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| Social Security Administration | (800) 772-1213 |
| Seminole City Clerk | 398-3107 |
| Waste Management | 888-964-9744 |
| Seminole Recreation Dept | 391-8345 |
| VA Regional Office Benefits Info. | 1-800 827-1000 |

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THANK YOU:

hank you Diane for organizing a wonderful July 4th picnic. Thank you also for all who brought food, helped set and clean up. Remember the Labor Day picnic. More information to be posted at the pool, laundry room, and library. Always a fun way to end the summer activities. Fall and cool weather coming!

FLORIDA RESIDENTS

f you wish to change your party affiliation, register to vote, or elect to vote by mail, please contact Jackie Turner for paperwork. 727-313-8854

PHONE DIRECTORY:

he 2018 – 2019 Phone Directory will be distributed in early November. Please contact our new chairpersons, Harriet Ha-Sidi and Dennis Antoszewski, with any new phone changes you may have. Their phone numbers can be found in the current directory. Do not wait till the last minute to do this!!

Hot humid days are here, remember to drink plenty of water. Keep hydrated!

No glass bottles or glasses in pool area. Keep area clean.

A Complete Listing of Resident Services can be found on the page before your calendar



ANOTHER REMINDER: WATCH THE WEATHER!!

HURRICANE SEASON JUNE TO NOVEMBER:

This very important information was submitted by Diane Piscopo. Diane is the park liason for hurricane preparedness. Call her with any questions, 716-479-9133. Take a few minutes and stop in our clubhouse. As you enter the front door, to your left there is information on hurricane preparedness: pet registration forms, ID forms for those individuals that may need assistance from emergency personnel, what to take with you when evacuating, and steps to prepare ahead of time **WITH FAMILY**.

We live in mobile homes, therefore we <u>MUST EVACUATE</u>. Our clubhouse is not a shelter. Do not plan to go along the routes toward the ocean, but follow the blue and white "evacuate route" signs leading inland. Be aware, the shelter will accommodate you, but they may not have beds/cots, blankets or pillows. A chair or inflatable mat would be recommended.

BE PREPARED! BE SAFE!

Make arrangements for your pet!!

WATER METERS: As we all know water meters are being installed. Be aware water could be shut off periodically.

TRAVEL:

inal payment due October 15, 2018

Cruise: 12 day Western Caribbean cruise leaving from Ft. Lauderdale, January 28th, 2019 – February 8th, 2019.

Brochure is posted in the Clubhouse with more information concerning transportation to Ft. Lauderdale and ports of call.

Contact Advantage Cruises and Tours toll free 866-824-1613.

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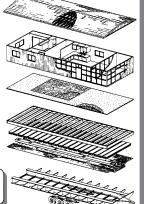


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DELETE:

Arnold, Terry
Booker, Lynn, Morgan, Kathy
Bourne, Bob and Sandy
Graham, Jim and Diane
Hale, Mark and Trudy
Fuller, Pat
Ware, Mark, Hagar, D&K
Hanson, Ellie (sold to Summit Corp)



DECEASED:

Auld, Ken Choo-Choo

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ACROSS

- 1. Sandler of "Big Daddy"
- 5. Highlander
- 9. "Gladiator" setting
- 14. Public assemblies
- 15. Earthen pot
- 16. Orpine or stonecrop
- 17. Archaeological site
- 18. Final notice
- 19. Fountain order
- 20. Obdurate
- 22. Aden's land
- 23. Water vapor
- 24. Bonus
- 26. Trick taker, often
- 29. Respiratory tract
- 33. A herb sometimes made into a tea
- 38. Garam ___ (Indian spice mixture)
- 39. Alternative to Windows
- 40. Ice hockey players do this
- 42. Again
- 43. Sign up
- 45. Lawless
- 47. A Hindu holy man
- 48. "Ciao!"
- 49. Bridal path
- 52. Categorize
- 57. Montana city
- 60. Lie in wait
- 63. Fourth in a series
- 64. Alpine transport
- 65. Carbamide
- 66. Endured
- 67. Beach bird
- 68. Fill-in

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- 69. Dots on a map
- 70. Coastal raptors
- 71. Historical periods

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- 1. Big dos
- 2. Question3. Come to mind
- 4. Kind of ray
- 5. Thug
- 6. Jessica of "Dark Angel"
- 7. A-list

