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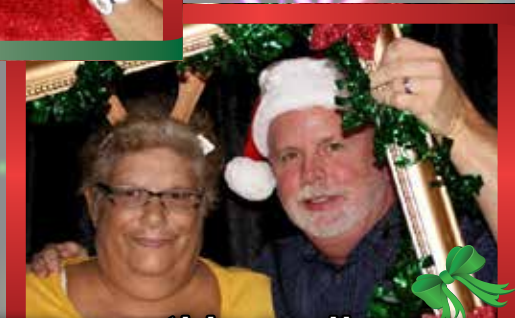
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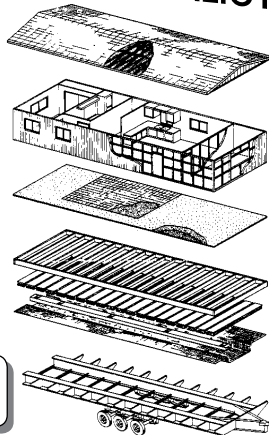
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Presidents Report

Lou Goodwin

The next Association meeting is on December 5th at 7:00 p.m. at the clubhouse. You will be voting for Directors for the board that will become active in January 2017. You must be a member to vote so if you haven't joined the association yet you need to do this before December 5th. After voting the board will choose the Officers for the upcoming year.

When you join the association the \$2.00 dues is part of the Treasury and shows us that you do support what we do. As volunteers we are trying our best to keep you informed as to what is happening in our community as well as trying to get the best entertainment for the season. Membership cards will be available on Friday afternoon from 2:00 to 3:00 at the clubhouse or you can see Betty Silverman at #612.

Have a Merry Christmas.



Bulletin Board

Cece Bell

I am requesting that the **posters** be kept to normal letter size (11x8 1/2"), articles be kept to a minimum and if there is excess paper please cut it down to just show the information needed, and date your article on the top.

PENCILS: Please replace pencils in their receptacle after use.

As for the hall bulletin board re: Sales and Rentals **please date your notes.** Non-dated notes will be trashed. The "for sale" items will be taken down after one or two months.

Since there is not enough room on the existing boards to post all articles, I have moved the TRIPS and OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES information to the hallway side.

Thank you for your cooperation!



LIBRARY

Barbara Fenning

We are trying to update the clubhouse library and would appreciate donations of books, hard or soft cover and current magazines.

All new residents are encouraged to visit our library that is located in the back of the clubhouse. Please leave any donations on the table located to the right as you enter.

Thank You,



Suncoast Wings

Lighted Motorcycle Parade

December 7th at 6:30 pm.

Our third annual motorcycle parade will be on Wednesday, December 7th at 6:30 p.m. The bikes will ride every street in the park twice. Donations are accepted for Suncoast Wings charity that is closest to their hearts, Clothes and Toys for Pinellas Kids. Last year we collected over \$600 for the charity all from our generous residents. After the parade you can see the bikes up close, talk with the owners and come into the clubhouse for refreshments. It's always a fun time and seeing the beautiful bikes is a great way to begin the Christmas season.



Christmas Eve

December 24th

Parade 6:30, Clubhouse 7:00 pm

The annual golf cart parade followed by a gathering in the clubhouse for refreshments. Parade will begin at 6:30 at the clubhouse. In the past we have had decorated golf carts, bicycles, cars and many people walking.

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LADIES OF LA PLAZA

Louise Hecker

Luncheon:

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

DATE CHANGE

Meet at Clubhouse: 12:30 pm

Reservations: 1:00 pm



We will be going to: **Café Ponte**, (Icot Center), Ulmerton Road

Last date to sign up is, December 9th

There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the clubhouse.

We will be ordering from their regular menu.

As in the past, we ask that the ladies donate Christmas gifts for the families of Grace House.

ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME

Plan to join us and ask a friend or neighbor.

Questions: Contact Louise Hecker @ 727-536-6963

LADIES OF LA PLAZA (WHAT IS IT?)

The ladies of La Plaza get together once a month, on the third Tuesday, for a luncheon outing.

