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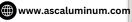


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# **Message From Vice President**

Stain. The pool pump house was flooded twice and they had to replace the pool pump and two sump pumps. The pool had been closed several time during the last two months. "It's been a challenge!" Residents had a pizza party in August and there is a spaghetti dinner planned for September 28th. Myra and Jack Sonneborn, Pete Palmieri and Joe Orofino will provide music to dance, sing and sway to.

### **All Residents**

For those of you who participated in the Tie Down program this summer, your Certificate is available in the office for pick up.



# **LAST call for Colonial Village Directory Information!**

The information for a Colonial Village Directory is now being assembled in final form for the printer. If you wish to have your information included in the directory and you have not emailed the information to me, called me with the information or signed up on one of the forms at Colonial Village office or the one emailed. Please email me or call me with your information before September 15, 2024. I need your name as you wish to have it printed in the directory, the state you are from when you are not in Colonial Village, your lot number, and the telephone number(s) you wish to use. You may list two cell phone numbers but list the one you want used in CV first.

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We want as many residents as possible to be included in this directory so please take a moment to send your information. If you are not sure I have your information send it to me. It is better to have the information twice than not at all. If you do not want to be included in the directory, simply disregard this and you will not be listed.

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Thank you, Susan Collins



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# **Urgent-September 28 Deadline – Cruise Costs Increase**

onnie St. Pierre, Unit#101, urgently advises folks interested in cruising on the January 26, 2025 Celebrity Constellation Ship to reserve as soon as possible and before September 28th. She was advised by our travel agent that the prices will go up substantial after that date Those rooms we do not reserved will be returned to the 'open market' at an increased price. Any question, contact Connie at conniestpierre@gmail.com or Agent Karen at 727-290-499 or ksaltarelli@cruiseplanners.com.

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January 26 – Boarding, lunch and sail away into the sunset at 4 PM

January 27 – Cruising and enjoying onboard activities and entertainment

January 28 – Roatan, visit the west end beaches and tour the island

January 29 – Belize City, visit Mayan ruins, cave tubing, zip lining, chocolate

January 30 – Costa Maya, visit Mayan ruins, sand beaches, authentic Mexican

January 31 – Cozumel, shopping, beaches, water activities, island tours

February 1 – Cruising, enjoy the onboard activities and entertainment

February 2 – Tampa, arriving at 7 AM

Decks 7, 8 and 9, Stateroom Types with pricing for two people, taxes included, range from \$2,279.58 to \$3,227.58. Deposits are \$250 per person (\$500 per stateroom) and are refundable up until October 27, 2024, when final payment must be paid. Travel Insurance is available through Celebrity for American residents. Allianz Travel Insurance can be quoted for Canadians.

# Park Rules - To All Residents and Your Guests

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- 8 Brian Shumaker, Unit #25
- 9 Betty Clarke, Unit #67
- 12 Grace Hiscock, Unit #54
- 21 Tony Foster, Unit #171
- 25 Bill Andrews, Unit #145
- 27 Leona McNeil, Unit #161
- 29 James Garrison, Unit 49



# **Residents' October Anniversaries**

- 4 Eros and Evelyn Fudge, Unit #28
- 15 Harold and Barbara Burton, Unit #122
- 28 Will and Barbara Johnson, Unit #125



# **Residents' Favorite Restaurants**

everly and Eran Kennedy, Unit 94, My kitchen – low sodium meals and Country Pizza.

Chuck Pinkston, Unit #56, Logan's Steakhouse, Outback Steakhouse, Acropol Family, Burger King for 50 cent coffee with free refills.

Coleen Ford, Unit #59, Finley's

# Thank you for your prayers

ammy Bradish, Unit #135, advised us that Richard Bradish received his new heart on their 1st year anniversary-August 18th. He is doing very well. "God is so good and prayers answered. We feel blessed."

# **Meet Long Time Residents**

ames and Judy Evans, Unit #1 and previously Unit #2, are snowbirds from Indiana for the last 15 years. They had friends in the park who recommended they come to live. They enjoy the friendliness and activities including the frequent Friday Coffees, and know it is one of the better parks around. Jim lifts weights and plays poker. Judy plays cards '65' and her hobby is art. Their favorite sport is football.

