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### Scribe Nancy Labbe's Message:

arch was another great month in Glen Ellen thanks to the efforts of Ron and Kevin Kimball. Also, the Corn Beef and Cabbage dinner put on by Barbara Barczak and Bill Reilly was the best! It has been a great season for Glen Ellen with everyone working together to make sure residents and friends had fun.

A special 'thank you' to everyone who gave their time and effort to our 2015-2016 season.

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### **April Birthdays:**

April 2 – Chuck Derr

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### I am a Seenager (Senior Teenager)

(contributed by Jack McDuff)

have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 50 years later. I don't have to go to school or work. I get an allowance (a pension). I have my own pad. I don't have a curfew. I have a driver's license (so far) and my own car. I have ID that gets me into bars and the liquor store. The people I hang around with are not afraid of getting pregnant and I don't have a care. Life is great!

### Manager Marilyn Sisti's Message:

Just a short note this month, I wanted to thank all of the residents that have worked on their homes and yards, and look forward to seeing the rest of the park complete their projects.

If you have a visitor they must be registered with the office for their two week stay.

There seems to be some confusion as to the park rules regarding renting out your home. At Glen Ellen, residents cannot rent out their homes either seasonally or yearly, this is against the rules of the park, and there is no exceptions. If you have any questions regarding this please let me know

Please let me know if you have any other problems or concerns.



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### **April Fool!**

Tt's April 1st—the day for practical jokes large and small. If you're looking for inspiration, remember one of the all-time great media hoaxes.

In 1957, the BBC's respected news program Panorama ran a story celebrating a bumper spaghetti crop in Switzerland—thanks to a mild winter and the near elimination of the destructive "spaghetti weevil." The program included footage of Swiss farm workers pulling strands of spaghetti from trees and laying them in the sun to dry.

Although some viewers caught on—and chastised the BBC for playing fast and loose in a news program—others fell hook, line, and pasta ladle. Many even telephoned the network to ask where they could get their own spaghetti trees.

### Make new friends all through your life

Building friendships and creating thriving social circles is a key component of good health throughout your entire life. From Mayo Clinic's HealthQuest newsletter come these suggestions for making new friends no matter how old you are:

- Take your pet for walks. Make conversation with folks who stop to chat.
- Join a hobby group.
- Volunteer in community groups or at a hospital, church, or school.
- Take a course at your local community college.
- Shape up while meeting new people in an exercise class.
- Get active in a social cause or goal.
- Go out to lunch with a work or social acquaintance at least once a month.
- Ask a small favor of a neighbor or co-worker, and do the same for him or her.
- Volunteer to usher at your local community theater.

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### **Fast and funny**

ooking to get a few quick laughs? Try some of these short zingers:

- Explaining puns to kleptomaniacs is hard because they always take things literally.
- What's the best thing about Switzerland? I don't know, but its flag is a huge plus.
- I told my doctor that I broke my arm in two places. She told me to stop going to those places.
- I asked my friend in North Korea what living there is like. He said he couldn't complain.
- I was wondering why the Frisbee seemed larger the closer it got. Then it hit me.
- Have I told you this déjà vu joke before?
- I didn't know my husband stole things from construction sites, but when I got home all the signs were there.



• They all laughed when I said I wanted to be a comedian. Well, they're not laughing now.

### A bull by the tail

n old rancher filed a lawsuit against a railroad company when his prize bull went missing because a train damaged a section of his fence. The rancher only asked to be paid the fair value of the bull.

A date for the hearing was set, and the railroad sent a slick lawyer to represent it. Just before the hearing began, the railroad attorney approached the rancher and started to pressure him to settle the case immediately. After a few minutes, the rancher gave in, agreeing to half the money he was asking for.

After signing the settlement papers and handing over the check, the lawyer said, "You know, I have to admit, you would have won this case. The engineer was asleep and the train was going too fast when it passed your farm."

The old rancher shrugged. "I was a little worried myself. The darned bull came back this morning."

