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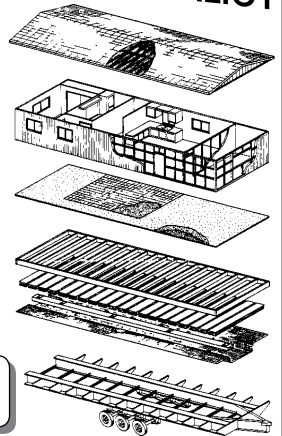
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From the IITS Media Editor:

January 10, 2018 –

Welcome to the February edition of your ‘Island in the Sun Sentinel’.

You may notice a slightly different format for the magazine this month. Since we have to submit at least a month in advance, I feel we sometimes lose sight of events that have already happened. To that end, I am working with the Monthly Media editors to organize our magazine a little differently. Stay tuned for updates on this as we finesse changes!

As a result of the new Activities team coming on board, some changes to activities have already been made, and additional changes may be forthcoming. If you notice something that is incorrect, whether on the calendar or in any of the media articles, please let me know, and we will find the correct information and rectify ASAP. Our goal is to send you, our IITS residents, the most updated and correct information pertaining to activities and other articles of interest to our community.

That said, I am still looking for articles of interest to our IITS community – humor, current events around our area, perhaps a review of an exceptional restaurant you may have attended, etc. One of my goals is to have IITS featured on the cover of one of our 2018 media magazines. In talking with the Media Magazine editors, I learned that we can have a custom cover photo on our magazine for \$35 per month. So, let’s think about a really great photo or two that we could use, maybe for a special occasion, and I will work with the HOA to approve the expenditure.

For March, we will include articles about tax filing, for those who have not already done their taxes for 2017. If you have information or would like to research and submit an article, it would be appreciated.

Please submit articles to: iits.media.magazine@gmail.com if you prefer to submit via handwritten articles, please place them on top of the chest by the slider door in the carport – a box will soon be moved to the front of the house, but that may take a few months, so feel free to drop your items outside the porch, or hand to Jim or me personally.

RECAP OF PRIOR EVENTS

December was a busy month at IITS, with several different events occurring during the holiday season.

We had the Winter bake sale (featured in the January media) and Santa goes to the dogs Photo Op, where residents brought their pets to be photographed with Santa. The Golf Cart Parade was on Friday, December 22nd. There were quite a few participants, and all the bystanders seemed to enjoy seeing the golf carts decorated in their Christmas lights. Our annual Christmas Dinner was at 1 PM on Dec 25, and was enjoyed by many residents. The Ladies Christmas Tea, hosted by Cal-Am, was a great event as well.

To cap off 2017, we had the annual
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IITS New Years Eve party, with a Hollywood Nights theme. The entertainer (Steve Wayne) was excellent, very high energy and interacted with the party goers, actually jumping off the stage a time or two! He had a great mix of music, both oldies and more recent, and performed some of the songs himself as well as acting as DJ for other tunes. He would be highly recommended to perform at future events. We can provide contact information to the Activities Team if desired. Hearty appetizers were provided, and seemed to go over well.

The costume contest was won by 'Lady Liberty', Gertie O., followed as a close 2nd by 'Chef-Boy-O-Boy', Phil T. The winner was awarded a cash prize, and several other door prizes were given out as well.

Men's Breakfast/Ladies Luncheon

Men's Breakfast

Submitted by: Jerald Cardin. #145

Men's December breakfast was held at First Watch in the Countryside area of Clearwater. Nineteen of IITS's best guys met for a great meal and fellowship. This restaurant is a gem tucked away in the shopping center across from Countryside mall. It was brought to my attention by Ron Koonter. He and Judy had eaten there and really enjoyed it. It's always good to get suggestions for new places to try.

Since our group was large we were split between several tables. Our servers were friendly and efficient. The coffee was great (a must for the guys) but a little pricey at nearly three bucks a pop.

All in all we enjoyed our meal but most of all the opportunity to get together for some good conversation with good friends.

