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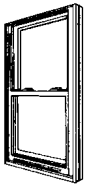
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3 Lea Tittle	18 Linda Lamar
4 Diane Beauregard	18 Mickey Monaghan
4 Penny Menerey	19 William Carbley
4 Lily Porter	20 Janiece Brown
5 Sandy Smith	21 Rose Mola
5 Ellie Wilson	21 John Bintliff
6 Arthur Ashcroft	23 Louis Miceli
6 Judy Michaud	26 Janice Tucker
6 Hollie Ruthberg	27 Jackie Andreas
8 Ken Beale	27 Leo Dudley
8 Betty Jamail	27 Shirley Hansen
10 Marilyn Webber	27 Donald Vargo
10 Cheryl Frost	28 Bob Gattone
12 John Leahy	28 Ralph Huffman
13 Laura Northrop	<b>29 Bruce Bradstreet</b>
13 Frank D'Ambrosio	29 Margaret Burke
<b>14 Ruth Hall</b>	29 Ronnie Humphrey
14 Linda Yoder	29 Vern Von Werder
15 Leslie Hersey	30 Vicki Kocis
15 Dell Leahy	31 Jeannette Albright
16 Jerry Eckert	31 Richard Warkentien
16 Steve Guifoyle	

## JULY ANNIVERSARIES

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July 4, 1953	Ron & Karen Fischer	62 yr
July 6, 1961	David & Blanche Onley	54 yr
July 6, 1968	Donald & Ruth Schwanke	47 yr
July 9, 1960	Harold & Jean Rawe	55 yr
July 9, 1969	David & Marion Bell	46 yr
July 21, 1962	Thomas & Sandra Hintz	53 yr
July 30, 1988	Leo & Kathleen Dudley	27 yr





## CARIBBEAN ISLES STREET SEALING PROJECT

**J**UNE 24 - JULY 16, 2015 All our streets will be re-sealed this summer. An informational meeting will be held on June 17, 2015. More information will be forth coming.

The schedule and sections are listed below. Work will be done on Wednesdays & Thursdays. June 24 & 25 Section 1 (Yellow) Units: 1-52, 161-167, 171-191 July 1 & 2 Section 2 (Orange) Units: 53-160, 168, 169 & 170 July 8 & 9 Section 3 (Green) Units: 192-196, 248-313, 322-347 July 15 & 16 Section 4 (Blue) Units: 197-247, 314-321, 348-403

At the time your section is being sealed any vehicle (car, golf cart, bikes) will have to be off the streets and remain out of the area for 2 days. Arrangements for special needs residents or rides to your vehicles will be available. No watering of any kind will be allowed during sealing days.

Look for more information as the time draws closer. We will e-mail info, look at Channel 96, on the bulletin board in the clubhouse, signs around the areas. Thank you for your co-operation. It will make the project go smoothly.

*CO-Op Board of Directors.*

**D**on't tether your dog or cat. A new Pinellas County ordinance (Chapter 14, Article II) makes it illegal to tie or chain a dog or cat outside except for brief periods of time while the owner is with the pet and keep the pet within sight.

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The owner or keeper of a dog or cat must keep the animal within sight.

The tether must be of a size and weight necessary to safely restrain the dog or cat without placing excessive weight or strain on the dog or cat.



If there are multiple animals, each one must be tethered separately so they do not get tangled.

Tethering of dogs and cats that are sick is prohibited.

Enforcement of the ordinance effective May 1, 2015 is primarily through education and warnings prior to issuing citations. However, pending investigation, citations and fines of up to \$500 could be levied against the owner.

Visit [www.pinellascounty.org/animalservices](http://www.pinellascounty.org/animalservices) or call 727-582-2600.

