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HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION UPDATE

Tor those of you who were unable to attend our meeting in

Bob Campbell, President, Lot 253

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Home Owners Association

September, on behalf the HOA Board of Directors, I want to share the information discussed concerning increasing membership and fund raising. As of now, we are planning a membership drive raffle, and two fund-raising events, i.e., a music bingo evening and a casino night (which will be joint ventures with the Residents' Club). Dates, times, and details are being ironed out now and will be made available as soon as possible, so you have time to plan accordingly. As of now, we are planning to raffle off a brand-new adult 3-wheel bike for \$5.00 a ticket or 3 tickets for \$10.. There is no limit on the number of tickets you can buy. If you win, you can ride at your pleasure or sell the bike. If you are not interested in or unable to ride, gift it to someone else. It's yours to do with as you please. Residents who purchase at least two raffle ticketa automatically receive a 2024 yearly HOA membership for free! If you are an existing dues paying member and renew your membership for 2024 for the regular \$10.00 fee, you will receive a free raffle ticket. Similarly, if you are joining for the first time, you too will receive 3 free raffle tickets.

We will provide all details soon via posters and Facebook postings. All proceeds will go to the HOA Contingency Fund. Our next general membership meeting is October 16, 2023 @ 7:00 pm and will be open to everyone, regardless of whether you are a dues payer or not. The bike will be displayed and raffle tickets will be on sale. Hope to see you there.



OAK CREST/ ACORN RESIDENTS' CLUB

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

appy Fall! I am so thankful that we came through the hurricane threat with very little damage. We are blessed! There will be a Resident's Club meeting on October 2, at 7:00 p,m. and all are invited to attend.

Please take a moment to look at the calendar and read about the upcoming October events. They range from the return of the Buffet Breakfasts to our 2nd Annual Craft Show, a Halloween Golf Cart Parade, a Halloween Dance, a Car Port Sale and Silver Sneakers is back on Tuesdays and Thursdays in October at 1:00 p.m.

We hope you will support some, if not all of these events. Just a few notes:

- Help is needed at 6 p.m. on 10/20 to set up for the Craft Show
- Your activity ideas are welcome at the Residents' Club meetings
- Golf Cart Parade people usually throw out yummy treats
- Work with a neighbor for the Car port sale—Cuts the work hrs. in half
- Not everyone dresses up for the Halloween Dance, but some really do! (and our sincere thanks to those of you who do!)

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Jill Chambers, Lot 234, 440-318-4738

y Care Medical will be providing free bags of food on October 3, and Humana will be providing healthy food bags on October 27 @ 3:00 p.m. You do not have to be customers of either of these companies to take advantage of this benefit. These food bags are available to anyone in the park.

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Yvonne D'Angelo, Lot 189, 518 569 5904

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Kathy Meyers, Lot 15



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WHEN? DATE AND TIME

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The Clubhouse is intended for the use of Oakcrest/Acorn residents and their guests; therefore, a member of the community must be in attendance at the event.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE UPDATE

Roberta Zanol, 724 986 4356 Maureen Dunham, 774 283 0991, Laurie Stone, 585 233 0927

ummer is coming to an end and fall will be here soon, which means it is time to welcome back the snow birds! Oakcrest/Acorn just isn't the same without you!

The Labor Day cookout was a huge success! A big thank you to Jorge Rano for providing and cooking all the meats! And thank you to all of the attendees for providing such a beautiful

and delicious array of side dishes and desserts.

The activities committee has been quite busy, planning something for everyone! We encourage you to participate and do hope you enjoy any or all of the following. A few dates to put on your calendar:

*Oct 2, 7 p.m. Resident Club Meeting

*Oct 7, 8:30 – 10:30 Buffet Breakfast

*Oct 20, 6 p.m. Craft Fair Setup –Come help!