Look in the Activity Book at the Clubhouse and sign up for the Men's Breakfast the third Thursday of each month. Any questions? Call me or stop by #145.

Ladies Luncheon

Submitted by Sudie Borders, #145

The Beachcomber was December's choice for our Ladies Luncheon. It had been previously brought to my attention that this was the traditional venue for the December event. I was not familiar with this restaurant but was assured by several that I would not be disappointed.

I felt like I had stepped back in time when I entered through the doors transported back to my childhood of the 50's. The decor was so strikingly familiar...clean, classic, polished woods and bright white lighting. Of course, sophisticated Christmas decorations of white, silver and gold prevailed. So delightful and utterly surprising.

The twenty or so of us were seated at three tables but close enough to interact with the whole group. Our tables were immaculately set and our waiters knowledgeable and courteous. We had many choices even a vegan inspired fettuccine dish which I chose. Several ladies ordered awe inspiring adult beverages which added to the festivities.

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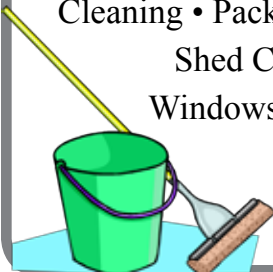
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Remember ladies we meet for lunch on the third Thursday of each month. Sign up sheet is in the Activities book at the Clubhouse. If you have any questions please give me a call or stop by #145, the door is always open.

January Potluck

Submitted by Karen Custy #229

On January 9, we had a great turnout at potluck. Fifty-five residents enjoyed delicious dishes with a great array of choices. New residents got to meet neighbors and our northern friends caught up with the full-time people. It was an enjoyable evening all around. We wish to thank Linda Webster for taking on the volunteer position of chairing the potluck dinners for the last few months. We appreciate the effort she put in. Now the new activities team will rotate to bring you the potlucks. Some really lucky people picked up \$25 each in the 50/50 draw and we raised \$50 for the HOA. Let's make our potlucks continue and invite all our friends and neighbors to come along for a meal and some fellowship.



From the President's Desk

January 13, 2018

How important is the month of February for Island in the Sun Residents? We are at a point in time that each resident can take charge of who will be on the new HOA. Board and to speak out on issues the affect each and every one of us.

With the changes made by Florida Statute 723 the election process has changed. Residents are still allowed to vote for people who have come forward to serve on the board. The difference is that no one knows what position on the board they will serving, as the new board selects their positions once elected. The two and three directors remain on the board after the election.

At the February 6th HOA meeting, membership will hear the new proposed bylaws (7) to approve, bringing us in line with the revised Florida Statute 723.

Your new board will have their first HOA Board on the first Tuesday in March.

They will have some great challenges, first in every one's mind, the negotiating with Cal Am regarding future rent increases.

We have a great support group in place, and it has been a pleasure working for you this past year.

God Bless all the Residents living in Island in the Sun.

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To Be 6 Again...

A man was sitting on the edge of the bed, observing his wife, looking at herself in the mirror. Since her birthday was not far off he asked what she'd like to have for her Birthday.

"I'd like to be six again", she replied, still looking in the mirror.

On the morning of her Birthday, he arose early, made her a nice big bowl of Lucky Charms, and then took her to Six Flags theme park. What a day! He put her on every ride in the park; the Death Slide, the Wall of Fear, the Screaming Monster Roller Coaster, everything there was. Five hours later they staggered out of the theme park. Her head was reeling, and her stomach felt upside down.

He then took her to a McDonald's where he ordered her a Happy Meal with extra fries and a chocolate shake.

Then it was off to a movie, popcorn, a soda pop, and her favorite candy, M&M's. What a fabulous adventure! Finally, she wobbled home with her husband and collapsed into bed exhausted. He leaned over his wife with a big smile and lovingly asked, "Well Dear, what was it like being six again?"

Her eyes slowly opened and her expression suddenly changed. "I meant my dress size, you dumb ass!"

The moral of the story: Even when a man is listening, he is gonna get it wrong.

Kids On Love and Marriage

HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHO TO MARRY?

