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PARADISE ISLAND UPDATE

Pat Walker, Association President

I realize that I am no longer young, but time certainly seems to be speeding up – how can it be autumn already --- what happened to summer? I do however have fuzzy images of debilitating heat floating around in my brain and remember questioning if it would ever end. With the onset of autumn, hopefully it has. Now, of course, it's the threat of hurricanes that has taken up residency in my head taking over the space that rising temperatures used to occupy. Speaking of hurricanes, our eternal gratitude to the Indian spirits who continue to protect us in Lake Haven as Idalia passed us by with minimal damage. But not so blessed was the area around Perry, Florida which suffered untold damage. Our thoughts and prayers are with those who lost homes and businesses as their lives are forever changed.

The “season” as we old-timers call it, is upon us; the few remaining resident “snowbirds” will soon be winding their way south to escape the sleet and snow in their home states. Their arrival sparks new life into the park as they are here for fun and frolic and remind us why we moved here – the leisurely coastal life style. However, when we made the decision to live full time in Florida many of us were unaware that Florida is the lightning capital of North America or that the warm water that encompasses us creates a magnet for hurricanes and waterspouts. Oh well, no earthly place is perfect.

Peggy Lyter please take a bow – your Sloppy Joes were delicious. Preparation was not as easy as it would have been if I had been in charge as I would have opened a few Manwich cans and added hamburger. But not you, you made the sauce from scratch then stood over a hot stove stirring and stirring that delicious concoction for hours while the flavors blended. If that were not enough, you were the first one on your feet to help clean up – could we clone you?? To everyone who helped set-up and prepare the food, and especially to Bob & Jeanie Schauer who are always the first ones in the kitchen to clean-up, we are grateful - you are a treasure to us. It was a great Labor Day event – thanks for sharing it with us.

In September we gave rebirth to Hot Dog Night - the first one since prior to the pandemic. Thank you for supporting this event – and those who hung around afterward were treated to the first karaoke event of the season hosted by that dynamic duo CC & John Corley. A fun night.

In October monthly Association Meetings begin for Park 1. All Park 1 (aka Paradise Island) residents are invited to attend these meetings held in the clubhouse on the first Saturday of each month through May. There is a meet-and-greet social period with coffee and donuts from 8:30-9:00AM; the meeting starts promptly at 9:00AM and includes an update on planned activities as well as a discussion of relevant park concerns. If you are a new resident this affords a perfect venue to become acquainted with your neighbors.

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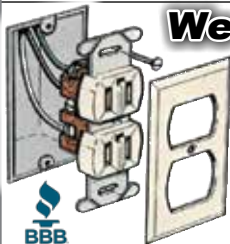


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Carol Zapiecki, Clearwater, FL



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As of the publishing deadline date, not all October events have not been finalized so be certain to check the Lake Haven Happenings Facebook page for any late-breaking announcements.

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting and at the potluck dinner.

WARNING: Be on the alert, horrid looking aliens traveling by broomstick have been spotted on a flight path leading directly to Dunedin and are predicted to arrive on October 31. Rumor has it they are demanding treats and if you don't have one available the consequences are severe. Run for your life!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

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Residents have received the annual rent increase letter from the corporate owner, Equity LifeStyle Properties. As previously reported the HOA has appointed a five-member team to negotiate this increase and is confident they will have a positive impact on the increase amount.

The monthly HOA board meeting is October 19 in Park 1 clubhouse. This meeting is open to home owners from 10:15-10:45AM for the board directors to respond to questions or issues concerning Lake Haven Park.

New treadmills have been ordered for the exercise facility, and the HOA has provided the office with a listing of free-weights that were available prior to the pandemic and asked they be replaced.

Please ensure that you do not put broken/unwanted furniture, electronic devices or construction material in the dumpsters.





Park 3 Guana Cay

President: Robert Peacock

October is here already, the bewitching time of year. Watch for the Witches of Dunedin to come out and showcase their awesome ritual. The VFW will be hosting their annual golf cart decorating contest in their parking lot on October 14th with a Halloween party to follow. The reason they can't sponsor a parade is they can't provide protection on the streets with law enforcement declining street protection. Watch for Octoberfest fun at all the local breweries as well.

Park 3 will be hosting a Halloween costume party with music by DJ John Corley on Saturday, October 28th. Check your tubes for details soon.

On a more serious note, our hearts and prayers go out to our neighbors to the north for disaster and flooding from hurricane Idalia. Hope they can rebuild and return to what they were before this first hurricane hit in that area for 70 years. We are in the peak of hurricane season with 2 more months to go. Please stay vigilant to weather reports and have emergency plans in place.

After a brutally hot summer, the temperatures should be starting to ease up and with that, it's time to tend to the yards. The 360 inspections have begun. Thank you to all of our residents for keeping everything looking nice. Great joint effort!