*Oct 21, 6 am-4 p.m. CRAFT FAIR

*Oct 22, 6:30 p.m. Golf Cart Parade line-up @ Clubhouse

*Oct. 28, 8 -2p.m. Car Port sale

*Oct 28, 7-10 p.m. Halloween Dance Party (Costume or Not)

If you have questions about any of the above events, please give Roberta or Maureen a call.

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HURRICANE IDALIA

o need to tell any of you how fortunate we in Oakcrest/Acorn are for being spared the wrath of Idalia. Just a shout out to so many people who offered to help their neighbors and to those who looked out for one another. That is what makes our community great—our residents!

As frustrated as we get sometimes with the little things, and they are little things, by comparison to what others suffer(ed) at the hands of Mother Nature, we are blessed and should remember to put things in perspective and not 'lose our cool'. I'm going to promise myself to be a better neighbor, just because we all need a little more kindness in our lives. I am blessed to be able to enjoy this beautiful weather and to be in a community where I am safe and I know my neighbors have my back. I hope feel that way, too.

SILVER SNEAKERS IS BACK

Silver Sneakers is back starting in October on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Clubhouse, 1:00 p.m. Thanks to the Bridge Players for their flexibility. Your sneakers don't have to be Silver, but there is a charge. Some insurances will pay, so please be aware.





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I can never guarantee your article will be printed, because it depends on Monthly Media Group and how much space they have; but I will submit it in a timely manner. Keep in mind the deadline is the Tenth of every month.

Pictures are the same. Send them and I will submit for print, if appropriate. If you have a pic that you would like to be considered for *The Messenger's* cover, please add that to your email.

Thanks so much!

SPECIAL TALENT TO SHARE???

can't put advertisements in The Messenger, but I would like to 'blow our horns' a little. If you have hobby or a special talent, such as sewing, musical proficiency, sculpting, wood carving, etc., let me know. I'd like to start a new article called 'DID YOU KNOW?" Good information sharing about Oakcrest/Acorn Residents. Send info in an email to:

Kmm33771@aol.com Let me know if you want phone calls from other residents, to discuss your skills or share or maybe even meet at the Clubhouse to start a new group. If so, include your name

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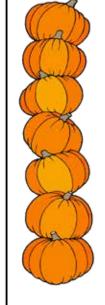
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A doctor-recommended exercise

ere is a miracle exercise recommended by a doctor. You can do this standing or sitting down. Do it in front of a mirror, or better still, with someone. Here's how:



- Raise the corners of your mouth an inch, take a deep breath and hold it for 10 seconds.
- You are smiling. If you have people watching you, they'll probably start smiling too.
- Now release your breath in short exhalations. You're now laughing. Unless those with you are curmudgeons, they'll undoubtedly start laughing, too.

This simple muscular action of inhaling, raising the corners of the mouth, then exhaling in rhythmic, short bursts causes the diaphragm to bounce up and down, pats the liver on the back, and pleasantly vibrates the stomach. The heart, which rests above the diaphragm, begins to pump at a slightly faster rate, sending blood coursing throughout the body.

The effect is a general feeling of well-being. More important than this, however, is the effect on others who observe you going through this exercise. They feel better, too. This triggers happy emotions within you, and the stage is set for any number of pleasant personal and business relationships.

All this from one simple little exercise! — from IdeaBank

The path to attaining what you desire in life

There was once a young man who went to a wise old man and said, "Master, I want to have all the riches in the world. I want no limitations on it—and with that wealth I want to do good things for the world. I want to use it for its healing powers in the universe. Can you please tell me the secret of creating unlimited wealth?"

The old man answered, "There are two goddesses that reside in your heart, that reside in the hearts of all men and women. Every person falls deeply in love with both of these goddesses."

The old man went on, "Though it is true that you have great love in your heart for both of these supreme beings, you must choose one. You must choose the one who reigns over the kingdom of knowledge. She is Sarasvati. Seduce her. Love her boldly. Pay great attention to her, because she adores attention. The other, Lakshmi, rules over the kingdom of wealth. The secret is to pay more attention to the goddess of knowledge, because then the goddess of wealth will become jealous and pay more attention to you. The more you seek and pursue Sarasvati, the more Lakshmi will pursue you. She will never go away and will be yours for the taking. Then you will always have what you desire—unlimited wealth.

