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OPEN BOARD MEETING: The December Annual Open Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 10:00 AM @ CH. All Lessees are invited to attend.

BULK TRASH PICKUP: The last Saturday of the month, December 30, 2023.

OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed December 25, 2023 & January 1, 2024 for the Christmas & New Year holidays.

DIAL DIRECTORY: Please submit any changes you have for the park directory to the office by the end of the year.

2023 PROPERTY TAX BILLS: Tax Bills were out as of November 1, 2023. If you have not received yours, please go online to pinellastaxcollector.gov

- ✓ Under the Property Tax menu click on Pay Your Bill
 - ✓ Enter your park address
 - ✓ Your name should come up, click on it
 - ✓ Either pay your bill, or scroll down and print your bill
- The bills are due no later than March 31, 2024.

HERON HALL: The Board of Governors weekly meetings are held on Wednesdays at 8:00 AM at Heron Hall.

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Matthew's will be mowing December 5 & 19, 2023, weather permitting.

ACTIVITY CALENDAR NOTES

PARK WIDE YARD SALE: Saturday, December 2, 2023 from 8AM to 2PM.

- Residents can have items out on your own property
- Clubs can use the outside common areas
- All yard sale participants (both residents and clubs) are responsible for cleaning up and storing away or disposing of any unsold items by the evening of the day of the sale.



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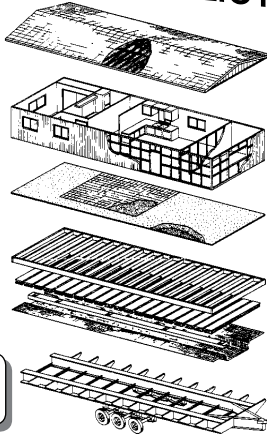
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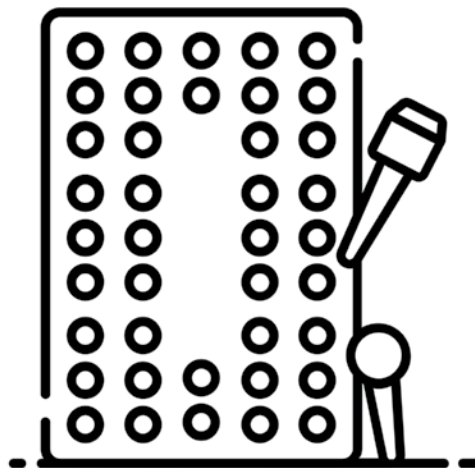
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Lisa Brand	7
Chuck Davis	5

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Bill Westerman	7
Marie Pelletier	4
Ray Jewell	4

10/18/2023	
Chuck Davis	6
Eva Szabo	6
Ray Jewell	6

10/25/2023	
Linda Jewell	7
Donna Reid	5
Mona Kirtland	5

5:30 PM @ CH \$5.00 FEE





DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1 Denise Foster	11 Steve Groh	18 Louis Vedrode
2 Debbie Ziegler	11 Michael Jariz	19 Patricia Fleck
3 Bob Fletcher	11 Darcia Lange	19 Fred Large
4 Charles Halker	11 Ed Muck	19 Gerald Stone
4 Madeleine Souliere	12 Susan Berton Malenka	19 James Waterman
5 Charlie Mason	12 Mike Martin	20 Thersa Stephens
5 Gary Murray	12 Mario Morra	21 Howard Chesley
6 Robert Arcand	13 Jean Cahill	21 Ann Perry
6 Jake Bubelis	13 John Cushing	23 Roberta Forseen
6 Bernie Lake	13 Roger Quandt	24 Joan Yarro
6 Alice Summers	14 Ronald Bennett	25 Carol Szumita
7 Brenda Gorseth	14 Lois Bruzek	26 Ron Gurney
7 Mike Surano	14 Susan Delorme	26 Carolyn Mc Gann
7 Norma Surano	14 John May	26 Karen Sullivan
8 Lou Lowery	15 Ellen Fletcher	27 Rosemary Papadopoulos
8 Bryan Marshman	15 Irene Krystallidis	28 Al Noel
9 Dorraine Beleno	16 Phil Blye	31 Linda MacKenzie
9 Linda Hirst	16 Noella Gallant	31 Laura McKenna
9 Cheryl Kuhn	16 Jane Jensen	31 Bill Mueller
10 Bonnie Carpenter	18 Scott Small	

