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Paradise Island Update

Cheryl Mathews Park 1 President

Well April is here and we've already sprung forward. The Park 1 Board have met and are making plans for the year. If you have any suggestions on events please contact someone on the board. Cheryl Mathews #118, Vern Lusk #112, Peggy Lyter #149, Arlene Lueck #43. We are also in need of a Secretary. If anyone has a few hours a month to attend the Saturday meetings and help occasionally with events please let Cheryl or Peggy know.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our monthly meetings the first Saturday of each month, 9am. If you attend our meeting you will receive one free raffle ticket for our 50/50 at the potluck that night. Speaking of potluck I hope you didn't miss Peggy's wonderful Pennsylvania Chicken Pot Pie at our March Potluck. It was fantastic. We had a great turnout. 37 people came and ate Chicken Pot Pie and shared a dish and stayed to visit. This month's potluck will be spaghetti. We have the pleasure of Toni Lusk making her homemade Spaghetti Sauce. Make sure you sign up in the clubhouse. Reminder no potluck in May due to Kentucky Derby Night.

Please check the calendar in this month's happenings for all the fun events each park is putting on! In addition to Park 1's regular events Ladies Poker, Ladies Hobby, Mens Poker, Bingo & Potluck we will also have I Got It game April 18th. I got it was a success in March. We gave out over \$500.00 in winnings. Everything goes out, so come and bring your dollar bills.

I will be putting on a Scavenger Hunt for Easter. It will be the same as the St Patricks Day Scavenger Hunt. You will get your sheets in your tube. If you need extra they will be in the clubhouse. Fill out the form and drop it in the Scavenger Hunt Jar. A winner will be picked at our monthly meeting the first Saturday of the month.

I look forward to seeing everyone out and about attending a couple park functions.



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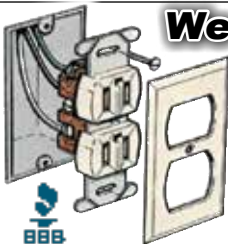


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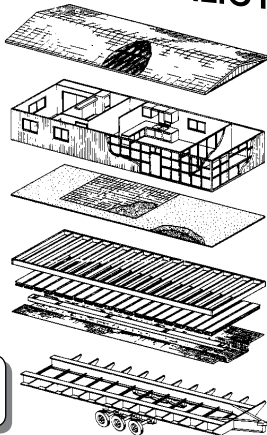
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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Adult themed Easter Egg Hunt April 19th...details to follow...watch for information in your tubes.**



Summer is fast approaching, no scheduled events throughout summer although you may see postings for pop-up events, so keep watching for any updates in the Monthly Happenings, Facebook Lake Haven Happenings Page and Postings in Park 2 Clubhouse.

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I am asking everyone for one GIANT favor that could have an impact on all of us and our ability to afford our lot rent in the future. The Florida legislature (House and Senate) have introduced bills in their respective committees that could help eligible mobile homeowners with financial assistance paying their lot rent. Please read the Lake Haven HOA section of this month's Happenings for more information on how you can make a difference.

April Sudoku

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Sharon Borrack	Park 1	Director
Lei Crance	Park 1	Vice President
Rich Crance	Park 1	Director
Rick Kastel	Park 1	Treasurer
Bobby Kawasaki	Park 3	President
Cheryl Mathews	Park 1	Secretary
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YOUR ACTION IS NEEDED!

As a community we have a rare opportunity to challenge our Florida legislature to finally address mobile homeowner concerns regarding increasing lot rents. Two bills have been introduced into the Florida legislature that every resident should encourage the representatives and senators that sit on the respective committees to support.

House Bill 701 and Senate Bill 1714.

The bill(s) will amend Chapter 420, Part VII, of Florida law to assist eligible mobile homeowners who own their homes that are placed on leased land with lot rent payments.

Lake Haven is an age-qualified community where most of the residents live on fixed incomes without the ability to increase their income. Increasing lot rents are forcing many of us to choose between paying our lot rent and basic needs.

We can use our voices to encourage the members of the committees to support approval and passage of these bills. This is not an unreasonable bill amendment. Mobile homeowners seek equal treatment with other homeowners in the State of Florida.

