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From the Desk of the President

Submitted by Robert F. Newman, Lot 46, 727-724-6283



This is the last time I will be submitting anything to the Media as President of the HOA. I have had several people ask what FS723 is that I keep mentioning all the time. It is the Florida statute that covers the rights and responsibilities of both the mobile home park owner and the mobile home owner. The following Legislative Intent is found in the statute under article 723.04

“The Legislature finds that there are factors unique to the relationship between a mobile home owner and a mobile home park owner. Once occupancy has commenced, unique factors can affect the bargaining position of the parties and can affect the operation of market forces. Because of those unique factors, there exist inherently real and substantial differences in the relationship which distinguish it from other landlord-tenant relationships. The Legislature recognizes that mobile home owners have basic property and other rights which must be protected. The Legislature further recognizes that the mobile home park owner has a legitimate business interest in the operation of the mobile home park as part of the housing market and has basic property and other rights which must be protected. This chapter is created for the purpose of regulating the factors unique to the relationship between mobile home owners and mobile home park owners in the circumstances described herein. It recognizes that when such inequalities exist between mobile home owners and mobile home park owners as a result of such unique factors, regulation to protect those parties to the extent that they are affected by the inequalities, while preserving and protecting the rights of both parties, is required.”

I would like to thank the membership and especially the rest of the Board for making my job as President so much easier this past year.

Bob

Ladies Lunch Bunch

Submitted by Helen Dennison, Lot 210, 727-754-6977

On January 19th, the Ladies' from Island in the Sun met at Queen's Pizza for lunch. There were 25 ladies in attendance. Several had to cancel out at the last minute due to illness. Our service was wonderful as our waitresses Lisa and her daughter hustled to fill each order to perfection. It was the first visit to Queen's for quite a few of our crowd, but many said it would not be their last. Pat Henderson was the lucky winner of our door prize. This was Pat's second win. The gift was a lovely hand crafted bowl which had been donated by Jaci Salisbury. Thank you again, Jaci, for your generosity. The girls really love your work. We will be meeting at **The Bahama Breeze Restaurant** in Tampa on Thursday, **March 16th**. Be sure to **sign up** in the activities book in the clubhouse, and feel free to invite a friend.





Neighbor Helping Neighbor

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

The First Saturday of each month at 1PM we will pick up any donations of can food, boxed food, soaps and paper goods. Just place your donated items by your mailbox in a plastic bag. Monetary contributions accepted also.

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

Men's Monthly Breakfast

Submitted by Ed Dennison, Lot 210, 727-754-6977

On January 19th, twenty of ISLAND IN THE SUN'S finest invaded the "OUR PLACE RESTAURANT" in Dunedin for a hardy breakfast and jovial fellowship. Still more of our northern friends made the trek down and joined us. It was really nice to renew old friendships and catch up on what has happened since we last met. The food was very good. There was a bit of a tie up at the register however when we attempted to settle our bills. There was a new waitress on duty, and perhaps she was overwhelmed by the influx of HANDSOME men that ascended upon her all at once. Soon it was taken care of and we went on our way. On Thursday, March 16, we will meet at **SUNSET GRILL**, on Sunset Point Road in Clearwater. Be sure to **sign up now**, in the sign-up book at the clubhouse.



Seniors

By Pat Henderson, Lot 266, 727-400-6002

A very self-important college freshman attending a recent football game took it upon himself to explain to a senior citizen sitting next to him why it was impossible for the older generation to understand his generation.

'You grew up in a different world, actually an almost primitive one,' the student said, loud enough for many of those nearby to hear. The young people of today are much more advanced than people your age. We grew up with television, jet planes, space travel, man walking on the moon and the Internet. We have cell phones, nuclear energy, electric and hydrogen cars, computers, automated manufacturing, amazing technologies, and pausing to take another drink of beer.....

The senior took advantage of the break in the student's litany and said, 'You're right, son. We didn't have those things when we were young.... so, we invented them. Now, son, what are YOU going to do for the next generation??????????'

The applause was resounding...

