight Dave with his unselfish attentiveness to the needs of our park and confident that many residents feel the same and are grateful as well. Thank you, Dave, for a job well done!

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Community 50th Anniversary Celebration

By Paula Bunevith #202 and Kathy Schmitt #217



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The Perils of Time-Share Resale Offers

By Sue Bailey #188 as an AARP Fraud Watch Fighter

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- Too often the contract is fake, and the victim cannot reclaim the expenses, which could be in the thousands of dollars.

What to Do

- Be leery of unsolicited offers to help you unload your timeshare.
- If you’re looking to terminate your timeshare contract, start by asking your resort if they have a resale program.
- If you are considering a timeshare resale company, check with your state’s consumer protection office to check its complaint history.

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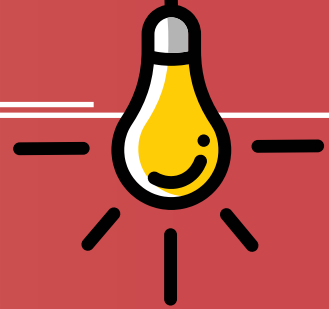
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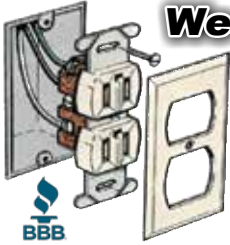
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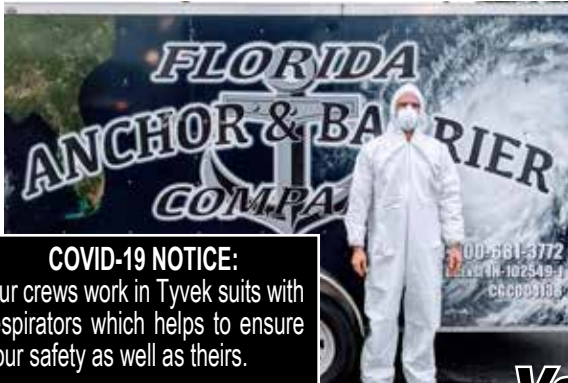
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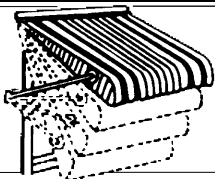
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- Adam Coburn (British Army), Nephew of Mildred and David Todd, Lot #2.
- Damien Fitzpatrick (Tech Sgt. USAF) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.
- Sean Fitzpatrick (Major US Army) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.
- Reid Forster (Master Corporal with the 4th Royal Canadian Regiment) son of Dave Forster & Colleen Collins #128
- Tim Joy, US Army Special Forces Green Berets, Fort Bragg, NC - Nephew of Jack Terry, Lot #141.
- Daniel Jones (US Navy) Grandson of Carol Diniz, Lot #25.
- Matthew Jones (US Navy) Grandson of Carol Diniz, Lot #25.
- Brian Karhoff (US Army Major) Son of Nancy Karhoff, Lot #67.
- Colleen Terry, US Navy, Petty Officer 3rd class, Naples, Italy - Daughter of Jack Terry, Lot #141.
- John Wilson (PFC 1st Class USMC) Iraq – Grandson of Jean Key, Lot #138.

So that we might get to know these courageous soldiers better, I would like to add their pictures to this section. Please forward any photos to Sue Bailey suebail999@gmail.com
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Birthdays and Anniversaries

By Norma Moore #54

Golden Acres September Birthdays

We want to mention all those who are celebrating this month and send them our very best wishes.

Dan Guggi	September 1
Cathy Hollenback	September 1
Marie Hutchison	September 1
Lena Bergstrom	September 3
Lynnmarie Kolenko	September 6
Steven Walsh	September 6
Deborah Douthit	September 7
Judith Fitzpatrick	September 8
Richard Barnes	September 9
John Kamerer	September 9
Rose West	September 9
Sandy Franco	September 11
Richard Kinzie	September 12
Deborah Matthews	September 13
Shannon Kamp	September 15
Ann Shibley	September 18
Don Webb	September 19
Donna Hickey	September 20
Nadine Templeton	September 20
Nancy Armeli	September 21
Linda Swann	September 23
Frank St. Peter	September 24
Mary Lou Webb	September 25
Beverley Wood	September 25
Sandra Guptill	September 27
Gayle Kavanagh	September 27
Larry Burton	September 28
Thomas Crosby	September 28
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Rick Lane and Micheline Roy	September 11
Gordon and Glenda Spafford	September 11
Michael and Donna Hickey	September 15
Bill and Catherine Battersby	September 17
Don and Mary Lou Webb	September 19
Mario and Kathy Spadafore	September 19
Paul and Maureen Shannon	September 20
Thomas and Suzanne Fleming	September 24



September Sudoku

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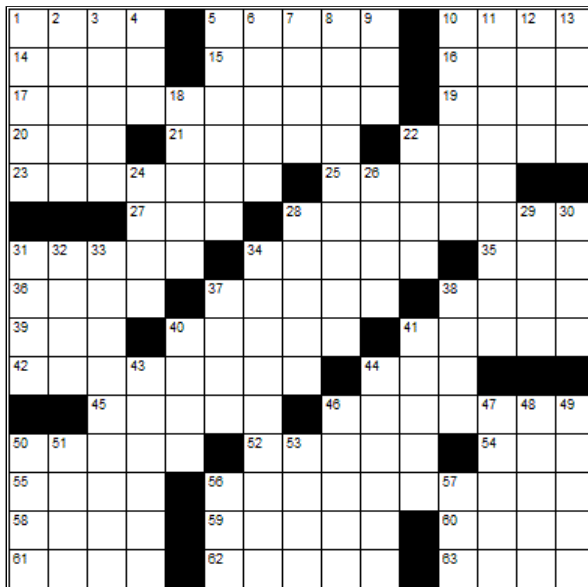