Continue to stay cool and hydrated during this extreme heat. Kids are back in school so please use caution and slow down in school zones. Also, it is definitely worth mentioning that the speed limit in the park is **15 MPH!** Please obey the limit, there is entirely too much speeding in this park!





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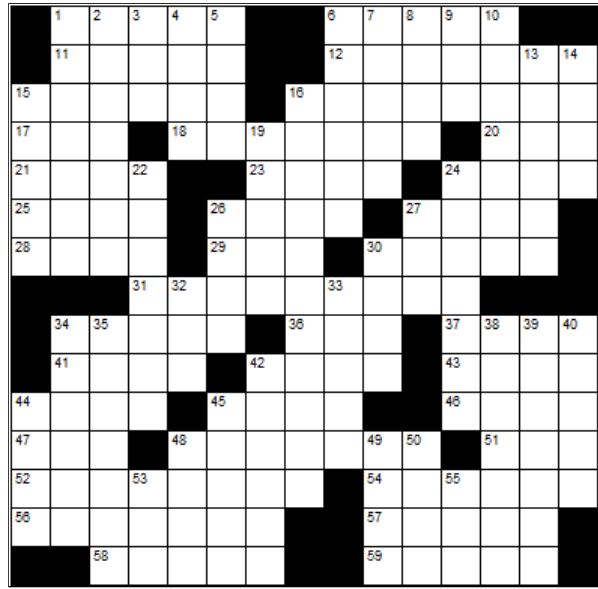
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ACROSS

- 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

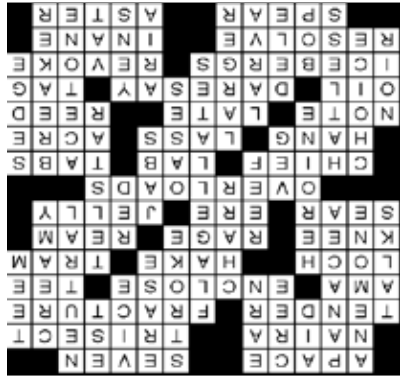


DOWN

- 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 communications satellite
- 26. Coral formation
- 27. Crimson
- 30. Quick short straight punches
- 32. Chill (out)
- 33. Desert watering holes
- 34. Pick
- 35. Bareheaded
- 38. Common solvent
- 39. Wave
- 40. Marsh plant
- 42. Bigger
- 44. French for "Black"
- 45. Stage between egg and pupa
- 48. Expunge
- 49. Diva's solo
- 50. Cravings
- 53. Clobber
- 55. Tank



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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.

National Mammography Day. Oct. 20. On this day, or throughout the month of October, radiologists provide discounted or free screenings. For more information, browse www.nbcam.org.

Make a Difference Day. Oct. 28. A national day of community service sponsored by USA Weekend magazine. For more information, browse www.makeadifferenceday.com.

Halloween or All Hallows' Eve. Oct. 31. An ancient celebration combining Druid autumn and Christian customs.



Get into the flow



Here is a principle about money to keep in mind. Money must flow. It must be like the blood that circulates in your body. To keep it, to hang on to it, stops the flow. If you want your money to grow, you must keep it moving. You must spend it and use it in the service of the world and of others. Otherwise, it will coagulate and become clotted. The flow will stop, and instead of being a healing power it will merely cause damage in the world.

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

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A doctor-recommended exercise

Here 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*

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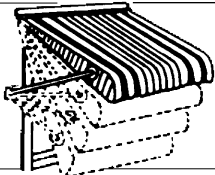
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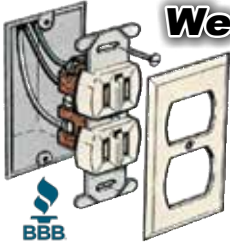
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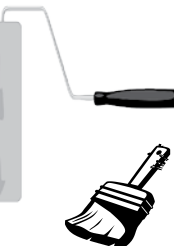


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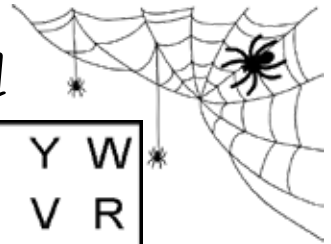
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Time magazine described Joe's valedictory speech as the "year's most moving graduation address."

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



Afamous 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."

— *adapted from Laughter Incorporated, by Bennett Cerf*

On getting old

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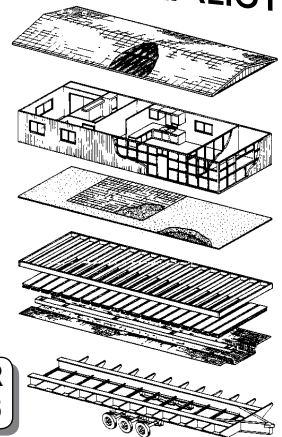
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Puns to ponder



- 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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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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- 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.

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