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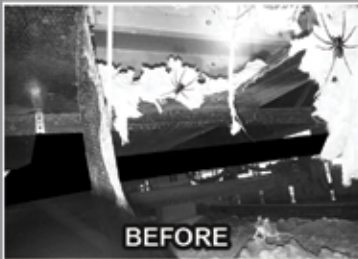
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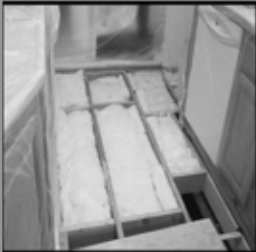
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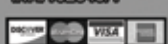


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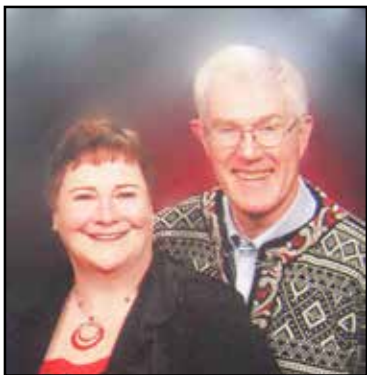
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Spotlight on Mark and Lynette Engebretson Lot #103

Submitted by Pat Henderson, Lot 266, 727-400-6002



I think of “Mutt and Jeff” every time I see Mark and Lynette together. He is quite tall, and, she is rather short in comparison. He is a bit more serious, but she seems to always smile. I’m not sure if she is always that happy, or perhaps she’s “up to something”. One thing for sure though, they have huge grins, when talking about their 43year marriage, and their lives and family.

Mark was born in Iowa, the youngest of three boys. His parents are deceased, but one brother resides in Iowa and the other is in Minnesota. He was a “small town” kid growing up. The family moved to a small town in Minnesota, when he was ready to start school, and he earned a “Doctorate Degree” in Physics at the University of Minnesota. Mark was a college professor, teaching Physics and Math in Minneapolis, before retiring after thirty-eight years. He has been working part time doing research and he studied the science behind the Northern Lights. Because of his career in Physics, Mark has done a lot of international travel, and has had the opportunity to meet many people and experience their food and culture. He has even spent some time at a research station at the South Pole, where many people spend winters in a small congested area.

Lynette was born in Wisconsin, the youngest of nine children, but only two brothers are still living. Both of her parents have passed. The oldest boy was twenty and the two older boys were in World War II when Lynette was born and they moved to Idaho after completing their military duty. After high school, she moved to Chicago to attend college. Her degree is in Psychology. She worked for Social Security for a couple years, then worked in Human Resources for four or five years. She had the opportunity to work at Mt. Rushmore doing a little bit of everything including coffee shop, gift store, even janitorial. She loved having that experience.

She lived in an apartment complex in Minneapolis and then Mark moved to the same apartments. He had his eye on Lynette, and had been noticing what time she came home from work. One day he was waiting in the parking lot of the apartments when she drove in from work. That was the beginning of their courtship, which turned into marriage. Lynette was able to quit work and start a family. Mark and Lynette had a little boy and when he was two years old, they had twins, a boy and a girl. One is in Minnesota, another one is living in Calgary and the other resides in Denver. Mark and Lynette are proud grandparents of four little boys ages one through three.

Travel is one hobby that all the family enjoys. They were privileged to travel to Europe when their children were in their early teens. Mark and Lynette worked hard to expose their children to other ways of life. Mark and Lynette have traveled to all the states, with the exception of Connecticut, Rhode Island, Alaska and Hawaii. If Lynette can ever get Mark to slow down, I suggested they take a cruise to Alaska. Mark has worked long hours and spent a lot of time traveling, so Lynette got bored and after raising the family and being home alone so much, she became independent and started cruising. She has been on nine consecutive cruises

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in a row. Mark is happy she has found things to do to escape the boredom of being home alone.

Both Mark and Lynette are musically inclined. She plays the piano quite well and Mark sings. He has sung in classical concerts, and for many years, he has sung in his church's choir. When he was in college, Mark sang very low bass, but now sings tenor. I encouraged him to join the IITS chorus. He said he might consider it, but would sometimes have to miss practice or a program when he has other obligations. Five years ago, Lynette came to Clearwater and rented an apartment at nearby Park Place. She later moved to Almaf Apartments just down the street on Hampton Road. She was tired of the cold winters and being alone so much, and Mark was able to fly here to spend some time with her. They later decided they should buy a place here. Lynette had traveled Hampton Road many times and checked out the Mobile Home Village website then one day drove in to look around. She found the place she wanted, and made a cash offer, which was accepted. They love the beauty and cleanliness of the community, and she noticed there were a lot of cars around the clubhouse, so she saw lots of opportunity for activities for her participation. Being pet friendly was another big attraction. Mark plays pickle ball and Lynette plays Bingo. I am sure all of you have seen her riding her bright red scooter around the park. She loves to decorate it for the golf cart parade at Halloween and Christmas. They spend about six months here at IITS and the other six months are spent in their home in Minneapolis and traveling around to visit their children and grandchildren. Mark and Lynette are both very friendly, so strike up a conversation whenever you come upon them.

