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# CALENDAR INFO SUPPLIED BY SOCIAL CLUB; CONTACT PRESIDENT, KATHY TROLL 727-400- 2768.. FOR CORRECTIONS/CHANGES

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It has been a rough summer. Not just because of the weather. Many of our people have moved, to be closer to relatives, as their health needs change. We have had numerous residents being hospitalized, then transferred to rehab before being well enough to return home. Sadly, some have passed on. Yet, keeping up with all this is Annette Wilson of WE CARE. She is another "behind the scenes" tireless volunteer. Please keep her informed so we can keep you informed. She works very closely with informing the Domei of changing status, and for that we thank her.

## **ADVANCE PLANNING? PUT THESE ON YOUR CALENDARS..**

## **CHECK BULLETIN BOARD FOR CHANGES**

Many of our friends are returning and activities are increasing daily. If they are not listed on the calendar,

please let me know.

Please remember to check the bulletin board for participation (bring a "dish to to pass ... or "potluck")

If you are particularly adventurous, volunteer to be a chairman.. We have back up help and won't leave you swinging in the wind ..alone. We have all been there.. O.K. most of us, some more than others.

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**REMINDERS**: please submit articles for the Domei by the 10th of each month. Sometimes life just happens, and flexibility is needed. We are cooperating with the publisher's deadlines for over 100 other Mobile Home/Retirement Communities.

The majority of the calendar info is supplied by the cooperation with the Social Club, the website, Channel 96 and of course, Management. Along with individual resident article submissions.

Most residents prefer to know about events well in advance. This permits them to plan for other events by checking their own Domei calendar, maybe as a **REFRIGERATOR CALENDAR**.

So an easy reminder to plan for upcoming events is check ... the "refrigerator calendar".

AFTER IRMA, I AM REMINDED OF A SONG FROM THE 70'S/80'S... ONE LINE STICKS IN MY MIND .." I'M STILL STANDING, BETTER THAN I EVER DID... I'M STILL STANDING...." and we as Floridians, native or transplants.. are still standing, stronger, closer, better...." I am so grateful we are here together, warts and all.

## Keep an eye out for upcoming events such as;

R.O.M.E.O. and RED KIMONOS, BRIDGE, CRIBBAGE,

SUPER BINGO, REGULAR BINGO, THANKSGIVING DINNER, CHRISTMAS MEAL AND FESTIVITIES,

SOCIAL CLUB BREAKFAST AND ART SHOW, RCS DONATIONS, VETERANS DAY, PHONE COLLECTION FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL, KARAKOE, AND, WEDNESDAY WELCOME WAGON, ETC

## For example

November 1 Ladies Day Out (not sure the location - need to check with Cathy Curry.) November 8 - 9:30 am - start of Bowling every Wednesday thereafter November 9 Red Kimonos luncheon - O'Keefes November 11 - Veterans Day Nocember 16 Super Bingo November 19 Luau November 23, Thanksgiving Dinner

Character defines personality.



## FRIDAY MEN'S ACTIVITY ...

ED BY THE EVER PRESENT LOYAL LEADER/ZIGGY WYETH. CALL ZIGGY FOR FURTHER DETAILS.. 727-559-1304; golf tee off time is 9:30 AM;

(ladies can stay home to enjoy their morning coffee and sweets, a.k.a caffeine and sugar) to start the day, aahh.

## OR .. FOR THE LADIES..

O SUGAR AND CAFFEINE FOR YOU?? CONTACT KATHY CURRIE FOR INFO ABOUT ANY FUTURE LADIES LUNCHEONS. IT'S THE GIRLS "TIME -OUT!".

SHE IS A GREAT ORGANIZER! I HAVE NO IDEA HOW SHE CAN PULL ALL THIS TOGETHER.

KUDOS TO KATHY FOR NEVER GIVING UP!! YOU ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED FOR YOUR MANY UN-SPOKEN AND UN-ACKNOWLEDGED KINDNESSES. WE THANK YOU.



I MAY DISAPPROVE OF WHAT YOU SAY, BUT I WILL DEFEND UNTIL THE DEATH, YOUR RIGHT TO SAY IT.! (VOLTAIRE)......Do you know the history and concept of this quote?

