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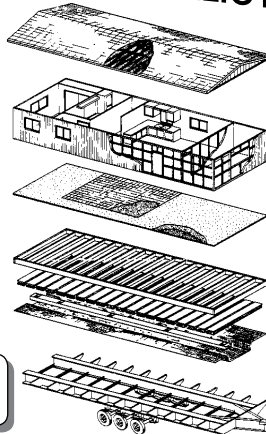


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TRAIL GATE:

As per previous e-mails from management, everyone was informed of the changing codes to the trail gate.

The code will be changed every two months.

The October and November code for all our residents using the trail gate is: 2023

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EUCHRE

Euchre will begin fall play on Thursday, October 5th at 6:30pm. It is played the first Thursday of each month.



HERE'S WHAT'S COOKING:

Quick Dinner Rolls: 2 cups flour, 1 cup milk, 4 T mayonnaise.
Preheat oven to 350 degrees, grease muffin pan.
In a medium bowl, stir together the flour, milk, and mayonnaise.
Spoon into the muffin cups.



Bake for 15 minutes or until nicely puffed and browned. Makes about 12.

If you have a recipe you would like in the Scuttlebutt for others to enjoy, please send it via e-mail to jafroscoe46@yahoo.com

WEATHER:

Stay vigilant!! We are still in hurricane season. We dodged a bullet with hurricane Idalia, however we are still in hurricane season. If you hear talk of Hurricanes, Tropical Storms, or Storm Surges, pay attention. Follow any guidelines that are always talked about on Spectrum Bay News channel 9, or on the Spectrum Weather channel which is channel 63. There is also information in the Clubhouse for you to pick up and familiarize yourself with, the evacuation routes, etc. There have been articles in the May, June and July Scuttlebutts with information as to what to pack in your TO-GO-BOX should you have to evacuate, sites for assistance, and contact information.



BINGO:

Bingo will begin Tuesday, October 17th sharply at 7:00pm. Come a little early to purchase your bingo cards. Cards are \$1.00 a piece. This is a great time to socialize with your friends, and meet new residents in the park.





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The Spooktacular Halloween Contest will again be held in our park. It is open to everyone who would like to participate. We have had some stiff competition in the past. This year we are holding two (2) contests: 1. PUMPKIN CARVING, 2. HOUSE/YARD decorations.



The contest will be held on Monday, October 30th. Have your light on at 7:00pm. Judging will be from 7:00pm until 8:30pm.

We have \$50.00 1st place prizes for both categories, \$25.00 2nd place prizes for both categories, and \$15.00 3rd place prizes for both categories.

Get your creative minds working. Looking forward to seeing those pumpkin carvings and decorated houses/yards.

NIGHT ACTIVITIES:

Remember if you are out walking, biking, golf cart riding, jogging, etc. Wear reflective clothing, have lights on your vehicles both front and back, if you are walking a dog have a reflective collar or vest on them.



Our streets are dark, and you need to be seen. Stay safe while on our streets, abide by the stop signs, ride or walk on the correct side of the street.

HARBOR LIGHTS SOCIAL CLUB MEETINGS:

Our Social Club meetings will begin this fall on Wednesday, October 25, 2023 at 10:00am. These meetings are held every Wednesday of the month at 10:00am. The meetings are informational. You will hear what activities are being planned within the park for the season. This is your opportunity to get involved. Volunteers are always needed. There is a Social Hour prior to the meeting from 9:00am to 10:00am. We offer free coffee for you, just bring your coffee cup. This is a great time to meet new neighbors or catch up with the friends you haven't been in touch with since Spring.



Looking forward to seeing the returning snowbirds, and all the new residents within our community.

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HARBOR LIGHTS SOCIAL CLUB

Help us offer activities that you are interested in joining! Please pull this page, complete the information, and hand it to one of the Social Club Board members! Thank you

Social Club idea:

How to make it special:

Are you willing to chair or co-chair this event?

If undecided, would you work alongside a Social Club member to become familiar with chairing an event, and possibly chair and/or co-chair an event in the future?

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As a reminder, Harbor Lights Home Owner's Association (HOA) meets the first Wednesday of every month following the Social Club Meeting. The first meeting of the season is Wednesday, November 1, 2023.