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3rd Qtr. Barb Helm

4th Qtr/End of game Shannon

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Rummikub Winners for October

Submitted by Patricia Clark, Lot 125, 727-726-5145

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Dominoes

Submitted by Nancy Barnes, Lot 157, 727-799-2434

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Cribbage Tournament

Submitted by Murray and Laural Ross, Lot # 55, 727-475-9557

This was prompted by the fact that, when we moved into our house this year, there were 5 Cribbage boards in various drawers! The event saw 13 participants: Murray and Laural Ross, Lot 55, Arlene & Al Efford, Lot 320, Gert & Jack Oosterhuis, Lot # 71, Suzanne & Arden Jones, Lot #91, Bella & John Lukach, visiting lot # 80, Jean MacDonald, Lot #304, Donna ,O'Donnell, visiting lot # 76, Beverly Ross-Keleher, visiting Lot # 165.

It was a raucous and fun night that saw the two finalists (Laural Ross and Gert Oosterhuis) agree to a tie. Laural and Murray hope to have another cribbage tournament in the near future and to hold it in the clubhouse so that more people can join in.

The more the merrier!

Call Murray, Lot #55, 727-475-9557



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Corrections for 2017

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Remembrance Corner

Submitted by Dottie Newman, Lot 46, 727-724-6823, pcfriar64@yahoo.com

- Sharron Hendrixson, #28, spent some time in the hospital after suffering some complications from a chronic illness. She is home now and feeling much better.
 - Ann Marie Mackay, #271, had some very serious spinal surgery. She is home recuperating, but it is going to be a long while before she can move with ease.
 - Art Kelsey, #307, took a fall in his driveway, hitting his head on the stairs. A short visit to the hospital and he was back home recovering.
 - Condolences were sent to Jamie Brogley, #87, as her Dad passed away.
- Please take the time to call or visit these folks



Why You Are Tired

Submitted by Pat Henderson, Lot 266, 727-400-6002

What Your Body Does in a Day

Sometimes you may feel like your body is beginning to creak and fail you on the outside, but do you ever stop to consider the incredible work that is taking place inside of it? There is so much going on and everything fits together so well, that it's almost impossible to comprehend it. This article will remind you that there are miracles going on inside your body every single day.

Most of the body's energy is expelled via heat. Your body produces the same heat as 25 light bulbs over the course of a single day.

Red blood cells literally shoot around the body, taking less than 60 seconds to complete a full circuit. This means that each of yours makes 1440 trips around your body every day, delivering oxygen and keeping your body energized. Each cell lives for about 40 days, before being replaced by a younger model. It's no surprise their life span is short, having made 60,000 trips around the body, they must be exhausted. Nerve cells transmit electrical messages to and from your brain. They direct every move, thought, or sensation. Muscle cells make movement possible. White blood cells are found in the bone marrow. They attack the germs that make you sick.

You shed more than 1 million skin cells every single day but they are constantly replenished automatically, to save you from turning transparent and becoming rather exposed! Your skin is actually an organ; in fact it's the largest organ you have, with a surface area of 18 square feet.

Your hair (if you still have any) grows about half a millimeter per day, and the average adult with a full scalp has around 100,000 on their head. So that's a combined 50 meters of hair growth every, single day.

The brain and mouth work together to allow us to speak an average of around 5000 words a day. Well that's if you're a woman, because studies suggest that men only speak 2000 words, yet both sexes utter 500-700 of real value (i.e. that get a job done, or provide useful information). Do you women out there have something to say about this?

Your liver is so busy over the course of a day, it is almost impossible to summarize its activities. It manufactures cholesterol, vitamin D and blood plasma; it identifies the nutrients your body needs, and stores some away for future use; it filters 1.53 quarts of blood every minute and produces a quart of bile every day to help you break down your food. Basically, you have a factory plant running inside of you every day, which is pretty amazing.