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- 14. Balcony section
- 15. Drink garnish
- 16. Hindu princess
- 17. Absent Without Leave
- 18. Intolerable
- 20. Deep purplish red
- 22. Sleep
- 23. Compete
- 24. Expectorates
- 25. Being present everywhere at once
- 32. Magnetic induction unit
- 33. Disorderly revelry
- 34. Chart
- 37. Connects two points
- 38. Growing old
- 39. Garden tool
- 40. N N N N
- 41. Display
- 42. Aromatic seeds
- 43. Walkers
- 45. Philippine tribal chief
- 49. Charged particle
- 50. Forward
- 53. Clothing
- 57. Officer
- 59. Roman robe
- 60. Portent
- 61. Slogan
- 62. Black, in poetry
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- 2. Hawkeye State
- 3. All excited
- 4. Broadcast
- 5. A type of power tool
- 6. Forearm bone
- 7. Top part of an apron
- 8. Nights before
- 9. Secure against
- leakage
- 10. Vagabond
- 11. Jewish scholar
- 12. Arm of the sea
- 13. Wharves
- 19. Out of practice

- 21. Bites
- 25. Leer at
- 26. Principal
- 27. Religious sisters
- 28. Nosed (out)
- 30. Anagram of "Sneer"
- 31. Henpeck
- 34. Mother
- 35. Analogous
- 36. Writing implements
- 38. Card with one
- symbol
- 39. Demolished or
- subverted

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People turn to Google for all kinds of information. Health is always a concern, so naturally the search engine fields a lot of questions about diseases and symptoms of illness. Take a look at some of the top health-related inquiries people typed into the Google search bar in 2015 (as reported on the CNN website):

- "Is bronchitis contagious?" Answer: Maybe, if it's the result of a bacterial infection.
- "Is pneumonia contagious?" Answer: It can be, because most cases of pneumonia are caused by bacteria.
- "How much water should I drink per day?" Answer: About half as many fluid ounces as your weight in pounds. For example, if you weigh 140 pounds, you should be drinking about 70 fluid ounces per day (nine cups), although factors like heat, exercise, pregnancy, and other considerations should be taken into account.
- "How many calories should I consume?" Answer: Check with a dietician to get advice tailored to your physical needs.
- "What is Lupus?" Answer: Lupus is a chronic autoimmune disease. Symptoms include headaches, fatigue, joint pain, fever, and rashes.

### Slow down to eat less

ating too fast can lead to eating too much. But when you're busy, the temptation to cram a meal down your throat may be overwhelming. Here's how to slow down and savor every bite:

- **Stop multitasking.** Don't try to eat while you're working, texting, or doing anything else. Turn off your devices and focus on your meal. You'll have a better sense of how much you're eating and how full you feel.
- **Sit down.** Eating over the sink or grazing while you search the refrigerator may result in consuming more unneeded calories. Set the table and put your portions on a plate to keep control of how much food you're really eating.
- Chew slowly. Count each bite as you chew your food, and aim for about 20 seconds of chewing for each mouthful. You'll force yourself to slow down, and your food will be digested more easily.

### Love and money: Pet products are big online

You can't put a price tag on love, but you can spend a lot of money on those you love—and that includes your pets. The pet care and pet product industry is a yearly \$60.59 billion business, serving almost 80 million households. And like everything else, more and more of that business is online. Forrester Research estimates that online purchases of products for pets hit \$3.7 billion in 2014—6 percent of the total—representing a rise of 76 percent since 2010. Experts expect the online pet case market to grow by 15-20 percent in 2016-2017.

### Lift your glass to these wine stats

o you enjoy a glass of wine with dinner? If so, you're not alone. Decanter Magazine estimates that 93 million people drink wine regularly in the U.S., which adds up to 40 percent of all adults. The amount of wine Americans drank last year rose from 2014 by 0.2 percent, but Decanter predicts that by the year 2025, 11 million more people will be wine fans, for a total of 104 million dollars. That's a lot of wine.

### Save your cash when you eat out

ating in restaurants can get expensive in a hurry. When you want to get out of the house but you don't want to spend a lot, try these tips to lower your tab:

- **Have a snack first.** Eat something healthy before you head out. Then order a smaller meal or an appetizer instead of a full dinner.
- **Skip the extras.** Don't have cocktails or order dessert. These can add up quickly. Have a glass of wine and your own dessert at home instead.
- Go out for dessert only. You can prepare an inexpensive yet romantic
  meal at home, then go out for ice cream or your favorite dessert afterward.

