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December is here and with it a busy holiday season for all of us. I hope all of you will be celebrating the holiday season with friends and family. There will be an election at the January meeting; we are seeking nominations for vice-president. The primary responsibility is to fill in for the president should the president be unable to conduct the meeting or any other responsibilities. There will be a sign-up sheet on the board at the club house. There will be no HOA meeting in December. Next HOA meeting is January 27, 7:00 pm at the club house. Have a safe holiday.

Oak Crest / Acorn Residents' Club, Inc.

Annette Watts, President, Lot 504, 843-457-9599

Hope everyone sold all their goods at the carport sale. We will be having another one probably towards the end of March.

The Holiday season is here! Please remember that there is a cash prize for the “best decorated home” in our park. So, get all those beautiful decorations out and put them up soon.

The next Residents’ meeting will be held January 6th, 2020 at 7:00p.m. Please make plans to attend. If you have any questions or suggestions or just want to know what is coming up please plan to attend. We put in a lot of time and effort into these meetings and it is sad that more people do not attend. It is an open forum and your input is welcomed.

Also coming up is the lighted motorcycle parade which will be held on December 3rd, starting at 6:30 p.m. The Gold Wing Road Riders Association will be riding through our park again this year. They can only go on main streets so if you live on a side street, ie Acorn and dead-end streets, bring your chairs to the Main Street and see all the beautifully decorated motorcycles. The Residents’ Club donates \$100.00 to their Chapter. The Gold Wings donate all the money raised to charities: clothes to Kids, Toys for Pinellas, etc. They do this almost every night through the month of December, sometimes they go to more than one place a night. You may also come to the clubhouse and see all the bikes as they will be there for approximately 45 minutes after the parade. We will be serving cookies and coffee to the bike riders and anyone else who in the park who would like to attend.

Anyone wishing to donate Christmas cookies, cupcakes, etc. may bring them up to the clubhouse after 5:30. There is a sign-up sheet at the clubhouse. Please help us out. Thanks.

Happy Holidays!

Activities Committee

Connie Topor, Chairwomen, Lot 199, 585-465-2441

Once again, our Halloween Dance was a great success! There were so many amazing costumes & our 1st place went to Steven Phillips & Debbie Rivera-White & 2nd place went to Mark Zonal. Congratulations to each of them & to our judges - Mike Thomas, Cathy Hargis & Karen Stancick!

Your next function will be Christmas Dinner/Dance on Saturday December 14, 2019. Social hour from 5:30 to 6:00pm, Dinner at 6:00pm and music @ 7:00pm. Dinner will be Roast beef, baked potatoes & carrots with vanilla pudding & Christmas cookie for dessert. Music will be by "Flashback" (they were here last Christmas dance). Tickets are \$12.00 pp & can be purchased from Connie Topor #199 ph - 585-465-2441, Liz Bierfelt #238 ph - 727-386-0039, Kathy Kohler #610 ph - 727-330-7197. Tickets will be available as of December 1, 2019 & are non-refundable. We will have the Share the Wealth raffle along with a mystery raffle basket. Hope to see you there!

Our January Dinner/Dance will be January 17, 2020 by "Sound Wavz". Please mark this date on your calendar.

Please stay safe over the upcoming holidays and Happy Holidays from each of our Committee members, Liz Bierfelt, Linda Galan, Sharon Manship, Annette Watts & yours truly.



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Season's Greetings to all Oakcrest/Acorn residents and families! It's hard to believe Christmas is almost here. For those travelling, we wish you a safe journey home and back. For those staying here to celebrate, we wish you a sunny, warm holiday season.

IMPORTANT: Canadian Club Christmas Card Delivery

Unfortunately, Canadian Club members will no longer be doing the Oakcrest-Acorn Christmas Card delivery starting this year. This is a MAJOR activity our members have done for many years. It is no longer feasible with our small number of members. If the Residents Club or any other body wishes to take this task on please contact Suzanne at 613-912-1322 (not long distance). Please keep in mind that several volunteers would be needed, to collect, sort and deliver upwards of 1500 cards.

Canadian Club Annual Christmas Dinner and General Meeting

Members – Please note we have moved our gift exchange to our January Dinner.

Date: Monday December 9th 2019

Where: Community Center

Format: 530PM for drinks, 600PM for short meeting, dinner. Music and Prizes!

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Lastly, a big THANK YOU to member Shirley Magashazi and her army of helpers for organizing the Christmas Card delivery for the last number of years. Your efforts are much appreciated Shirley.