## **CHARLIE BRAUN'S MEMORIAL**

OCTOBER 28TH, 1 PM TIL 3 PM



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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Kathy Troll

I feel very blessed to be writing this letter. On September 9th, our lives and emotions were turned upside down. We were in Hurricane Irma's direct path. Mandatory evacuation was announced for our beautiful community. Where do we go, what do we do, and what do we bring along with us streamed through our minds. After packing our belongings, we turned around and looked at our homes and said to ourselves, "what, if anything, will be left when we return"? Fear of the unknown and the uncertainty lingered with all of us for the next 48 hours. Most of us were able to keep in touch during this time. Upon returning, one by one, we gave a sigh of relief! Many

had damage and we were out of power until late Wednesday night. Upon reflection, we were all blessed to have been spared the major wrath from this historic hurricane. I think that I speak for most of us that a real sense of community shone through in so many ways. Park Management kept us up to date on every front. A heartfelt gratitude to our park manager Steve for going door to door checking on every resident to ensure their safety and patrolling our community during and immediately following the storm. Thank you to John, Joe and Mark for all of their tireless work in restoring our community to a sense of normalcy! Thank you to Nancy Britt-Bucko for keeping all of our residents informed with her postings and photos on Facebook. Thank you to our Snowbirds for your care and concern during and after the storm. There are many others to thank for their efforts to help their fellow neighbors in their time of need. We are here, and we are strong!

Now, on to our Social Club. Our activities are now in full swing. Please check the Domei, the Social Club bulletin board and the website for our following events; Veterans Day, Luau, and Thanksgiving. As always, we are in need of volunteers for all of our upcoming events. Please contact me or Connie Hobbs if you are interested in helping. Our next General Membership meeting will be immediately following Coffee Klatch on Saturday, November 11th. A very blessed and happy Thanksgiving to all.





## **APPRECIATION** and a **Big THANK YOU**

Patty Booth

have been meaning to write this for a long time, but now I'm glad I waited until after the hurricane.

The lawn areas, bay and dog park have never looked better since our management team started cutting the grass.

Also most importantly; Steve, John, Joe, Mark and Pat Murphy really went beyond expectations before, during, and after Irma. Before the storm, Pat sent out up to date emails to let all of us know what we were facing and gave us suggestions on what to do.



Steve, John, and Joe stayed during the storm. They drove around the park during the storm to make sure the park was safe from looters and checked on everybody's house. After the storm there were a lot of trees and branches all over the park. They worked in very hot and humid weather and cleaned everything up in an unbelievable amount of time. Steve opened his home to refrigerate medications and recharge cell phones and golf carts.

Thank you so very much Japanese Garden Management for what you do.

If you see these guys out working, stop and give them a thank you and maybe a cold bottle of water.

The only history worth a damn, is the one we make here and now (Henry Ford)

## ALONE ANONYMOUS

S o, there she sat - scared and in tears - as the First Responders drove by -- even though she had called more than once begging for evacuation assistance. (This was a 90 + senior lady waiting in front of her home.)

The heroine of our story NANCY BUCKO !!!!

who saw this, called the First Responders and **demanded they return.** You can bet they did!!! Thanks, Nancy -- your friends and neighbors are proud!!!

IMPORTANT NOTE.. AFTER THIS WONDERFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NANCY'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY. SHE HAD HEART VALVE SURGERY!!

ALTHOUGH SHE MAY BE WEAK AND NOT UP FOR VISITORS... WE AS A COMMUNITY SHOULD SHOW OUR APPRECIATION TO HER... PLEASE... LET HER KNOW HOW MUCH YOU CARE!! (relay this info by personal notes or to her dear friend Pat Racine)

This is an example of our residents, friends and neighbors, being unselfish and caring. Let's show her how much we care.





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# Help for Severe Aortic Stenosis



Severe aortic stenosis is a narrowed aortic heart valve that doesn't open and close properly, reducing blood flow to the rest of the body.

