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Reminder

If you would like to chair an event, please put the request in writing with details of the event and submit to the Community Club President, Lynn Davis (Email dancingeyes 2014@yahoo. com) so that she can get with the board to make sure that there are no conflicts with the dates. Any requests for funds must also be in writing. This is a very simple process and keeps things flowing properly.

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President's Report for January

s your newly elected president I wanted to introduce myself. Carl and I have lived in the park for 2 1/2 years and I'm excited to take on this position. We have several activities scheduled this month including a new event, a ventriloquist/magic show act on January 9th. Our biggest fundraiser is held in January, the annual rummage sale. Dues remain at \$10 per person and we hope you'll join us for the fun this season. Normally the monthly meeting is the first Thursday of the month per the bylaws but this month it has been moved to January 8th due to the New Year's holiday. Hope to see you there!

Debbie Benedict

President

Twin Lakes Community Club Activities:

Twin Lakes Annual Rummage Sale

win Lakes Annual Community Club Rummage Sale will be on Saturday January 17th. Donations are needed for this to happen. If you have any excess stuff such as home goods, kitchenware,



linens, small furniture, electronics, tools, clothing, jewelry, etc. Please get it together for the sale. Please also be sure all donations are clean and in working order! Donations will need to be at the clubhouse on January 16th by 8am. If you would like donations to be picked up, please call or text Jim Shaw at 802-249-1954 Pick-ups will start at 9am on the 16th. Include your name and lot# on all messages. Volunteers need to be at the clubhouse at 7am on the 16th for setup. Thanks for your support!

R.O.M.E.O. (Retired Old Men Eating Out) Club

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very Friday morning at 8:00 am, a group of the Twin Lakes ladies gather at Benedict's Breakfast and Lunch located at 768 N. Belcher Rd., Clearwater, FL 33765 to enjoy breakfast with great friends and good conversation. Looking forward to seeing you!



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Water Aerobics Class

ome of the residents of the community are getting together on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10am and having a water aerobics class in the pool. If you haven't already you should join in! See Patti Shaw if you have any questions.

Bowling at Dunedin Lanes

anna go Bowling? Dunedin's got a special deal four times a week for seniors, but if you want to bowl with Twin Lakes, we're bowling Wednesdays at 3pm. Shoes are a buck. Sounds fun, right? You can go whenever; you do not have to go every week if you can't make it no problem. Please let me know by Tuesday if you're in so I can reserve enough lanes. Lisa Bowles

BINGO

Bingo is every Monday evening! Doors open at 6 PM bingo starts at 7 PM. Refreshments and snacks available. Please come enjoy an evening of fun with friends!



Left Right Center (LRC)

eft Right Center is a super fun game that has really been a hit here in Twin Lakes. You play 2 games requiring three \$1 bills for each game (\$3.00 a game). If you haven't already, you really should come and check it out! We will be playing in the Clubhouse on Tuesday Jan 13th and Tuesday Jan 27th at 7pm. See you there!

Line Dancing

ine Dancing is back and will be in the Clubhouse on Tuesdays 10:30 – 11:30am. Everyone is invited! It's free and no dance knowledge is required! Come and enjoy an hour of movement, kindness and good music! Mark your calendars....hope to see you soon!

Darts

Submitted by: Roy Benson

ome play DARTS on Thursdays at 7pm in the Clubhouse. As always this is open to all who wish to join us as we usually have a great time. All skill levels are welcome as them letting me participate proves, haha.



Twin Lakes Golf

If you would like to join the group of golfers at Twin Lakes just contact Jim Shaw at 802-249-1954 for more info!

We play Mondays at:

The Landings Golf Club 1875 Airport Drive Clearwater FL 33765 Come and join us, but make sure you contact me to get on the list for Tee time.