QUICK QUIPS:

It was a lot more fun being 20 in the 70's than it is being 70 in the 20's.



I was watching a show called "10 STEPS TO AVOID A SHARK ATTACK". I was really surprised that "Stay out of the water" wasn't step 1.

Recent studies show that the most expensive vehicle to operate is a Grocery Cart.

STAY INFORMED:

For all you snow birds, and residents on extended vacations, stay current with what is happening in Harbor Lights Community while you are away by viewing this newsletter on-line at www.monthly-media.com.



LAWN CARE REMINDER:

The schedule is: 1 service January and February, 2 services in March and April, weekly service May thru September, 3 services in October, 2 services in November, and 1 service in December. The new service day will be Tuesday.

FACEBOOK PAGE:

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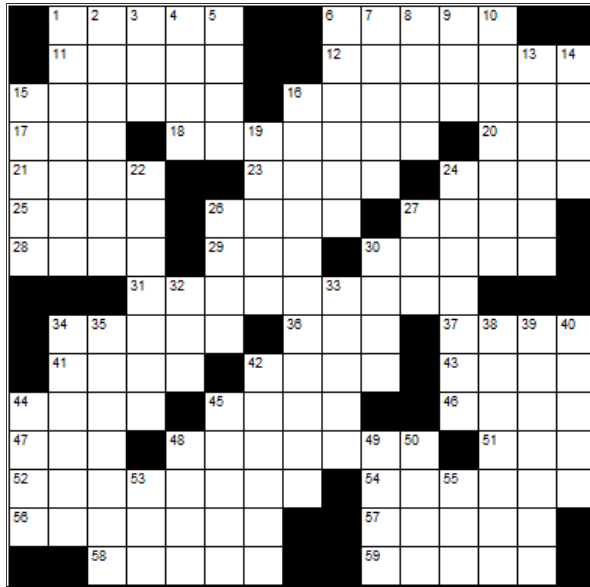


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1. Without delay
6. Days in a week
11. Nigerian money
12. Cut in thirds
15. Affectionate
16. Break
17. American Medical Association
18. Surround completely
20. Golf ball support
21. Scottish lake
23. Codlike fish
24. Streetcar
25. Leg joint
26. Anger
27. Unit of paper
28. Burn the surface of
29. Before, in poetry
30. Gelatin
31. Overburdens
34. Most important
36. Chemist's workplace
37. Chits
41. Be suspended from above
42. Young woman
43. Anagram of "Care"
44. Mark down
45. Not early
46. Marsh plant
47. Petroleum
48. Think likely
51. Label
52. Large masses of ice
54. Annul
56. Clear up
57. Fatuous
58. Primitive weapon
59. Daisylike bloom



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|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Windflower | 15. Speaks | 35. Bareheaded |
| 2. Greek goddess of healing | 16. Scourges | 38. Common solvent |
| 3. Assist | 19. Small trout-like fish | 39. Wave |
| 4. Algonquian Indian | 22. Female protagonist | 40. Marsh plant |
| 5. Deserve | 24. Early communications satellite | 42. Bigger |
| 6. Golf shot | 26. Coral formation | 44. French for "Black" |
| 7. Delete | 27. Crimson | 45. Stage between egg and pupa |
| 8. Moral weakness | 30. Quick short straight punches | 48. Expunge |
| 9. Estimated (abbrev.) | 32. Chill (out) | 49. Diva's solo |
| 10. Indifferent | 33. Desert watering holes | 50. Cravings |
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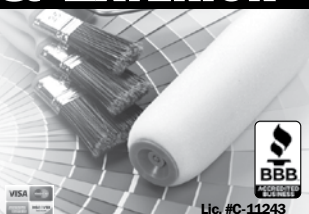
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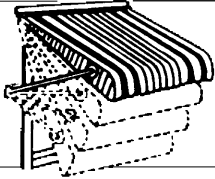
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- have more successful relationships
- are depressed less often, and for shorter periods of time.

—adapted from *Taking Care of Me: The Habits of Happiness*, by Mary Kay Mueller

On eating your words



A vacuum salesman wound his way into a remote valley. Once there he found a little house and went up and knocked on the door.