Morton Plant Hospital is now enrolling eligible patients in the Medtronic Evolut R low-risk trial, which investigates the safety and effectiveness of a transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR) system in patients with severe aortic stenosis who are at a low surgical mortality risk. TAVR is a minimally invasive alternative to open-heart surgery used to treat failing aortic heart valves in patients with severe aortic stenosis. Morton Plant Hospital was chosen as the first hospital in Tampa Bay to offer the TAVR procedure for patients with severe aortic stenosis who were at an intermediate or high surgical mortality risk. Our team has completed more than 700 TAVR procedures over the last five years.

To see if you or a loved one with severe aortic stenosis may be eligible for this trial, or for more information on the trial, call the Center for Advanced Valve and Structural Heart Care at Morton Plant Hospital at (855) 44-VALVE (855-448-2583) or visit MortonPlantValveTrial.org.



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*The human voice can never reach the distance that is covered by the still small voice of conscience.* 

Thank you

# **MANAGEMENT CORNER**

Steve Lyle

anagement wants to thank Terry Sullivan for his help in cleaning up the Park after the hurricane. His assistance was invaluable. We can't thank him enough. Thank you Terry!!

## THEY DID IT AGAIN

Annette Wilson

thankless, unappreciated job. Our Management crew. They "hunkered down" down and rode out a major hurricane, for our protection. Sure they could have left and come back when the storm passed. But they did not. Before the storm, they went to each property to make sure there was no potential for flying projectiles. (did you notice things moved, but not from the storm)

After the hurricane, they helped residents with their demolished car ports and porticos.

They got busy with clean up immediately afterwards.

"Just doing our job" does not seem to cover it.

But a big thank you is a start. Let them know how much appreciated they are

*Hope can be paralyzing.* 

# **ART AND CRAFT BOUTIQUE**

Charlotte Thompson

ecember 2nd we are having our Annual Social Club Board Free Breakfast, and an ART AND CRAFT SHOW.

everyone IS WELCOME.

If you or a friend is interested in participating in the art and craft show: please call: CHARLOTTE 727-531--3651

Also, if you know any northerners who might be interested in joining show, please call them, so they can bring them along. There isn't any charge. However, I do need to have you let me know if they need a display table, or if they have one of their own.

If there were no hell, we would be like the animals, no hell, no dignity. JAPANESE GARDEN DOMEI NOVEMBER, 2017 C 13



## **TO ALL PARK RESIDENTS**

Pat O'Donnell

There is no gave the park so for a cat 3 or 4 hurricane, have at least 2 generators, 100 to 200 gallons of gas, a boat, and hope you make it thru the wind.

Given the hype of Irma, many people left Florida. I know of people who drove to Louisianna and Tennessee just to find a motel or hotel. That's over 800 miles 2 days before. Let's continue to pray for Florida and prepare.

Scars remind us where we have been, they don't have to dictate where we are going.

## Upcoming SUPER BINGO... November 16, 2017 (3rd Thursday of November)

Bet LeBrun

hould another activity coincide with the date mentioned above, I will do my best to accommodate the rescheduling of the SUPER BINGO

Once again...

There will be 11 bingo games:

- 5 regular games
- 3 special games
- 2 extra-special games
- 1 jackpot

9-up pads will be \$10 (regular, special & jackpot)

Extra 3-up sheets for extra-special games will be \$1 per sheet.

In order for the SUPER BINGO to be successful, we need at least 30 or more players – more players mean a higher payout!

Those of you who wish to bring goodies (cookies, squares, cake, etc.) for everyone's enjoyment during intermission are encouraged to do so.

The bingo is open to all residents and their overnight guests.

Due to strict by-laws, no outsiders are permitted to play any bingo in our Clubhouse.

Looking forward to hearing you say......B I N G O!!!!!

Any questions... email Bet LeBrun at betlebrun@hotmail.com

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*What lies behind us, and what lies before us are tiny matters, when compared to what lies within us.* 

# DIRECTORIES

Noreen

t is that time of year again -- time to update the Park directory. Forwarding the information to Gene Francouer is your responsibility. His is not an easy VOLUNTEER job. So please contact Gene at your earliest available time.

So much of the best of us is bound up in family, because it measures our loyalty.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Connie Hobbs

Ctober 28, 2017 - Doors Open 6:30 pm Snacks, sodas and water provided.Dancing by Randy Martin who always gets everyone up and having fun. Everyone dressed in Halloween costumes judged. First, second and third prizes awarded will be announced in next month's Domei.