The glands in your mouth produce an incredible 1.5 liters of saliva every day. That's a lot of dribble! If this didn't happen, your mouth would dry up and become overrun with bacteria, and you wouldn't be able to digest your food.

The average male's testicles manufacture 10 million new sperm cells every day. Those that aren't used age and are eventually broken down inside the body, with any useful nutrients being absorbed and put to use.

Each of your kidneys contains 1 million tiny filters that work together to filter an average of 2.2 pints of blood every minute – that's 3168 pints every single day, despite each kidney only being the size of a fist. If that wasn't enough, they also expel an average of 2.5 pints of urine from your body every day too.

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March Birthdays

- 1 Maria Platt
- 7 Shirley Savage
- 8 Nancy Dimatties-Harazin
Linda Walker
- 21 Kay Robinson
- 26 Lillian Cutler
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- 29 Rick Gay
- 31 Fred Large



March Anniversaries

- 03 Bill & Marcie Shields
- 31 Keith and Karen Custy



Activities

These activities are a result of the activities meeting dated February 4th.

March 2... Is the cutoff for purchasing tickets for the Can-Am Party

March 4th... Activities meeting 10AM

Can-Am Party, 5:30 to 10PM

Music by DJ Wiggles Tickets are \$10.00 PP

Menu: Pork Chop of Chicken Breast, dressing, Mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, salad, rolls, desserts

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March 7... HOA Annual Membership Meeting 7PM. Vote for your 2017 Board members.

March 14... Pot Luck, 5:30PM, Salads 6PM, Main Meal 6:30PM

March 16... Men's Breakfast, Sunset Grill, 8:30AM

Woman's Luncheon 12:00Noon, Bahama Breeze

March 17... Managers Meeting 11AM

March 18... St Pats Party

March 19... Sundae Sundays 6PM

March 21... Birthday/Anniversary Party for HOA Members 6:30PM

March 23-25th... Community Yard Sale

March 28... HOA Board Meeting

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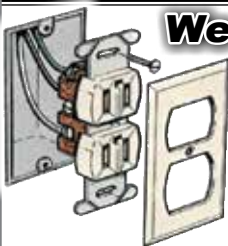
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Did you know?

**** You still have time to get your tickets for the CAN-AM Party on March 4th.**

**** March 18th St Pat's Party, Info coming**

**** Remember, there is a Community Yard Sale on March 23,24 and 25th.**

**** April 7th, Friday night annual Baseball game at Bright House Field. 6:30PM \$18.00 pp.** Tickets and wristbands can be purchased at

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**** There is an upcoming April Fools event in the clubhouse from 7-10PM Karaoke with Tommy & Lisa**

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Upcoming Moccasin Lake Environmental Education Center Programs for March, 2017
CLEARWATER, Fla. – The Moccasin Lake Environmental Education Center at 2750 Park Trail Lane, Clearwater, FL 33759 (unless otherwise listed.) will be hosting a variety of programs during the month of March. Please call 727-793-2976 or email Lloyd.Simmons@MyClearwater.com for details. Some programs require preregistration. Highlights include:

CLEARWATER AUDUBON SOCIETY MEETING

Monday, March 6, 6:30 p.m. The local chapter of the **National Audubon Society** conducts field trips to Florida's natural areas, supports local environmental education efforts and sponsors environmental educators to Audubon training centers. Everyone is welcome.

March 6 Program – Coyotes – Laura Milligan. Join UF/IFAS Natural Resources

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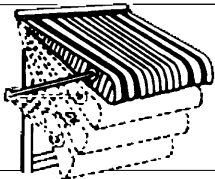
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Extension Agent, Lara Milligan as she discusses a relatively new resident to Pinellas County, the coyote. Lara will explore the life history of the coyote as well as its ability to adapt and survive in urban environments. If you have seen a coyote in Pinellas County, you are not alone. Come and learn about this nocturnal creature and what you need to know.

BIRD WALK Saturday, March 4, 8:00 a.m. Take a guided hike on Moccasin Lake's newly renovated nature trail while seeking birds by sight and sound. Bring binoculars and field guides, if you have them. Meet in the parking lot. Free!