— adapted from Creating Affluence, by Deepak Chopra

On wisdom

Some folks are wise, and some otherwise.

— Josh Billings

Make an inner resolution to change your life

t age 20, Joe was a mess. He had been rebelling against authority for many years already. He was defined as a failure. He hadn't finished high school, as a matter of fact he had flunked four times. He became a street fighter, and he had 25 scars to prove it. And there was more—by 20 he had lost 30 jobs and been kicked out of the Marines. He was deemed incorrigible.

Nine years later, Joe was the valedictorian of Harvard Law School's 1967 graduation. He then went on to begin a career with the U.S. Department of Justice. He was considered one of the brightest of the young men employed there and seemed to have a great future before him.

Joe had turned his life around. He had pulled himself out of his long pattern of revolting against authority and was living a productive life. Several months after he was booted out of the Marines, Joe signed up for high school classes and he began reading constantly. Two years later he graduated with a 99 average. He went on to go to the University of California at Santa Barbara and was elected his senior class president. He graduated magna cum laude. He contacted the Marines and told officials there that he felt he had a blemish on his life and he wanted to make it right. He was allowed to reenlist and became a platoon leader and was given an honorable discharge after he had served his two years.

Time magazine described Joe's valedictory speech as the "year's most moving graduation address."

When asked about his turnaround, Joe said, "Once I'd made up my mind, it wasn't too tough."

And when asked about the inner change he had certainly gone through, he said, "[I] guess you could call it an inner resolution. I was just sick of being a failure." — adapted from The Guideposts Pocket Book of Inspiration, edited by Norman Vincent Peale

A fishing story

famous editor returned from an angling expedition in Colorado. One of his friends asked him how the fish were in those parts. The editor answered, "Well, I can't really say for sure. I kept dropping them lines every day—but there was never a reply."

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— adapted from Laughter Incorporated, by Bennett Cerf

On getting old

You know you're getting old when the candles cost more than the cake.

— Bob Hope

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On airplanes

Why don't they make the whole plane out of that black box stuff.

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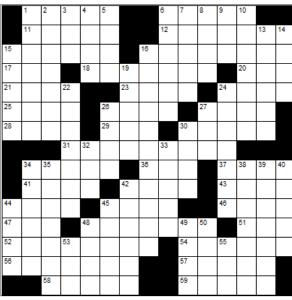
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- 17. American Medical
- Association
- 18. Surround completely
- 20. Golf ball support
- 21. Scottish lake
- 23. Codlike fish
- 24. Streetcar
- 25. Leg joint
- 26. Anger
- 27. Unit of paper
- 28. Burn the surface of
- 29. Before, in poetry
- 30. Gelatin
- 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









DOWN

- 1. Windflower
- 2. Greek goddess of
- healing 3. Assist
- 4. Algonquian Indian
- 5. Deserve
- 6. Golf shot
- 7. Delete
- 8. Moral weakness
- 9. Estimated (abbrev.)
- 10. Indifferent
- 13. Smooth
- 14. Abound

- 15. Speaks
- 16. Scourges
- 19. Small trout-like fish
- 22. Female protagonist
- 24. Early

- 26. Coral formation
- 27. Crimson
- 30. Quick short straight punches
- 32. Chill (out)
- 33. Desert watering holes 53. Clobber
- 34. Pick

- 35. Bareheaded
- 38. Common solvent
- 39. Wave
- 40. Marsh plant
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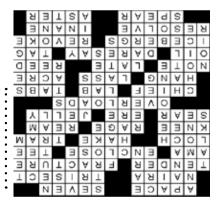
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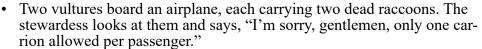


October Crossword



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Puns to ponder





- 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. "Because," 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

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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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.

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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.

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