Experience is a brutal teacher But you do learn, my God, you do learn.

## **VETERANS DAY**

Kathy Troll

Please join us on November 11th at 10:30 am at the Clubhouse to celebrate all of our Veterans. A short program will be followed by a moment of silence at promptly 11:11 am. Please bring pictures to display of you or your loved ones' time in the service. Lunch will follow our program.



In life, unlike chess, the game continues after checkmate..(Asimov)



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No cards	5	6 Cribbage 7:00 PM	Ladies ( & Foot Bridge 7		
No cards	12	13 Cribbage 7:00 PM	Ladies ( & Foot Bridge 7		
No cards	19	20 Cribbage 7:00 PM	Ladies ( & Foot Bridge 7		
No cards	26	27 Cribbage 7:00 PM	Ladies ( & Foot Bridge 7		

# **Japanese Garden**

uesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
	1 Ladies Cards-PAY ME-7:00 PM	2 MENS CARDS 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	3 Men's Golf Tee Off: 9:30 AM Ladies Cards - Hand & Foot 12:30 PM; Florida 7:00 PM	4 Koffee Klatch 8:30 AM		
7 Cards - Hand 12:30PM 7 PM	8 Bowling 9:30 AM Ladies Cards-PAY ME-7:00 PM	9 MENS CARDS 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	10 Men's Golf Tee Off: 9:30 AM Ladies Cards - Hand & Foot 12:30 PM; Florida 7:00 PM	11 Koffee Klatch 8:30 AM		
				Veteran's Day		
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		Thanksgiving				
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## LUAU - Sunday, November 19

Connie Hohhs

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## **ITALIAN NITE**

Noreen

nyone who has eaten the food of Janet Episcopo, KNOWS!!! The word is out. The girl can put on a feed. It seemed as if everyone volunteered

to help. The event sold out. There were over eighty tickets sold. She is not a cook .... she is a CHEF.

## THANKSGIVING DINNER **Kathy Troll**

lease join us for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday November 23rd at 2 pm at the Clubhouse. Doors will open at 1:30. Please bring your favorite side dish to share. Sign-up sheet will be posted on the Social Club bulletin board. Please sign up early so we know what we need to supply. Please bring your place settings and silverware. Soda, water and ice will be provided. The turkeys will generously be provided by our park! Hope to see many of you there.



CALLING ALL COOKS. We are in need of 6 people to each roast a turkey for our Thanksgiving Dinner on November 23rd. Please contact me at 727-400-2768 if you can assist us with your cooking expertise.





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## LOOK FOR DONATION BUCKETS

Sandy Rassmussen

any of us are proud of our state of residence before moving to Florida. With this pride as residents we would like to display our individual state flags in a structured simutanulous manner, making a beautiful display of pride.

The Park would like to display our state flags in the park. As Residents we would be providing flags and material to display. We were able to obtain a full set of US Flags for a resonable price. Sandy R is coordinating with residents and Management on state flags needed within the park. The office has provided all states of residents prior to moving into Japanese Garden. There are a variety of Providences and other Countries noted, if you acknowledge these areas as your home place, please feel free to bring a 3'x5' flag to wave of any other location than the 50 US States.

There will be a poster in the community room identifing all flags that will be displayed. At this time there are no intent of purchasing Canadian providence flags, please feel free to bring one down on your return this fall. Please feel free to contact Sandy R to see if your country or providence flag has been purchased. Please look for donation buckets or contact Sandy R to make a donation of a flag or monies to this project.

Also, our Veterans are honored in multiple ways a year in our great USA. Here at Japanese Garden we are very aware of the ultimate sacrifice families and individuals have given for the love of freedom and country. Along with those who continue to serve and relive memories of years served.

We show our respect by grooming an area of military flags, displaying a memorial plaque for those who have served in our armed services. Due to wear and tear our memorial plaque is in need of replacing. There will be donations taken for a new plaque to replace the worn one. Estimated cost of this plaque is \$100.00.

Any questions or concerns, please contact Sandy R 612/432-7874 or Kathy T.