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

	Brien & Carol Swartout	1969
1	Roger & Annette Thibault	1962
3	Slugger & Angela Labbe	1994
6	Rey & Arlene Houde	1966
7	Harold & Mary Parr	1973
9	Gary & Ruth Sproule	1977
11	Steve & Julie Plaia	1982
11	John & Tina Provost	2010
13	Al & Sara Noel	1969
18	John & Sherry London	2004
20	David & Linda Hirst	
27	Murray & Arlene MacNeill	1980
28	Wayne & Debbie Stott	
31	Bruse & Tammy Ferriero	2021
31	Al & Sue Malenka	2019
31	Nick & Sandra Maniskas	
31	Mike & Lois Wilson	1977



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ACROSS

- 1. It comes in a loaf
- 6. Cobras
- 10. Play parts
- 14. Spooky
- 15. Not the whole
- 16. The central part
- 17. American symbol
- 18. Request
- 19. Hint
- 20. Wealth and success
- 22. Peel
- 23. Rock
- 24. Little kisses
- 25. Pear type
- 29. Retaliated
- 31. Arithmetic mean
- 33. Resident
- 37. Befall
- 38. Born here
- 39. Expunction
- 41. Expunges



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DOWN

- 42. Thin
 - 44. Filth
 - 45. Select by voting
 - 48. Transfer
 - 50. Teller of untruths
 - 51. Devastation
 - 56. Put ____ words
 - 57. In the center of
 - 58. Insignia
 - 59. T T T
 - 60. Rubber wheel
 - 61. Drama set to classical music
 - 62. Makes a mistake
 - 63. Cards with one symbol
 - 64. Adjust again
- 1. Toot
 - 2. Backside
 - 3. Therefore
 - 4. Afflicts
 - 5. Ocean trenches
 - 6. Give permission
 - 7. Containing salt
 - 8. Make-believe
 - 9. Remain
 - 10. Licensed
 - 11. Infant's illness
 - 12. Torso
 - 13. Sows
 - 21. Knickknack holder
 - 24. Prison-related
 - 25. ____ Ruth, baseball legend
 - 26. Not under
 - 27. Bristle
 - 28. Move back and forth
 - 30. Universal
 - 32. No longer a child
 - 34. Tubular pasta
 - 35. Always
 - 36. Bird home
 - 40. Confined to certain regions
 - 41. Deciphers
 - 43. Craving
 - 45. Gentry
 - 46. Protective covering
 - 47. Consumer of food
 - 49. Work hard
 - 51. Information
 - 52. Adhesive strip
 - 53. Mid-month days
 - 54. Beast
 - 55. Tidy



December
Crossword

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December Monthly Holidays



- Art and Architecture Month
- Egg Nog Month
- Handwashing Awareness Month
- Hi Neighbor Month
- Learn a Foreign Language Month
- Made in America Month
- National Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month
- National Fruit Cake Month
- National Identity Theft Prevention and Awareness Month
- National Pear Month
- Procrastination Awareness Month
- Read a New Book Month
- Root Vegetables Month
- Safe Toys and Gifts Month
- Sign Up for Summer Camp Month
- Stress-Free Family Holiday Month
- Tomato and Winter Squash Month
- Tropical Fruits Month
- Universal Human Rights Month
- World AIDS Awareness Month
- Write a Friend Month



Weekly

- Hanukkah* (changes yearly and lasts for 8 days)
- National Handwashing Awareness Week (first week)
- National Influenza Vaccination Week* (typically first week)
- Tolerance Week (first full week)
- Human Rights Week (second week)

Daily

- December 23: Festivus, National Roots Day, National Pfeffernüsse Day
- December 24: Christmas Eve, National Egg Nog Day
- December 25: Christmas Day, National Pumpkin Pie Day
- December 26: National Whiners Day, Boxing Day, National Candy Cane Day
- December 27: National Fruitcake Day, Make Cut-Out Snowflakes Day





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Do we really want to have the Midas touch?

In modern times, the name Midas is associated with someone who has such good luck that everything seems to go his or her way—and they become rich without even trying. But the original meaning of the King Midas story was very different.

Midas was the king of Phrygia, according to Edith Hamilton’s classic book *Mythology*. Phrygia was the land of roses, and Midas maintained large, beautiful rose gardens near his palace.