Mah Jongg

Hello fellow Mah Jongger's:
Not sure what to say here except that we are waiting for everyone to arrive for play. We still have the 1pm time slot every Wednesday at the Twin Lakes Clubhouse and I am wondering if everyone might want to change to noon, if available, to accommodate bowlers who wish to attend both events. I will send out individual emails shortly to discuss the time change and if all agree will make sure the time slot is available at the clubhouse. We will commence play as soon as everyone arrives in Florida and is willing to play. We still have need of experienced players and are willing to teach those who are not. Everyone is welcome! My email address is cathydent@verizon.net and my phone is 978-376-9082. I have been approached by an experienced player and have welcomed her. Please let me know if anyone else out there is interested in playing and/or learning to play. We are a happy go lucky group and have quite a good time when we play. As they say at Disney, "See ya real soon."

Cathy Dentremont

Shuffleboard

There is a set of keys to the Shuffleboard door in the clubhouse kitchen drawer if anyone would like to play. Come on out and give it a try. Please be sure to lock back up and enjoy! There is a meetup time of 1pm on Tuesday, Thursday and Sundays if you want to play with other residents of our community, please check it out!

Horseshoes

Torseshoes are available. No set time to play, horseshoes are in the Shuffleboard building and the keys to that building are in the Kitchen Clubhouse drawer. Please be sure to lock back up and enjoy!

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WIFI (Wireless Internet)

There is WIFI available in the Clubhouse for all our residents to use. There is no fee but you must be in or right outside of the Clubhouse for it to work. You will have to contact the office to obtain the password. If you have any questions about it contact Maureen in the office at 727-799-4807 and she can help.

Notes from the Twin Lakes Management Office

The Marion Family wishes everyone a wonderful New Year! We are happy to see all of our northern friends return to our amazing Florida weather here in Twin Lakes! Make sure to join in on all the great activities that our Community Club has to offer this season. And if



possible, try to volunteer and help out with some of them, the more help the better the activities (remember it takes a village, ha-ha).

Just a few reminders from the office:

- *Please NO grass parking
- * No Street Parking
- *Put all trash inside the dumpsters, not on top of or around the dumpsters. If your normal dumpster is full, please check the other two so that trash does not get scattered around.
- *Please park in the parking lot to use the laundry facilities.
- *Please register all guests with the office and get pool pins for your guests if they would like to use our pool
- *And Please Remember the Rules are put in place for the protection of our residents and their homes. We want everyone to always feel safe in our community and be proud to call Twin Lakes "Home"!

ur email address is twinlakesclearwater@gmail.com if you ever have any questions or concerns.

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Got a great recipe?? Please Share!

mail to twinlakesclearwater@gmail.com or drop it off to the office. We want everyone to enjoy them. We will put your picture in the newsletter along with your recipe (but only if you want us to, haha). Please help us out!

Recipe of the Month:

Submitted by: Peggy Collison

Cool Whip & Pudding Frosting

Ingredients:

- 1 pkg vanilla pudding mix (3.4 oz)
- 2 Tbsp powdered sugar
- ½ cup milk
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 8 oz Cool Whip (thawed)

Directions:

- 1. Mix together the pudding mix, sugar, milk and vanilla extract.
- 2. Fold in the Cool Whip.
- 3. Chill & spread!



Dumpsters – Garbage

Tust a few reminders:

- Please use garbage bags when possible so that your trash does not fly out of the dumpster, grocery bags are very light and tend to fly when they dump the dumpster into the truck.
- NO Mattresses are allowed to be put in the dumpster, No furniture (recliners, couches, etc..) is to be put in the dumpster, they are your responsibility to get rid of. Also, NO PAINT is allowed to be thrown in dumpster or put next to it. It will be returned to you, as there are cameras at every dumpster.
- Put everything in the dumpster, not around the dumpster, no one else wants your trash.
- There are 3 dumpsters that everyone is allowed to use. You are not assigned to one dumpster, so if your usual dumpster is full, please take to one of the other two.
- Do not put trash in the blue recycle bins, also no garbage bags or grocery bags in the recycle bins.
- When it comes to recycling, we put out a pamphlet in the newsletter to remind everyone of all the do's and don'ts of recycling in Clearwater (It is different in every county and every state). Please follow the flyer and when you are in doubt, please just throw it out. It is better to throw it out than to put the wrong items into the recycling system. If you need a new one, just ask the office, we will be glad to give you one.
- If you have any scrap metal or old appliances that you need to get rid of, there is a junkman that will come to your home and pick it up and take it off for free for you. Ronnie Kitchen at 727-657-4428, He will also come and pick up those items that you are not allowed to put in the dumpster, such as mattresses, furniture, or other large items but he does charge a FEE for this. You can also call a local thrift store such as St Vincent's, hospice, goodwill, or Salvation army and donate to them if the item is in good repair.





