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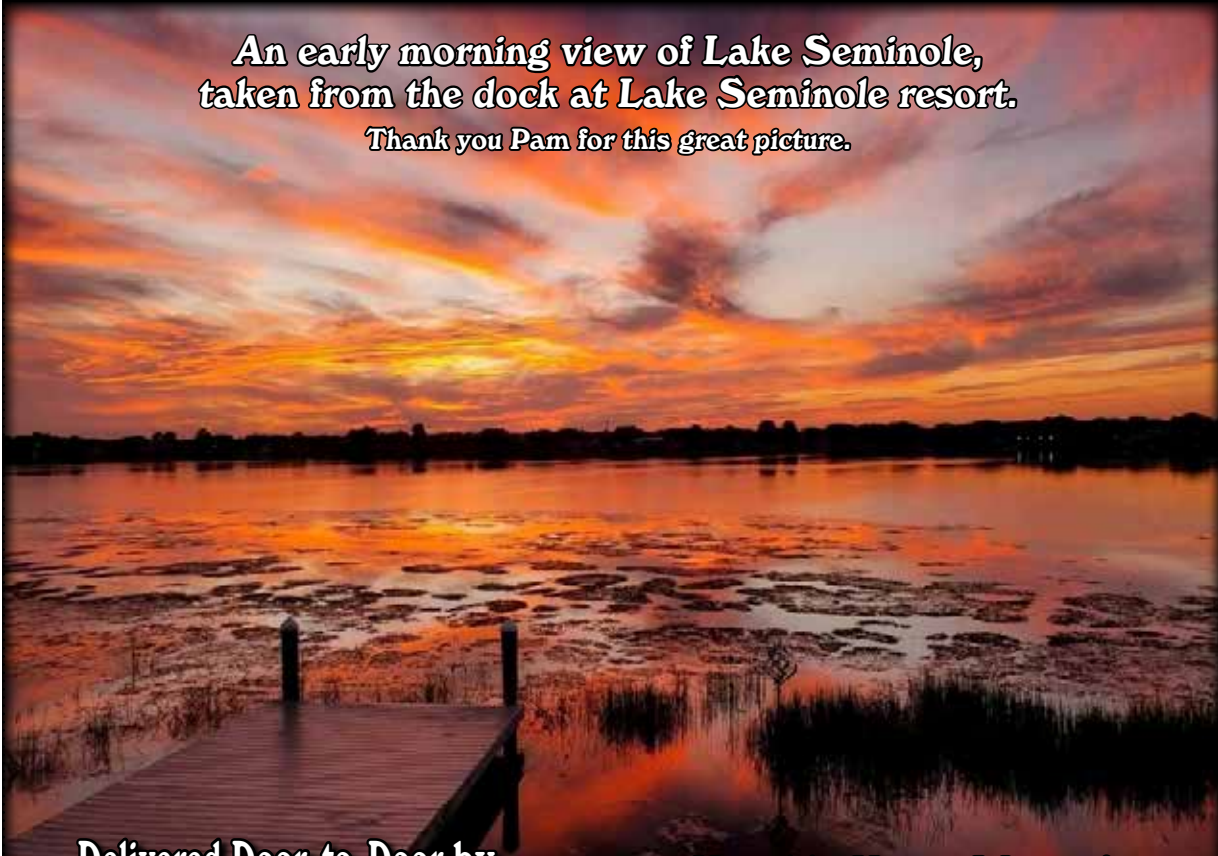
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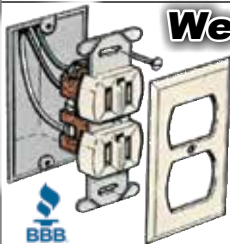


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RESIDENTS CLUB

Gisella Michael, President

Happy Thanksgiving everyone! I am very thankful for so many things this year. I am especially thankful that I have gotten to know so many wonderful neighbors. I am truly blessed to live in such a great community.

This is going to be quite a busy month for the community; Residents Club has so many different activities to keep you very busy and active for sure. I would also like to remind you that we are in voting season again this year. November the board will be presenting an amendment for the voting section of our bylaws. You will be presented with a copy of the old bylaws section on how current voting is done and a copy of the new amendment we're proposing. A vote will be taken on the new amendment at the November 3rd Residents Club meeting at 7pm, The new amendment will be posted on the bulletin board at the clubhouse alongside the current voting section of the bylaw October 19th for you to read in advance and per our current bylaws. The Nominations for officer positions can also be made from the floor at the November meeting as well. I hope to see you there.



HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Bob Campell, President

Hi everyone. The Month's Free Rent Fundraiser is going well but we still have a ways to go to reach the break-even point. Tickets will remain on sale up to our meeting on December 8, 2025. A \$10.00 ticket will buy you a chance at winning the \$872.00 cash prize (equivalent to our base monthly rent) which can be used as you see fit. We will be having a General Membership meeting on November 10, 2025 @ 7:00pm. At that meeting we will announce the names of nominees (if any) for the election (if needed) to the Director positions in January 2026.



ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Debbie Durban, Chair

It's hard to believe it's NOVEMBER already! The Fall season of events are in full swing. October was such a fun month. The Clubhouse Breakfast is back and we had a nice crowd Saturday morning. November is a month to give thanks and be great full for what we have. Be kind to your neighbors

November 1st. Carport Sale with hotdogs at the Pavilion. 8:00am.-2:00pm. (Held by Michelle Rudy & Darcie Smith)

November 3rd. Banana Split Bar 5:00pm. \$3.00 (fallowed by Residents Meeting)

November 3rd. Residents Meeting 7:00pm.

November 8th. Clubhouse Breakfast 9:00am.-11:00am \$7.00

November 8th. Private Party 2-7 pm

November 9th. Veterans Day Potluck Picnic at the Pavilion with DJ and Service honoring our Veterans. 11:00am. 3:00pm. Hotdogs \$2.00 Hamburgers \$3.00

November 12th. Show Me the Meat 7:00pm. \$10.00 to play all night. Snack bar opens at 6:30pm.

November 19th. Wing Night (wings 6/\$5.00 Fries \$2.00) 5:00pm. -7:00pm.

November 22nd. Party in the park with SEQUEL band, Food Trucks, Vendors, Bake Sale 12:00pm. - 4:00pm. Bring your chairs and enjoy .

November 26th. Thanksgiving TO GO Dinners Pick up 4:00pm. (You must have a ticket to pick up a dinner. Tickets were sold in October)



ADDITIONAL EVENTS

Jill Chambers

Free bingo party at the clubhouse
Dedicated Senior Medical Center is sponsoring a free bingo party on November 11 at 1 PM at the clubhouse. There is no charge and prizes are things we can use in our homes. This is for everybody in the park. And you do not have to belong to any of the medical groups and they will not try to sell you anything. Come out and have some fun.

Also coming up, Dedicated Senior Medical Group will also be sponsoring a second question and answer for Medicare 2026 on December 2 at 1 PM. There are quite a few changes in the Medicare program and this will be the last chance to learn about things you might need to change for your plan. The cut-off date for making changes in your supplemental plans is December 6. So, if you need help making decisions, good time to come and ask questions.

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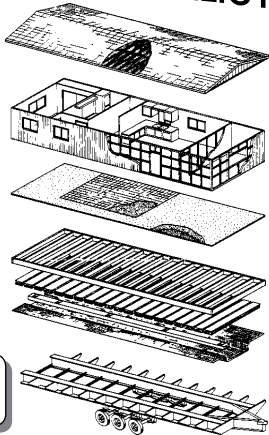
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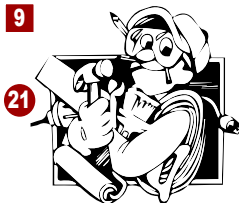
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BREAKFAST COMMITTEE

Laurie Stone, Chair

Last month's breakfast was amazing , well attended and everyone enjoyed visiting with their neighbors . Breakfast this month (only this month)Is going to be the 2nd Saturday of the month.

It is going to be on 11/8/25 . We are also going to change the time to 9-11 AM. Seems like 8:30 was kind of early for some . Hope this slight time change helps the not so early risers . Also back by popular demand the Breakfast sandwich. Hope to see you there !



NEED THE CLUBHOUSE?

If you would like to reserve part of the Clubhouse for a special or private event contact Gisela Michael at 727.326.7711



SCRABBLE GROUP

The Scrabble group will be gathering on Thursdays at 6 PM in the Clubhouse Lobby. If anyone would be interested in joining, please contact Sharon Smith at 727-251-4007.



MEDICAL CLOSET

Michelle Rudy

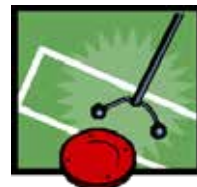
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Rita Gardiner



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2025 CHRISTMAS CARDS

Cathy Hargis



Happy Holidays everyone!

