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REMINDERS: please submit articles for the Domei by the 10th of each month.

The majority of the calendar info is supplied by the Social Club, along with individual resident submissions.

If there are omissions, *please notify the editor, personally*, so the DOMEI can seek to avoid them in the future.

Most residents prefer to know about the events/articles well in advance, rather than the day of the event. This allows them to **place the calendar on the refrigerator**, as an easy reminder of what to plan for, avoiding conflict of scheduling.

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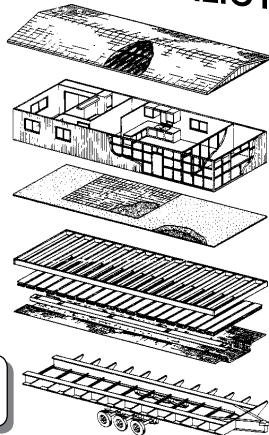
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OOPS! DIRECTORY PROBLEM

Gene & Anita Francouer

The directories for 2017/18 were passed out by the Block Captains on the week of April 24th. Thanks to the block captains for their help. If you have not received one, please see the office as they have the balance.

Also, we have been informed there are a few mistakes (a very few, thank the Lord). Our apologies for those that have been affected by these mistakes. We have already changed them in the directory for next year. If you would like to put the corrections in your own directory, we have them listed below.

1. Joe Walker Phone = 727-538-2604 not 727-531-9686
2. Maggie Walker Phone - 727-531-9686 not 281-760-6254
3. Kathleen Karlau Phone = 727-643-2248 not 727-763-2248
4. Carl Hardy = lives at 2648 Marco Polo, not 2627 Butterfly Dr.
5. Larry & Jo Ann Richman = own 2652 Rice Paddy Dr., also 2637 Sumo Dr.
6. 2627 Butterfly Dr. is a rental unit not Carl Hardy
7. Please remove the phone number for Marion Decker at 2655 Teakwood Dr. shouldn't have been listed.



We hope you use your 2017/18 directory and benefit from it. If you see another mistake as published please let us know so we can make the change for next year's publication.

E-mail = gfranco2@maine.rr.com. Please do not bother the office with changes.

We left for Maine May 6th. If the e-mail doesn't work for you, we return to Butterfly Drive on or around the middle of October.

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JAY, AUGUST 10, 2015

I did not know this morning that
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For part of me went with you, the day God called you home.
You left me beautiful memories, your love is still my guide.
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STROKE: Remember the 1st Three Letters.....

S. T. R.

STROKE IDENTIFICATION:

During a BBQ, a woman stumbled and took a little fall - she assured everyone that she was fine (they offered to call paramedics) ...she said she had just tripped over a brick because of her new shoes.

(Many of us have done the same thing, minimized or made excuses out of embarrassment? I did. Two weeks ago while taking out the laundry I fell down TWO little stairs. Did I mention it to anyone? Of course not.

After reading this article I swallowed my pride in hopes that personal experience will bring someone else to their senses. You choose, pride or life? I was "f.i.n.e., just a, s.n.a.f.u.", the first day. (most military men know what these mean, usually).

The second day I developed pounding headaches, swollen knee and "wrenched" back. Of course I will go to the doctor. If it gets worse and who pays attention to a few bruises anyway?.... Noreen)

The point being, have you checked on your neighbor, young or old, and even if it is just to say "hello". Yes, even younger people can have strokes. There is no age limit.

They got her cleaned up and got her a new plate of food. While she appeared a bit shaken up, Jane went about enjoying herself the rest of the evening.

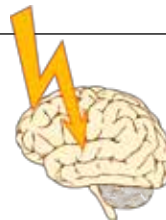
Jane's husband called later telling everyone that his wife had been taken to the hospital - (at 6:00 PM Jane passed away.) She had suffered a stroke at the BBQ. Had they known how to identify the signs of a stroke, perhaps Jane would be with us today.

Some don't die. They end up in a helpless, hopeless condition instead.

It only takes a minute to read this.

A neurologist says that if he can get to a stroke victim within 3 hours he can totally reverse the effects of a stroke...totally. He said the trick was getting a stroke recognized, diagnosed, and

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then getting the patient medically cared for within 3 hours, which is tough.

RECOGNIZING A STROKE:

Thank God for the sense to remember the '3' steps, STR. Read and Learn!

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer severe brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke.

Now doctors say a bystander can recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

S * Ask the individual to SMILE.

T * Ask the person to TALK and SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE (Coherently) (i.e. Chicken Soup)

R * Ask him or her to RAISE BOTH ARMS.

If he or she has trouble with ANY ONE of these tasks, call the emergency number immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

*****New Sign of a Stroke *****

Stick out Your Tongue!

NOTE: Another 'sign' of a stroke is this: Ask the person to 'stick' out his tongue. If the tongue is 'crooked'. If it goes to one side or the other, it is also an indication of stroke.

