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### **Summer Recreation Committee Members:**

Elaine Mackey Gina Douthit Fran Clark Debbie Douthit

### **Events**

Bingo Committee	
Darts League	
Fun Shuffle	
Golf	. Ron Tasior and Ed Richtmyer
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### **President's Report**

ello everyone!

By Tammy Davis #21

I would like to take this opportunity to discuss a few housekeeping items while you are enjoying your summer.



If you are interested in receiving electronic communications from the park, please request a consent form from the office and it will be emailed to you to complete. You must sign and mail the original back to the office. Legally, we cannot accept an email scan, fax, picture, etc. of this signed document.

Everyone should be aware by now that ProActive Property Management has acquired Progressive Management effective 6/1/24. Tony Falco will remain as our property manager.

To date, we have sold 11 units. You will see many new faces when you return to the park. As of this newsletter, we have no units for sale.

Enjoy your July!

### From the Editor's Desk

By Sue Bailey #188 Suebail999@gmail.com



hings are quiet here at Golden Acres. I counted and there are only 47 units of year-round residents in our park. Thank you to our Summer Rec Committee for planning fun activities for us remaining members during the summer

Many thanks to all of you that provided articles and pictures for this month's newsletter. As July approaches, here are some notable events to remember:

Monday, July 1st is Canada Day

Thursday, July 4th is Independence Day for the USA

So Happy Canada Day and Happy Fourth of July to all our friends and neighbors. Celebrate and enjoy!

Quote of the month "Every day brings new choices." —Martha Beck, life coach and author

Until next time,

May God bless and keep you well and safe...



### **Greetings From The Office**

By Karin Desmone #1

Office



lease welcome Alan Jewell and Denise Irwin #37 to the neighborhood. Congratulations and may you find lots of happiness, fun, and laughter at your new residence.

# **50th Anniversary 2025**By Paula Bunevith #202 & Kathy Schmitt #217



id you get married in 1975? If you did you will be celebrating your 50th Anniversary in 2025. We would like to celebrate this special occasion with you on Sunday February 9, 2025, from 1 to 3 pm in our clubhouse. If you would like to celebrate, please contact one of us. Thank you.

# **Memorial Day** By Elaine Janes #216

Thank you to the Summer Recreation Committee: Fran Clark #47, Debbie Douthit #60, Elaine Mackey #59, and Gina Douthit #55, for hosting a Red, White, and Blue Memorial Day Dinner. Afterwards, Gina Douthit read a prayer and Deb Farris #28 played Taps.









# **SUB-FLOOR & FLOORING EXPERTS!**

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epending on your age and other factors, your health care provider may order tests that measure:

- Blood glucose (sugar): To help diagnose diabetes or see whether you're at risk for diabetes
- Blood lipids (fats): To assess your risk for heart disease and related conditions. These tests measure levels of lipids called cholesterol and triglycerides.
- Blood cell counts: To help diagnose many diseases, including infections, cancer, and bleeding disorders. These tests measure the types of cells that carry oxygen and fight diseases.
- Organ function: To make sure organs like your liver, kidneys, and heart are working properly.
- Specific blood-borne diseases: To look for diseases like HIV and hepatitis C, which may not cause symptoms until after they've started to damage the body.
- Vitamin deficiencies: To measure levels of vitamins in the body. These aren't usually recommended for healthy people. But if you have symptoms of some health conditions, your doctor may order tests to look for low levels of some vitamins.

### **Shady Contractors Can Hammer Away at Your Wallet**

By Sue Bailey #188 as an AARP Fraud Watch Fighter Free Helpline at (877) 908-3360 or https://www.aarp.org/benefits-discounts/all/aarp-fraud-helpline/



#### **How It Works**

- Uninvited contractors show up at your door after a bad storm causes damage.
- Or they may say they were working in the area and noticed a problem with your home that they can fix.
- They may offer you a deal on leftover materials to redo your driveway.
- And they may claim that today's rate will not be the same as tomorrow's, urging you to act quickly and pay up front.

### What You Should Know

- Be wary of any contractor who shows up uninvited and can start immediately. The good ones are usually too busy to search for work.
- It's a red flag if a contractor pressures you to make immediate commitments or demands cash payment up front.
- If the weather damaged your house, shady contractors and scammers may try to persuade you to sign over the insurance payment to them.