"You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports, and she should keep the chips and dip coming." Alan, age 10

"No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all way before, and you get to find out later who you're stuck with." Kirsten, age 10

WHAT IS THE RIGHT AGE TO GET MARRIED?

"Twenty-three is the best age because you know the person FOREVER by then." Camille, age 10

"No age is good to get married at. You got to be a fool to get married." Freddie, age 6

HOW CAN A STRANGER TELL IF TWO PEOPLE ARE MARRIED?

"Married people usually look happy to talk to other people." Eddie, age 6

"You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids." Derrick, age 8

WHAT DO MOST PEOPLE DO ON A DATE?

"Dates are for having fun, and people should use them to get to know each other. Even boys have something to say if you listen long enough." Lynnette, age 8

"On the first date, they just tell each other lies, and that usually gets them interested enough to go for a second date." Martin, age 10

WHEN IS IT OK TO KISS SOMEONE?

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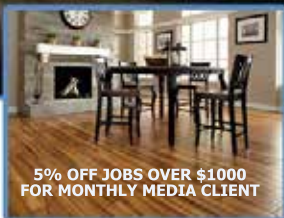
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"When they're rich." Pam, age 7

"The law says you have to be eighteen, so I wouldn't want to mess with that." Curt, age 7

"The rule goes like this: If you kiss someone, then you should marry them and have kids with them. It's the right thing to do." Howard, age 8

IS IT BETTER TO BE SINGLE OR MARRIED?

"I don't know which is better, but I'll tell you one thing. I'm never going to have sex with my wife. I don't want to be all grossed out." Theodore, age 8

"It's better for girls to be single, but not for boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them." Anita, age 9

"Single is better, for the simple reason that I wouldn't want to change no diapers. Of course, if I did get married, I'd just phone my mother and have her come over for some coffee and diaper-changing." Kirsten, age 10

HOW WOULD THE WORLD BE DIFFERENT IF PEOPLE DIDN'T GET MARRIED?

"There sure would be a lot of kids to explain, wouldn't there?" Kelvin, age 8

"You can be sure of one thing - the boys would come chasing after us just the same as they do now." Roberta, age 7

HOW WOULD YOU MAKE A MARRIAGE WORK?

"If you want to last with your man, you should wear a lot of sexy clothes, especially underwear that is red and maybe has a few diamonds on it." Lori, age 8

"Tell your wife that she looks pretty even if she looks like a truck." Ricky, age 10

Spotlight on John Foster, Lot 306

Submitted by Sally Harkness, Lot # 318



I am delighted to introduce John Foster. Pittsburg was his home until 1998 when his wife suggested they move some place warm. The impetus was their daughter had an adverse physical condition brought on by cold weather. They had family living in Tampa and Kissimmee, and after scouting out the areas, choose Carrollwood as their new location.

He has 2 girls and 3 boys, who took up most of his extra time. He was a volunteer coach with every sport they were in, except dance, he laughed. They are grown now, one of his daughters' is a doctor, the other is a dancer and aerialist while he says the boys are still finding their direction.

He enjoys billiards and refinishing furniture, but his biggest passion is golf. The golf bug bit him when he was 12 years old while working as a caddy. It was interesting meeting a diverse group of people that he would not normally have met. The game intrigued him and as he started accumulating second hand clubs, he taught himself the game and took advantage of the once a week free golf the club offered caddies. He continued this job until he went to college. There are weeks when he plays every day, but his average is 4-5 times when we are

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on daylight savings time. He gets home from his Computer System Analyst job in Tampa at 3:00. The shorter days limit his playing time.

John came to the Country Ho Down and really enjoyed it. He plays billiards with some other residents and appreciated the opportunity to contribute to the Toys for Tots campaign.

He likes how quiet it is in his neighborhood and has found the people here friendly.

Welcome to Island in the Sun, John

Looking for Shuffleboard Players for the Spring season!

Submitted by Donna O'Donnell, Lot 129

Twice a week, see calendar insert for days and times. Cal Am will prep the courts, all you have to do is 'show up' and be prepared to have fun.