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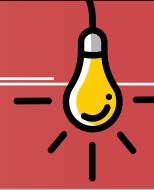
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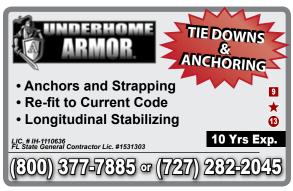
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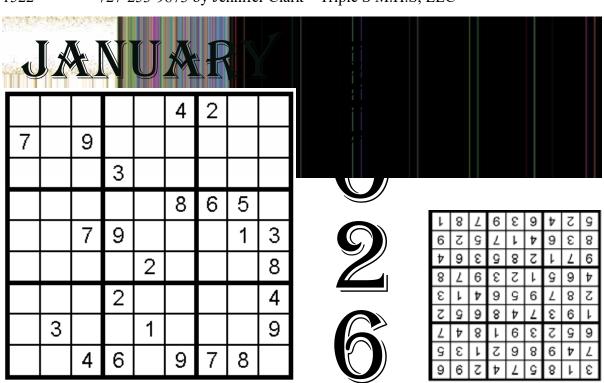
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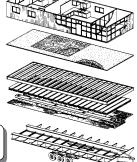
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DOWN

- 1. Land
- 2. Male genitalia
- 3. Uncooked
- 4. Small island
- Not more
- 6. Arrive past due
- 7. Utilizers
- 8. Neuter
- 9. 2000 pounds
- 10. Kill oneself intentionally
- 13. Breathes noisily while sleeping
- 14. They come from hens
- 15. Started
- 16. Gun repairing
- 19. Dogs wag these
- 22. Anticlimax
- 24. Blimp
- 26. Opening

- 27. Deli loaf
- 30. King of the jungle
- 32. Anagram of "One"
- 33. They can be fraternal or identical
- 34. On land
- One who establishes
- 38. Building
- 39. Mammals like camels
- 40. Apprehensive
- 42. Objects
- 44. Firéd a projectile
- 45. Holy person
- 48. Smile
- 49. Gorillas
- 50. English royal house
- 53. An uncle
- 55. Fifty-two in Roman
- numerals

ACROSS

- 1. Spring month
- 6. Failures
- 11. Pursue
- 12. Take up the cause
- 15. Barroom fights
- 16. Harvesting
- 17. Snake-like fish
- 18. Wide part of a river
- 20. Sprocket 21. Chutzpah
- 23. Picnic insects
- 24. Broadcasts
- 25. Chills and fever
- 26. Workshop gripper
- 27. Fair attraction
- 28. Bird home
- 29. Type of tree 30. Harps
- 31. Amounts per unit size
- 34. Underway
- 36. One plus one
- 37. Make well
- 41. Scattered seed
- 42. Not fat
- 43. Inactive
- 44. Blackball
- 45. Tibia
- 46. Tube
- 47. Term of endearment
- 48. Deny
- 51. Distant
- 52. Making menu requests
- 54. A plan of action
- 56. Abounding
- 57. Genus of heath
- 58. Leases
- 59. Where clouds are

Monthly

B ook Blitz Month. This is a time for authors of all genres to put themselves out there and promote their work. For the rest of us, it's a time to celebrate literacy, set personal goals to read more, and curl up with a good book.

National Braille Literacy Month. Developed in the 19th century by Louis Braille, this tactile system allows visually impaired and blind individuals a way to read, write, and learn.

International Creativity Month. Whether you're a homemaker, student, employee, employer, or retiree, this is the month to challenge yourself and your usual way of doing things. Try something new, explore, innovate, broaden your horizons of expression, and create something.

