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And then ANNIVERSARIES!

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"The best things in Life to hold on to is each other!"



WORD OF THE MONTH

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Noun. A word or phrase resulting from a mishearing of another word or phrase, especially in a song or poem.

Used in a sentence: Even though I know Creedence Clearwater Revival is singing, "There's a bad moon on the rise," lately it sounds suspiciously like "There's a bathroom on the right."

A PIECE OF SILK OAK HISTORY

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Remember "The Lawrence Welk Show"? (Google it if you don't!) Then you also remember the signature sound of the Champagne cork popping and bubbles floating to the strains of "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles". Nat Vincent, a prolific songwriter born in Kansas City, MO on November 6, 1889, was the author of that enduring classic.

So what's that have to do with our little Community?

Well, after years of musical collaborations, performing in Vaudeville, on radio and contributing to such revues as Ziegfeld's Midnight Follies, Mr. Vincent landed at Silk Oak Lodge! The exact year and site number is still not known, but the 1961 Silk Oak Lodge Song Book features the anthem "Silk Oak Lodge" with music and lyrics by Nat Vincent.

(Editor's Note: His site was on the East side of the creek as the West side had not yet been developed)

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Fast forward to March 2010 when the anthem's words were discovered – but no music. At that time, Gord Wasek and his wife Sue were residents. Gord is a songwriter/musician and graciously agreed to put Nat Vincent's words to music. It was debuted on the March 25, 2010 Pasta Night and all of the 70 plus in attendance participated in an enthusiastic rendition to end a wonderful evening.

They also donated a CD with both lyrics and instrumental as well as just instrumental. We never had the nerve to ask Gord how many hours he put into our request!

Following are the words to the anthem:

I've traveled around, seen many a town
And met lots of folks on the way
But I've settled down, for a real place I've found

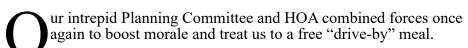
And that's why I'm happy to say:
You'll find there's fun for everyone
And hearts are always light
Potluck suppers and shuffle games,
Each night's a real delight
So let's all play host and offer a toast
To Silk Oak Lodge tonight.



Original lyrics by Nat Vincent ASCAP 1961 New music by Gord Waszek SOCAN 2010

LOOKING BACK

skm with Becky Zinser





On August 9, over 50 Grilled Hamburgers with all the fixings of onion, tomato, lettuce and cheese packed separately (WOW!) along with baked beans and chips were served from Lot 69.

In case you have missed this fact, it has been unbearably humid and hot with storms popping up at any given time of day!

Undaunted, these volunteers persevered for which we all thank them immensely.

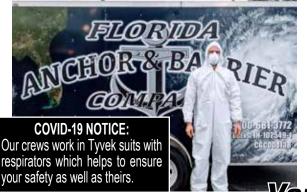
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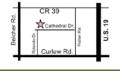


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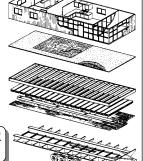
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BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR THE NEXT EVENT

PERSONAL THANKS

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As my reward to consenting to be the Editor of this Monthly Newsletter – Silk Oak Chatter – I get to deliver the 180 ish dropped on my porch. I know, I know, it's a small price to pay to attempt to personalize it every month to our Community!

Although I have had numerous offers to help with this task, I hesitated to get others involved because of complaints of where they were left and the units who have made it known in no uncertain terms that I was not to tread on their property. The latter is a small minority, by the way!

A few developments have changed this task for the better:

I now know those who don't want a Newsletter Your cooperation in obtaining tubes* Heat and Humidity

HUGE thanks to Becky who has agreed to "scoot" around and deliver to the 70 plus who have purchased the tubes and/or provided a receptacle for flyers as well as the Newsletter!

Equally HUGE thanks to Dan and Maryann who graciously agreed to "cart" me around to make such fast and cool work of delivering the remainder. Of course, no one will be surprised that Maryann works circles around me!

*Now for another plea to those who haven't purchased a \$3 tube or provided an alternative at your mailbox – PLEASE consider doing so! Information from the office as well as the Silk Oak HOA and Planning Committee is forwarded in this manner.



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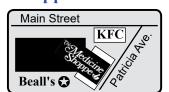
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National Cholesterol Awareness Month. September is a good month to get your blood cholesterol checked and take steps to lower it if it's high. It's also a good time to learn about lipid profiles and about food and lifestyle choices that help you reach personal cholesterol goals.

Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. Prostate cancer is the second-most common cancer in U.S. men. Learn about prostate cancer to start stepping up against it. The "Step Up for Blue" campaign empowers men to take control of their health and encourages their loved ones to support them.

National Self-Improvement Month. Is there something in your life that you want to improve? September is National Self-Improvement Month. Usually there is a list of things people want to change about their lives. Many items on that list are often things over which we have no control. Stop dwelling on them and focus on what you can change—you.

Weekly

Sept. 6–12. National Suicide Prevention Week is the week surrounding World Suicide Prevention Day, Sept. 10. It's a time to share resources and stories, as well as promote suicide prevention awareness. The week focuses on informing and engaging health professionals and the general public about suicide prevention and warning signs of suicide.

National Waffle Week, Sept. 6–12. The word "waffle" comes from the Dutch "wafel," which comes from Middle Dutch "wafele" and stretches as far back as the 13th century. Before that, the French called it "walfre" from the Frankish "wafla," which meant "honeycomb" or "cake." No matter what you call it, no one can deny its deliciousness.



Deaf Dog Awareness Week, Sept. 20–26. Deaf dogs, like other special needs pets, make wonderful furry family members. Their deafness in no way reduces their potential to bring joy to your life and become a loving companion for your family.

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Julia Jones

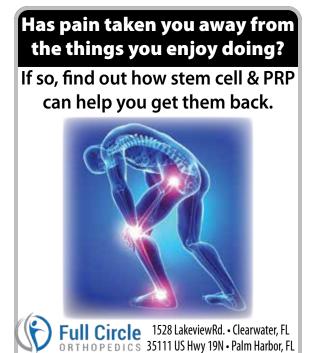
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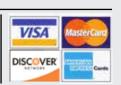
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ou have to create a narrative for innovation, according to Michael Margolis on the Your Story website. Margolis, CEO and founder of strategic messaging firm Storied, which specializes in stories of innovation and disruption, has advised clients across 34 industries and 15 countries, including Google, Hulu, and NASA. His advice:



- **Set the context.** Describe the vision you're working toward. Identify the changes you want to see, and seek out fresh perspectives. Focus on users' needs. Slow down and avoid complexity. Make your vision compelling.
- **Inject emotion.** Make the customer the hero of your story by describing their desires and dilemmas. Add conflict and suspense. Show the inner and outer characteristics of your heroes and villains to make them real people.
- **Show evidence**. Present the research behind your story—pilot projects, demos, metrics, testimonials and personal stories, and historical precedent. Show how they validate your story and the impact your solution can have.

Happy marriages spur creativity

A happy marriage leads to greater innovation on the job, according to a study by the Hong Kong Baptist University, reported on Fox Business.

The study analyzed how workers' personal relationships affect their innovation and creativity. Researchers found a "positive spillover of psychological resources into their work"— and the effect is magnified when employees' spouses are happy as well. Employees in unhappy relationship experience depleted psychological resources.

One caveat: The researchers found that with people who are already naturally creative, the impact of a happy relationship had less of an effect.

The researchers suggest that employers offer family-friendly policies, such as anniversary leave, relationship counseling services, and work/life balance initiatives.

The desire to create is one of the deepest yearnings of the human soul.

— Dieter F. Uchtdorf

Something missing

guy asks a girl to go to a dance. She agrees, and he goes to rent a suit. The rental has a long line, so he waits and waits, and finally he gets his suit.



He decides to buy flowers, so he goes to the flower shop. The flower shop has a long line, so he waits and waits, until he finally gets his flowers.

He picks up his girl and they go to the dance. There is a long line into the dance, so they wait and wait. Finally, they get into the dance.

The guy offers to get the girl a drink. She asks for punch, so he goes to the drink table, and he waits and waits—but there is no punch line.

Proud mothers

hree women were sitting around a table playing bridge and bragging about their sons.

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"My Freddie," said Margaret. "Everyone should be so lucky to have a son like my Freddie. Once a week he brings me a huge bouquet of flowers, he's constantly bringing me out to restaurants to eat, if I so much as hint that I want something the next morning it's on my doorstep."