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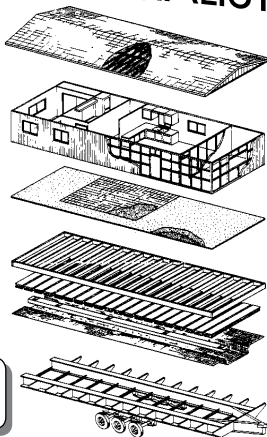
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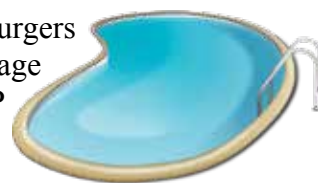
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## 4TH OF JULY PARTY AT THE POOL

Party at the pool to celebrate the 4th. HOA will be providing burgers and hot dogs. Please bring a dish to pass and your own beverage and table service. Social starts at 5P, food served at 5:30P. RSVP Norm Paul 674-0137.



## Greetings Up North Friends:

Just a reminder that if you want to keep up on park events by way of the Monthly Media (and my scintillating sports articles), it is accessible online. You can click on this link (or type or paste in your address bar): <http://www.monthly-media.com>

- Click on "Park Newsletters"
- Click on "Sandpiper Zone"
- Click on "Caribbean Isles"
- Click which month you want
- Click "Download Newsletter"

The document will download and open in .PDF format, provided you have Adobe software loaded on your computer (Most do). If you have problems, feel free to email or call me here in the Florida inferno.

*Scoop, Neal Alexander, 12100 Seminole Blvd. Lot 309, Largo, FL 33778*

## GREETINGS CARIBBEAN ISLES RESIDENTS!! SCOOP HERE!! SPEAKING OF SPORTS.....

### July 2015.....

As you probably know, sports activities are rather stagnant this month, but there are a few tidbits on tap. A "Scoop" shout-out to Tim Smith and Vic Lonsberry for their meticulous care of our shuffleboard courts. Reports are that they are out every morning inspecting, cleaning, and maintaining the courts in preparation for the upcoming season. We hope it helps our team in their efforts to move up in the league standings.

Also at The Social Center, otherwise known as the pool, reports are there is a spirited Trivia Contest every afternoon monitored by Carol Streb. Yours truly has yet to attend one of these extravaganzas but I'll try and get there one of these days. By the way, reports are there is quite the rivalry brewing between Carol and "Fairway" Frank Nowik regarding the Stanley Cup Playoffs. Carol is for Tampa Bay and Frank is a Chicago fan. Stay tuned, this could turn ugly.

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## Sign of the Times:

We all complain about the price of bottled water but how about this: The New York Islanders of the NHL, who recently vacated the Nassau County Coliseum – their home of 43 years – are offering ½ ounce vials of “melted ice” for \$20. They sold out in 3 hours.

## Quotable Quotes:

Rob Gronkowski, tight end of the NFL Champion Patriots says his favorite drink is vodka and water because “it keeps you hydrated and drunk at the same time”.

Social Media News:

Gary Van Sickle, who writes for SI.com, tweeted at the Masters Golf Tournament about Ian Poulter, “You can tell by Ian Poulter’s purple plaid outfit that he knows he has no chance of winning a green jacket today.”

ANSWER TO LAST MONTH’S TRIVIA QUESTION:

QUESTION – What perspicacious baseball manager noted: “We’ve got to learn to stay out of triple plays”?

The Old Perfessor and the master of the malapropism, Casey Stengel.

THIS MONTH’S TRIVIA QUESTION - Where does a baseball player put his donut????

Remember to let me know of stories and/or accomplishments by residents, friends, and/or family and we’ll publish them here. Call me at 727-581-1334 or email me at [nilerivers@gmail.com](mailto:nilerivers@gmail.com). And remember, you don’t have to play a sport good to be a good sport.

## DANCE SCHEDULE FOR 2015-2016

- NOVEMBER 13, 2015 SOUNDWAVZ BAND
- DECEMBER 11, 2015 - WINTER WONDERLAND - ENCORE BAND
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Thanks!

-Monthly Media Staff

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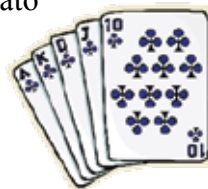
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May 4, 2015    1st Elmira Surozenski    2nd Marilyn Owen    3rd Jean McCann

May 11, 2015    Marilyn Owen    Jean McCann    June Salvato

May 18, 2015    no bridge

May 25, 2015    Memorial Day, no bridge



We are still in need of more bridge players. Please call June at 430-4233 or just come

Mondays at 1PM in the clubhouse. Hope to see you there.