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- Close your window covers... what's a little monsoon rain, or your possessions.
- Cover your car with full protectors, all of them.

These are only a few head scratchers that make you go, hmmmm. There has to be a better way. Unless, you want to really make things easier for criminals. Just post a sign out front that says "Come on in, help your self!" Well, it will save on window replacement, because they won't have to break a window to get in. No nasty police investigation, or insurance premiums increases because...wait for it...**you invited them in.**

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Really, it's not just pot luck, dinner, dancing and donuts, 50/50 raffles, door prizes, while watching television, grandchildren and the middle age spread, as you snore. What do YOU want? We can't change what we don't know is a problem.

How about a brainstorming session? Bring us your new ideas. Age does not mean that we are not open minded, just maybe "crotchety"

I'm thinking marathons of some kind. Cancel the speed limit for one day without complaint. Don't WALK around the park.. speed jog(?), put those high speed bikes to use. OK, maybe a specified time enmasse of anything with wheels, pets can ride along with you too.(so their feet don't touch the pavement, facilities available at the doggie park).

Would you be interested in leasing a bus to the casino for a full day of **GAMBLING**.

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CHA CHING!!

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FOURTH OF JULY

Connie Hobbs

You are all cordially invited to our Annual Fourth of July Celebration. At 3:00 pm we will gather for a Shuffleboard Tournament; at 5:00 we will have a Golf Cart Parade and follow this at 6:00 pm with a potluck supper and music by Mr. Bill at the pool. We will also be having a 50/50 drawing.



We will then adjourn around 9:00 pm to the Bay for the awarding of prizes while we await the fantastic Fireworks over the Bay. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board to tell us how many residents to expect and what you are bringing to the pot luck.

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MEMORIAL DAY LUNCH

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What a great event! I was called early Monday morning. It was the first day I had off in a long time. I was planning to sleep in. It was Paul Troll, with the news that our President, Kathy Troll, was in the hospital. She would be unable to do the Memorial Day event. He asked if I could do it for her. Of course, I told him not to worry. I would be right down.



But the real reason I'm writing this is that not only did I go right down, so did Janet & Bob, Charlotte, Rita, Patty, Florence: Sandy & Mark. Everyone I called came to help. We had it all set up in nothing flat. Even the entertainment (music), we had figured out and got it going.

It was really heart warming to see everyone come together, helping to make it a wonderful time for all.

Everything went smoothly. Volunteers stepped up. All you have to do is ask. I was amazed how many people just pitched in.

WALKING WITH A FRIEND IN THE DARK, IS BETTER THAN WALKING ALONE IN THE LIGHT (HELEN KELER)

FATHERS DAY - JUNE 18

Connie Hobbs

Men got in free for this one. The ladies had to pay \$3.00. We had pizza, beer, sodas and water and of course, desert. We had a special gift for each man and had two baseball game tickets as door prizes for men only. Thanks so much for all my helpers that made this a memorable event.

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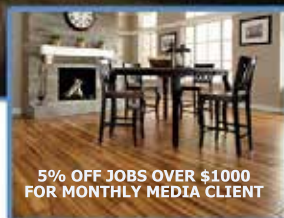
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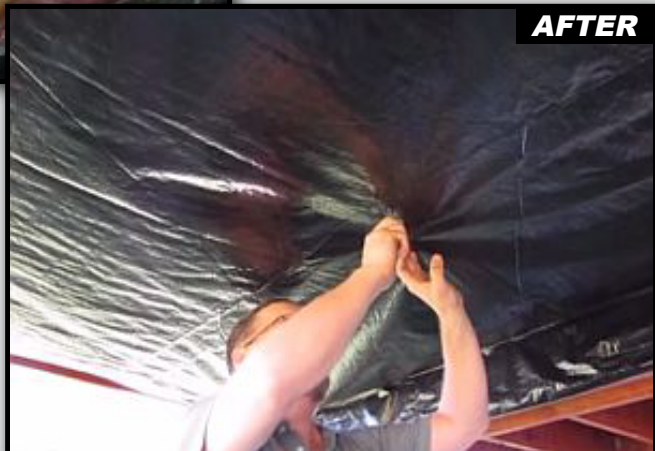
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				1 Koffee Klatch 8:30 AM George Whyte Memorial
2 K TION!! RGE.. ETS!! Cards - Hand & 30PM Independence Day	4 Ladies Cards-PAY ME- 7:00 PM	5 NO CARDS	6 Men's Golf Tee Off: 8:30AM; Hand & Foot 12:30: Florida 7:00pm WOMENS SUMMER LUNCHEON	7 Koffee Klatch 8:30 AM KARAOKE
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Noreen

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The Zika virus is mostly caused by mosquitoes native to tropical regions, (that would be us). Oh, and yes it can also be sexually transmitted. (Don't cringe. We are old enough.) We all know ZIKA is with us, in America, even in the cocoon safety of Japanese Garden.