• Or contractors may offer financing, encouraging you to take out a home equity loan or reverse mortgage and arrange for the lender to pay them directly. This leaves little incentive to finish or do the job properly.

#### What You Should Do

- Take time to consider your options.
- Always get multiple bids (typically at least three) and insist on recent references.
- Check contractor reviews on social media sites and the Better Business Bureau (BBB), and make sure businesses are licensed by your state's licensing agency.
- Get a written contract, and read it carefully before signing.
- Don't pay the full amount for the project up front. Though a deposit may be required, it typically should not exceed a third of the total estimate.

### **Active-Duty Soldiers to Remember**

Please take a moment to offer a prayer of thanks and remembrance to all those who help to protect our way of life. Keep them in your prayers until they return safely to their loved ones.



Adam Coburn (British Army), Nephew of Mildred and David Todd, Lot #2.

Damien Fitzpatrick (Tech Sgt. USAF) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.

Sean Fitzpatrick (Major US Army) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.

Reid Forster (Master Corporal with the 4th Royal Canadian Regiment) son of Dave Forster & Colleen Collins #128

Tim Joy, US Army Special Forces Green Berets, Fort Bragg, NC - Nephew of Jack Terry, Lot #141.

Daniel Jones (US Navy) Grandson of Carol Diniz, Lot #25.

Matthew Jones (US Navy) Grandson of Carol Diniz, Lot #25.

Brian Karhoff (US Army LTC) Son of Nancy Karhoff, Lot #67. (note a change in rank)

Colleen Terry, US Navy, Petty Officer 3rd class, Naples, Italy - Daughter of Jack Terry, Lot #141.

John Wilson (PFC lst Class USMC) Iraq – Grandson of Jean Key, Lot #138.

So that we might get to know these courageous soldiers better, I would like to add their pictures to this section. Please forward any photos to Sue Bailey suebail999@gmail.com

For changes to the list of soldiers, please contact Sue Bailey suebail999@gmail.com

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# **Birthdays and Anniversaries** *By Norma Moore #54*

### **Golden Acres July Birthdays**

We want to mention all those who are celebrating this month and send them our very best wishes.

Rosalynne Frabotta	July 2
William Erickson	July 2
Gerald Karlnoski	July 3
Nate Cerbelli	July 4
Rita Sheire	July 4
Maureen Perry	July 5
Diane Hetu	July 8
Michael Symak	July 12
Maria Wittenbols	July 12
Robert Eckland	July 13
Kim Germann	July 13
Gerry Kavanagh	July 14
Cheryl Taylor	July 15
James Zweifel	July16
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Todd Hollenback	July 18
Richard Sezbenski	July 19
Gail Tasior	July 19
Mario Spadafore	July 20
Nigel Drane	July 21
Mary Capone	July 23
Patricia Cockerill	July 23
Gilles Prescott	July 24
Terry (Dawg) Long	July 25
James Whitney	July 28
Robert Brewer	July 31

### **Golden Acres July Anniversaries**

John and Kathy Burke	July 1
Kevin and Pam Purssell	July 1
Steven and Susan Toner	July 9
James and Mary Stewart	July 10
Norm and Barbara Sanford	July 13
John and Kathy Cobb	July 15
Richard and Ann Marie Zakala	July 17
Gary and Beverly Collins	July 19
Ed and Jean Morin	July 22



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25	26	27	28	29	30	31		
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						14	Indoor Exercise 8am Aqua Fit 10:30am	
						21	Indoor Exercise 8am Aqua Fit 10:30am	
						28	Indoor Exercise 8am Aqua Fit 10:30am	

# **Golden Acres**

luesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	Aqua Fit 10:30am	Indoor Exercise 8am	5 Aqua Fit 10:30am	6
9	10 Aqua Fit 10:30am	Independence Day  11 Indoor Exercise 8am	Aqua Fit 10:30am	13
16	Aqua Fit 10:30am	Indoor Exercise 8am	Aqua Fit 10:30am	20
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If someone you meet online needs your bank account information to deposit money, they are most likely using your account to carry out other theft and fraud schemes.