## SUNSHINE

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**B**lanche Onley is our sunshine person for the park. If you know of someone who needs a thinking of you card, is in the hospital or rehab, please let her know. She sent thinking of you cards to Connie Beauford and Sue McCammon this month. Sympathy cards were sent to the families of Molly Jankowski, George Barker, Margaret Koharian, Joyce Collins and Leo Meyer.

Cards were also sent to Lena Staschak whose son passed away and Elmira Surozenski whose brother passed away..

## GOOD TIMES

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**W**e hope to see you at the July 4th CI party. Good Times next event is in August. Save the date: August 14th - Taco Fiesta and Newly Wed Game - Three couples that we all know will be trying to match their spouse's thoughts on ten questions...good luck to the guys!! Build your own taco with soft or hard shells. It is sure to be good eating and great fun. Hope to see you there.

Keep watch for the Sundae Sunday Social this summer. Build your own Sundae. Yum Yum! Our Tuesday, July 14th Ladies Luncheon will be at The Way, formerly Thirsty Marlin. We have 22 ladies signed up for the June luncheon at Roosterfish Grille. We have a great time and good food. Please call Chris Swank-727-474-6771 to reserve a seat. We would love to see you there.

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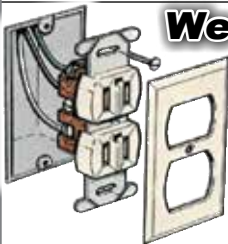
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*8:30A Romeo Breakfast*



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## July Sudoku

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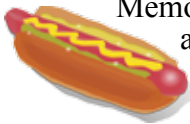
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## July Daily News...

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**World UFO Day, July 2.** Have you had a close encounter? Spread the word on this day that explores the unexplained.

**Independence Day, July 4.** The United States declared its independence from Great Britain on this day in 1776.

**Global Forgiveness Day, July 7.** “To forgive is to offer opportunity for a new beginning to the offender, and provides a process of healing for the victim.”

**Shark Awareness Day, July 14.** As much as we enjoy being frightened by this predator of the sea, remember that the shark has a key role to play in keeping marine ecosystems in balance.



**World Ranger Day, July 31.** Sponsored by the International Ranger Federation to commemorate rangers killed or injured in the line of duty and to celebrate the work rangers do to protect wildlife around the world.

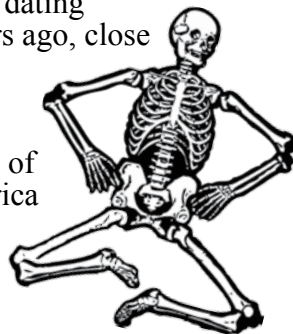




## Ancient bones offer clues to evolution

Scientists may have discovered a new human ancestor to go along with “Lucy,” the 3.2 million-year-old *Australopithecus afarensis* female from eastern Africa. Dubbed “Little Foot” because of his small bones, this specimen was unearthed in South Africa in the early 1990s. His skeleton was almost completely preserved after falling down a narrow cave shaft and dying there. Whether Little Foot was a relative of Lucy’s or a different pre-human species has been a subject of debate among anthropologists, but a new dating process suggests that Little Foot lived and died some 3.67 million years ago, close to the same time as Lucy.

Although some scientists dispute the accuracy of the dating technique, if it holds up it suggests an evolutionary link between different species of *Australopithecus* in ancient Africa, as well as evidence of where in Africa modern humans began to develop.



## Birds do it, bees do it, and so do amorous mice

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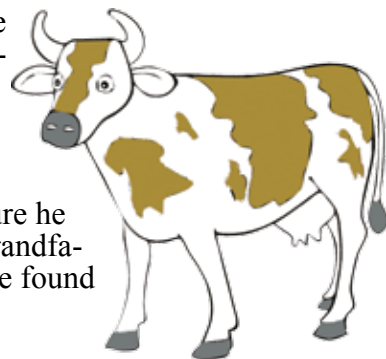
## The strongest bonds

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A farm boy took his cows to the meadows out to pasture every morning and brought them back to the barn at the end of the day. One evening, as he was tying the cows up for the night, he found that he'd lost the piece of rope he needed for the last one.