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When a father gives to a son, both laugh When a son gives to his father, they both cry.





## **RUMMAGE SALE 2018**

Sandy Rassmussen

\*\*Although January seems a long way off, it is not too soon to start thinking about our annual rummage sale. We welcome your good used items that you no longer need. Once again, I would like to see our volunteers wearing a red T-shirt/blouse if at all possible on the day of the sale. The red shirts along with our name badges make us easily identifiable to the public.

\*\*Last year we utilized a storage area, for our items, across the highway. Paid with our raffle monies, so \$600.00 we did not have to use from our budget or funds raised during event. We will be doing this again this year, so look forward to ongoing raffles at Events and 50/50 at Saturday Koffee Klatch.



\*\* Also food at the event was a hit, so this will also continue, so look forward to a Bake Sale and Lunch; we will be looking for volunteers to bring food for the volunteers, during set-up on Thursday and Friday.

\*\*Collection of items will be the same as last year. Collection days will be Saturdays after Koffee Klatch 10-Noon by the Rassmussens, on your driveway. Again we are asking, if possible, to please keep your large items at your place until January pick-up. Please make sure all donated items are clean, in good working condition and are bagged or boxed securely. When donating linens, please mark size (sheets/blankets/tableclclothes). Look for list of Volunteers needed on the board by the pool. We will be having volunteers and residents buy from the sale on Friday night, different from last year.

\*\*Dates for items to be picked up from residents drive-way Oct-Dec. 10am-12 October 21

November 4. 18

December 2, 16, 30

January 11th (4-6pm) 12th (9-11am)

\*\*Items we are unable to pick up: mirrors, mattress and boxsprings, old computer monitors and broken items. Large items and applicances will be picked up in January. This list may be subject to change, determined by committee member.

Questions, please feel free to contact Sandy Rassmussen, 612/432-7874.

## NOTICE

NOTICE





Dorothy Ravener is still collecting old cell phones and chargers for our men and women in the service. Please leave your donation , in the mail slot, at 2674 RICKSHAW DRIVE. Thanks!

# NOTICE







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## "MORE THAN WORDS CAN EXPRESS"

Sandy Rassmussen

Record breaking numbers behind Hurricane Irma. "Hurricane Irma has wreaked havoc in Florida after devastating islands throughout the Caribbean. Meteorologists have described it as one of the most powerful hurricanes ever recorded - 185 mph lifetime max winds." Over 400 miles wide, engulfing the entire state of Florida. These are the words we heard from Aug 30-Sept 10th. There was a mandatory evacuation of our homes on Thursday Sept. 7th. Florida had started the evacuation of the Florida keys the beginning of the week, the roads were packed with people



moving North, gas stations had no gas, airports were jammed, no food in grocery stores....... What to do?....We decided to leave. On our way out of the park on Saturday A.M., the Police with buses showed up to transport people out of thier homes to shelters. Steve, Joe and a handful of residents stayed behind -- to ride out the storm. Many of us made the choice to leave and prayed for the safety for those who chose to stay.

For those who have not been in a hurricane, this is a snapchat of our life during the largest hurricane recorded. As many of you know, papa Don, Mark's dad is 86 years old and lives with us; he suffers many health issues, needing machines. The hurricane had us scared, especially when electricity is needed for his health.

We were registered at the local shelter since Thursday, then Meteorologists said Irma was going to be a cat 4 or 5, directly hitting Clearwater. We got nervous on our ability to deal with the devastation after the storm. There were so many people who stayed in Florida and around the area, but by the end of the week you couldn't go North...roads were clear, but no gas. Saturday we decided to head to the east coast to a parking ramp since there were no hotels. Thank God we were invited to an extended family's home (whom we had never met) with hurricane shutters, food and a generator. With both of our cars packed with what we felt were our most needed belongings, we left the park. We genuinely felt we would not have a home to come back to. During that long weekend, there were a number of us that continued to text as long as we could, making sure all were safe and documenting where we were. Mark kept in contact with Steve and Joe along with a handful of other residents who chose to stay in their homes, bless thier hearts. They then assessed a lot of our homes after the storm. I have to say I was scared for the brave folks who stayed behind. Monday came, Irma shifted and the park was standing; we were delighted and feeling very grateful. So the next challenge was to return to Clearwater, it took us almost two days for a 2 hr drive. Downed trees, power lines, distraught family and no communication made it very difficult. We finally saw our home on Tuesday at noon, no electricity, no phone service or internet.