We choose restaurants in our area and spend a relaxing afternoon eating and chatting with friends and neighbors.

We meet at the clubhouse for a short meeting to discuss the following month's choice of restaurant.

Each month in the La Plaza Ledger, delivered to your home, is the information for the following month's luncheon.

Would you like to join us?

If you have questions call me.

Louise Hecker 536-6963



Bring a dish to share and we will have a wonderful relaxing dinner. What could be better than a delicious meal with friends and neighbors...and they have been delicious. Bring a beverage of your choice and your place settings.

This is a good chance to get to know other folks here in the park and maybe show your great cooking skills.

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Dates/time for Potluck Dinners: Dec. 17, 2016; Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 18 and April 15, 2017
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Steve Shea

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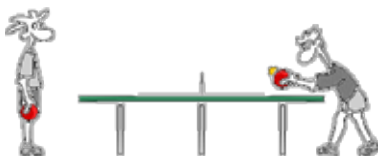


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Ann Addante

Place: Clubhouse

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Bobbi Paye

PEPPER starts Monday, Dec.5th at 6:15pm- please gather at 6:00 pm in the clubhouse.

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES starts Tuesday, Dec. 6th at 6:30 pm- please gather at 6:15 pm in the Library.

BUNCO GAMES ARE BACK

Place: Clubhouse

Date: Thursdays

Time: 6:30 pm

Cost: 50 Cents --Prizes given at end of each game

Come join us for a fun evening. If you're new to our park and have not played this game, we will be happy to teach you. It is a game played with dice and is easy to learn.

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Men's Cards (Poker)

Bill Hecker

When: Thursdays @5:30 pm

Where: Clubhouse (Card / Library Room)

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Cece Bell

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Where: Clubhouse

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TRIVIA



ANSWERS FOUND UNDER QUOTES / ARTICLES FOR THE MONTH

1. Gotham city was home to what caped crusader?
2. Charlie Brown has what kind of a design on his sweater?
3. Which flower has the same name as a diaphragm in the eye?
4. Located just in front of the windpipe, what is the butterfly-shaped gland?
5. The outermost layer of the Earth is called the what?



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December 7	Lighted Motorcycle Parade – 6:00 pm
December 24	Christmas Eve Celebration and Golf Cart Parade
December 31	New Year’s Eve Celebration
January 13	Welcome Back Dance
January 28	Mark Ralston
February 10	Valentine’s Dance with Happy Days
February 18	Carport Sale – 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
February 25	Elvis Is in the Building / dancing
March 1	Poverty Dinner
March 11	Stefan with Motown and Doo Wop/Sock Hop

****All events are BYOB****

Dates and times subject to change



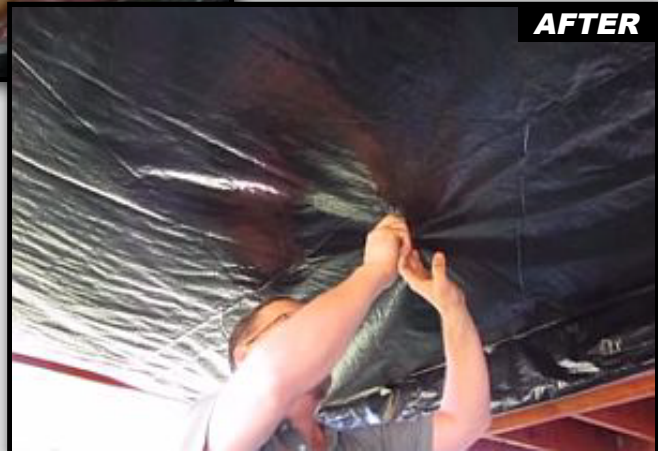
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WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

Pepper – December - April (6:15 pm)
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TUESDAYS

Mexican Train Dominos – December – April (6:30 pm)
Will Resume December 6th

WEDNESDAYS

Ladies Cards will resume sometime in November, attendees will be notified.
Texas Hold-Em - Year round (5:30 pm)



THURSDAYS

Men's Cards - Year round (5:30 pm)

FRIDAYS

Ticket Sales - Year round (2:00 - 3:00 pm)
Social/Happy Hour - (3:00 pm) - BYOB and snacks and come up to the clubhouse to socialize with your friends and neighbors.