He couldn't go all the way town to buy more rope, but he didn't want the cow to wander away. So he went to his grandfather for advice.

"Here's what you do," the grandfather said. "Go up to the cow the same way you do every night and pretend to tie a rope around him, then pretend to tie the rope up to his stall. Make sure he sees you doing it, and he'll be fooled." The boy followed his grandfather's advice, and the next morning when he went to the barn he found the cow still there.



He untied all the rest of the cattle and herded them out to pasture for the day. But when he passed by the barn on his way to do his other chores, he noticed the cow was still there. He went to his grandfather again.

The grandfather smiled and said: "You forgot to untie the cow. Go back and pretend to let him loose, and you'll be able to herd him outside."

*Moral: Often what holds us back are the bonds we only think are real.*

## Correct: A Zen parable

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Two monks could not agree on a problem. Finally they went to the master of their monastery to settle the dispute. They agreed to argue their positions one at a time while the master listened.

After hearing the argument presented by the first monk, the master nodded. "You are correct." The first monk was pleased, but the master then told the second monk to speak his piece.



The other monk made his case. Once he finished, the master gave another nod. "You are correct."

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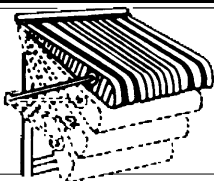
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- **Laughter is good for the brain.** Find the humor in whatever you do. Laughter will help you remember incidents better, and also generate a sense of security which supports a well-balanced mind.
- **Learn in chunks.** Instead of trying to memorize information in big blocks, concentrate on learning a few individual points at a time. You'll retain more without the mental exhaustion of cramming.
- **Study a foreign language.** Bilingual speakers tend to process information more efficiently than those who speak only one language. People who exercise their brains by learning Spanish, Japanese, or some other tongue frequently find they don't have to work as hard performing other cognitive tasks.



## Keep your mouth shut

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**A** turtle was lying on the bank of a river one day when he heard two hunters walk by, talking about how they planned to come back the next day to catch some turtles for soup. He worried all night, because he knew he couldn't outrun the hunters, and in the morning he had a plan.

He saw two birds in the tree overhead. As the hunters approach, the turtle called out, "You up there! Would you help me escape these hunters?"

"What do you want us to do?" the first bird asked.

"I'll hold this stick in my mouth," the turtle said, "and you two pick me up and fly me to the other side of the river."

The birds agreed and flew down to the ground. The turtle clamped a thick stick between its jaws, and the birds slowly lifted him up off the ground.

As the hunters reached the riverbank, they stared in amazement. "Look at those birds! They figured out how to carry a turtle across the river! Those must be the smartest animals in the world!"

Jealous, the turtle cried out: "It was my ideaaaaaa ..."





## Doctors may soon use lasers to seal wounds

**L**asers are common weapons in science fiction movies, but soon a laser may be used to heal wounds in real life if scientists at Tel Aviv University are successful.

As reported on the Reuters website, the scientists developed optical fiber capable of transmitting infrared light and at the same time measuring the heat of the tissue it's pointed at. This allows them to control the laser's power accurately and use it to "weld" tissue effectively without any burning or scarring. Collagen aids the bonding process, growing firm as the skin cools down.



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## Twin suns may support rocky worlds—in theory

**M**any solar systems around the universe are binary, with two stars orbiting each other in space. Scientists have long believed that rocky planets can't form in these systems because of gravitational forces that would cause planetesimals (worlds in the process of forming) to destroy themselves in collisions instead of slowly merging with each other. Thus, the common image of a world with two (or more) sunsets on the horizon seemed relegated to movies.

But new studies suggest that planetesimals behave differently than had been thought, according to the Sci-News website. Astronomers previously theorized that small worlds seek a circular orbit, leading to collisions around binary stars; now they believe that planets in these systems may take on an oval orbit as they form, avoiding crashes and eventually accumulating a rocky mass. Such worlds could see more than one sun in the sky, and may be able to support life.



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