Willard and Barbara Johnson, Unit #125, started looking at Florida for their retirement home before they were married. Barbara worked for 27 years at Honeywell and Alliant Tech in Minneapolis as a secretary before retiring. In 2009 Will retired after 32 years at Graco, Inc.

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in Assembly Inspection, Production Control and Product Planning. He was very active in the Junior Chamber of Commerce in MN. Before Will and Barbara were married, Will had a son and he had three granddaughters, now 22, 17 and 8 years old; and a grandson. Will and Barbara have a have been married for 35 years as of October 2024; and knew each other since they were teens. Will and Barbara have a daughter Amanda and a 2 year old aby granddaughter who they enjoy spoiling. Amanda attended pharmacy school at University of SD and graduated in 2017 with In 2011 Barbara's folks decided to live in Florida after selling their Minnesota home. In 2012 Will and Barbara decided to move into CV and replace the unit with a new home. Immediately Will became involved with heling to find owners for 14 unit being sold in the park for two years by interviewing potential residents. In 2011 he was selected to become the president and served 7 years as a director. While president the revamping of the electrical grid was the prominent project the park needed at that time. The next major project was refreshing the pool exterior with pavers. He credits the work of the many involved volunteers for the success of the park's projects. Will and Barbara were very involved in the park activities during his tenure and while Barb's parents were alive. Where Barb participated, mom participated too. Barb's pet peeve was dirty salt and pepper shakers in the club house which she kept clean. Her sister Kathy Carter and brother-in-law Steve St. Orge have lived in Unit 113 since 2022. Barbara was the caretaker of her folks for years. Her hobbies were bowling (since 1 years old) and continues to make her own jewelry which she sells at craft shows. Will's hobbies were hunting, golfing 4 days a week and bowling. They were participants on a league in MN. He continues to bowl with several CV residents. He loves inside house painting.

# **Residents' Recipes**

### **Peach Pretzel Salad**

Submitted by Barbara Roos, Unit #58

### **Pretzel Crust**

Mixed together and press into a 13" x 9" inch baking dish.

2 ½ C Crushed Pretzels

3 TB Powdered Sugar

3/4 C Melted Butter

Bake at 350 for 10 minutes. Cool completely before adding the gelatin mixture.

# **Peach Gelatin Layer**

Mix together and pour into the baked cooled crust

2 1/3 C Boiling Water

1 6 oz Box of Peach Gelatin

4 C Sliced Peaches

Refrigerate, covered for about 2 hour



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### **Tips for Avoiding Romance Scams:**

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**Harvest Cake** 

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2 eggs 2 tsp baking soda

1 tsp vanilla 1 tsp salt

1 C chopped walnuts 1 tsp cinnamon

1 tsp salt
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Beat eggs. Add oil and vanilla. Add flour and liquid mixture. Stir in walnuts.

Bake in greased and floured angel food cake pan for 1 hour at 350. Frost with plain white icing and sprinkle with additional chopped nuts.

# 2 Ingredients Pumpkin Cake

Mix together 1 15.25oz box Spice Cake Mix and 1 15oz can pumpkin. Pour into a 9"x 9" greased baking pan. Bake at 350 for 20-25 minutes. Cool completely. Spread 1 can cream cheese frosting mix over the cake.

# **5 Delicious Facts About Ice Cream**



By Kristina Wright. InterestingFacts.com/delicious-facts-about-ice-cream

S. ice cream manufacturers produced 1.3 billion gallons of ice cream in 2023 and the average American consumes around 5 gallons (or 25 pounds) of ice cream each year. But the U.S. isn't the only country with an ice cream obsession. No matter what it's called — gelato in Italy, dondurma in Turkey, kulfi in India, or sorbetes in the Philippines — there's no end to the delicious and imaginative variations on this versatile treat.