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- 14 Jerald Cardin & Sudie Borders
- Irving & Helen Leonard

February Birthdays

- 2 James Ackerman
- 3 Art Jackson
- 6 Craig Walck
- 7 Steve Twomey
- 8 Bonnie Baldwin
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- 22 Jim Dudley



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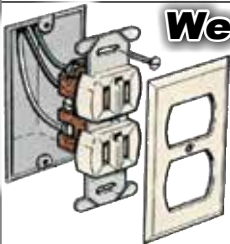
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CALLING ALL POOL (Billiards) AND CRIBBAGE PLAYERS!

Submitted by Murray Ross, Lot 55 – Ph: 727-475-9957

We are planning a Pool (Billiards) and cribbage tournament for February. This will be a single elimination tournament, in order to provide the greatest flexibility for the participants.

The more the merrier – get the word out, and come join the fun and meet your neighbors! Also, win bragging rights to hold over your friends!

‘A single-elimination, knockout, or sudden death tournament is a type of elimination tournament where the loser of each match-up is immediately eliminated. Each winner will play another winner in the next round, until the final match-up, where the final winner becomes the tournament champion.

There is a flyer in the clubhouse, and a sign up sheet for tournament entry.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there! Call or see Murray for details!

Why Sign up for the Island in the Sun Telephone Messaging Service – fondly known as ‘Robo-Call’.

Submitted by Linda Webster

Many people are signed up to receive phone reminders of upcoming events here at Island in the Sun – and that’s GREAT, but many people are not. I’ve heard some say that they don’t want to be bothered with updates because they don’t participate in all the events but that is not the only reason to listen to the call.

During the days leading up to the hurricane Julie made use of the messaging system to inform residents of important information. She let us know when the electricity was restored and it was ok to return to our homes. As she explained in the call, electricity was necessary because it is needed to run the sewer system.

Another good reason to sign up is to keep in touch with happenings in the community. Sometimes there are changes to what is printed in the Media magazine, leading to confusion on events. This is usually not a result of an error made by the media staff, event times may change or events may be cancelled, for various unavoidable reasons. In addition, new groups form and you might hear about something interesting you would like to try!

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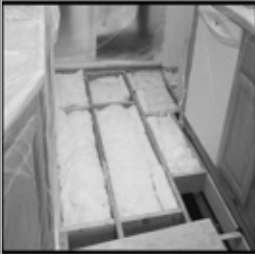
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Island in the Sun Yoga Classes

Submitted by Karen Custy #229



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The benefits for yoga practice are plentiful. It helps to strengthen our bodies, substantially improves our flexibility and posture and heals the soul. It helps with balance, eliminates tension and reduces stress as well as promoting healthy bones. Another element of yoga is meditation which can clear our minds and improve our sleep.

Please check out the signup sheet posted at the clubhouse, so we can see how much interest there will be and how much room we will need in setting up. Any questions can be directed to me.

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by Larry & Kris Taylor, Lot #296, 727-286-7740

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Thanks to all who gave last month's supplies and monies, it was greatly appreciated. If you know of someone who could use a little help, please let us know. Thank you!

13 RESTAURANTS WITH VALENTINE'S DAY OFFERS

Wednesday, February 14 is around the corner – we're here to help you plan. Read on to find restaurants with specials, set-menus and other Valentine's Day treats for the occasion.

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560 reviews

85% Recommend

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Ulele Tampa

3963 reviews

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Timpano Italian Chophouse - Tampa

1125 reviews

88% Recommend

Make your Valentine's Day memorable with a meal made from the very best ingredients and a little extra love. Make your reservations today.

Haven - Tampa

398 reviews

92% Recommend

Haven will offer a special chef's tasting menu for Valentine's Day. Enjoy five courses for \$60pp and add expertly paired wines to each course for \$30pp. *Only the tasting menu is available for this holiday.