MONTHLY EVENTS

TUESDAYS

3rd Tuesday of month - Ladies of La Plaza Luncheon (1:00 pm.), unless otherwise noted, **year round**.

SATURDAYS

3rd Saturday of month – Pot Luck dinner at Clubhouse from 6 – 7 pm (until and including the month of April)

TICKET SALES FOR EVENTS

Please be advised that unless indicated, ticket sales for most events will be sold at the Clubhouse every Friday afternoon from 2:00 to 3:00 pm by the chairpersons or call Ann Santos, 535-5797 or Louise Hecker, 536-6963. Other times will be at Association meetings and other events.



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6	7 MUSIC & DANCING – 1:00 to 4:00 pm TEXAS HOLD-EM – 5:30 pm LIGHTED MOTORCYCLE PARADE – 6:30 pm Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8 MEN'S POKER – 5:30 pm BUNCO – 6:30 pm	9 TICKET SALES – 2:00 to 3:00 pm SOCIAL/HAPPY HOUR – 3:00 pm	10
13 OF LA CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION at Café meet at club- 12:30 pm	14 MUSIC & DANCING – 1:00 to 4:00 pm TEXAS HOLD-EM – 5:30 pm LIGHTED MOTORCYCLE PARADE – 6:30 pm	15 MEN'S POKER – 5:30 pm BUNCO – 6:30 pm	16 TICKET SALES – 2:00 to 3:00 pm SOCIAL/HAPPY HOUR – 3:00 pm	17 POT LUCK DINNER AT CLUBHOUSE, 6 – 7 pm
20	21 MUSIC & DANCING – 1:00 to 4:00 pm TEXAS HOLD-EM – 5:30 pm LIGHTED MOTORCYCLE PARADE – 6:30 pm	22 MEN'S POKER – 5:30 pm BUNCO – 6:30 pm	23 TICKET SALES – 2:00 to 3:00 pm SOCIAL/HAPPY HOUR – 3:00 pm	24 CHRISTMAS EVE – GOLF CART PARADE 6:30 pm – Refreshments at Clubhouse 7:00 pm Christmas Eve
27	28 MUSIC & DANCING – 1:00 to 4:00 pm TEXAS HOLD-EM – 5:30 pm LIGHTED MOTORCYCLE PARADE – 6:30 pm	29 MEN'S POKER – 5:30 pm BUNCO – 6:30 pm	30 TICKET SALES – 2:00 to 3:00 pm SOCIAL/HAPPY HOUR – 3:00 pm	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY – with Ricky Jackson, 8:00 pm – 12:00 midnight New Year's Eve

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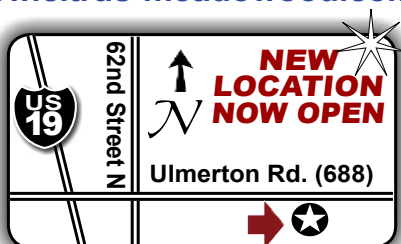
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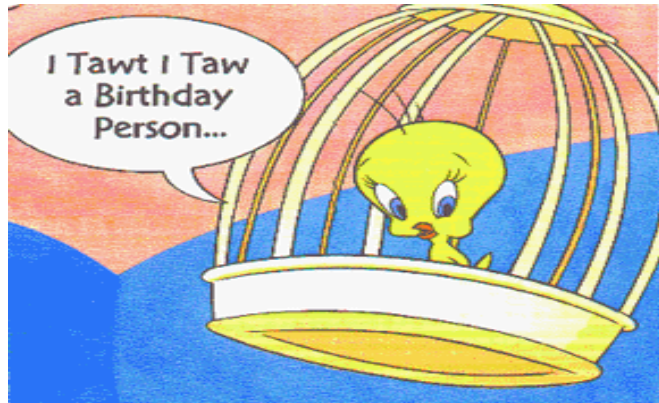
- 10 James & Lillie Patterson
- 15 Rick & Denise Wines
- 18 Dick & Jan Lachapelle
- 22 Cesar & Julia Lopez
- 23 Robert & Dorothy Freeman