It is a tradition here at Oakcrest/Acorn, for those of you that are new to our community to pass out Christmas cards. This means a lot for some of the people here to receive a card from someone. It is the little things in life that can make someone's day or maybe even someone's Christmas. If you're thinking about sending your usual cards out this year, maybe think of sending an extra one out to that neighbor down the street. November 23rd, I will put a Christmas card box in the clubhouse on the back counter, please put your cards in the box and I will distribute them for you. I will need the name and lot numbers on the front of the envelopes. The deadline to have your Christmas cards in the box is December 1st. Thank you for your participation.



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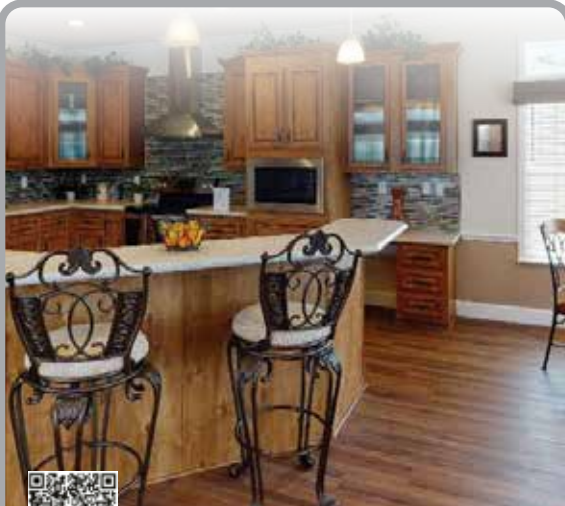
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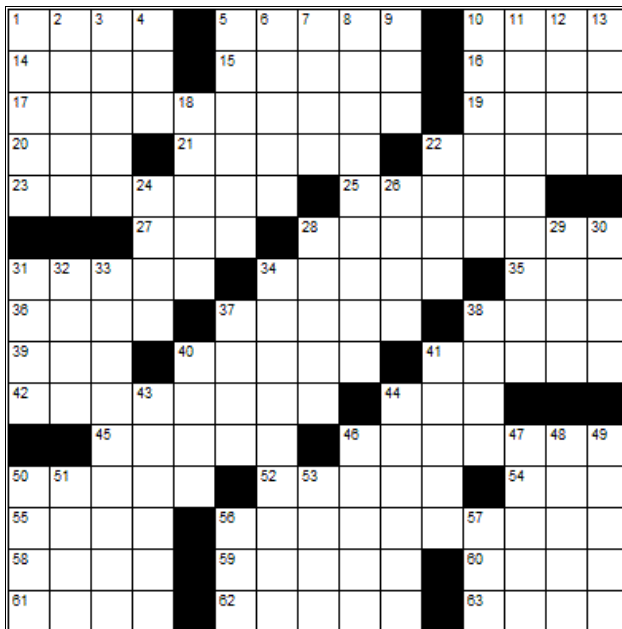
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5. Operatic solos
10. Money owed
14. Location
15. Dining room furniture
16. Margarine
17. Skidoo
19. Ice cream holder
20. Poetic dusk
21. Licoricelike flavor
22. Canvas shelters
23. Smiled contemptuously
25. Coming and _____
27. Donkey
28. Relax

31. Burn maliciously
34. High, low and neap
35. Orange pekoe
36. Salt Lake state
37. Fine thread
38. Female chickens
39. Bite
40. Shabby
41. Woman's undergarment
42. University
44. What we breathe
45. Angler's basket
46. Implore
50. Extraterrestrial
52. Tropical vine
54. 56 in Roman numerals
55. Backwards "Door"
56. Elephantine
58. Strike heavily
59. Coral island
60. Norse god
61. If not
62. Segments of DNA



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1. S S S S
2. Flax fabric
3. Redress
4. Not used
5. Makes amends
6. Fanatical
7. Nile bird
8. Supposedly
9. Behold
10. Instructor
11. Stetched
12. Not straight
13. Foot digits
18. Fen
22. Fastens
24. Every single one
26. Curved molding
28. Panorama
29. Care for
30. Not difficult
31. Bluefin
32. Ear-related
33. Voracious
34. Excite pleasurably
37. Disabled
38. German for "Mister"

40. Adolescent
41. Moon of Saturn
43. Scoop shovel
44. Chronicles
46. American symbol
47. Avoid
48. Utilize
49. Of very poor quality
50. Backside
51. Take it easy
53. Weightlifters pump this
56. Muzzle
57. Craggy peak





November Word Search



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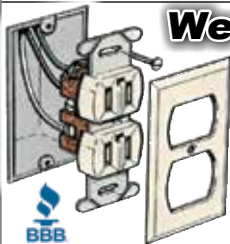
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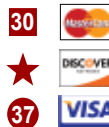
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American Diabetes Month. In the United States, 23.6 million people have diabetes—children and adults. That's 7.8 percent of the population. For years, the American Diabetes Association has used this month as an opportunity to communicate the seriousness of diabetes and the importance of diabetes prevention and control.