One day, the old man Silenus wandered off from Bacchus’ caravan because he was intoxicated. The rotund and aging drunkard was found passed out in a bower of roses near the palace. The servants, having a little fun, bound him with garlands of flowers and crowned him with a wreath of roses and took him stumbling and looking ridiculous to King Midas as a great joke.

Midas welcomed Silenus and entertained him for two days. Then the king led the old man back to Bacchus, the god of wine and intoxication, where he belonged. Bacchus was so glad to get Silenus back that he told Midas that whatever wish he made would come true.

Without giving the matter any thought, Midas immediately wished that whatever he touched would turn to gold. Bacchus, being a god, of course, immediately saw the folly of the king’s wish, but granted it anyway.

Then Midas sat down at his table to take his dinner, but as he lifted his food to his lips he saw that it had become a lump of metal. Frightened, and beginning to suffer from hunger and thirst, he was forced to hurry off to Bacchus again and beg him to take the favor he had been granted back. Bacchus instructed the king to wash in the source of the river Pactolus and he would lose the fatal gift. The king did so, and that is why, they say, that gold was found in the bed of that river.

And what are we to take from this tale? Midas was not able to profit from his riches because he had committed a folly, which was just as fatal as sin. Even though the poor king meant no harm, he had failed to use his intelligence, and because of that he faced certain doom, had he not begged the gods to rid him of what he had asked for.

The story tells us that failing to use our intelligence can bring us to ruin just as quickly as wrongdoing. That being intoxicated with the so-called “riches” of our world can bring us down quickly, and the best course of action is to stop and think about the consequences of what we are about to ask or wish for.



On giving

Giving frees us from the familiar territory of our own needs by opening our mind to the unexplained worlds occupied by the needs of others.

— **Barbara Bush**

The habit of giving only enhances the desire to give.

— **Walt Whitman**



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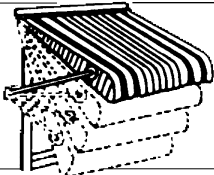
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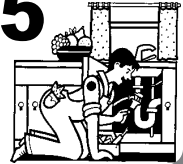
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Staying fit in old age keeps the brain sharp, study finds

A study published in the journal *Neurology* suggests that keeping physically fit in old age can also keep the brain functioning normally.

“Our study suggests that being physically active in old age could keep the brain fit,” says study author Boukje M. van Gelder.



Physical activity can improve blood flow to the brain and in so doing reduce the risk of dementia, stroke and cognitive decline. Activity could stimulate the growth of nerve cells in the hippocampus, the region of the brain involved in memory function. This could help the brain prevent further deterioration, because there is a “reserve” of nerve cells available.

The study included data on 295 men between the ages of 70 and 90, born between 1900 and 1920. The study began in 1990, and the men were tracked for physical activity and mental agility over a 10-year period.

Researchers found:

- Men who reduced their physical activity by an hour or more were 2.6 times more likely to suffer cognitive decline than men who maintained their activity levels.
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Researchers prove learning keeps brain physically fit

Researchers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have finally proved that when it comes to brainpower the lowdown is “use it or lose it.”



According to DrWeil.com’s Weekly Bulletin, rats that were put into a two-chambered box and then learned to avoid a darkened area through receiving unpleasant foot shocks exhibited strengthened connections among synapses in the hippocampus.

Weil says that even though this learning/brain health connection has been suspected for decades—that this evidence actually shows the physical change in the brain when learning takes place.

This is an important piece of evidence that learning keeps the brain physically strong.

On kindness

One kind word can warm three winter months.

— *Japanese proverb*

On winter

In the depth of winter, I finally learned that within me there lay an invincible summer.

— *Albert Camus*



December Word Search

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A: The Elf-abet!

Q: If athletes get athletes foot, what do astronauts get?
A: Missletoe!

Q: What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire?
A: Frostbite.

Q: Why was Santa's little helper depressed?
A: Because he had low elf esteem.

Q: Why does Santa have 3 gardens?
A: So he can ho-ho-ho.

Q: Where do polar bears vote?
A: The North Poll.

Q: What do you get when you cross an archer with a gift-wraper?
A: Ribbon hood.

Q: What kind of bird can write?
A: A PENguin.

Q: What do you call a cat on the beach at Christmas time?
A: Sandy Claus!

Q: How do sheep in Mexico say Merry Christmas?
A: Fleece Navidad!

Q: Why does Santa's sled get such good mileage?
A: Because it has long-distance runners on each side.