# Ice Cream Is Thousands of Years Old.

It's hard to pinpoint the exact origins of ice cream, but treats made from snow have been popular for thousands of years. Alexander the Great and the Roman Emperor Nero were both said to enjoy snow flavored with sweeteners, including honey and fruit juices, while biblical passages refer to King Solomon enjoying "a snow-cooled drink at harvest time." Dairy-based desserts, meanwhile, seem to have first developed in China during the Tang dynasty (618 CE to 907 CE). In the summer, Chinese nobility enjoyed milk ice, a treat made from a rice milk paste normally used to make rice pudding, and snow gathered from the mountains. Ancient records also describe a process of fermenting buffalo, cow, or goat milk that was then thickened with flour and flavored with camphor oil before being placed in metal tubes and frozen in an ice bath.

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### A Woman Invented the First Hand-Cranked Ice Cream Maker.

Ice cream was served in the American colonies as early as 1744, and Thomas Jefferson is credited as the first known American to write down a recipe for it, but it took almost a century for someone to come up with a more efficient process of making it. In September 1843, Nancy Johnson received the first patent in the United States for an appliance to make ice cream. Johnson's Artificial Freezer included similar components to manual ice cream makers of the time, with a lidded metal container fitted inside a larger pail and room for ice and salt to be placed in the space between the two containers. But Johnson revolutionized the design by including an exterior hand crank connected to interior perforated paddles. When the hand crank was turned, the paddles scraped the insides of the ice cream container, which not only reduced the prep time and labor involved in old-fashioned ice cream making, but also improved the texture of the final product.

# Ice Cream Consumption Surged During Prohibition.

In 1920, Congress enacted the Volstead Act, thus enforcing the 18th Amendment and instituting a federal ban on the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages. Prohibition, driven by decades of organized efforts on behalf of the temperance movement and the Anti-Saloon League, dealt a devastating blow to the alcohol industry but led to a surge in ice cream consumption. While many businesses didn't survive the 13 years of Prohibition, some companies got creative and shifted to producing other goods, from nonalcoholic beer to ceramics. Breweries had large refrigeration facilities, which made it practical for them to pivot to the production of dairy products — including ice cream. Ice cream production helped companies such as Yuengling, Anheuser-Busch, and Stroh Brewery Company weather the economic storm of Prohibition while satisfying the nation's growing demand for frozen treats.

# There's a Scientific Reason Ice Cream Doesn't Refreeze Well.

Ice cream is an emulsion — a mixture of liquids that don't normally combine together (similar to oil and vinegar) — that manages to combine due to its frozen state. The small ice crystals that develop when ice cream is blended are surrounded by air bubbles and fat, which is what gives ice cream its light and creamy texture. When ice cream melts, its molecular structure deteriorates and the ice cream destabilizes. This means those tiny ice crystals dissolve, releasing their stored sugars, and the air bubbles escape as the fats and proteins thin out, reverting to their liquid form. Melted ice cream that has been refrozen won't return to its original consistency because of the loss of air bubbles and the formation of larger ice crystals with fewer sugars. The end result is a harder ice cream that may be icy, grainy, and not as sweet.

# New Zealand Ranks No. 1 in Ice Cream Consumption.

Americans are known to love their ice cream, but when it comes to ice cream consumption, the U.S. ranks second to New Zealand, whose citizens annually enjoy an average of 7.5 gallons of ice cream per person. Vanilla is the most popular ice cream flavor in both the U.S. and New Zealand (as it is in most countries), but chocolate takes the No. 2 spot in the U.S., while



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# Here is the brighter side of those golden years.

Source: Interestingfacts.com. Author Darren Orf

As our bodies age, they naturally become more susceptible to a variety of illnesses and maladies — but migraines are the rare exception. Migraines often first develop in adolescence, and while both sexes are affected, women are three times more likely to develop migraines compared to men (often due to a fluctuation of estrogen levels). However, the frequency of migraines eventually peaks at the age of 40 and actually gets *better* as we enter our golden years. Stress and hormones are the most common triggers for migraines, and these two factors usually affect older people with less severity. That said, pain, smoking, and alcohol can still contribute to migraines in seniors, and although migraines generally subside with age, they are still the second-most-common headache disorder in older people (after tension headaches). One in 10 older adults still experience them about once a year.