Thank God our home was intact, along with our friends' homes, our park had bumps and bruises but people were safe.

Park Management definitely stepped up for the residents in the park and for those who returned. Steve helped folks in many ways; one was allowing folks access to his generator with a charging



table; people were able to charge their cell phones and golfcarts at the time. Some had thier refrigerators plugged in to provide ice for others. When we returned, we helped staff clean out residents' refrigerators of spoiled food. Everyone stepped up and checked on the elderly that stayed in the park. John and Joe patrolled the park, watching over our community. We even witnessed the local police officers coming in to charge a home bound resident's cell phone for her. After the devastation in Florida the good people definitely showed up. I feel so blessed that many of them reside in our own Japanese Garden.

I want to thank the brave folks again for keeping our park safe and giving us, who weren't here, a sense of comfort about our homes. Thanks again to all who helped others with comfort by words, a detail or two, or being a presence in the park. So many were grateful for the generator use, charging phones allowed communication at times with family. Many of us had stress with family and children concerned about our safety, wanting us anywhere, but in Clearwater.

Having folks who think of others first, and go the extra mile in giving comfort in so many ways, is more than mere words of gratitude can express.

Thanks again to Steve and his crew for the amazing cleanup within the park-- This community truly feels like a family.

## **STRANGE FACTS ABOUT THE USA**

Submitted by Joe Walker

(Partial List - more later)

- 1. In more than half of all states in the United States of America, the highest paid public employee in the state is a football coach.
- 2. It costs the U.S. government 1.8 cents to mint a penny and 9.4 cents to mint a nickel.
- 3. Almost half of all Americans (47 percent) do not put a single penny out of their paychecks into savings.
- 4. Apple has more cash than the U.S. Treasury.
- 5. The state of Alaska is 429 times larger than the state of Rhode Island, but Rhode Island has a significantly larger population than Alaska does.
- 6. Alaska has a longer coastline than all of the other 49 U.S. states put together.
- 7. The city of Juneau, Alaska, is about 3,000 square miles in size. It is actually larger than the entire state of Delaware.
- 8. When LBJ's "War on Poverty" began, less than 10 percent of all U.S. children were growing up in single parent households. Today, that number has skyrocketed to 33 percent.

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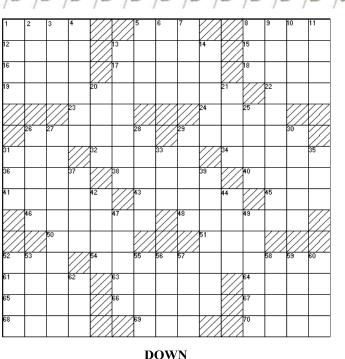
- 1. Shut a door forcefully
- 5. Any doctrine
- 8. Cry
- 12. Magma
- 13. November birthstone
- 15. Wheel shaft
- 16. Detail
- 17. Coral island
- 18. Left by a wound
- 19. Act of changing the lineal order of objects
- 22. Writing fluid
- 23. Picnic insect
- 24. Exam
- 26. Anagram of "Resold"
- 29. Plan of action
- 31. Watch chain
- 32. Bay window
- 34. A cancerous growth
- 36. A device that emits light
- 38. Fore-and-aft-rigged vessel
- 40. A Roman emperor
- 41. Homeric epic
- 43. Aromatic compound
- 45. Arrest
- 46. Pressure
- 48. Robust
- 50. Jacob's brother
- 51. By way of
- 52. What we breathe
- 54. European songbird
- 61. Chafe
- 63. Threesomes
- 64. Gleam
- 65. Learning method
- 66. Our planet
- 67. Lack of difficulty
- 68.1111
- 69. Honey insect
- 70. Bambi was one

- 1. Slide
- 2. Tardy
- 3. Affirm
- 4. Any warm-blooded
- vertebrate
- 5. Bit
- 6. Blemish
- 7. Anagram of "Lima"
- 8. Is, formerly
- 9. Exhilaration
- 10. Flair
- 11. Fringe benefit
- 13. Rags
- 14. Polish monetary unit