Hot Tea Month. Black, white, green, herbal, oolong, Darjeeling, Ceylon, chai—the list can go on for several pages. There are thousands of teas and blends to try. Find a new favorite and warm up with a cup of fragrant goodness this winter.

Self-Love Month. Many of us have already promised to become better at being better this year. Why not start by showing yourself some TLC? Find a way to honor, appreciate, and love yourself this January.

Weekly

lvis Presley Birthday Celebration Week, Jan. 7-11. If you can make it to Memphis, you can walk in the footsteps of "The King" and visit Elvis' estate, Graceland, where plenty of activities will honor the legendary singer.

Universal Letter Writing Week, Jan 11-17. Since 1971, the Universal Postal Union has held a letter writing competition for young people age 15 and under. The event is a way to promote both literacy and the development of composition skills throughout the world. The theme of this year's contest asks writers: "Imagine you are a letter travelling through time. What message do you wish to convey to your readers?"

Healthy Weight Week, Jan. 18-24. This isn't about diets or the latest weight loss trends. A healthy body image is the key to establishing realistic goals and strategies that will help you to achieve and maintain a healthy weight and body mass. Factors such as age, bone structure, height, and physical ability should also be considered when developing personal health standards. Check in with your physician before making any changes to your diet, nutrition, and activities.

National Clean Out Your Inbox Week, Jan. 21-27. This can be a challenge of epic proportions for those who don't prioritize, sort, and organize incoming emails. Use this week to unsubscribe from or change delivery preferences for electronic communications cluttering your inbox. Save only what's necessary. Delete, delete, delete.

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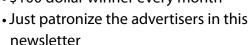












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The courage to try

ife lessons can come from the most unlikely sources if we are open to receiving what they have to offer us. For Tricia Goyer, a wife, mother, and accomplished author, a lesson in bravery came from her twentysomething son Nathan.

When he announced his plans to write a book, Goyer encouraged him and even promised to edit it once the manuscript was completed. With 500 magazine articles bylines and more than 50 published books of nonfiction and fiction, Goyer knew her insight would be beneficial. She also knew that Nathan had a gift for creating and telling stories, which had been a favorite pastime since his childhood.

As Goyer edited Nathan's rough draft she realized that her son had a talent for writing and decided they should hire a professional editor to review the text. The editor also liked Nathan's work and offered the aspiring novelist some constructive feedback.

After the rewrites were finished, Goyer told her son to start weighing his options about next steps in the publishing process. He could go the traditional route and work with a publisher, or self-publish. Nathan told her he'd need time to think things over and then excused himself to run an errand. He returned a short time later and announced that he would self-publish his work as an e-book. The next day his novel Bask was for sale on Amazon.com. It has even received a few positive reviews.

For Goyer, taking those next steps in the process of publishing one of her many books has never been something she could act on with that kind of certainty or efficiency. She says she would first share copies with as many as 20 friends and consider their feedback. Next she might attend a workshop or conference to solicit even more feedback and advice before deciding which route to take.

Nathan has inspired Goyer to believe that "sometimes we just need to roll up our sleeves and do what we've been afraid to try."



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Who you want to be

farmer on his way into town pulled over to pick up a young man thumbing for a ride.

The two men began to talk, with the younger man sharing his experiences of his solo hiking and camping adventures.

"So what do you plan to do when this is over?" the farmer asked.

The young man mapped out his plans of a university education, graduate school, a job with a fancy title and a huge salary, future board positions, his own company, and more money than he could spend in three lifetimes. "You know what they say," the young man remarked. "You should dream big or not dream at all."

"It's a pretty big dream," the farmer said, "but little more than that."

The farmer continued, "It seems to me that if you wanted to accomplish any of those things you wouldn't be hitchhiking through small towns. You'd be somewhere else working and building on the knowledge and skills required to help you achieve your goals."

"Right now, I'm figuring out who I am," the young man said.

"Why don't you try figuring out who you want to be?" the farmer replied.



Quotes

Te are, as a species, addicted to story. Even when the body goes to sleep, the mind stays up all night, telling itself stories.

—John Gottschal

Words are how we think; stories are how we link.

— Christina Baldwin



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