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Margaret Fuller, Lot 456, 727-586-1590

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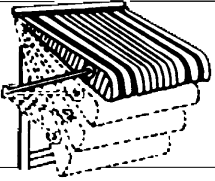
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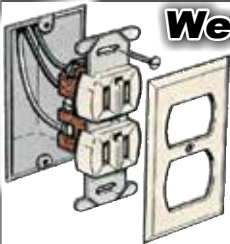
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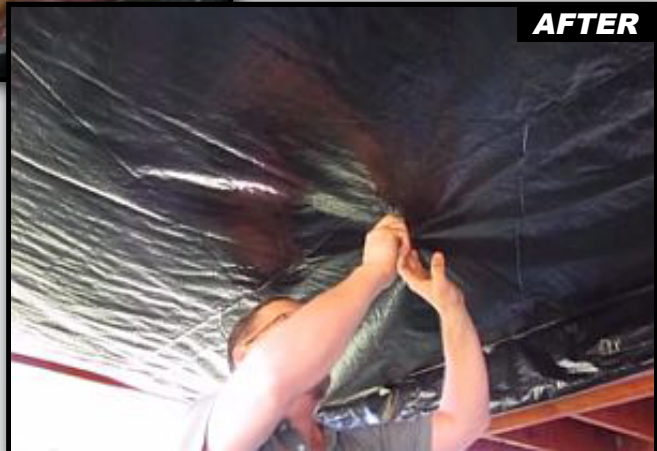
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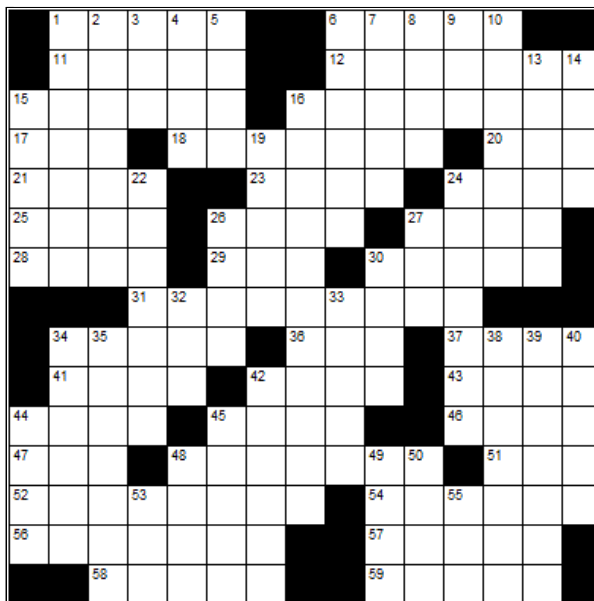
Da Vinci's bridge was never built, but modern researchers from MIT have built a 3D replica of the bridge, using materials and construction equipment that would have been available in the 16th century. They found that da Vinci's design, using only a single arch, would have been structurally sound, thanks to compression that would have held the bridge's stones together. Leonardo was a true Renaissance man.

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ACROSS

- 1. Tranquility
- 6. Top of the head
- 11. Fervor
- 12. In the direction of
- 15. Ring around the nipple
- 16. Haggard
- 17. Flee
- 18. Disgraced
- 20. A state of SW India
- 21. Footnote note
- 23. Beers
- 24. Prune
- 25. Countertenor
- 26. Smile
- 27. Make secure by lashing
- 28. Clairvoyant
- 29. Donkey
- 30. Closes violently
- 31. Cabaret
- 34. English county
- 36. Furrow maker
- 37. Baroque composer
- 41. Bumpkin
- 42. Fix
- 43. Reflected sound
- 44. Common people
- 45. Paw
- 46. Apothecary's weight
- 47. Hole-making tool
- 48. Books on unusual subjects
- 51. French for "Summer"
- 52. Fast
- 54. Pact
- 56. Ablation
- 57. Habitual practice
- 58. Tubular pasta
- 59. Tropical nut



DOWN

- 1. A short moral story
- 2. A Christian recluse
- 3. Pother
- 4. Soft drink
- 5. Historical periods
- 6. Flower part
- 7. Essential parts
- 8. Blown away
- 9. Legislation
- 10. Standalone
- 13. Sags
- 14. Break
- 15. Pseudonym
- 16. A type of light exercise
- 19. Abrasive
- 22. A heavy damask
- 24. Groused
- 26. A measuring instrument
- 27. Grippe
- 30. Sleigh
- 32. Bother
- 33. Condominium
- 34. A brief period of precipitation
- 35. Peak
- 38. Land
- 39. Personal property
- 40. Cozy
- 42. Relating to the sea
- 44. Notability
- 45. A Great Lake
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- 55. "Dig in!"