### We Sweat Less.

As we age, our skin loses collagen, gets thinner, and presses our sweat glands close to the surface of our skin. This process is a bit of a double-edged sword. On the one hand, because these glands are squeezed, it's harder for sweat to come out of our pores, meaning older people sweat less overall. This may be a check mark in the "pro" column for personal hygiene, but it does come with a few negative side effects. With a reduced ability to sweat, older adults can have trouble regulating temperature during strenuous exercise or excessive heat. Sweat also plays an important role in healing, as it helps stimulate wound closure in skin cells. Thankfully, a lifetime of physical fitness helps slow down this process so you can sweat long into your golden years.

# Our Hair Doesn't Actually "Turn" Gray.

One of the hallmarks of aging is that our lifelong hair color begins to turn gray, or in some cases, white. Although an entire industry is built around hiding this fact, human hair isn't actually *turning* gray so much as no longer supplying the pigments necessary to produce color. This occurs when hydrogen peroxide builds up after wear-and-tear on the hair follicles. That blocks the normal synthesis of melanin, which is responsible for all shades of hair color.



# Older Adults Are Happier Than People in Their 20s on Average.

Panic disorders are also reported as less common among older cohorts compared to younger people, and developing a panic disorder later in life is a rarity.

# Older People Requiring Less Sleep Is a Myth.

Another myth about getting old is that as we age, humans need less and less sleep, somehow magically subsisting on six hours or less when we enter our senior years. The truth is that the amount of sleep a person needs is only altered during childhood and adolescence as our bodies need more energy to do the tough work of growing. Once we're in our 20s, humans require the same amount of sleep per night for the rest of their lives (though the exact amount differs from person to person). In fact, the elderly are more likely to be sleep-deprived because they receive lower-quality sleep caused by sickness, pain, medications, or a trip or two to the bathroom. This can be why napping during the day becomes more common as we grow older.

# Some of Our Bones Never Stop Growing.

The common perception of human biology is that our bones put on some serious inches in our youth, and then by the time we're 20 or so, nature pumps the brakes and our skeleton stays static forever. While that's true of a majority of our bones, some don't quite follow this simplistic blueprint. A 2008 study for Duke University determined that the bones in the skull continue to grow, with the forehead moving forward and cheek bones moving backward. Unfortunately, this imperceptible bit of a facial movement exacerbates wrinkles, because as the skull shifts forward, the overlying skin sags.

The pelvis also keeps growing throughout your life. Scientists analyzing the pelvic width of 20-year-olds compared to 79-year-olds found a 1-inch difference in width, which adds an additional 3 inches to your waistband. That means our widening in the middle as we age isn't just about a slower metabolism.

# Pupils Get Smaller As We Age.

While our hips get bigger, our pupils get smaller. The human pupil is controlled by the circumferential sphincter and iris dilator muscles, and as we add on the years, those muscles weaken. Because of this loss of muscle function, pupils get smaller as we age, and are also less responsive to light. Smaller pupils make it harder to see at night, so people in their 60s need three times as much light to read comfortably as people in their 20s. Reading a menu in a dimly lit restaurant? Forget about it. Other eye changes include an increased likeliness of presbyopia, or farsightedness (which can often be resolved with readers), and cataracts, or a clouding of the eye's lens. In fact, half of people over the age of 80 will have experienced a cataract of some kind.

# Noses and Ears Don't Keep Growing, But They Do Droop.

While a common myth purports that our ears and nose continue to grow as we age (while the rest of us generally shrinks), that's not *entirely* true. Like most other parts of our body, our ears and nose stop growing once we're in adulthood, but the constant tug of gravity over the decades causes these cartilage-filled features to droop over time. This constant pull actually causes the collagen and elastic fibers in our ears and nose to elongate, and this lengthening,

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combined with surrounding facial structures losing overall volume, often produces the illusion of growing ears and noses as we age. This elongation is a slow and steady process; studies have shown that ears can lengthen some 0.22 millimeters a year. Interestingly, the process is so precise that you can discern a person's age just by measuring their ears.