#### Tips for Avoiding Romance Scams:

- Be careful what you post and make public online. Scammers can use details shared on social media and dating sites to better understand and target you.
- Research the person's photo and profile using online searches to see if the image, name, or details have been used elsewhere.
- Go slowly and ask lots of questions.
- · Beware if the individual seems too perfect or quickly asks you to leave a dating service or social media site to communicate directly.
- · Beware if the individual attempts to isolate you from friends and family or requests inappropriate photos or financial information that could later be used to extort you.
- Beware if the individual promises to meet in person but then always comes up with an excuse why he or she can't. If you haven't met the person after a few months, for whatever reason, you have good reason to be suspicious.
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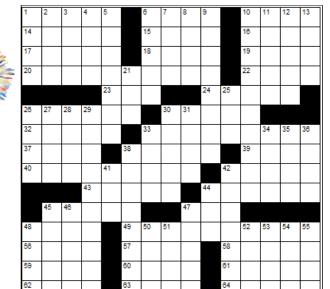
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#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Like many a superhero
- 6. After-bath powder
- 10. Food thickener
- 14. Companionless
- 15. Dwarf buffalo
- 16. Hint
- 17. Sows
- 18. Agreement
- 19. Piece of identification
- 20. Bleeder's disease
- 22. Ages
- 23. Paddle
- 24. Committee
- 26. Recluse
- 30. No longer a child
- 32. Electronic letter
- 33. Unhappy facial expression
- 37. Pesky insects
- 38. Place into the soil
- 39. Behold, in old Rome
- 40. Make free from bacteria
- 42. Exclamation of contempt
- 43. Avoid
- 44. Busts
- 45. Donkey sounds
- 47. Mister
- 48. Alumnus
- 49. Abstainer from alcohol
- 56. Abominable Snowman
- 57. Celtic language
- 58. Battery terminal
- 59. Primary
- 60. Ascend
- 61. Hollow out
- 62. Dirty air
- 63. Exude
- 64. Terminated



#### **DOWN**

- 1. Money
- 2. Away from the wind
- 3. Verse
- 4. Prefix meaning
- "Within"
- 5. Pillage
- 6. Snouted animal
- 7. Nitpicky to a fault
- 8. Hubs
- 9. Siege weapon
- 10. Having no diacritical 35. Cheat
- 11. Dirty look
- 12. Ear-related
- 13. Communists

- 21. Cap
- 25. Beer
- Female chickens
- 27. Broadcast
- 28. Assess
- 29. Misinterpreting
- 30. Astound
- 31. Banquet
- 33. Slipped
- 34. Reflected sound
- 36. Stitches
- 38. Wall coatings

44. Life story 45. European freshwater

overland

- 46. Relative magnitudes
- 47. Precipitous
- 48. Workout rooms

41. Climbing vine

42. Carry a boat

- 50. A Great Lake
- 51. Being
- 52. Any minute
- 53. At a high volume
- 54. Border
- 55. Marsh plant



July Crossword





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### **Perspective is everything**

nce, a man who had had a very long day made his way to the train. Along the way, he dropped his brief-case, stepped in gum and had to wait in a long line just to get through the turnstile. When he got on the train, it was crowded and hot because the air conditioning system was not working.



This man was usually a very kind and reasonable man, but on this day his nerves and tolerance were wearing thin. At the first stop the train made, a young woman who was talking very loudly on her cell phone boarded.

People talking loudly on cell phones happened to be one of the man's pet peeves and considering that he'd already had a rough day, the blaring voice was really bothering him. He thought back to how the day had started. His boss had questioned his competence — and it had all been downhill from there. He was fed up with his boss not trusting him. Maybe he would start looking for a new job.

His getting-a-new-job fantasy was interrupted when the young woman practically screamed in his ear, "I need to know. I need to know right now."

Because the man was not in the greatest mood, he internally rolled his eyes at what the woman was saying. "What could be so important?" he thought to himself. She's probably in a fight with her boyfriend and she wants to know if he's been cheating on her. The man closed his eyes and took refuge in dreaming about the day he would turn in his resignation—and the shock and regret with which it would be met. He even allowed himself a delicious moment of allowing his boss to beg him not to go.

However, the man was once again drug from his reverie by the woman loudly declaring into the device "I need to know. I need to know right now."

The man was ready to explode now. He was going to tell the silly woman to keep it down. Who did she think she was anyway, acting so ignorant on the train? Who didn't know how rude it was to talk loudly on cell phones in public these days? Even the Transportation Authority had launched a campaign of clever signs reminding people how annoying this could be. Yes, he would say something. She deserved it for trampling all over his fantasy of his boss begging him not to leave. She deserved it for being loud and obnoxious. He was going to let her have it. It was going to be great.