Epilepsy Awareness Month. More than 3 million people in the United States have epilepsy, and 200,000 new cases develop each year. The purposes of Epilepsy Awareness Month are to dispel common myths about the disorder, promote public awareness, and inform people with seizure disorders and their families about service programs and informational resources.

National American Indian Heritage Month. To honor the original inhabitants of North America and recognize the contributions American Indian and native Alaskan peoples have made to the U.S.

Peanut Butter Lovers' Month. Peanut butter is one of America's favorite foods, and it's found in about 75 percent of American homes. For more information and ideas, browse www.peanutbutterlovers.com.

Vegan Month. Just about every food made from dairy products or eggs has an animal-friendly alternative, with products easily available in shops and supermarkets. Go to www.veganmonth.com for information and ideas on cutting meat and other animal products out of your diet.

Weekly

National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week, Nov. 7-13. Sponsored by the Humane Society of the United States in 1996 to acknowledge and promote the invaluable role shelters play in their communities, and to increase public awareness of animal welfare issues and shelter services.

Kids Goal Setting Week, Nov. 9-12. The driving force behind National Kids Goal Setting Week is to give the parents, teachers, and coaches of the world some practical suggestions and ideas to help children set goals that will equip them to lead a life full of meaning and direction. For more information browse: www.goalsguy.com.

Geography Awareness Week, Nov. 14-20. Launched in 1987, Geography Awareness Week promotes the importance of geography education in the United States. Its goals: to draw attention to what geography is, why it is important, and how American citizens can ensure access to a robust geography education that prepares them to participate in global social and economic activities and to make decisions regarding people, places, and environments.

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How to carve your turkey successfully

A good Thanksgiving dinner is usually about the turkey. You don't have to be a surgeon to carve one correctly, but proper carving and slicing techniques will ensure you get the most meat from your bird and enable you to present an attractive meal to your family and friends.

Follow these simple techniques for successfully carving your holiday turkey:

- Let your 10-pound-or-bigger turkey stand at room temperature for 10 to 20 minutes after cooking and before slicing. This allows the juices to distribute evenly throughout the turkey. Netting and cooking bags are also easier to remove after waiting.
- Slice or carve the turkey on a sanitized cutting surface. Knives, pans, and covers should be sanitized, too. Resanitize boards and knives every 30 minutes. Wear disposable food-handling gloves while carving or frequently wash your hands thoroughly.
- Immediately after the 10 to 20 minutes holding time, carve the turkey into major sections (i.e., breasts, thighs, drumsticks, and wings).
- To serve turkey hot, place sections in pans. Cover with foil or plastic film to retain heat and moisture and to minimize the possibility of contamination. Hold at 140° F or higher in a hot holding device (a cabinet, steam table, or bain-marie). Your turkey should be at least 140° F when placed in the holding pans. The heating device will only maintain temperature. A maximum holding time of 20 to 30 minutes is recommended.
- Slice the sections into serving pieces, arrange them on a plate, and add garnish. Enjoy!



Quotes:

If the only prayer you said in your whole life was, "thank you," that would suffice.

—**Meister Eckhart**

What we're really talking about is a wonderful day set aside on the fourth Thursday of November when no one diets. I mean, why else would they call it Thanksgiving?

—**Erma Bombeck**

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Do you belong to ‘Team Coyote’?

In their book, *Beep! Beep! Competing in the Age of the Road Runner*, Chip R. Bell and Oren Harari discuss the messages we can learn from one of the most recognizable pair of antagonists around: Wile E. Coyote and the Road Runner. The authors describe two different cartoons:

In one, the coyote holds a medicine bottle labeled “Acme Hi-Speed Tonic—Contains vitamins R+P+M.” When he gives a spoonful to a small mouse, the rodent zooms around at jet speed. The coyote drinks the whole bottle and zips off after the Road Runner. But the Road Runner stops suddenly, sticks out his foot, and trips Mr. Coyote.

The second cartoon begins with a close shot on a box labeled: “One Acme Jet-Propelled Pogo Stick.” Wile E. removes the pogo stick from the box, switches it on, mounts it, and waits for the Road Runner. As the Road Runner races by, Wile E. begins bouncing up and down after him. But soon the coyote loses control of the stick and falls backward over a cliff.