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Ann Santos
- 5 Judith Pasbrig
- 10 Brenda Guizel
- 12 Dan Kuiper
- 14 Heidi Fenton
- 19 Barbara DiPietro
- Todd Stewart
- 22 Helen Raymond
- 23 Ted Topping
- 24 Kimberly Thompson
- 26 Michael Winton
- 27 Bonnie Stewart
- Avis Goodwin

31 Mary Walls



**A Complete Listing of Resident Services
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“BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES”

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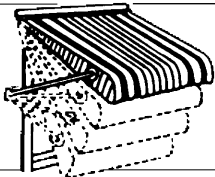


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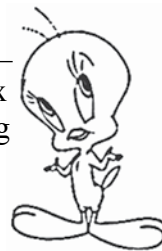
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Good read: The popular magazine National Geographic has a long history. The first issue was published in October 1888. The magazine didn't introduce color photos until 1910.

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Student: “Not very much.”

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6		3		9		5		
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8	2	9	5	4	6	7	1	3
4	3	7	9	8	1	6	5	2
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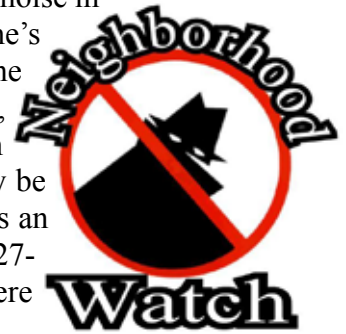
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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Ann Santos

What is Neighborhood Watch and why do we have it? Neighborhood Watch is a program that the local Police Departments are urging neighborhoods and community's to organize to try to maintain a safe environment. We have had Neighborhood Watch in La Plaza now for about 2 years. We have had the Largo Police, specifically Julie Williams, come in and talk to us. You may see Neighborhood Watch signs on some of the houses as well as at both entrances. The Largo Police ride through here in the middle of the night at the request of Lou Goodwin who is the chairman of our Neighborhood Watch Program.

The message behind this is that **we are all part of the Neighborhood Watch**. If you hear, see or suspect that something is not right, if you are frightened by a noise in the middle of the night, if you observe a flashlight shining in someone's windows or their car in the middle of the night, you need to call the police. You need to give specifics and they may ask a lot of questions, but this is to help them understand exactly what they are facing when they come into our community. You can request that your identity be kept confidential and they will honor that. Call 911 if you feel it is an emergency situation or you can call the non-emergency number (727-587-6730). Just don't wait until the next day and tell Lou that you were frightened during the night by a noise outside your house.



Many of our residents are part of the Neighborhood Watch Team, however, we would like to see more volunteers. In the fall we will be recruiting for more members. The role is to be aware, never take aggressive action and educate your neighbors to make our community a safe place to live.

Just a reminder; if you have a bike, tricycle, scooter or golf cart, **make sure you lock them up or secure them in some way.** We have recently had some of these items stolen during the night. You can put your name, La Plaza, and lot # under the seat. If they are found this will be identifying information for the police to follow up on.

La Plaza MHP Residents --- Join the FMO

George Silverman

FMO is the Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida. It represents MHP residents at the state capital in Tallahassee.

Each year as the state legislature meets in Tallahassee someone suggests that Sales TAX should be charged on our monthly lot rent. If that were to happen, our rent would increase an average of \$462.00 a year on lot rent of \$550.00 a month. Don't you think it is worth the \$25.00 per year membership in the FMO to have a lobbyist in Tallahassee to warn and help us avoid sales tax being collected on our monthly rent?

Please consider supporting the FMO with your membership. Yearly membership dues are \$25. You can join online at www.fmo.org or see George Silverman unit #612, 727-754-6774 your La Plaza MHP representative to the FMO.