Rusty Pelican - Tampa

812 reviews

87% Recommend

Join us for Valentine's Day! Featuring a romantic Valentine's menu. *Regular a la carte menu will not be available. Advanced deposit required to secure reservation. Cancellations must be made 24 hours in advance or you will be charged the advance deposit.

Columbia Restaurant - Ybor City

6514 reviews

92% Recommend

Take your Valentine to Spain! Regular menu available along with special features. Ask about reservations for Flamenco dance shows.

Columbia Restaurant - SandKey

2809 reviews

96% Recommend

Take your Valentine to Spain! Regular menu available along with special features.

Bon Appetit - Dunedin

1663 reviews

91% Recommend

Join us for Valentine's Day on the water! Our Chef has prepared a 4-Course dinner with a choice of six entrees. Served from 4pm - 10pm at \$65 per person (Children's menu available for \$12.95). Please visit our website to view the menu.

Columbia Restaurant - Sarasota

2335 reviews

92% Recommend

Take your Valentine to Spain! Regular menu available along with special features.

Maritana Grille at Don CeSar - St Pete Beach

1048 reviews

81% Recommend

Spend your special day with us this year!

Louies Modern - Sarasota

1112 reviews

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IITS Best Kept Secret.....

Submitted by Karen Custy #229



Shirley Fennell, who resides at Lot #249 in our IITS community, is well known for her sweet disposition, friendly manner and willingness to help others. But how many know that this special lady is a sewing queen? She loves to sew, and she loves to help others by repairing and altering clothes. Many a person has found their way to Shirley's door when after purchasing a garment, find it needs shortening, or altering of some sort. She is only too happy to oblige.

Shirley starting her love for sewing when she was just six years old, making doll clothes. And while attending grade school, she knitted socks for the soldiers. In college she studied Home Economics and majored in Clothing and Textiles. She became a Home Economist and worked with 4H groups and women's groups while working for Penn State Extension. While teaching, one of her 4H teens won the state 4H title at the State Fair for a homemade dress she created.

After getting married and having two daughters, Shirley continued to sew for her family. She also taught sewing to adults at night school where she substituted.

After moving to Island in the Sun, Shirley continued her sewing as well as knitting, crocheting and many other crafts and interests. When we first put together the services list, I asked if she would like to have her name posted for sewing and alterations. As word of mouth got around, and people discovered the beautiful work she did, she continued to sew and alter clothing for the residents.

Shirley keeps busy with her family, friends and church but still manages to never turn away someone needing a quick alteration or repair. It is our pleasure to showcase Shirley and her talents this month.



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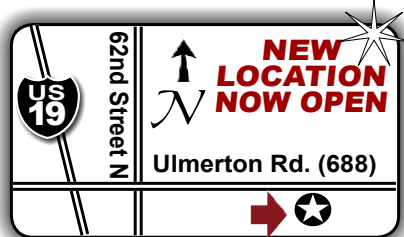


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Valentine's Day - What's all the fuss about?

Submitted by Jamie Brogley, Lot 87

Each year on February 14th many people exchange greeting cards, gifts, or flowers with their special "Valentine".

Rather than bore you with the history of Valentine's Day, let's look at what that day means to you!

Valentine's Day is for LOVERS! But for those who are alone it can be a very lonely time. Regardless if you find yourself alone because of death of a spouse or significant other, divorce, or even if you have always been single. Being alone doesn't mean you have to be lonely! We live in a beautiful state and in a beautiful community, with many things to see and do.

So, celebrate being SINGLE!

1. Embrace your Singleness. Think about all the wonderful benefits of being single, like not fighting over the TV remote, not having to make compromises, not having to clean up after someone. You can eat, drink and do whatever YOU want!
2. Enjoy the day by reading a good book. Call a friend or family member to let them know how much they mean to you!
3. Love is NOT just about Romance. So, fall in love with a new book, a new hairstyle, a new plant, perhaps a new hobby! The sky is the limit. Remember you are single; you don't need to ask permission from anyone.
4. Get moving. Go to the gym, take a swim, soak in the hot tub, walk around the park, stop and chat with your neighbors. Extend your hand to someone that you haven't met.
5. If you are able, VOLUNTEER. I always feel great when I do something for someone else. Even the smallest gestures we give are appreciated.
6. Practice random acts of kindness; hold the door open for someone, take in your neighbor's trash cans, offer to walk a sick neighbor's dog, cook something and share it with your neighbor. It's the little things that really matter in life.
7. Lend a sympathetic ear to your friends and neighbors who are a "couple", but are still unhappy. Being a Couple does not guarantee happiness. But, be happy for those who are in Love!
8. SMILE and make new friends.