# Older People Have a Stronger "Immune Memory".

Although the body experiences some slowing down as we age, growing old isn't all bad news. Researchers from the University of Queensland found that older people had stronger immunities than people in their 20s, as the body keeps a repository of illnesses that can stretch back decades. This extra line of defense begins to drop off in our 70s and 80s, but until then, our bodies generally just get better and better at fighting off disease due to biological experience. Additionally, as we age we experience fewer migraines, the severity of allergies declines, and we produce less sweat. Older people also exhibit higher levels of "crystalized intelligence" (or what some might call "wisdom") than any other age group.

# **Seven Interesting Facts About Bette Davis**

By Fiona Young-Brown. Interesting Facs.com/bette-davis-facts

s the star of *The Little Foxes* (1941), *Now Voyager* (1942), and *All About Eve* (1950), Bette Davis was one of the biggest names of the classic Hollywood era. Yet she was not your typical leading lady, often playing outspoken and even unsympathetic characters. This beloved icon, with her instantly recognizable heavy-lidded eyes, had a career that spanned almost 60 years.

# Better Davis Started Her Career on the Stage.

Bette Davis got her start on the stage after developing an interest in acting at a finishing school, Cushing Academy in Massachusetts. However, when she applied in 1928 to take classes in New York with renowned director and actress Eva Le Gallienne, the latter rejected her as "a frivolous little girl." She then became a star pupil at John Murray Anderson's dramatic school and joined a stock theater company operated by George Cukor, who would later direct dozens of Hollywood hits. In 1929, she earned rave reviews for the Broadway hit *Broken Dishes*. The following year, a scout for Universal Studios saw her in *Solid South* and invited her to screen test.

# Bette Davis Failed Multiple Hollywood Tests.

Her first Hollywood screen tests did not go very well. Davis arrived in Hollywood with her mother, but the studio representative sent to meet her at the train left because he claimed not to see anyone who looked like an actress. A movie executive watched one screen test and announced she had no sex appeal. In others, she was rejected because of crooked teeth. Universal eventually offered her a contract, but she was given small, forgettable roles. Davis was preparing to return to New York when Warner Bros. offered her a contract — and then she was on her way to stardom.

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# Bette Davis Fled the U.S. and Was Sued by Warner Bros. Studio.

Strong-willed and frustrated with male starts getting better opportunities, in 1936 she fled to UK, made two films, returned to Hollywood and got a new contract with Warner Bros Studio.

### Bette Davis Had a Famous Feud With Joan Crawford.

They co-starred in "What Ever Happened to Baby Jane", (1942). The on-screen loathing of one another continue in real life.

### Bette Davis Shares the Record for Most Consecutive Award Nominations.

Davis is one of two actresses with five consecutive Academy Award nominations. She shares the honor with Greer Garson, who beat Davis to win for *Mrs. Miniver* (1942). In 1962, she became the first person to have been nominated for 10 Oscars, a feat surpassed only by Meryl Streep, Katharine Hepburn, and Jack Nicholson. A write-in campaign for her part in *Of Human Bondage* (1934) adds another, unofficial, nomination. She won the Best Actress Award for *Dangerous* (1935) and *Jezebel* (1938). A win for *What Ever Happened to Baby Jane?* would have made her the first three-time winner in a non-supporting category.

# Davis Was the First Woman to Receive the American Film Institute Life Achievement Award.

In 1977, Bette Davis became the fifth (and first female) recipient of the Life Achievement Award from the American Film Institute. The award is given to a performer "whose work has stood the test of time." In announcing her as the winner, the AFI said, "She is that rarest of creatures — the consummate professional." By the 1970s, she was still doing some movies, including *Death on the Nile* (1978). She was also taking more television roles. Davis continued to act through the 1980s, despite a stroke and breast cancer. Her final role was with fellow Hollywood veteran Lillian Gish in *The Whales of August* (1987). Davis died in France years later.

# **What Neil Armstrong Brought to the Moon**

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# Did you know NASA didn't really spend millions of dollars developing a pen that could write in space?

By Mchael Nordine. Interesting facts.com

The oft-cited myth contrasts NASA's supposed approach with that of the Soviet Union, who are said to have simply given their cosmonauts pencils. American astronauts did likewise, though NASA wasn't always thrilled about it — pencils are flammable, and their tips breaking off could lead to damage on sensitive equipment. The so-called space pens actually came from the Fisher Pen Company, which offered its AG-7 "Anti-Gravity" pen to NASA in 1965. None of the investment money came from the government, however, and astronauts and cosmonauts alike ended up using the writing tools at a cost of \$2.39 per pen.