NON PERISHABLE donation of Food for Grace House

Louise Hecker

Due to health department rules, Grace House can no longer accept food items that are open.

We will still collect unopened food items (non perishable). You can put them in the red tubs in the club house, or drop them off at our unit # 240.

Ours thanks to all our residents who have always been so generous.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call us.

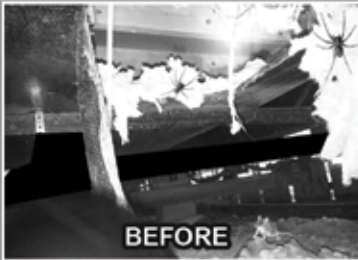
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La Plaza Telephone Directory

It has been a few years since we have had an updated phone directory. If you would like to be included in the revised phone directory please complete the form below and return it to Betty Silverman, Lot #612, by April 1, 2017. All signatures already received in 2016 will be included. You may also sign up on Fridays from 2 to 3 pm at the clubhouse. If you would like to have 2 names and/or multiple phone numbers listed, it must be completed on this form. You may list Lot # and Name if you do not wish to have phone numbers listed. By signature at bottom of this form you authorize your information to be published in this directory. Only those who are included in this Directory will receive a copy. Only complete what you want listed!

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Lot # _____

Name _____ Home # _____
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Signature _____ Date _____



QUOTES / ARTICLES FOR THE MONTH

Cece Bell

I may be president of the United States, but my private life is nobody's damned business.
~Chester A. Arthur

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1. Gotham
2. Zig Zag
3. Iris



4. The Thyroid
5. Crust

LA PLAZA RESIDENTS MEETINGS 2016/2017

Lou Goodwin

Association Meetings:

December 5, 2016

January 2, 2017

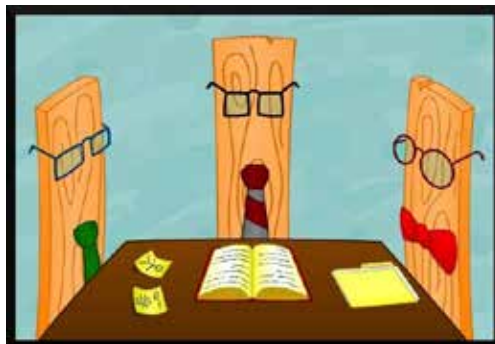
Board Meetings:

December 16, 2016

(No Board meetings – March through September)

(No Association meetings – April through October)

Additional meetings may be called at the discretion of the committee.



You can't miss these December holidays

The celebrations and holidays of December come from many different countries and cultures. Here's a guide to what your friends and neighbors are up to this month:

- Hanukkah, Dec. 24-Jan.1. Hanukkah marks the rededication of the Temple of Jerusalem following the Jews' victory in the Maccabean Revolt in 165 B.C. According to the Talmud, the Jews had only enough olive oil to keep the eternal flame in the Temple burning for a single day—but miraculously, the oil continued to burn for eight days, during which time the Jews were able to produce and consecrate fresh oil for the flame. The eight-day Jewish holiday begins at sundown. Hanukkah is observed by the lighting of a nine-branched candelabrum, called a menorah. One candle is lit each of the eight nights, with a central candle lit each night to light the others.



- Christmas, Dec. 25. This Christian holiday celebrates the birth of Jesus, sometime between the years 7 and 2 B.C. The word “Christmas” comes from “Christ’s Mass,” a phrase first recorded in old English in 1038. Christmas began to be observed with feasts and celebrations in the Middle Ages—the online encyclopedia Wikipedia notes that King Richard II of England hosted a Christmas feast in 1377, with 28 oxen and 300 sheep eaten. The colonial Puritans of New England disapproved of Christmas celebrations, banning them during the 17th century. But other colonists observed the day with Christmas trees and nativity scenes. President Ulysses S. Grant signed the law making Christmas a federal holiday in 1870.