BIRDS IN CLASSICAL MUSIC Saturday, March 18, 10:30 a.m. Sit back and enjoy music and bird songs. Explore bird songs in classical music! Free program.

PINELLAS NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY MEETING

Wednesday, March 1, 6:30-9:30 p.m. This non-profit, educational and recreational club is for those interested in native plants. They discuss native plant topics at meetings and give talks at libraries, schools and environmental education centers. \$1 suggested donation per person. <http://pinellas.fnpschapters.org/>

THE FLORIDA HERB SOCIETY MEETING Tuesday, March 21, 6:30 p.m. Registration and herbal swap at 6:30 p.m. (meeting starts at 6:45). Bring herb cuttings, seeds and plants to swap along with your favorite herbal delight to add to our tasting and herbal swap tables. \$1 suggested donation per person. FloridaHerbSociety.com

CLEARWATER TURTLE & TORTOISE CLUB OF FLORIDA MEETING

Saturday, March 11, 6:30-9:30 p.m. This non-profit, educational and recreational club is for those interested in turtles with an emphasis on responsible husbandry and captive breeding. Each month a speaker discusses turtle topics and they give talks at libraries, schools and environmental educational education centers. For more info contact Mark Kirshner at 352-340-6619. \$1 suggested donation per session

SUNCOAST HERPETOLOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING Saturday, March 25, 6 - 8 p.m. The Suncoast Herpetological Society is a non-profit, educational, and recreational club for people interested in reptiles and amphibians with an emphasis on responsible husbandry & captive breeding. The Suncoast Herpetological Society provides educational talks to Pinellas County residents as well as the surrounding counties and communities. Each month a speaker discusses a herpetological topic at the meeting, and he or she goes into the community giving talks at libraries, schools and environmental education centers. \$1 suggested donation per person. www.kingsnake.com/suncoastherpsociety

HUKYU BONSAI SOCIETY MEETING Saturday, March 11, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Learn the art and techniques of Bonsai. www.facebook.com/hukyubonsaisociety. Call Jeff Haskins at 813-951-1904 or Kay Waldron at 727-376-0178 for details. \$1 suggested donation per session

CHAINWHEEL DRIVE: Nature Discovery on Two Wheels Trail Ride. Friday, March 10, 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Meet at Long Center (west side of practice field), Clearwater, FL. Focus on enjoying yourself during this ride led by a cycling expert. Riders of all skill levels are welcome. Riders of all skill levels welcome.

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INTRO TO KAYAKING Learn the basics of kayaking in the classroom and on the water in this dynamic 2-day program! Spend Thursday evening learning about different parts of the kayak, the equipment, and techniques, and turn your knowledge into skills the following Saturday afternoon on a lake. Equipment is provided. <http://www.ospreybay.com/> Cost is free.

Moccasin Lake Environmental Education Center (classroom seminar)

Thursday, March 9, 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.

2750 Park Trail Ln., Clearwater, FL 33759

Cliff Stephens Park (on the water demo)

Saturday, March 11, 11 am. - 12 p.m.

600 Fairwood Ave., Clearwater, FL 33759

ARCHERY Saturday, March 4, 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Children ages 8-18 learn the basics of archery. \$5 (Clearwater Rec card) / \$6 (No card)

THE MOCCASIN LAKE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER'S BIRDS OF PREY Saturday, March 11, noon-1 p.m., Cliff Stephens Park (600 Fairwood Ave. –Parking Lot) Specialists will bring live birds of prey to various Clearwater parks to allow visitors a close-up look at these magnificent birds.

THE ABUNDANT APPLICATIONS OF FUNGI Saturday, March 11, 2:00 p.m. This program will teach how to incorporate the miraculous kingdom of fungi into everyday life, thus enhancing the health and vitality of the ecosystem around us. Learn about the endless diversity of applications from nature's own engineers and chemists, including bioremediation, sustainable agriculture, food/water security, medicine/health, textiles, and so much more. Wear proper clothing for a walk outdoors and mosquito repellant is recommended. Free program.

VINYASA YOGA WITH ESPI MACMILLAN Wednesday, March 22, 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. This is a slow-flow class that focuses on alignment, improving safety and stability while building strength and flexibility. This class may be as strong or gentle as you'd like; modifications are offered and encouraged. All levels are welcome. Experience mindful breathing in and out, seamlessly linking breath and movement in this classical yoga practice. Moving. Breathing. Smiling. Contact her at 365-8574 or kapokpilates@gmail.com for information and to register. Program held at Kapok Park located at 2950 Glen Oak Ave. N.

