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From The President

Diane McSweeney



Dear Shareholder Residents, it is now mid-September, and we are so thankful hurricane Idalia missed us. Many thanks to Danny Murphy for leading the security team. Thank you to all who participated. We live in a wonderful community that so many are willing to volunteer their time.

As many of you know, an alligator was removed from the park. It was determined it was aggressive. When this happens, removal is imminent. It is believed someone was feeding this alligator. Feeding an alligator in Florida can result in a \$500 fine and/or 60 days in jail. Harassing wildlife can be a felony. Alligators are reptiles and sunning themselves outside the water helps the reptile to maintain homeostasis. This is a common occurrence in Florida as many golfers know. Please respect their habitat.

The Budget Committee has worked diligently to maintain the quality of life in Holiday Shores. Our insurance expenses increased by thirty percent. Our trees are aging, and many have to be maintained. We were three times over budget on trees this past year. Many dead or diseased trees had to be removed. Many of you would like the palms trimmed twice a year, but it is unrealistic due to the expense. An additional ten thousand dollars would be needed to do so. Expenses everywhere have increased unbelievably.

The Board of Directors maintains a fiduciary duty to the residents. We are cutting expenses as we can, while maintaining the park. We will prioritize the needs of the park. We are obviously in need of new water lines and sewers as our number one priority. We are also under obligation to rectify any areas the insurance adjuster may find.

Holiday Shores is great place! We should all be proud to be residents here.

Best Regards,

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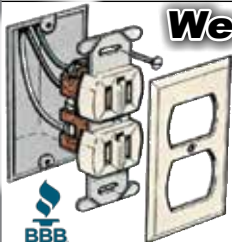


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October 2023 Manager Newsletter Article **HURRICANE SEASON**

As we all know this is peak hurricane season for the next few months. When a mandatory issue is released in the news for Pinellas County **YOU** must vacate the Park. Secure all your loose items on your driveway and patio and store them in your shed or inside your home. We want to make sure we don't have any projectiles flying around causing unnecessary damage.

Remember the clubhouse is not a place you can stay in the park. You will need to find family, friends, or hotels to relocate to temporarily until the hurricane has passed and the all clear is provided for your return. If those options to relocate are not available to you, please stop in the office and receive the list of shelters that are open to the public. You will need to bring your own toiletries and sleeping gear for your stay at the shelter.

OFFICE

It has been a quiet summer here at Holiday Shores. The staff and I have been busy with some house cleaning details and Harvey has taken advantage of the opportunity to get some new plants throughout the park, keeping up with repairs, painting the gazebo, and all the many other things he does for us. We are excited to welcome back all the residents who will be returning soon from their summer homes to their home here in Holiday Shores Park. We have missed you!

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Recently, we had an electric bike stolen right out of an owner's carport. The police were called but didn't have any lead on the suspect. Occasionally, we have outsiders coming through the park canvassing for items not secured in your property. For safekeeping, make sure you lock up and/or store any personal items in your shed or secure in your carport at night.

ANNUAL MEETING AND BUDGET

By now you have received a copy of your proposed budget and the First Notice informing you of the Annual Meeting scheduled in December. Make sure to return your candidate form on time if you plan to run for the board of directors.

Look forward to seeing everyone in the Fall!!

Gay Rosetti, Manager

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October 15th



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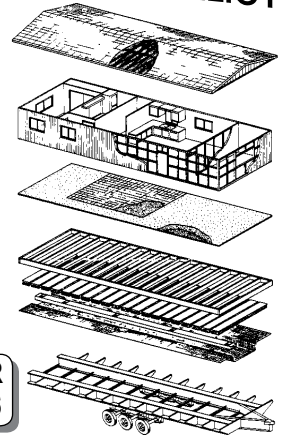
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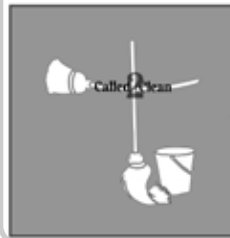
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Theater

David Middleton

It's been a long, hot summer, but the Way-Off Broadway Theatre is ready to "fall" back into the swing of things. Our next meeting will be Wednesday (note the day change), October 11 at 2:00 pm in the Clubhouse and we welcome all to come join us; we're always looking for new talent both on stage and off!



We will be planning our Murder Mystery Dinner for November. Due to popular demand, we will again present our now much-anticipated Murder Mystery Dinner with a two-night production. So, mark your calendars for Friday and Saturday, November 17 and 18, 2023 and get set to "Shake, Rattle & Croak!"

The Brotherhood Of Zenful Owls (aka the BOZOS) will gather at the Owl Lodge #420 to stage a fundraiser featuring a legendary Elvis impersonator! During his performance, the Elvis wannabe plans to make a life-changing announcement sometime during the performance. What could go wrong? Murder of course! And everyone seems to have a motive.