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ACROSS

- 1. Fearless
- 5. Prefer
- 10. Anagram of "Sale"
- 14. African sheep
- 15. Tequila source
- 16. Female horse
- 17. Arranged in random order
- 19. Ear-related
- 20. Estimated time of arrival
- 21. Protective covering
- 22. Hush
- 23. Individual meal portion
- 25. A frequently visited place
- 27. Night before
- 28. Reticent
- 31. Landslide detritus
- 34. Mock
- 35. Twosome
- 36. A rigid circular band
- 37. Fine thread
- 38. List of choices
- 39. Large flightless bird
- 40. Parental sisters
- 41. Charges
- 42. Collection of information
- 44. Sticky stuff
- 45. Intestinal section
- 46. Mother of a parent
- 50. Committee
- 52. Style of building columns
- 54. Be bedridden
- 55. Utiliser
- 56. Shriveling up
- 58. Fish sperm
- 59. Motif
- 60. Environs
- 61. Compensates
- 62. S S S
- 63. Combustible pile



DOWN

- 1. Reveals
- 2. Give a speech
- 3. Associated with the moon
- 4. Accomplished
- 5. An acute insufficiency
- 6. Growing old
- 7. Flower holder
- 8. Modernizes
- 9. Scarlet
- 10. Sum
- 11. Map parallels
- 12. A Great Lake
- 13. Religious offshoot
- 18. Martini garnish
- 22. Resign
- 24. Vice President (slang)
- 26. Skin disease
- 28. Flavor
- 29. Litter member
- 30. French for "We"
- 31. Outbuilding
- 32. Deep sleep
- 33. Commonly
- 34. Metalworkers
- 37. Outdoor party
- 38. Natural satellite
- 40. Cain's brother
- 41. Manager
- 43. Alarms
- 44. Complains
- 46. Munchkin
- 47. Kind of farm
- 48. Mineral excavator
- 49. Seaweed
- 50. Flow intermittently
- 51. Largest continent
- 53. Minerals
- 56. Consumed
- 57. Jabber



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However, back in the pack of runners one boy, who had gotten off to a slower start, tripped and fell. He began to cry on the racetrack. He whimpered and tears spilled down his cheeks.

The leader of the race, a girl with Down syndrome heard her opponents anguish—and though she was clearly set to win the race she stopped and ran back to the boy. When she reached him, she gingerly dropped down and gave him a kiss on the knee and then she wiped away his tears.

When the other runners saw what was going on they also turned around and ran back. Together they pulled the boy up—then they set off to finish the race they had begun.

As the children approached the finish line it was hard to find a dry eye among the spectators. The runners came down the final stretch toward the finish line—with their arms linked. And each one of them was absolutely delighted to be together. —adapted from *Relationships of Grace*, by Chris Karcher

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The hitchhiker



A hitchhiker caught a ride. As soon as the hitchhiker sat down in the front seat the driver floored the gas pedal and drove right through a red light.

Frightened, the hitchhiker said, “You oughtn’t do that—it’s dangerous.”

The driver looked over at the new passenger and said earnestly, “Why, that’s the way my brother always drives.”

They continued on and when they came to the next traffic light, it was red, and the driver didn’t as much as pretend to slow down. He barreled right through the intersection. Other cars slammed on their brakes to keep from hitting the red-light-running car.

By this time the hitchhiker was starting to lose his temper, “What are you trying to do—kill us? You’re driving like a maniac.”

Again, the driver answered in a sincere fashion and said, “My brother always drives exactly like this.”

They continued down the road, and as they approached the next traffic light, it turned green just as they were about to go through it. Suddenly, the driver slammed on the brakes and stopped the car immediately.

Beside himself, the hitchhiker said, “Why on earth are you driving like this. Why are you running all the red lights and stopping on green?”

The driver looked at the hitchhiker and said: “My brother might be coming through.” — adapted from *“Bad driver;” as told by Ivan Amburgey, in Laughter in Appalachia, by Loyal Jones and Billy Edd Wheeler*

The sawmill



There was once a sawmill worker who bent down, got too close to the saw and cut his ear off. The ear fell down into the pile of sawdust and disappeared.

The worker got down into the sawdust pit and started scratching around looking for his ear.

I walked by and saw my worker in the pit and I asked, “What you looking for?”

The worker said, “I cut my ear off and I’m down here looking for it.”

“Well, hang on,” I said. “I’ll come down and help you.” I got down into the pit and started feeling around in the sawdust and I found the ear. “I got it,” I called out. “Here it is.”

The worker took hold of the ear and looked at it closely, then he threw it back down in the sawdust. “Better keep on looking,” he said. “Mine had a pencil behind it.” — adapted from *“Wrong ear;” as told by Glen Baker, in Laughter in Appalachia, by Loyal Jones and Billy Edd Wheeler*

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