CREATING YOUR OWN FOOD FOREST USING PERMACULTURE TECHNIQUES Wednesday, March 29, 6:30 p.m. Learn how to create your own food forest using Permaculture designs and techniques, along with how to use edible perennial plants and trees that will provide you with food for years to come.

EARTH DAY AT MOCCASIN LAKE Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Celebrate this very special day and learn how to do things better as a community by developing a more sustainable, self-sufficient future for the community. Workshops, presentations, music, vendors, food and fun will make up this Earth Day event. Discover what plants are best to have to attract native wildlife in your yard, and meet the center's birds of prey. Find honey and other products made locally by your neighbors, and take a walk along the scenic trail to Moccasin Lake. The event and parking is free. This is a family-friendly event.



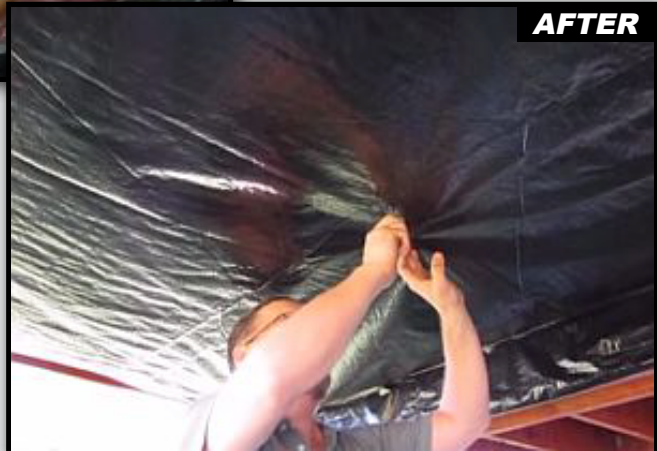
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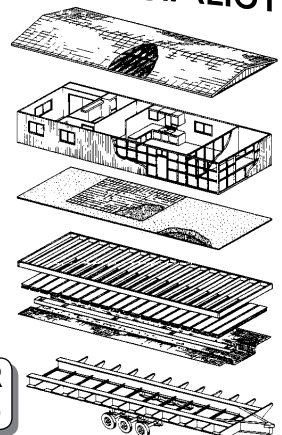
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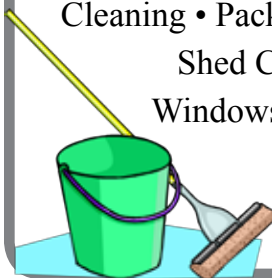
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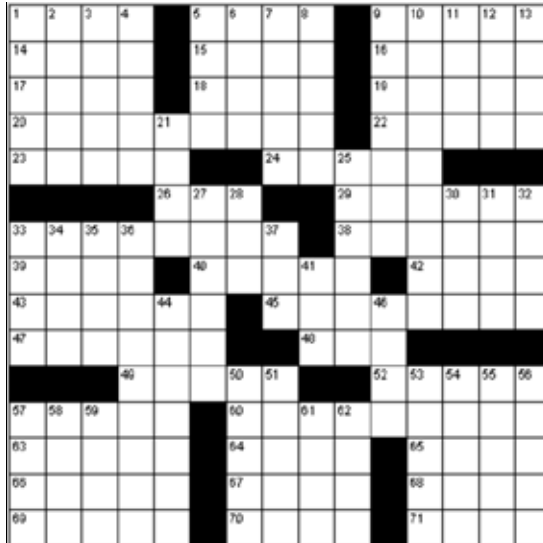




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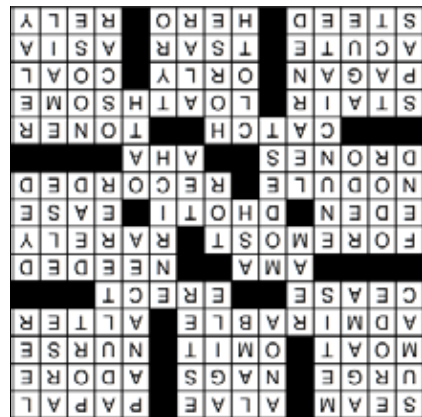
ACROSS