A simple email, phone call or both will go a long way towards making our voices heard.

The following is a sample email you can use to address each Representative on the House Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee or Senator in the Senate Community Affairs Committee.

“Dear Representative/Senator (representative’s/senator’s name):

My name is (your name) and I am a retired mobile homeowner in the City of Dunedin in Pinellas County. My home is on leased lot in an age-qualified community.

I am writing to you to ask for your support of (House Bill 701/Senate Bill 1714. This bill will provide mobile homeowners with the same rights as other Florida homeowners in Chapter 420.

In our community of over 370+ mobile homes it is becoming increasingly difficult for senior citizens living on fixed incomes to afford the lot rents that the mobile homes they own are on. The result has forced seniors to place priorities on basic needs, often having to forgo groceries and health care to afford their lot rents.

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Your support of this bill will level the playing field for mobile homeowners and protect senior citizens who have chosen this lifestyle to live out their retirement years.

Sincerely,
(your name)”

Here is the list of the names of the Representatives/Senators on each committee and their email address.

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1-4pm Park 2 Pooch Parade/Dog Show* 6	P1 Ladies Poker 6:15pm 7	P1 Ladies 9:30am P1 Mens 3:00 pm - 3*
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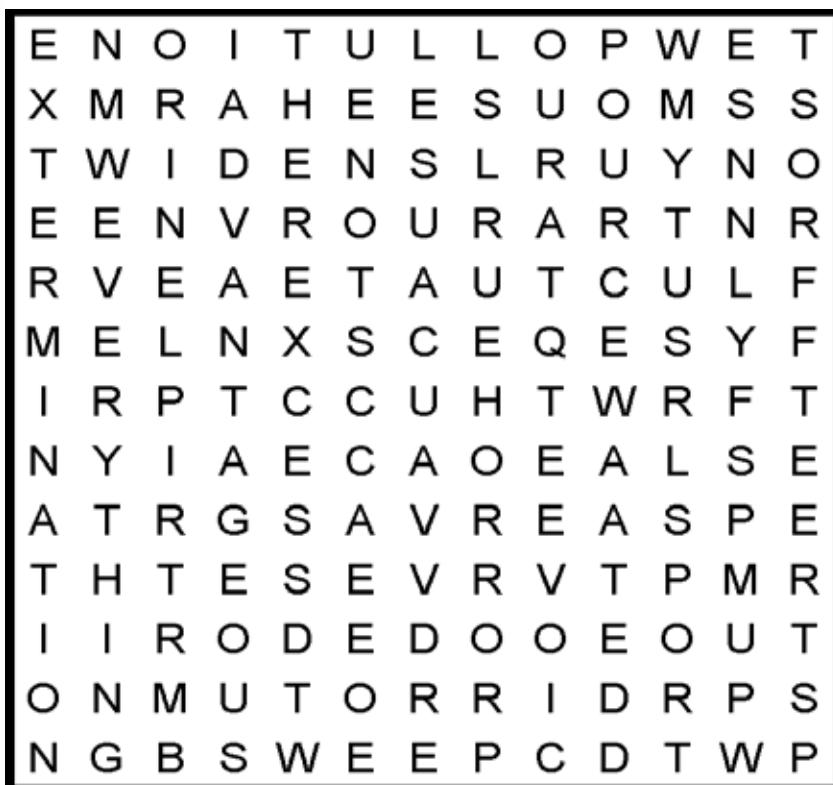
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April Major Holidays



April Fools' Day (April 1): A day for pranks and jokes.
Easter: Celebrated on different dates each year, often in April.

Passover: A significant Jewish holiday that often falls in April.

Ramadan: A holy month of fasting for Muslims, which sometimes includes April.

Daily Observances

April 2: World Autism Awareness Day

April 7: National Beer Day

April 15: Jackie Robinson Day

April 22: Earth Day

Weekly Observances

National Library Week: Celebrated in the second full week of April.

National Volunteer Week: Also typically in the second full week of April.

Monthly Observances

Autism Awareness Month

National Poetry Month

Stress Awareness Month

There are also many fun and quirky daily holidays, such as National Peanut Butter and Jelly Day (April 2), National Sourdough Bread Day (April 1), and National Hug a Newsperson Day (April 4)

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On nature

All things share the same breath — the beast, the tree, the human ...