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### Lending money to adult children? Be careful

Your children may have outgrown their allowance, but their money problems don't automatically end when they grow up. Lending money to adult children can end badly if you're not careful, though. Follow this advice for maintaining a good relationship when your grownup kids hit you up for a loan:

- **Don't lend more than you'll miss.** Risking financial instability for the sake of your children will put your relationship in jeopardy if they can't pay the money back on time. Don't be more generous than you can afford, even if you expect to get the money back.
- Find out how they'll use the money. Instead of paying off their student debt, your child buys a sports car. Feel betrayed? Before handing any money over, make sure you know exactly how they'll use it. You can avoid surprises by lending them smaller amounts over time instead of a large lump sum all at once.
- Set clear terms on late payments or defaults. You're not being unreasonable to ask for interest if repayment is late in coming. Discuss options ahead of time to eliminate misunderstandings later. You can lower the interest rate or change other terms if necessary (your adult child loses his or her job, for example).



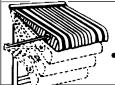
• Put everything in writing. A handshake and a promise only mean so much. Set down the details of the loan in a clear document that spells out how much you're lending, when you expect it to be repaid, and what will happen if either of you violates the agreement. Again, this will guard against confusion and hurt feelings later.

### Try this quick fix for minor cuts

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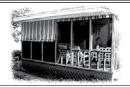
- Wash cut with warm water and dry thoroughly.
- Use a toothpick to dab on a thin, smooth coating of glue over the cut.
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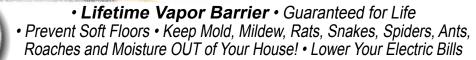
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- **Mercury**. The planet closest to the sun can reach temperatures of 800 degrees Fahrenheit, but also a chilly low of -279 degrees at night.
- **Venus**. Farther from the sun but hotter than Mercury, Venus's surface has an average temperature of 875 degrees, hot enough to melt lead.
- Earth. Our rotation is slowing, but don't panic. The decrease is only about 17 milliseconds per 100 years, so we won't have 25-hour days for 140 million years.
- Mars. Looking for a rock from Mars? You can find them here on Earth. Meteorites from the red planet have been discovered in the Sahara, Antarctica, and other places.
- **Jupiter**. This gas giant has a magnetic field so powerful it draws space debris into its orbit, thus protecting the inner planets.
- **Saturn**. Saturn is famous for its ring, but they aren't unique. Jupiter, Neptune, and Uranus also possess rings, but they're harder to see from Earth.
- **Neptune**. Winds on Neptune can reach a speed of 1,500 miles per hour or more.
- Uranus. All planets rotate, but only Uranus does so on its side. Scientists speculate that a collision with another large object may have caused its tilt.
- **Pluto**. The dwarf planet really is small, relatively speaking. With a diameter of just 1,475 miles, Pluto is much smaller than the continental United States.

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Month of the Military Child. More than 2 million children in grades K-12 have parents who are serving in our military. Make a difference in the life of a military child by seeking out opportunities to acknowledge their sacrifice, volunteering for organizations that support them, and recognizing their contribution to the nation.

**National Autism Awareness Month**. A nationwide effort to promote autism awareness, inclusion, and self-determination for all and to ensure that each person on the autism spectrum is provided the opportunity to achieve the highest possible quality of life.

**National Garden Month.** Gardening grows fun for the whole family. Whether you're digging in the dirt, enjoying the magic of a small seed transforming into a beautiful flower, or observing the bugs, birds, and butterflies, gardening is a delightful way to celebrate the coming of spring.

### Weekly

ational Robotics Week, Apr. 2-10. The purpose of National Robotics Week is to celebrate the United States as a leader in robotics technology development, educate the public about how robotics technology impacts society, and advocate for increased funding for robotics technology research and development.

Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week, Apr. 10-16. This week recognizes the hardworking men and women who risk their lives and devote huge amounts of personal time and resources while serving the public and helping animals when no one else can.

National Environmental Education Week, Apr. 17-23. The nation's largest celebration of environmental education, EE Week reaches hundreds of thousands of students and educators across the United States with non-biased, high-quality, environmental education materials grounded in accurate, timely scientific information and tied to local, state, and national learning standards.

**National Pet ID Week, Apr. 17-23.** Collars and tags are a reliable way to identify your pets should they become lost. Make sure your dog, cat, or other animal friend always wears a current identification tag. Pet supply catalogs, stores, veterinary offices, and animal shelters often have forms to order ID tags.

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After 10 minutes, Joe couldn't find his ball, but he insisted on looking some more. Finally one of the other golfers said, "Joe, we're holding everyone up. Why don't you just drop another ball and take a penalty stroke?"

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