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- 8. Glove material
- 9. An ancient kingdom
- 10. Artistic practice
- 11. cheese
- 12. Microwave, slangily
- 13. Ends a prayer

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- 21. Muslim leader25. In a docile manner
- 27. European evergreen shrub
- 28. Wapiti
- 30. Decline
- 31. Brews
- 32. Swerves at sea
- 33. Hints
- 34. "___ and the King of

Siam"

- 35. Gentle
- 36. Rust
- 37. Hearing organ
- 41. Bath

44. Carapaces

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- 46. Congers
- 50. A Starbucks beverage
- 51. Fire remnant
- 53. Critical
- 54. More naked
- 55. Swelling
- 56. Jumps
- 57. Strong fiber
- 58. "What've you been
 - __?" (2 words)
- 59. Believe (archaic)
- 61. Building near a silo
- 62. Cemetery sights



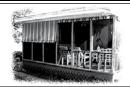
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The cost of dry cleaning around the world

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The most expensive city for dry cleaning a two- or three-piece suit is Oslo, Norway, where the cost is \$52.03 in U.S. dollars. The cheapest is Jakarta, Malaysia, at \$2.20. Chicago ranks 53rd, with a cost of \$12.72.

Russia is the biggest user of dry cleaning services, spending \$3,265,888,189 annually. The United States comes in second, at \$3,029,470,494, followed by Brazil in third place, at \$1,065,702,298. Of 10 countries surveyed, Canada spends the least—\$500,834,651.

If you're intrigued, you can check out more information at the study at https://www.zipjet.co.uk/2018-global-dry-cleaning-index#USD.

Discarded tech adds up

hances are you've got a few old cell phones sitting around your house that you haven't used in years. A recent survey by Decluttr.com found that Americans have some \$33 billion worth of discarded technology lying around, with the average U.S. home hanging onto \$264 worth of unused tech. That includes:

• Almost 60 percent of U.S. homes with more than two unused cell phones (Apple and Samsung, mostly).

- Thirty percent of people who say they keep their old phones for backup, and 30 percent who don't want to risk losing control of their personal information.
- Other devices, such as cameras (40 percent), PCs (25 percent), consoles (10 percent), and iPods, tablets and more (10 percent).

Computers are better than we are at arithmetic, not because computers are so good at it, but because we are so bad at it.

-Isaac Asimov

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Keep your dog safe in hot weather

ogs are often like members of the family, so you will want to treat them with care during hot weather. Here are a few tips to keep your four-legged friends happy and healthy:

- Never leave your dog—or any animal—in the car during hot or even warm weather. The interior temperature of your car can easily soar to 120 degrees in just minutes. The only way dogs can cool down is by panting and through the pads of their feet. Many animals die every year because their owners leave them in cars. Even if you leave the windows partially down, the temperatures can soar to dangerously high levels.
- Don't let your dog ride in the bed of a pickup truck. Serious eye injuries can occur from debris hitting their eyes at up to 70 miles per hour. The dog could also be thrown into oncoming traffic or could fall underneath the truck and be injured. Serious injury or death can also occur when a driver hits the brakes suddenly, swerves, or is hit by another vehicle.
- Keep your dog away from fertilizers, plant foods, and insecticides. They can be fatal if your pet ingests them. Don't let your pet walk or play on a treated lawn.
- Make sure your pet always wears an ID tag. Even if your dog has an embedded identification chip, you'll still want to make sure it has a tag so that he can be returned quickly to you if it is found. It's also a good idea to keep a current picture of your pet with you. That way, if it disappears or wanders off, you have a photo to show to people when you ask them if they've seen your dog.
- Give your dog prescribed heartworm medicine on a regular basis. It is also a good practice to use only flea and tick medications prescribed by your dog's veterinarian.
- Make sure your pet has plenty of water and shade outdoors. You'll also want to make sure your dog isn't walking on hot asphalt when the heat is high, because it can burn its paws.

Good health is not something we can buy. However, it can be an extremely valuable savings account.

-Anne Wilson Schaef



New initiative in the hunt for E.T.