It can be basically prevented by air conditioning and window units, to filter the incoming air. Be sure to wear insect repellent and long clothing during "the season" when going outside.

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Connie Hobbs

June 3rd was our most recent baseball game. It rained all day, everyone wondered if this would happen. But, it did and the Threshers ended up winning 2 -1. It was military appreciation night so there were several young people sworn in to duty before the game and salutes to the armed services. Also some parachutists landed on the ball field. The last two that came down were connected to each other carrying a big American flag.

The fireworks were awesome as usual, even though we had to wait for it to get dark since the game ended early.

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Noreen

Especially the way I hammer and nag about volunteers. It actually works. Nagging, that is.

Originally, "Block Captains" were designated to deliver the DOMEI. It helped make the community more cohesive. Times and demographics have changed. We have many residents who are still in the work force. Also, many of our resident historians have moved back to be closer to their families, for a variety of reasons. Many are no longer with us. Some moved into Japanese Garden when the first shovel of dirt broke ground. Just ask Dorothy Ravener, or Charlie Braun. Guess what the cost was then.



Personally, I will miss many terribly. Their individual experiences are amazing. Once upon a time in the outside world we were all "someone", or held a job of great "import". Life changes. Now, we are different people, and our "import" has changed. Now, we find different ways to contribute to our community, society, and life. We become involved in many different things, some volunteer, and for that, I am grateful. Thank you ever so much for stepping forward.

One new **DOMEI Delivery Driver** volunteer is Annette Wilson, with the additional responsibility of We Care, and her contributions to the DOMEI by keeping us informed of the health and welfare of our residents, i.e. hospitalizations, rehab, returns home, and of course those who have passed on.

Betty Harrison. Betty is a "silent" volunteer. She is a "wing man", behind the scenes volunteer. She works without fanfare. Betty is also the sidekick of Annette Wilson, helping others, but never telling, or bragging. Just, helping her neighbors, with an ever present smile.

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In that vein, many of our current drivers (year round residents) have stepped forward to increase coverage area, during the summer, while our northern volunteer drivers are away.

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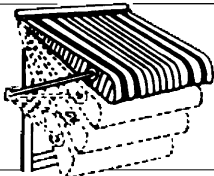


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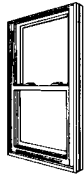
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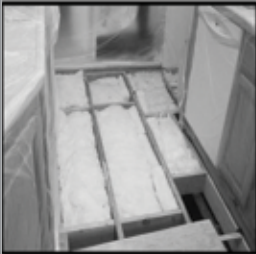


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REVENGE IS NOT A PASSION, IT IS A DISEASE

A TYPICAL AMERICAN YOUTH- section1.. to be continued.

by Mel Moen

Once upon a time, long, long ago and far, far away, a typical American youth was born. As a toddler, they dream of growing up to be big and tall and strong, like their Dad.

Later, in their childhood, they dreamed of driving a BIG Truck or driving one of those Excavators (at that time, they pronounced it Excalators).

Then, of course, came the time when that dream changed to one of being a cowboy. Riding the plains . . . Rounding up cattle . . . Racing horses across the prairie. Wow!

As a pre-teen, the Dream became a “little more realistic“. Like maybe a Fireman . . . Or maybe a Doctor?

At that age, the Dream also started to include, that special Girl. The one who would bring love, and a home, and home-baked cookies into their life. While they worked to take care of her and their home.

However, along with this aging process came the realization that society was going to do everything it could to prevent this Dream. Everything that they had learned, everything that they had heard, everything that they had seen, everything in their world, scream at them, that they could never have this Dream.

. . . because this youth was born a female.



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A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE

Patty Gerboc

Kindness is the noblest weapon to conquer with. – Thomas Fuller
I love Japanese Gardens!

Every single day I find an opportunity (or more) to say “I am so happy here”.

I love my home, the pool, golf cart living, Social Club events, the Canadians, the Northerners, and the relationships of small community living.

But like all small communities, familiarity can sour a relationship, especially if gossip goes unchecked. As a teenager my mother said “if you don’t have anything nice to say, don’t say anything at all”. I’m sure you have heard this before and probably have even said it, too. But here in Japanese Gardens, we are no longer teenagers, we are grown ups! Every single one of us has lived a life of great joy and great sadness, most of us have raised kids, lost our parents, some have lost kids or spouses. We have overcome sickness, mental illness, violence and watched as our loved ones have succumbed. We’ve been CEO’s, and secretary’s and janitors, we’ve made money and lost money; we’ve been respected and look down on and we all wear our ‘own lives’ like a comfortable old robe.

Kindness should be the next order of business here. With the scars of life stamped on all of our hearts we should just hop on the road to compassion and live by some simple rules of life:

If it’s not true, don’t say it
If it’s hurtful, don’t repeat it
If it’s not yours, don’t take it
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