- 20. Cancel
- 21. Where a bird lives
- 25. Render senseless
- 26. In Christianity, these go to
- heaven
- 27. Wipe out
- 28. Angers
- 29. Indolence
- 30. Eel
- 31. Law enforcement agency
- 33. Dawn goddess
- 35. Steal
- 37. Taverns
- 39. Easily irritated



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52. A type of hair style53. Press laundry55. Snatch

44. Precipitation

42. A university administrator

47. A series of connected rooms

56. Employ

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- 57. Carry
- 58. Wings
- 59. Fail to win
- 60. Pitcher
- 62. Not no





## WANTED TO BUY

### When selling on consignment always get a WRITTEN QUOTE on the sellers' commission.

FURNITURE, good clean, pre-owned. Top dollar paid. Joe, 224-9780

Dependable car wanted. Have cash. Please call Marilyn at: 727-348-1676

## **ARTICLES FOR SALE**

2 Crypts in Sylvan Abbey, choice Locations side by side extras. 727-243-4100 Suzie

Scotties each 1-1/2 yeas old, male/ female, family pets, registered, current shots, not fixed, \$1000 negotiable, each sold separately. 727-458-9920

Great Cadillac DTS, 2011, black, tan, 53,000 miles, \$16,000. Appliances, Queen Mattress, Desk, More. 727-204-3293

## **EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

HOLIDAY BAZAAR 11/11/17 All indoor craft show. First Lutheran 1644 Church. Nurserv Rd., Clearwater. Vendors: 727-744-3806 or eobrien2429@gmail.com

Art/Craft Sale - Friday, November 17, 9am-1pm, Lake Highlander MHP, 1500 County Road 1, Dunedin. GREAT HOLIDAY SHOPPING!

FLEA MARKET Saturday, November 25th 9am-Noon. Lake Seminole Resort Clubhouse 10245 110th Ave N. Largo. Clothes, books, household items, decorations.

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7th ANNUAL ARTS & CRAFT 3rd Annual Crafters Faire: November SALE - Sat., Nov. 11, 2017 9AM-11th 2017. Island in the Sun Park 1PM Lake Haven MHP - Paradise 100 Hampton Rd, Clearwater, Florida Island Clubhouse 1415 Main St. 33759. 9-2 in the clubhouse. Start (SR580 & Lake Haven Road) Dunedin. vour Christmas shopping now. Great items to choose from, ceramics, hand Everything uniquely designed by hobby club members. Objects d'art knitted items, Christmas Santas, door include paintings and shadow box decorations, character themed hoodies creations; jewelry; crocheted, knitted for children and more. ALL hand and sewn items; greeting cards; and crafted items! knick-knacks, all individually crafted VENDORS WANTED: Craft Fair at for home or gifting! Briar Creek, Nov. 18th, 9am-2pm, 8ft tables, \$10 each, 724-444-0232 Bay Ranch Flea Market/Craft Sale: 11/11/17 7349 Ulmerton Rd, Largo, Carport Sale: Saturday December 2nd, FL, 8AM until 2PM. At the clubhouse. 2017 8 am to 2 pm. Park Royale MHP Food and drink. Call Dot Lawrence for 10611 66th St., Pinellas Park information 484-368-1430. Park Royale Art and Craft Sale: Holiday Craft Faire - 11/25, 9am-Saturday, November 18th, 9:00am 2:30pm. Westwind II Clubhouse. 3301 to 2:00pm. Local artists and crafters. ALT. 19 Denedin. All handmade items. 10611 66th St. N., Pinellas Park Concession open for snacks, lunch, and drinks. Doral Village Carport Sale: Lots 85 and 87. November 11th and 12th, 9am TRASH TO TREASURE: Doral to 3:30pm. Village 11/18/17 From 8am-2pm Rummage Sale 11/11/17 at Regency Clubhouse. Share the Wealth & Raffle Heights 2550 S.R. 580, Clearwater Prizes. Donuts & Coffee 8-10:30am. Hot Dog combo's along with other from 8am - 3pm at clubhouse. We refreshments served on the front porch. guarantee great bargains, bake sale, and an enjoyable day. Breakfast, lunch 29250 US Hwy. 19 N. just south of available. Curlew. Annual Craft Bazaar - Ranchero Amber Glades Carport Sale SR 580 Village, 7100 Ulmerton Road, Largo / McMillan Booth RD. Saturday, November 18th, 2017. 8am - 3pm. Florida at Hacienda Clubhouse. Sunday, November 12th, 12-3pm. Full Something for everyone! house of vendors and lunch available. Paradise Island Annual Craft Fair. Basket raffles and much more. Saturday 9-1 on 11/04/17 at the Palm Hill North Recreation Club's clubhouse. 60+ vendors. All handmade Annual Bazaar, Craft & Bake Sale with items, bake sale and canteen open for lunch available. Saturday, December food. 2nd. 9am-1pm (early admission 8:30am \$1.00). 401 8th Ave. S.W., Note: Emporium is 2 pages Largo (off Seminole Blvd) this month.