Q: What do you call a bunch of grandmasters of chess bragging about their games in a hotel lobby?
A: Chess nuts boasting in an open foyer!

Q: What did the ghosts say to Santa Claus?
A: We'll have a boo Christmas without you.

Q: If Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus had a child, what would he be called?
A: A subordinate Claus.

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How to throw a great party

Throwing a party is often a matter of the right combination of providing your guests relaxation and enough structure that they are able to enjoy themselves.

A savvy hostess knows that there are many ways to do this. Here are a few tips for throwing a winning party:

- Set the tone. If you really want everyone to relax and have fun make sure that you are completely organized, but, according to party-throwing expert Katie Brown, you might want to answer the door in your robe with your hair wrapped up in a towel to show people you are and getting ready to enjoy the evening without stressing out. Then go change for the party.
- Whatever you're going to serve, have it ready to go, and know how you're going to serve it. If it's sit down, you'll want to have the first course on the table before you call your guests in to sit down. If it's a buffet, round up some light help from your guests to do last minute preparations—they'll be relieved to be called upon—just don't ask too much of them.
- Accept all gifts graciously, but don't feel pressure to use what people bring immediately if you already have something else planned. Make sure you thank the person and emphasize you can't wait to try it tomorrow. If someone brings flowers, put them in a vase, but don't destroy the look of your table or room by giving them a central location (unless you want to and feel they will look good).
- Keep people talking and the conversation rolling. Don't let one person dictate what everyone talks about. You are the hostess and you can politely interject if someone takes over inappropriately or focuses on an inappropriate subject. Listen to what the person is saying and find a place to interject and segue into a new subject.
- See people out when they are ready to go, but don't linger at the door and ignore your other guests. You want to make sure everyone leaves feeling you truly enjoyed their company and that they added to the uniqueness of the evening.



The next time you panic — think on this

The origin of our word panic is derived from the Greek god Pan. According to the Merriam-Webster New Book of Word Histories, this lusty and musically gifted god was also known for giving great shouts that instilled fear into giants as they battled the gods. Pan was worshipped in Athens because it was believed that he instilled fear into the hearts of the Persians causing them to flee the Battle of Marathon. And that is where we get our word and idea of panic — any sudden and groundless fear.



You can have everything in life that you want if you just give enough other people what they want.
— Zig Ziglar

Some words to keep you hanging in...

When you're having a bad day, it might do your heart good to embrace the wise words of the beloved Benjamin Franklin (Bite-size Franklin, compiled by John P. Holms and Karin Baji). Here they are:



Diligence is the mother of good luck.

And

Little strokes, Fell great oaks.

Is your self-image ruling your life?

Deepak Chopra, in *The Book of Secrets*, says to be ruled by self-image is to exclude many feelings that we don't believe jibe with our imagined selves. This, he speculates, keeps reality at bay. Chopra says you are no longer ruled by self-image when:

- You let yourself feel what you feel.
- You stop being offended by things.
- You stop worrying about how a situation makes you look.
- You stop excluding people you feel inferior or superior to.
- You stop worrying about what people are thinking of you.
- You stop obsessing over money, possessions and status.
- You no longer feel the urge to defend your opinions.



Moving forward—without looking back

Fear can often get the best of even the very brave. Here's a story adapted from *Tales for Change* by Margaret Parkin, from whence comes the expression "burning the boats." It's a powerful story of facing change—and learning the lesson that sometimes it's best to push forward without looking back:

Cortez, the explorer, was born in Spain in 1485. At the age of 14, he made his way out into the world to study law—but his true ambition was to become a conqueror and explorer.

Cortez had many adventures in his twenties and thirties, and eventually he joined forces with another explorer, Diego Velasquez. Together the explorers hoped to achieve their goal of conquering the Aztec city of Tenochitlan.

Cortez set off with about 500 soldiers in the year 1519 and landed at a spot known as Veracruz. Soon the explorer realized there was talk amongst his men of turning back to Cuba—rather than facing the potentially hazardous journey ahead. The soldiers, in order to conquer Tenochitlan, would have to navigate 200 miles of jungle and swampland before attacking the city, which was surrounded by water.

Cortez knew that he was facing a possible mutiny, and so took the bold action of having all of his own party's boats burnt.

Cortez forced the men to choose to fight or die by taking away all hope of retreat.

Cortez's party went on to fight the Aztecs and conquer the fortress city.

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