Remember, you can Celebrate Being Single every day!

REMEMBRANCE CORNER

Dottie Newman Lot #46 724-6823 pcfriar64@yahoo.com

Our condolences went to John Opaczewski, #312, and to Bonnie Davis, #93. John's brother died unexpectedly, and Bonnie's sister had been on life support for quite some time.

Alta Keith, #177, is, once again, hospitalized with internal bleeding. On a visit by Jessie Forcan Alta told her she was awaiting a place in rehab. Alta, we are all praying for your "healing powers" to do their thing and bring you back to Don and #177.

Thank you and stay well!

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NOTE: I do not participate on any social media (my choice), so I depend on friends, family and neighbors to alert me to a resident's passing or sickness so that an appropriate card can be sent. Please contact me the old fashion way by calling me @ 724-6283 or the more up-to-date way of emailing @ pcfriar64@yahoo.com or dlnewman823@gmail.com.

Island in the Sun HOA Upcoming Activities and Events

The new Activities Team Members are working hard to bring the residents of Island in the Sun great events and parties in the new year. The following is a preview of coming events.

Tickets can be purchased for any of these events from the following:

Larry Taylor #296 Bill Shiels #133 Bob Newman #46 Karen Custy #229

February:

February 3rd Activities Meeting. Everyone welcome to come and share their ideas and be part of a group to promote and chair an event.

February 4th Super Bowl Party. 5:00 PM Tickets \$5.00 for pizza, wings and soda BYOB.

February 7th Yoga Classes. Beginning at the clubhouse every Wednesday evening from 6 – 7 PM. See flyer at clubhouse for details.

February 16th 1st Friday Lent Fish Fry. 6:00 PM Tickets are \$7.00 for fish, steak fries, coleslaw, roll and dessert. Soda provided BYOB.

February 24th Can/Am Party. This event is held each year to celebrate our northerners and our fulltime residents coming together. The party starts at 5:30 with a presentation from the choir and then DJ Wiggles entertainment. The tickets are \$10.00 for this event with a menu of Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Rolls and Cherry Delight for dessert. Soda supplied. BYOB. This is usually our biggest event of the year so please plan on attending.

March:

March 4th Community Game Day and Strawberry Festival starts at 1 o'clock.

March 10th Second Hand Rose Ladies Fashion Show. Second Time Treasurers providing clothing, jewelry and accessories to purchase. Models will preview clothing. There will be refreshments served. More details to follow.

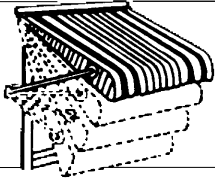
March 17th St. Patricks' Day Party

March 24th Saturday Salad Bar Luncheon. Tickets will be \$4.00 From 12 – 2. Come and enjoy a great meal for a great price.

March 31st Easter Bake Sale Looking for bakers to donate baked goods for our Easter bake sale. A great time of the year for this event. From 10 – 1. Raffle Prizes also.