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### **Emporium Continued**

SALE: Lake Haven MHP Saturday, November 18th, 8am-1pm. Dishes, Gift items, Household Appliances, Linens, Christmas décor & more! PLUS the BEST BAKE SALE IN TOWN! 1415 Main St. Clubhouse 3, Dunedin, FL (off 580).

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE Saturday November 4th - 9AM - 12PM. Americana Cove. 7201 St NE. St. Pete. Antiques, collectibles, jewelry, furniture, kitchenware, electronics, books, paintings, plants records, CDs, DVDs, VCRs, furniture, linens, bakery.

Holiday Craft Bazaar Sunday Dec 3rd @ 9am-2pm. Sunset Palms Community 3401 Gandy Blvd 33781. Briar Creek Annual Bazaar: December 1 4PM to 7PM. December 2 8AM to noon. 100 Briar Creek Blvd, off McMullen Booth Rd just south of Mease Countryside Hospital. Trash & Treasures, Jewelry, Bakery goods, Lots of stuff, lots of fun, lots of bargains! Raffle Baskets, Furniture, Tools and more!

GATEWAY ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR: Saturday, December 2nd at the Clubhouse 9:00-1:30. Crafts, Food, Games, Theme Basket/Bike Raffle and White Elephant Table. Gateway MHP, 10100 Gandy Blvd, Saint Petersburg. GARAGE SALE TO BENEFIT SPECIAL OLYMPICS: Sun. Nov. 12th, 9am - 4pm @ Recreational Golf Carts. See ad or call 727-548-8460 for more info.



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## Monthly Mania: It Pays (Up to \$100) To Patronize the Advertisers in Your Newsletter

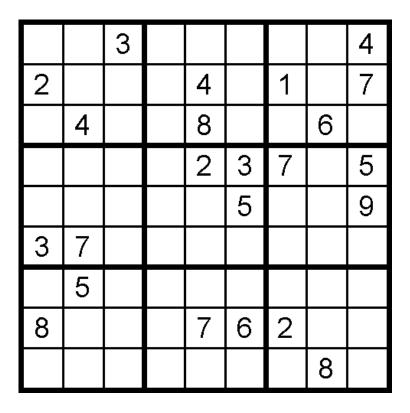
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Irene Mason \$10 Bob's Appliance Service	Lynn McGraw \$5 Bob's Mobile home Washing
Greg Stonebraker \$10Sunset Appliance Service	Lois Ayotte \$5 Doll Brothers Carpet Cleaners
Carol Snyder \$10 Bob's Mobile home Washing	Robert Pyne \$5 Buggin Out Termite & Pest Control
Denise Morgan \$10Jones and Sons Plumbing	Bill Malofey \$5
Kathy Sweetman \$10 Modern AC and Appliance Service	Ed Becker \$5 Air Masters of Pinellas, Inc.
Carl Simmons \$10 Dunedin Plumbing, Inc.	Kevin Osborne \$5 Suncoast Auto & Tires
Phil Stillwell \$10	Lois Torres
Richard Green \$10 Ron Wyngarden MH Washing	Daniel Davis \$5Jones and Sons Plumbing
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