1. A-line line
5. Wings
9. Ordered by the pope
14. Encourage
15. Pesters
16. Really love
17. Protective ditch
18. Bypass
19. Care giver
20. Deserving of the highest esteem
22. Adjust
23. Stop
24. Construct
26. American Medical Association
29. Required
33. Ranking above all others
38. Seldom
39. Biblical garden
40. Hindu loincloth
42. Lack of difficulty
43. A small node
45. Registered in a permanent form
47. An unchanging intonation
48. "I knew it!"
49. Nab
52. Laser printers need this
57. Step
60. Offensive
63. Heathen
64. Parisian airport
65. Bituminous fuel
66. Critical
67. Russian emperor
68. Largest continent
69. Horse
70. Protagonist
71. Count upon



DOWN

1. Poison plant
2. Chip away at
3. A type of small lizard
4. Mixed-blood
5. Dwarf buffalo
6. Young sheep
7. Nimble
8. Aromatic compound
9. Cure-all
10. A husband who cheats
11. Harbor
12. Backside
13. Lascivious look
21. 500 sheets of paper
25. Make wealthy
27. Humble
28. Residue from a fire
30. Not alive
31. Alternatively
32. Not the original color
33. Manage
34. Smell
35. Start over
36. Express or state clearly
37. Crag
41. Orange pekoe or Earl Grey
44. Found out
46. Pledge
50. Fabric
51. Steed
53. Movie prize
54. Hangman's knot
55. Electronic messages
56. Pass-the-baton race
57. Resorts
58. Diplomacy
59. Chills and fever
61. Winged
62. Apprentice



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FRIDAY, MARCH 3rd, 9am-1pm, Flea Market/Bake Sale Lake Seminole Resort MHP Clubhouse, 10245 110th Ave. North, East off Seminole Blvd. Refreshments, Lunch.

CRAFT FAIR 3/25/2017, 1:00-5:00 Briar Creek Phase I Clubhouse. 3175 McMullen Booth Rd Saftey Harbor.

Come One Come ALL! It's that time of year again! The 2017 Palm Hill Bazaar is on March 4th. Early Bird at 8:30 a.m. \$1.00. Regualr admittance 9:00 a.m. till 1p.m. Everything must go! 1800 Seminole Blvd., Largo, FL 33778.

Saturday, March 4th, 8-1, WHITE ELEPHANT & BAKE SALE: Furniture, Accessories, Linens, Jewelry, etc., Lake Highlander 1500 County Road 1 Dunedin.

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE - DUNEDIN: Sat. March 18th, 8 AM to 1 PM. Lake Haven Mobile Home Park 1415 Main St (SR 580). Turn South on Lake Haven Road, Turn East into Treasure Cove. Follow signs to the Clubhouse.

HUGE Rummage Sale at St. Paul United Methodist Church, March 3&4. 1199 Highland Ave., Largo, Florida, 33770. (Corner of Highland and Rosery.) Early Bird Friday, 5-8 pm; \$1 admission. Free admission Saturday, 8am-2pm.

White Elephant Sale Saturday March 11th. Lake Haven MHP #3, 1415 Main St. Dunedin, FL. Clothing, Small Appliance, Gift items and the BEST BAKE SALE IN TOWN! 8AM-1PM.

Hillcrest Mobile Home Park Spring Craft Fair: Saturday, March 4th, 9am-1pm. At Clubhouse 2346 Druid Rd., Clearwater. (Between US19 & Belcher) Handcrafted items & Bake Sale. Free Admission.

March 18th, 8:00am-1:00pm, Rummage/Craft Sale: Caribbean Isles MHP Clubhouse 12100 Seminole Blvd. Lot 52. Lunch, Raffle Baskets, & Baked Goods!

Art/Craft Fair - Friday, March 10th, 9AM-1PM. Lake Highlander MHP, 1500 County Road 1, Dunedin. Refreshments available.

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Annual Bazaar - Briar Creek II MHP March 4th, 8am-1pm Clubhouse (Near Mease Countryside Hospital)

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Art, Craft and Bake Sale: Saturday, March 18th, 8:00am to 2:00pm. Park Royale 10611 66 street (Between Circle K and Wells Fargo). Kitchen Open for Breakfast and Lunch!

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								1
	6	8	2	3			9	



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