What are people without the beasts?

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— Chief Seattle

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April Fools' Day

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Origins and History

- **Ancient Roots:** The exact origins of April Fools' Day are unclear, but it is believed to date back to ancient Roman and Celtic festivals that involved playful behavior and pranks.
- **Calendar Change Theory:** One popular theory suggests that April Fools' Day began in the 16th century when France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar. Those who continued to celebrate the New Year on April 1st, instead of January 1st, were called "April fools".

Traditions and Customs

- **Pranks and Hoaxes:** People play jokes on friends, family, and colleagues. These pranks can range from simple tricks to elaborate hoaxes.
- **Media Involvement:** Newspapers, radio, TV stations, and websites often participate by publishing fake stories or reports to fool their audiences.

Famous Pranks

- **Spaghetti Tree Hoax:** In 1957, the BBC aired a segment about Swiss farmers harvesting spaghetti from trees, which fooled many viewers.
- **Taco Liberty Bell:** In 1996, Taco Bell announced it had purchased the Liberty Bell and renamed it the "Taco Liberty Bell," causing a stir before revealing it was a joke.

Modern Celebrations

- **Global Participation:** April Fools' Day is celebrated in many countries around the world, each with its own unique twist on the tradition.
- **Digital Pranks:** With the rise of social media, many pranks now take place online, with companies and individuals sharing humorous and often believable fake news.

Absurdity

Absurd: A statement or belief manifestly inconsistent with one's own.

— **Ambrose Bierce**

On common sense

Common sense ... is very uncommon.

— **Lord Byron**

Judging by common sense is merely another phrase for judging by first appearances; and everyone who has mixed among mankind with any capacity for observing them knows that the men who place implicit faith in their own common sense, are, without any exception, the most wrongheaded and impracticable persons with whom he has ever had to deal.

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Hilarious Dogs vs. Giant Cheetos Bag

Another popular prank involved dogs reacting to a giant Cheetos bag. The playful and confused reactions of the dogs provided plenty of laughs.

Best Pranks of the Week

America's Funniest Home Videos compiled a series of the best pranks of the week, featuring jump scares, practical jokes, and laugh-out-loud moments. This compilation has been widely viewed and enjoyed.

Just For Laughs Gags

The Just For Laughs Gags channel released a compilation of pranks that went hilariously too far. These pranks, captured with hidden cameras, showcased some of the best reactions and funniest moments.

These pranks highlight the creativity and humor that people continue to bring to April Fools' Day and beyond.

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On delusion

She probably labored under the common delusion that you made things better by talking about them.

— Rose Macauley

On being a hero

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— Will Rogers

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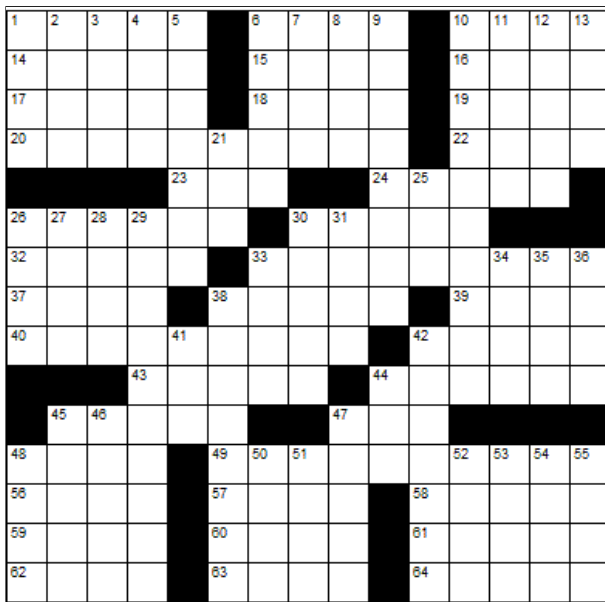
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29. A member of a council
30. Guided visits
31. Picnic insects
33. Hint
34. A certain cut of meat
35. Fee
36. Follow orders
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