“This machine is wonderful,” he crowed to the woman who answered. “Just look at this.” He then took a bag full of dirt and poured it on the carpet in the living room. “Watch,” he said. “If this machine doesn't pick up every last piece of dirt. I'll lick it up personally for you.”

The woman smiled and said, “Would you like some ketchup to go with that. We don't have any electricity out in these parts.” — adapted from *The Giant Book of Jokes*, edited by Dave Phillips

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Puns to ponder



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- Did you hear that NASA recently put a bunch of Holsteins into low earth orbit? They called it the herd shot ’round the world.
- Two boll weevils grew up in South Carolina. One went to Hollywood and became a famous actor. The other stayed behind and never amounted to much. The second one, naturally, became known as the lesser of two weevils.
- A three-legged dog walks into a saloon in the Old West. He slides up to the bar and announces: “I’m looking for the man who shot my paw.”
- Did you hear about the Buddhist who refused Novocain during a root canal? He wanted to transcend dental medication.
- A group of chess enthusiasts checked into a hotel and were standing in the lobby discussing their recent tournament victories. After about an hour, the manager came out of the office and asked them to disperse. “But why?” they asked, as they moved off. “Be- cause,” he said, “I can’t stand chess nuts boasting in an open foyer.”
- A woman has twins, and gives them up for adoption. One of them goes to a family in Egypt and is named “Amal.” The other goes to a family in Spain; they name him “Juan.” Years later, Juan sends a picture of himself to his birth mother. Upon receiving the picture, she tells her husband that she wishes she also had a picture of Amal. Her husband responds, “They’re twins! If you’ve seen Juan, you’ve seen Amal.”
- These friars were behind on their belfry payments, so they opened up a small florist shop to raise funds. Since everyone liked to buy flowers from the men of God, a rival florist across town thought the competition was unfair. He asked the good fathers to close down, but they would not. He went back and begged the friars to close. They ignored him. So, the rival florist hired Hugh MacTaggart, the roughest and most vicious thug in town to “persuade” them to close. Hugh beat up the friars and trashed their store, saying he’d be back if they didn’t close up shop. Terrified, they did so, thereby proving that: Hugh, and only Hugh, can prevent florist friars.
- And finally, there was a person (guess who?) who sent 10 different puns to friends, in the hope that at least one of the puns would make them laugh. Unfortunately, no pun in ten did.
— *from the Today’s Senior Web site*

On being in the know

A man plummeted out of a ninth story window. He was lying on the ground when a crowd started to gather round him. Then a uniformed police officer came on the scene and looked at the man with astonishment.

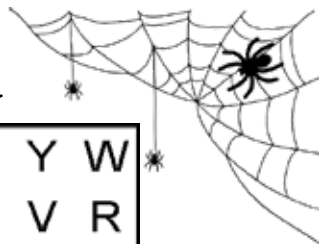
“What happened?” the police officer asked.

“I don’t know,” the stunned and confused man answered. “I just got here myself.”

— *adapted from The Giant Book of Jokes, edited by Dave Phillips*



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Halloween Safety Month. Oct. 1–31. There are steps you can take to make it a safe Halloween for children and teens. For more information, browse www.preventblindness.org.

National Book Month. Oct. 1–31. To invite everyone in America to take time out to treat themselves to a unique pleasure: reading a good book. Literary events are held throughout the month. For more information, browse www.nationalbook.org.

National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Oct. 1–31. To raise awareness of breast cancer and to provide access to screening services. For more information, browse www.nbcam.org.

National Crime Prevention Month. Oct. 1–31. To drive violence and drugs from our families, neighborhoods and communities. For more information, browse www.ncpc.org.

Weekly

National Work from Home Week. Oct. 8–14. A week to celebrate the trends, technology and tactics that allow millions of Americans to work from home as entrepreneurs and corporate teleworkers. For more information, browse www.chiefhomeofficer.com.

Fire Prevention Week. Oct. 7–13. To increase awareness of the dangers of fire and to educate the public on how to stay safe from fire.