# The Surprising material used in the Great Wall of China

By Tim Ott. Interestingfacts.com/facts/the-great-wall-of-china-was-built-with-porridge-in-the-mortar

raversing thousands of miles across eastern Asia, the Great Wall of China has stood as a symbol of the country's military and technological know-how for more than 2,000 years. And thanks to a team of scientists at Zhejiang University, we now know that the secret to its legendary endurance is ... sticky rice soup?

As explained in Accounts of Chemical Research in 2010, the scientists stumbled upon this discovery while examining mortar samples from the Great Wall and other long-standing Chinese buildings. They realized the mortar was an unusual composite created from slaked lime and congee, the former a heated type of limestone exposed to water, and the latter a pudding-like rice porridge commonly eaten throughout Asia. When combined with the lime's calcium carbonate, a complex carbohydrate in the congee known as amylopectin helped stymie the development of calcium carbonate crystals in the mortar, resulting in a compressed structure that gave the ancient barrier the strength to withstand earthquakes and bulldozers.

While not invented until around the fifth century CE, well after the initial parts of the Great Wall were raised, the sticky rice-lime mortar was used for the well-preserved sections that remain from the Ming dynasty (the 14th through 17th centuries). Which all goes to show that along with fueling the diet of a country of 1.4 billion people, this simple porridge packs enough power to keep historic structures upright through all sorts of human- and nature-instigated onslaughts.

**Facts**: The length of the Great Wall, per a 2012 Chinese government report, is 13,171 miles. The maximum daily visitors allowed at the Badaling section of the Great Wall is 65,000. In 1987 The Great Wall was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site



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# Did you know architects are exploring the possibilities of building with salt?

Porridge isn't the only kitchen product used to build magnificent structures, as salt is capable of surprising results in that capacity as well. The concept of salt-based buildings is actually a pretty old one: First-century Roman dignitary Pliny the Elder wrote of seeing "towers built of square blocks of salt" in the Middle Eastern city of Gerrha, while 14th-century explorer Ibn Battuta described the salt mosques in the African village of Taghaza. Of course, the mineral was mainly prized in antiquity for its food storage and preparation capabilities, while its propensity to dissolve in water presented sustainability problems. Nevertheless, modern builders are increasingly hungering for salt as a versatile environmentally friendly component of the construction and design processes. Given its widespread availability, it may not be long before salty projects like Bolivia's Palacio de Sal hotel go from novelty dish to main course as architectural innovations continue to evolve.

# Candy bars skyrocketed in popularity after WWI

By Michael Nordine. Interesting facts.com

orale boosts were hard to come by during World War I, but one thing was sure to get the job done: chocolate. In America, the military chocolate tradition dates all the way back to the Revolutionary War, when the cocoa-loving George Washington included the treat in his soldiers' rations. For our frenemies across the pond, every soldier received a King George Chocolate Tin in 1915; U.S. WWI rations were solicited from chocolate companies in 20-pound blocks, then cut down and hand-wrapped. Doughboys and Tommies (slang for U.S. and U.K. WWI soldiers, respectively) brought their sweet tooths home with them, and confectioners were happy to oblige. Candy bars became massively popular in the decade following World War I — more than 40,000 different kinds were produced in the U.S. alone by the end of the 1920s. These regional specialties began to die out following the one-two punch of the Great Depression and the outbreak of World War II, when Hershey's was commissioned to create more than 3 billion ration bars for the U.S. Army. They've remained an industry titan ever since, and still claim the highest market share of any American confectionery by a sizable margin.

**Facts**: 400 cocoa beans are required to make one pound of chocolate. There are 2500 beans on the average cocoa tree. 70% of the world's cocoa supply comes from Africa. Chocolate sales in 2020 was \$27 billion.

Fact: White Chocolate isn't really chocolate.