Tickets will be \$15, so watch for announcements as to when tickets will go on sale in the Clubhouse Lobby. Only 84 tickets will be sold per seating. The Delicious Dinner catered by Steve and Rhonda Jones features Salisbury Steak with Mushroom Gravy, Mouthwatering Sides, Assorted Appetizers, Bread, and Dessert.

Other events and shows for next season will also be on the agenda and any help or suggestions will be welcome. So, put on your thinking caps, let the creative juices flow and let's get theatrical! We'll see you on Wednesday, October 11 at 2:00 pm!





Shuffleboard News

Mary Brown

For those who have returned, welcome back. Shuffleboard will be starting soon. New & old friends welcomed. Please watch for the flag which means it's a game day. We have sticks for those who don't have their own.

Shuffleboard is held Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays beginning at 1:00. The cost is still a huge 30 cents.

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Music is Back!!!

Kathy Bornick



Music at the Clubhouse will begin again on Thursday, October 5, from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. Les will be on lead guitar, Trish on bass, Larry on drums, and Don on harmonica. There is always room for more musicians. If you play an instrument, come up and join the band!

Mary Graham has again volunteered to serve refreshments.

Come up and dance the afternoon away! Or sit and enjoy the company.



Holiday Shores Park Anniversaries – October

Stephen & Rhonda Jones	October 1
Ron and Nancy Phillips	October 2
Dave & Carolyn Sperry	October 5
John & Kathy Ricks	October 6
Jim & Brenda Lyness	October 10
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Tom & Jan Smith	October 17
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Katherine Schreuders	October 1	Belinda Bellamy	October 14
Pat Spencer	October 3	Rhonda Jones	October 15
Jeanne Uhlenbrauck	October 4	Raymond Wilson	October 17
Patrick Wilson	October 4	Linda Burkey	October 18
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Mary Graham	October 8	Trudy Mason	October 20
Julie Anglin	October 8	Charlene Ciraco	October 23
Karen Galbreath	October 8	Patty Wilson	October 27
David Middleton	October 9	Mike Nestor	October 30
Kathy Castello	October 10	Toni Internicola	October 30
Shirley Johnson	October 10	Joyce Clift	October 30



Holiday Shores Park Birthdays – November

Greg Reed	November 3	Juliet Dudinsky	November 13
Lee Krejci	November 3	Joe Gagat	November 13
Danette Flickinger	November 3	Diana Zeller	November 15
Elizabeth Barron	November 4	Darrel Bowlin	November 17
Tori Inglis	November 6	Joyce Ondish	November 18
Ted Famularo	November 7	Thomas Baillie	November 18
Geoffrey Robinson	November 8	Debra Lahiff	November 19
Barbara Ann Kastman	November 9	Donald Sanford	November 21
Gloria Gerry	November 10	Fred Dempsey	November 23
Anna Martorana	November 11	David Soucy	November 23
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Lee O'Brien	November 11	Peggy Beane	November 27
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Leslie Bianchini	November 13		



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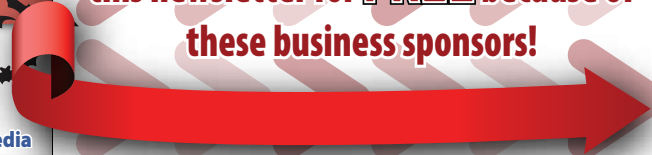


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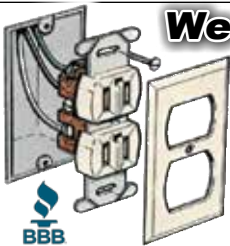
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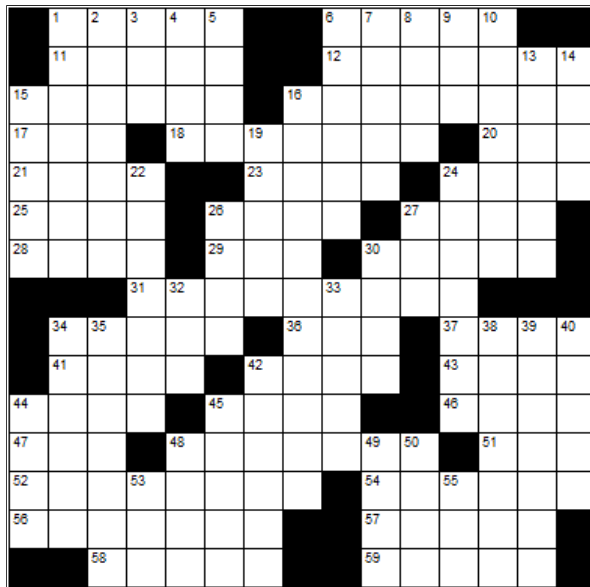