For more information, browse www.firepreventionweek.org or www.sparky.org.

Freedom from Bullies Week. Oct. 15–21. A time for courage, support, inspiration and peace for people suffering health-endangering bullying and for others who witness the mistreatment. For more information, browse www.bullyinginstitute.com.

Give Wildlife a Brake Week. Oct. 22–28. A reminder to scan the road as you drive, watching the edges for wildlife about to cross.

For more information, browse www.hsus.org/wildlife.

Daily

International Frugal Fun Day. Oct. 7. A day to celebrate that having fun doesn't have to be costly. Do at least one fun thing for yourself and/or your family that is free of cost or under \$5 per person. For more information, browse www.frugalfun.com/frugalfundayideas.html.

Columbus Day. Oct. 9. To commemorate the landing of Columbus in the New World, Oct. 12, 1492.

Evaluate Your Life Day. Oct. 19. To encourage everyone to check and see if they're really headed where they want to be. For more information, browse www.wellcat.com.

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What are the four most familiar lines in English?



Do you know who wrote *Mary Had a Little Lamb*? Her name was Sarah Josepha Hale, born in 1788, and she was a feminist. Hale was a self-educated woman and she eventually became a teacher—she also wrote short stories and verse in her spare time. After her husband died, she wrote a novel to critical acclaim and became an editor of a magazine. She also became the editor of a children’s magazine called *Juvenile Miscellany*, and in 1830 her poem, originally titled *Mary’s Lamb*, first appeared.

Here it is: Mary had a little lamb
Its fleece as white as snow
And every where that Mary went,
The lamb was sure to go.

Hale began to travel in esteemed social circles, with the likes of Oliver Wendell Holmes and other well-thought-of people of her day. She also petitioned several presidents to get Thanksgiving recognized as a legal holiday—Abraham Lincoln finally approved the measure. She kicked off the movement to have Mount Vernon recognized as a historic landmark. Thomas Edison used her little poem for the first-ever sound recording on his invention—the phonograph.

Hale wrote many brilliant pieces during her lifetime, but is remembered for what are probably the best-known four lines in the English language. — *adapted from the mental_floss Web site*

On the origins of the jack o’lantern



Have you ever wondered how the practice of turning pumpkins into scary jack o’lanterns was born? The origin is quite fascinating.

O’lantern sounds Irish, and it is. The flickering, carved pumpkin faces that animate the American Halloween derive from an old Irish custom of creating rustic lanterns from vegetables. The Irish child’s typical Halloween flashlight was a hollowed-out turnip or potato with a candle inside, and when the Irish landed in America in the nineteenth century, they were quick to spot the possibilities in the pumpkin. — *from IdeaBank*

In good company



Do you know the derivation of the word *company*? Most people probably don’t think of a group of people sitting down and eating bread together when they hear the word *company*, but that is exactly what the word meant in its original sense. The word comes from the Latin *con*, which means together, and *panis*, which means bread. Thus, *company* originally encompassed the idea of people being such good friends that you share your bread with them.

— *adapted from Thereby Hangs a Tale, by Charles Earl Funk*



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Quotable Humor



On exercise

When I feel like exercising I just lie down until the feeling goes away.
— **Chancey Depew**

The word aerobics comes from two Greek words: Aero, meaning “ability to,” and bics, meaning “withstand tremendous boredom.”
— **Dave Barry**

The only reason I would take up jogging is to hear heavy breathing again.
— **Erma Bombeck**

On procrastination

Never put off till tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow.
— **Mark Twain**

On willingness

The world is full of willing people. Some willing to work, the rest willing to let them.
— **Robert Frost**

On getting things done

I made up my mind a long time ago that life was too short to do anything for myself that I could pay others to do for me.
— **W. Somerset Maugham**

On committees

A committee is a cul-de-sac down which ideas are lured and then quietly strangled.
— **Sir Thomas George Barnett Cocks**

On silence

Silence was the best substitute for brains ever invented.
— **Henry Fountain Ashurst**



On cooking

In a recipe: “If they like it, it serves four; otherwise, six.”
— **Elsie Zussman**

On the written word

The pen is mightier than the sword, and considerably easier to write with.
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