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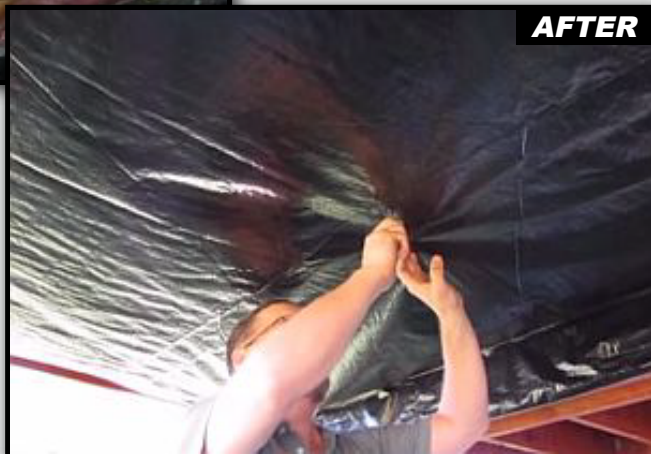
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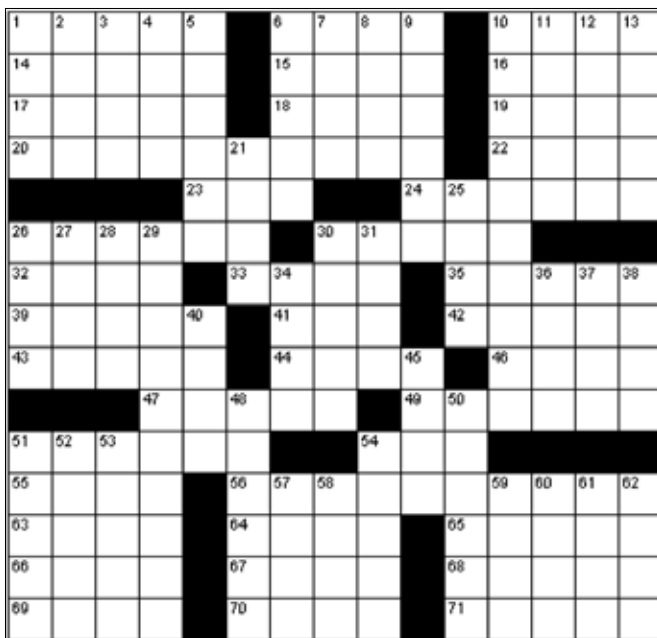
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15. Hindu princess
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17. Tropical vine
18. Wings
19. A Roman deity
20. Communicable
22. 1 1 1 1
23. Do-it-yourselfer's purchase
24. Terrapin or tortoise
26. Self-centeredness
30. Breakfast bread
32. Bacterium
33. Ancient Biblical kingdom
35. Run off to marry
39. Klutzy
41. Metric unit of area
42. Kidney-related
43. Tale
44. Bronzes your skin
46. Stars
47. Hebrew unit of dry measure
49. Tenant
51. Orbital high point
54. Fellow
55. Formal dress
56. Vote
63. Largest continent
64. Double-reed woodwind
65. Not tight
66. A hole for the escape of gas or air
67. Colored part of an eye
68. Aromatic compound
69. Border
70. Not a single one
71. Not those



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2. Chief Norse god
3. A unit of bread
4. Sea eagle
5. Light informal meals
6. Attribute
7. Angelic headgear
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9. Afternoon snooze
10. Easy
11. A very tall fellow
12. A thin porridge
13. Detect

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25. Utilizer
26. Auspices
27. Lady's man
28. Chocolate cookie
29. Make pregnant
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31. Portent
34. Information
36. Burden
37. Sheet of glass
38. Otherwise
40. Sort
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48. An opiate
50. Lace place
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CARPOT SALE, Sat. Feb. 24th.
Clearwater Cascades MHP, 9790 66th
St.N., 8AM-12PM.

Carport Sale February 24th East Bay
Oaks 601 Starkey Road, Largo. 9am to
2pm

ANNUAL SALE: Saturday February
24th, 8A-1P. Household, clothing,
furniture, misc., holiday, bakery,
lunch. Bag sale 12 -1. Westwind I
and II Clubhouses. 3301 Alternate 19,
Dunedin. Enter off County Rd 1 or
Alternate 19.

DORAL VILLAGE BAZAAR, Sat.,
Feb. 24th, 8am-1pm. 29250 US Hwy
19N, Clearwater. Furniture, Clothing,
Linens, Books, Appliances, Kitchen
Items, Glassware, Jewelry, Baked
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