- Kwanzaa, Dec. 26 to Jan. 1. A seven-day celebration of African heritage and culture, Kwanzaa was created in 1966 by activist Maulana Karenga to provide African-Americans with a holiday that emphasized their shared history and experience. The name Kwanzaa derives from “matunda yakwanza,” a Swahili phrase meaning “first fruits.” Houses are decorated with African art and colorful cloth, and seven candles are placed in the kinara, a candleholder. The central candle in the kinara is black, with three red candles on the left and four green candles on the right. The candles represent the Seven Principles of Kwanzaa, which are contemplated each day as one is lit: unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity, and faith.





The smell of hate

A teacher decided to play a game with her class. She told each child to bring in a plastic bag containing a few potatoes and to give each potato the name of a person that the child didn't like. The number of potatoes that the children put in their plastic bag would depend on the number of people they don't like.

The next day some children had two potatoes, some had three, and some had five potatoes or more. The teacher then told the children to carry the potatoes with them wherever they went for a week.

Days passed, and the children started to complain about the unpleasant smell let out by the rotten potatoes. Also the children with five or more potatoes complained because they had to carry heavier bags. The children were relieved when the game finally ended.



Then the teacher told them the meaning of the game: "This is what happens when you carry hatred for somebody inside your heart. The stench of it spreads everywhere, and you carry it with you wherever you go. If you can't tolerate the smell of rotten potatoes for just one week, can you imagine what is it like to have the stench of hatred in your heart for a lifetime?"

The elephant's teeth

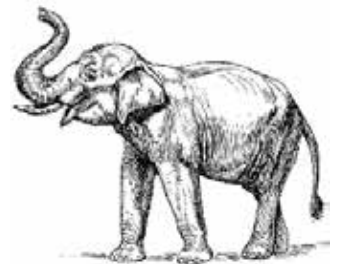
One day a hungry mouse in the jungle found a small nut. He tried to bite into it, but its shell was too hard and thick. Irritated, the mouse said, "Why did the gods give me such tiny teeth?"

Suddenly he heard the voice of a god from far above. "Mouse, go out and look at all the animals in the jungle. If you find one whose teeth you like, I'll give them to you."

Overjoyed, the mouse ran through the jungle, looking for the biggest teeth he could find. He looked at many animals but didn't find any teeth he liked until he spotted an elephant. Envious of the beast's thick tusks, he wandered over and asked, "Sir, are you happy with those big, long teeth?"

The elephant answered: "Friend, these are just for show. I can't use them to chew food as you do. At least you don't have to bear the weight of these huge teeth."

Hearing this, the mouse realized he was better off having tiny teeth and went off to find his nut again.



Seeing Santa Claus

A grandmother took her grandson to the shopping mall in December to see Santa Claus. The young boy was very excited to sit on Santa's lap. "Now, little boy," Santa said, "tell Santa what you want for Christmas."

In a very loud voice, the boy said, "I want a NINTENDO, and a NEW BIKE, and some BOOKS, and—"



"You don't have to shout," Santa chuckled. "Santa isn't hard of hearing."

The boy leaned forward and whispered, "No, but my grandma is."

Wrong answer

A man was being sentenced in a California court for shooting and eating a condor—an endangered species. Looking for mercy, the defendant made a passionate speech.

"I'm truly sorry, your honor," he said. "I just moved here and I don't have a job, and I was hungry and cold. I'd never seen a bird like that, and I had no idea it was endangered. I've never done anything like this before, and I'll certainly never do it again."



The judge gave him probation, telling him not to let it happen again. Then he said: "I'm curious. What does a condor taste like?"

"Oh, kind of like a cross between a whooping crane and a spotted owl."

Reduced sentence

A criminal with a long record of transgressions was on trial for his latest crime. The jury found him guilty on 33 counts, and the judge sentenced him to 189 years in prison. Realizing that even with time off for good behavior he would be more than 100 years old when he was finally released, the prisoner burst into tears.

Touched by this display of remorse, the judge paused to reconsider. "I didn't mean to be so severe," she said. "Thinking it over, I can see that I've imposed an extremely harsh sentence. So you don't have to serve the whole time."

The prisoner beamed with new hope until the judge leaned toward him. "Just do as much as you can."



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