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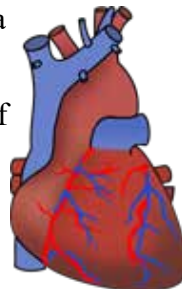
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Health News

Learn about stroke - and how to recognize one

What is a stroke? Also called a “brain attack,” it’s when blood to an area of the brain is blocked, or when there’s sudden bleeding in the brain. Someone suffers a stroke every 40 seconds in the United States, according to the NBC News website. The website describes two different kinds of strokes that can occur:

- **Ischemic stroke. This is caused by a blood clot or plaque blocking a blood vessel in the brain.**
- **Hemorrhagic stroke. This is the result of a blood vessel bursting and bleeding into the brain.**



The main causes of a stroke, according to the CDC, are high blood pressure, high cholesterol, smoking, obesity, and diabetes. How can you tell if someone is having a stroke? Remember the acronym FAST:

F: Face. The face of a person having a stroke usually droops. Ask the person to smile. If the smile is uneven, a stroke could be happening.

A: Arms. Ask the person to lift one or both arms above the head. A weak or numb arm is another symptom of stroke.

S: Speech. Is the person slurring his or her words, unable to speak, or difficult to understand?

T: Time to call 911. If the person exhibits any of these symptoms, call for medical help immediately.

Human Rights

Universal Human Rights Month

Universal Human Rights Month began in 1948, when the United Nations wrote up a document called the Universal Declaration of Human Rights to define what human rights would be protected universally. The first article of this declaration states: “All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.”

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Monthly Memos

National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month. Drinking and driving can make the holiday season deadly for drivers, passengers, and pedestrians. National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month seeks to spotlight the dangers of driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or both. According to the National Safety Council, more than 40,000 people died in alcohol-related traffic accidents last year, so this year, stay safe during the holidays.

- **National Safe Toys and Gifts Month.** In recent years, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has created a robust toy safety system, requiring testing by independent, third-party laboratories around the world, imposing some of the most stringent toy standards in the world, and more. These combined efforts continue to foster the confidence of American families as they prepare to shop for toys this holiday season.
- **National Tie Month.** December is the month to honor the most required yet maligned strip of cloth that's an essential part of business attire—the necktie. Neckties give people the chance to add a little spice to their classy, professional look. A nice necktie speaks volumes about a person's sense of style and even gives people a little look at his or her personality. So this month, give a little extra respect to the people who are professional, classy, and trendy in their favorite ties.



Awareness Week

National Handwashing Awareness Week, Dec. 1–7. Avoid colds and flu during the winter months by following the four principles of hand awareness: Wash your hands when they are dirty and before eating; don't cough into your hands; don't sneeze into your hands; and above all, don't put your fingers into your eyes, nose, or mouth.

- **Older Driver Safety Awareness Week, Dec. 2–6.** Older Driver Safety Awareness Week aims to promote understanding of the importance of mobility and transportation to ensuring older adults remain active in the community—shopping, working, or volunteering—with the confidence that transportation will not be the barrier stranding them at home.
- **Kwanzaa, Dec. 26–Jan. 1.** A weeklong celebration observed in the United States as well as other countries with populations of African descendants, Kwanzaa is a holiday that honors African culture in not only the African American community but also in the world African community.

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Craft Fair Sugar Creek Saturday 12/7/2019, 8:30-1:30 PM. 10265 Ulmerton Road. Vendors needed: 401-835-0700.

Driveway Sale - Sat. Dec. 7th, 10am - 5pm. Teakwood Village West, Lot # 18 Missouri Ave, Largo.

Huge Rummage Sale: January 10th, 11th, & 12th. Location: Japanese Gardens 19709 US 19 N. Clearwater, FL 33764. For details call or text Noreen: 727-776-3151

Annual Rummage Sale: Sat., Jan. 11th 2020, 8am-1pm. Golden Crest MHP 800 Main St., Dunedin.

Palm Hill North Recreation Club's Annual Bazaar, Craft & Bake Sale with lunch available. Saturday, December 7th, 9am-1pm (early admission 8:30am \$1.00). 401 8th Ave. S.W., Largo (off Seminole Blvd)

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