“What these scenes show is that you cannot remain a coyote and expect to compete against road runners by simply copying their movements,” write the authors. “Sure, the coyote can buy high-speed tonic or jet-propelled pogo sticks, but his body and soul are still coyote. If you are a coyote team or organization, no matter what fads or quick fixes you jump into, you are just imitating a road runner—and the real thing will beat you every time.”

What is a moment really worth?

On the bulletin board of a California company, someone once posted this sign to remind everyone of how time is relative—but the value of time is priceless:

- To realize the value of **one year**: Ask the student who has failed his final exam.
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- To realize the value of **one week**: Ask the editor of a weekly newspaper.
- To realize the value of **one day**: Ask the daily wage laborer who has 10 kids to feed.
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In dreams, you can control your reality

The movie *Inception* explored the idea of controlling one's dreams. Although that featured collapsing cities and struggles in zero gravity, the concept of guiding your own dreams isn't so outlandish. "Lucid dreaming" can allow you to fly, conquer nightmares, and solve real-life problems.

Here's how to take control of your nighttime visions:

- **Keep a dream journal.** The first step to controlling dreams is remembering them. Keep a journal close to your bed, and write down any dream you have as soon as you wake up (or keep a digital voice recorder handy). Look for recurring themes—people, situations, etc. This trains your brain to become more aware of dream activity.
- **Do a "dream check."** Throughout the day, pause and ask yourself, "Am I dreaming?" This trains your mind to start asking the same question while you're asleep.
- **Nap.** Some studies suggest the best time to attempt a lucid dream is during a nap taken a few hours after getting up in the morning. If you wake up during a dream, stay quiet and try to return to the dream as you drift off again.
- **Perform a reality check.** After some practice, you'll start being aware of the fact that you're in a dream. To confirm this, try some experiments: Look at a clock, turn away, then look again. In dreams, the time will change. Or look at yourself in a mirror; in a dream, the image you see will be distorted or blurry.
- **Take off!** Once you're aware that you're dreaming, try taking charge of the environment. Jump up and down to see if you can fly, for example. If you're having a nightmare, confront the danger instead of running away; this can reduce the fear you feel when you

'Double' your brain power with this exercise

Here's a simple exercise for your brain: Pick a small number and then double it in your mind—no paper, no calculator. How far can you get?

Take the number 7, for example:

7, 14, 28, 56, 112, 224, 448, 896 . . .

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Glen Ellen Mobile Park Community
Garage Sale. Saturday, November 1st
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Carport Sale - Oak Crest Acorn, 9925
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Annual Craft Fair Saturday November
1st 9-3pm Paradise Island Clubhouse
1001 Starkey Rd. Largo. 80 plus
Tables, Handmade items & Bake Sale

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Serendipity Carport Sale. 29081 US
Hwy 19 N, Clearwater, FL. November
8, 2025. 8am-2pm

14th Annual Arts & Crafts Sale- Sat.
Nov. 8, 2025 - 9AM-1PM Lake Haven
MHP, Paradise Island Clubhouse,
1415 Main Street (SR580 & Lake
Haven Rd.) Dunedin, FL. Hand crafted
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HOLIDAY BAZAAR. Saturday,
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First Lutheran Church, 1644 Nursery
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Craft Fair & Bake Sale. November
15th 9am-1pm. Clearwater Cascades
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Crafters Fair Nov 15th at Palm Hill
Country Club 401 8th Ave, Largo 8am -
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EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Craft Fair, Saturday, November 15 2025
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gmail.com](mailto:regencyheightscraftfair@gmail.com) with questions.

Community Bazar Nov 29th at Palm
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December Events

Crafters Wanted. Pointe West MHP
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December 6th 9am-1pm. Park Royale
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A kindergarten teacher was helping one of her students put his boots on. It was quite a struggle, but after a lot of pulling and pushing, they succeeded in getting one boot on, and then the other.

Then the little boy said, "But they're on the wrong feet!" The teacher looked and sure enough, he was right. Pulling the boots off wasn't any easier than putting them on was, but she managed to stay calm as they worked together to get the boots back on—this time on the right feet.

"Why are your boots so hard to get on?" she asked when they were finished.

"But these aren't my boots," the boy said.

"Why didn't you say so? Take them off." And they worked up a sweat getting the boots off again.

"Now, where are your boots?" the teacher asked.

"They're at home. These are my brother's boots. My mom made me wear them."

"OK . . ." the teacher sighed, and again they fought to get the boots back on the little boy's feet. "Now, where are your mittens?"

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