The search for extraterrestrial life is moving to a new, more ambitious phase, reports an article on the Independent website. Up until now, scientists have been restricted to surveying a relatively small area of the sky, studying stars only a few light-years from Earth. A new project, called Breakthrough Listen, will use new technology at the Parkes telescope in Australia to scan a much wider area of the sky more quickly than before.

The Parkes telescope and others will gather 1,500 hours of data in 2018, then analyze it for any phenomena that appear artificial—while ruling out activity from Earth.

The project is one of several from Breakthrough, one of which includes a plan to send small spacecraft on deep-space missions far from Earth.

Don't let boredom cramp your creativity

You can't be creative if you're bored out of your skull. We all feel jaded and restless from time to time, but if you're suffering from a complete lack of stimulation, try these tricks for snapping out of it:

- **Read something new.** Pick a book by an author you've never read, or one that covers a foreign subject.
- Talk to people. Pick someone you don't know very well, and find out all you can about him or her.
- Explore your surroundings. Stop ignoring the sights on your way to work, or at work. Pay attention to all you see—look for something different and original.
- **Rearrange your space.** Sometimes shifting things around at home or at work can force you to look at your surroundings, and your life, in a new light.
- Try a new recipe. Get out of the rut in your kitchen. Pick a challenging recipe for dinner, or stop making the same old sandwiches for your lunch.

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Choose your friends wisely

Gullah folktale offers insight into an unlikely friendship between a snail and a crab. Though the two were very different, they often played together and considered themselves to be best buddies.

One day the crab suggested they go hang out at the beach.

"My mom warned me never to go there," the snail said. "She says it's too dangerous and that the gulls will attack me and have me for a meal."

"Dangerous? No way!" the crab replied. "The beach is fun." The crab promised to look after the snail and assured him there was nothing to worry about. He said, "I'm your best friend. I won't let any gull get close to you."

The snail ignored his better judgment and gave in.

Once they arrived at the beach the snail was excited and overwhelmed by the world he saw before him. He turned to say something to the crab, but noticed his friend some distance away, hanging out with a group of crabs. Just then a gull swooped down and carried away the little snail.

When the crab saw his friend being snatched up by the gull, he buried himself in the sand and stayed hidden for most of the day. He emerged at nightfall and slowly made his way toward home. He created and rehearsed the lie he would tell the snail's parents.

He stood outside the door to the snail family home for a long time before knocking on the door. When the door opened the crab was speechless as his young snail friend stood before him, safe and unharmed.

"But—the gull," the crab stammered.

"Yeah, he got me," the snail replied. He went on to tell how the gull carried him to a field not far from home. Once there, the gull placed the snail in the grass and then scolded him for being out of his element at that beach. "Don't you know how dangerous it is there?"

"When I told him that I was there with you, the gull warned me to think twice about who I consider to be a friend. After all, where were you when I needed you?" the snail asked.

Before the crab could answer, the snail added, "Go home. It's late."

After that night the snail and the crab were no longer the best of friends. In fact, the snail realized they never had been.

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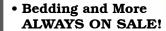
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Ancient humans stalked giant sloths, fossils show

Sossilized footprints show that Ice Age humans hunted giant sloths tens of thousands of years ago, according to the Sci-News website. A team of researchers studied footprints of adults and children found at the White Sands National Monument in New Mexico and found that the human footprints were inside the footprints of a giant ground sloth, which became extinct at the end of the Ice

The fossils show that humans deliberately followed the sloth, deliberately stepping in its footprints as others kept their distance, distracting the creature and drawing it in a desired direction. The tracks indicate that the sloth turned and attacked its stalker, presumably allowing the other humans to move forward and deliver a killing blow.

Whales on the comeback in Antarctic waters

I umpback whales were hunted to near extinction in the 19th and 20th centuries, but now, after international treaties were signed to protect them, they seem on the verge of a comeback.

The New York Times reports that humpbacks who lives and breed in Antarctic waters are having a baby boom. Whale researchers took skin and blubber samples from male and female whales near the Western Antarctic Peninsula for a six-year period. They found high progesterone levels in the blubber of 60 percent of the female whales, which indicated that they were pregnant—an increase from earlier years.

Other whale species are also reproducing more, but the humpbacks seem to be doing best due to the fact that they mature more quickly and have a shorter period between pregnancies. They also have centralized breeding grounds, unlike other species that mate in open water and thus have a harder time finding a partner.

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