Just then the train pulled into a stop and a young man boarded and saw the woman. He threw his arms around her, and with tears streaming down his face he buried his face in her shoulder.

"The hospital just called," he said. "She's stable."

On speaking and silence
Sometimes it seems that people hear best what we do not say.
— Eric Hoffer

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### **Headlines: Sometimes weird and embarrassingly obvious**

According to PoynterOnline Multimedia Editor Larry

Larsen, the following headlines have actually appeared on news stories. Here are a few of his favorites:

- Woman found dead with arrow in head
- Three cheers for Spears' rear
- Flying moose lands on car's roof
- Police chief fries thief
- Chong gonged for selling bongs
- First ever pooper scooper powwow
- Kraft: Who cut the cheese?
- Snowstorms may be precursor of winter
- Bombs are frightening, SA human shield says
- Police find body in cemetery
- Flaming car with body inside "suspicious"
- First-time exotic dancers should avoid the pole
- Minnesota's population aging faster than predicted
- Girl gives frozen metal pole a lickin', her tongue keeps on stickin'
- Authorities seek flasher—police: Man typically wears no pants
- Activist upset by Girl Scouts in Alaska who trap, skin beavers
- Police: Man slashes friend in argument over who has hairiest buttocks
- Grits argument turns violent
- Experts sniff out why Uranus gas is silent but violent

### In the 'it's not as easy as it looks on TV' category...

The Victorville, Calif., Daily News recently reported a burglary gone wrong ("Burglary attempt backfires," by Katherine Rosenberg). A would-be burglar and his accomplice decided they would rob a store. And in a brilliant move, one of the criminals decided he would use a gun to burglarize a cell-phone store that closed at about 1 a.m. The owner of the store said one of the burglars decided he was going to "Jesse James" the lock, or shoot the metal lock out. As bad luck would have it (for the criminal, that is), the bullet ricocheted off the lock and slammed into the man's chest. While the bullet did not puncture the skin of the gunman, the security camera did catch a not so pretty picture of the incident: The bullet angled off the lock, thumping the man in the chest and knocking the air out of him causing him to vomit on the spot.

On regret

My one regret in life is that I am not someone else.

— Woody Allen





# July Word Search











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### A roadside mystery

man was walking alongside a road when he saw a car come swishing by and run over a rabbit who was hopping across the road.

The man was surprised when the car pulled over and a man got out carrying an aerosol spray can. The driver proceeded to walk back to the rabbit, leaned over and sprayed the entire contents of the can onto the rabbit.

To the observer's great surprise, suddenly the rabbit twitched, and slowly pulled itself from the road, shaking itself as if to wake up. Then the rabbit began to make its way down the road, but after a few hops, it turned around and waved. Then the rabbit turned back to its path but it stopped again after a few steps and turned around once more and began waving wildly. The rabbit continued in this way until he disappeared over the horizon.

Befuddled and scratching his head the observer watched as the man who had sprayed the rabbit, tossed the can alongside the road and got into his car and drove away. Curious, the observer walked to the can and picked it up. The label read: For hair restoration and permanent wave. As retold from *Good Clean Jokes*, by Anna Kostick, Charles Foxgrover and Michael J. Pellowski.

### A look into the brilliant mind of a CEO

CEO was standing in front of a shredder looking vexed as a young executive happened by.

"Darnit, the CEO said. "This is really important and my assistant

is gone. Do you know how this stupid machine works?"

"Sure," said the young executive. He turned the machine on and held the paper against the opening so that the machine grabbed on to the sheet and started to pull it through.

"This is great," said the CEO. "I just need one copy." As retold from the Office Diversions Web site.

### On yoga

I was in yoga the other day. I was in full lotus position. My chakras were all aligned. My mind is cleared of all the clatter and I'm looking out of my third eye and everything that I'm supposed to be doing. It's amazing what comes up when you sit in that silence. "Mama keeps whites bright like the sunlight, Mama's got the magic of Clorox 2."



— Ellen DeGeneres

A mind to admire

He had a mind so fine that no idea could violate it.

— T.S. Eliot (on Henry James)



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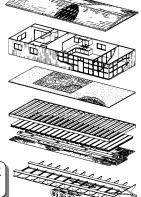


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