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12. Cut in thirds
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16. Break
17. American Medical Association
18. Surround completely
20. Golf ball support
21. Scottish lake
23. Codlike fish
24. Streetcar
25. Leg joint
26. Anger
27. Unit of paper
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 |
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| 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 |
| 13. Smooth | 34. Pick | 53. Clobber |
| 14. Abound | | 55. Tank |



October
Crossword



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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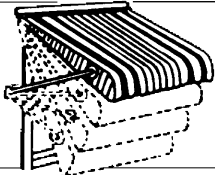
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Get into the flow

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Money represents life energy. A service that we provide to the universe and the universe then returns to us. To keep money coming in, you must keep it moving. It must circulate.

—adapted from *Creating Affluence*, by Deepak Chopra



Don't let panic and worry cut you off from abundance

To get on the path of perpetual abundance, there is one rule of thumb that you must follow: Don't panic. Panic will only bring you worry, and worry almost never helps solve your problems. If you panic when it comes to money worries, your head will fill with fear, and you won't have room in your mind for solutions to come forth.



Benjamin Franklin once said, "Some terrible things happened in my life-time—a few of which actually happened."

Panic brings out the worst in you, and the worst in others who are exposed to it. People can fall into panic over almost everything—missed deadlines, fear of what others are thinking or saying about them, fear of making a mistake and fear over losing money. When people panic over money issues, it is because of fear.

But fear and panic, rather than help the situation, usually only cause miscommunication, and that interferes with a person's ability to create success and abundance in his or her life.

In order to have abundance, you have to make a commitment to stop panicking. Once you make the commitment, you'll notice some wonderful things happening. For instance, you'll be able to step back and see that the things that you used to worry about so much almost never happen anyway. You'll stop wasting your time and energy on anxiety and worry that don't do any good, and you'll be able to focus on getting your bearings. Once you get your bearings your innate wisdom will have a chance to kick in and fruitful answers will begin to appear in your life.

So make a commitment to stop panicking today. You'll be glad you did. — adapted from *Don't Worry, Make Money*, by Richard Carlson

On triumph

I knew there was a way out. I knew there was another kind of life because I had read about it. I knew there were other places, and there was another way of being.

— Oprah Winfrey



Puns to ponder



- Two vultures board an airplane, each carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at them and says, “I’m sorry, gentlemen, only one car- rion allowed per passenger.”
- 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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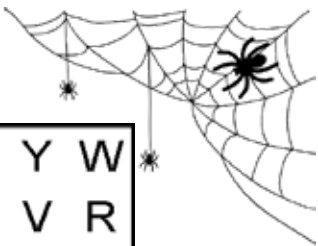
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What are the four most familiar lines in English?



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.

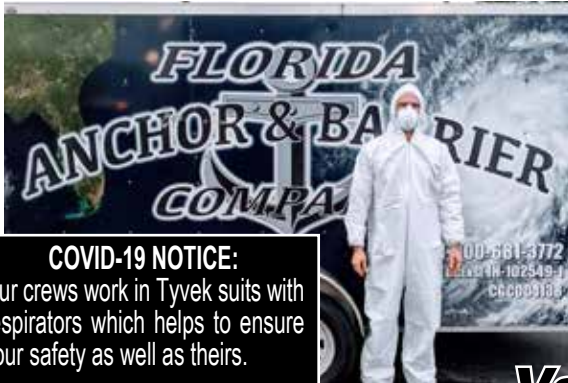
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How you look at life can drastically affect how much you enjoy your life. If you have a positive attitude, then you will be considered an optimistic person. If you have a negative attitude, then you will be considered a pessimistic person. Optimists expect the best out of life. If you were not lucky enough to be raised with this attitude as a child, don't fret, it can be learned.

Here are the tenets that optimism is based on:

- Bad things do happen in life, but they are temporary.
- Bad things in life are limited in scope. (They're small or insignificant.)
- People have control over their environments. Here are the tenets that pessimism are based on:
 - Good things in life are temporary.
 - Good things in life are limited in scope. (They're small or insignificant.)
 - People have no control over their environments.

According to conventional wisdom, optimists and pessimists are both right about the same number of times, but optimists get to enjoy their lives more.

Optimists help create some of the good they come to expect, so they are probably right more than not—and they don't waste time worrying about what they're not right about.

Think of the benefits of being an optimist. Optimism relaxes people. When we're relaxed, there is better blood flow to the brain, which results in more energy and creativity in your life.

In *Learned Optimism*, Martin Seligman lists many studies that report that optimists are:

- healthier
- less likely to give up
- more successful in school, on the job and on the playing field
- 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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