"That's very nice about your Freddie," said Gertrude. "But with all due respect, when I think about the way my Sammy takes care of me, it just can't compare. Every morning as soon as I wake up, he greets me with bacon and eggs and freshly brewed coffee. Every day at noon he comes over and cooks me a gourmet lunch, and at least once a week he brings me to his house for supper. He truly treats me like a queen."

"Well," said Barbara, "I don't want to make any of you feel bad or anything, but wait until you hear about my Harry. Twice a week he pays someone \$200 an hour just so he can lie on their couch and talk to them, and who do you think he speaks about at those prices?" Barbara smiled. "Me! All he talks about is me!"



To truly laugh, you must be able to take your pain and play with it.

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Buried treasure

In a small village lived a hardworking farmer who owned a vast vineyard. Year after year the vineyard provided a rich harvest, and the farmer became very successful. He had three sons who were young and energetic but never bothered to work hard. As the farmer grew old, he began to worry about his sons' future.



Then he fell very ill and realized his death was fast approaching. He called the sons and told them: "Dear sons, I see my death nearing me, but before I bid goodbye to all of you, I want to share a secret. There is a treasure hidden under the fields. Dig the entire field after my death to find it."

The old farmer died. After the funeral, the sons began to dig for the treasure without leaving any part of the field untouched, but they found nothing. However, their digging of the field led to a healthy crop and resulted in huge earnings. This made the sons realize what their father meant.

Moral: Hard work always pays off. Fruits of hard work are always sweet whether or not they are in the form you expect.

Toss of a coin

great warrior was going to war with a fierce enemy with only one-tenth the number of soldiers the opposition commanded. He knew that he could win the fight with a well-planned strategy, but his soldiers were in doubt.

On the way to the battle the leader stopped at a temple and told his men: "After my visit here I will toss a coin. If the head comes up, we will win; if tails, we will lose. Destiny holds us in her hand."

The warrior entered the temple and offered his prayers. Then he came forth and tossed a coin in front of his men. Heads appeared. The soldiers were filled with confidence and eager to fight the battle, which they won.

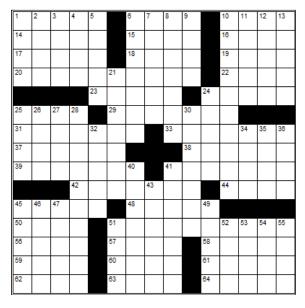
"No one can change the hand of destiny," one of the soldiers told the leader after winning the battle.

"Indeed not," said the leader, and showed the coin—which had heads on both sides.



ACROSS

- 1. Movie
- 6. Disgorge
- 10. Whirl
- 14. Batman's sidekick
- 15. A tart spicy quality
- 16. Prong
- 17. Mount
- 18. Therefore
- 19. Always
- 20. Possessing a hard shell
- 22. Unit of language
- 23. Double
- 24. Dapper
- 25. Wealthy man (British slang)
- 29. Lithesome
- 31. Perform surgery on
- 33. Malign
- 37. Lead sulfide
- 38. Heretofore
- 39. Lively tempo
- 41. Back rub
- 42. Sleeping chamber
- 44. Figure (out)
- 45. Thread holder
- 48. Guys
- 50. Misprint
- 51. Obstinate
- 56. Way out
- 57. Twin sister of Ares
- 58. Got up
- 59. Not yours
- 60. Gave temporarily
- 61. Thicket
- 62. Clairvoyant
- 63. Jittery
- 64. Leg joints





DOWN

- 1. A social club for male 13. Geeky
- undergraduates
- 2. Wisdom
- 3. Nile bird
- 4. A box or chest
- 5. Work dough
- 6. Spire
- 7. Conditional release
- 8. Ointment
- 9. Prima donna
- problems
- 10. Flight attendant
- 11. Turning point
- 12. Unreactive

- - 21. Sweetened mixture 41. Propriety
 - of milk and eggs
 - 24. Approaches
 - 25. Roman robe
 - 26. Iridescent gem
 - 27. Tumbled
 - 28. Pillager
 - 30. Escapist
 - 32. Seraphim
 - 34. Two-toed sloth
 - 35. Sprockets
 - 36. Female sheep

 - (plural)

- 40. Commanded
- 43. Field day
- 45. Originates in
- 46. Creeping evergreen
- shrub
 - 47. Express a thought
 - 49. Kiss lightly
 - 51. Expunge
 - 52. Weightlifters pump
 - this
 - 53. No
 - 54. Being
- 55. D D D D





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