Because it doesn't contain chocolate solids, white chocolate isn't technically chocolate. What it does contain is extracted cocoa butter, vanilla, milk products, sugar, and lecithin. While purists may bristle at calling it chocolate, many wouldn't hesitate to call it delicious.

**Fact**: M&M stands for Mars and Murrie, the last names of the company founders –Forrest Mars, Sr and Bruce Murrie

# Hawaii was the first U.S. state to have two official languages.

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ost states don't recognize any language as an official tongue. Yet Hawaii has officially recognized two state languages — English and Hawaiian — since 1978. Hawaiian Lis a Polynesian language with just 13 letters, and was the main language spoken in the Pacific island chain long before it became a U.S. state. However, as in many Indigenous communities that experienced forced assimilation, by the late 19th century Hawaiians were often prohibited from using their own language. The first ban on speaking Hawaiian schools appeared in 1896, three years after the U.S. became involved in overthrowing the Hawaiian monarchy; two years later, English became Hawaii's official language when the islands became a U.S territory on August 12, 1898. By the 1960s, activists began fighting to preserve parts of Hawaiian culture they feared were slipping away, including music and dance, but most importantly the Hawaiian language. Their efforts were rewarded in 1978 when the state constitution was amended to make Hawaiian an official language; the move also gave weight to many legal documents that were originally drafted in Hawaiian before it was banned. Then, in 1990, nearly 100 years after Hawaiian was first banned in schools, the U.S. government passed legislation help support language learning and the preservation of Hawaiian and other native tongues. Today, many Hawaiians attend immersion schools to study the language, and a survey in 2016 found that about 18,000 people speak the language, along with English, on a daily basis. Interesting – Alaska has 21 official languages!

### Facts:

Hawaii grows most of the world's pineapple.

The approximate distance between the US mainland and Hawaii is 2400 mile.

Hawaii was the 50th state, joined 1959

Hawaii's smallest island is uninhabited.

There are five volcanos in Hawaii and Maui. Major island in the Hawaiian archipelago.

Hawaii became a U.S. state on August 21, 1959.

**Facts**: Did you know Australia is the only continent in the world without an active volcano. Canada has more than 200 potentially active volcanoes, 49 of which have erupted the past 10,000 years (Holocene). All but two providences have volcanoes – Prince Edward Island and Manitoba. The most volcanically active country on Earth is Indonesia.













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Paradise Island Fall Flea Market October 12, 9am-2pm. 1001 Starkey Rd, Largo, 8 am early entrance \$1.00. Large selection of home goods, tools, furniture, linens, clothes, bake sale and more. Follow signs for clubhouse.

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OakCrest MHP 3rd annual craft fair. 10/19/2024, 9-2pm. Vendor spaces available. Call Jill 443-741-5304



### **EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

Regency Heights Carport Sale: Friday and Saturday, November 1st-2nd, 8am-2pm. 2550 State Rd 580, Clearwater.

Annual Craft Fair - Paradise Island - Saturday November 2nd 9-3 pm. Clubhouse, 1001 Starkey Rd. Largo. 80 plus Tables, Handmade items & Bake Sale

HOLIDAY BAZAAR. Saturday, 11/09/2024 9am-2pm. First Lutheran Church, 1644 Nursery Rd., Clearwater. All indoor craft show. Free admission. 217-251-4382 or jayneb1227@gmail.com

FALL BAZAAR Ranchero Village 7100 Ulmerton Road Hacienda Clubhouse. Sunday 11/10/24 from 11am-3pm. Crafts, baked goods, raffle baskets & more. Vendors: Rent a table for \$20. Contact: Donna Dahmm 309-263-2640 or RDDahmm@gmail.com

Craft Fair 11/16/24, 9 AM - 1 PM at Clearwater Cascade. Contact Jane Boucher 903-426-3636, janeboucher29@gmail.com

Serendipity Mobile Home Park Community Yard Sale. Saturday, November 16, 2024, 8AM-2PM. 29081 US Highway 19N, Clearwater. Drive around the park and check driveways for sales.

Palm Hill 2nd Annual Craft Fair. November 16th, 8-1. North Club House. Use North 8th Ave entrance. Outside crafters welcome. call John at 507-259-6934 after October 10th

> November Events

### **EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

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