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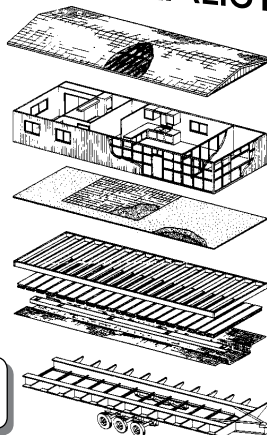
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IN MEMORIAM

by Dorothy Ravener



Our prayers and sympathy go to:



Kit Elliot (Canada)



Diane Burns (Canada)



Marty Mealey

WE CARE

by Dorothy Ravener

Ken Pitblado (ill and returned to Canada)

Bill Philips (out of hospital)

Gilda Salvage (in hospital)



(Please note that the location AND condition of the residents named above can be temporary and may change at any time. We can only do monthly updates in the DOMEI for WE CARE but we still want you to be informed.)

Get Well Soon!



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

by Chris Green



Hello from behind the (recovering) elephants ear...

Thank you for your continuing support as the rudder of our amazing ship. Our new board is a great crew who care as much as I do.

I cannot ignore the major change we have just experienced. The park has been sold. Scary? Maybe. Positive? Most definitely! Let's not focus on negative past experiences but on how much we'll enjoy a beautiful new Park (which includes a clubhouse with acoustic tiles!!!). A few of you have come up with some great ideas (JoJo). All I can say is keep 'em coming!! We have been encouraged to contact the new management team with our concerns - do it - don't hesitate. We want them to know how much we value our home.

Our permanent residents number keeps increasing and I want to welcome all of you and hope to see you at our events. The people (both permanent and snowbird) love to party and smile at newbies who cannot believe our weather. Come to Koffee Klatch on Saturday morning or Welcome Wagon and meet us - we want to meet you. Oh, and if you have been here awhile, I would enjoy meeting you! Come on - what have you got to lose?!?!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

by JG Social Club

Only 2 events left!!! Next year's events will be posted as soon as they are planned!

DATE	EVENT	CHAIRPERSON(S)
Saturday March 2, 2019	Hands Across The Border	Bet & Terry
Saturday March 16, 2019	St. Patrick's Day	OPEN

We have 1 OPEN space and we are asking people to consider chairing this event. We would love to have new residents involved! You are given a budget to work with and plenty of support/information from former chairpersons and volunteers.

More information will be included as the event approaches. As always, keep checking for posts on the Bulletin Board & the emails from Japanese Garden Social Club.

Volunteers spend countless hours working on your behalf; this is why we are always requesting more help. And, this is why we need you. When everybody does a little, it keeps others from having to do a lot. Spreading out our responsibilities makes things easier and a lot more fun for all.

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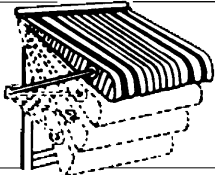
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WELCOME WAGON WEDNESDAY

by Sandy Rassmussen

Welcome!

The next Welcome Wagon is March 27th 5pm to 7pm.
Everyone is welcome - especially new residents!

EUCHRE (WEDNESDAY NIGHT)

by Reid Kier

Jan 16		
1st place	Kathy Najuch	74 points
2nd place	Chuck Stewart	57 points
3rd place tie	Lea & Reid Kier	50 points
Lone Hands	None	

Jan 23		
1st place	Bill Phillips	70 points
2nd place	Lea Kier	66 points
3rd place	Cathy Whyte	65 points
Lone Hands	Chuck Stewart - 2	

Jan 30		
1st place	Lea Kier	72 points
2nd place	Reid Kier	71 points
3rd place	Glenn Greene	70 points
Lone Hands	Kathy Najuch - 3	

Feb 6		
1st place	Lea Kier	61 points
2nd place	Cathy Whyte	54 points
Tie 2nd	Kathy Najuch	54 points
3rd place	Chuck Stewart	53 points
Lone Hands	Glenn Greene - 2	



Anyone interested in joining or even interested in learning the game, please contact me at reid_kier@hotmail.com or just stop by Wednesday night.



OUR THANKS TO THE RASSMUSSENS

by Karen & Paul LaRosa

We have lived in this park for 5 years and I just want to send a special shout out to our friends Sandy and Mark Rasmussen. They do so much for this park and enjoy what they're doing. We loved all the Christmas decorations they put up this year. Mark is always running around doing something for someone and is always there when someone needs help. Sandy's involvement in putting together the community garden for everyone in the park to enjoy. They help out with many events. The ongoing Welcome Wagon is a big success. It is growing every month with more people showing up. The Cookie Stroll raised money to purchase Christmas decorations and she is trying to get people together who would be interested in restoring the old decorations that need some TLC. Idea after idea, these 2 come up with something new to think about for us to help make our park better. They make living here a great asset to the park and the people who live here. My husband and I want to thank them for all their efforts into making Japanese Garden a great place to live.

In the summer they are always finding things for us to do after everyone goes back up north and we have no entertainment in the summer. Sandy and Mark put their heads together and help find fun things for us to do. So no matter what they do, we appreciate them for taking the time out of their lives to do all they do for us in the park. I am happy to call them our friends. We live in a senior community and are thankful for spending time in Japanese Garden.

BID EUCHRE (SUNDAY NIGHT)

by Cathy Whyte

Jan 13

1st place	Bill Phillips	229 points
2nd place	Wanda Mooney	216 points
3rd place	Glenn Greene	214 points
4th place	Reid Kier	213 points

Congrats to Glenn Greene for a moon shot!

Jan 20

1st place	Joann Edmonds	223 points
2nd place	Cathy Whyte	199 points
3rd place	Bea Stewart	196 points
4th place	Kathy Najuch	186 points
5th place	Dan Najuch	185 points

Congrats to Diane Greene for a moon shot!

Jan 27

1st Place	Kathy Najuch	187 points
2nd place	Diane Greene	184 points
3rd place	Reid Kier	170 points
4th place	Roseanne Wagner	167 points

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HANDS ACROSS THE BORDER

by Bet LeBrun & Terry Densmore

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Menu: Fried chicken, baked potato & fixings, green beans, cole slaw, roll & butter, dessert.

Wear your patriotic colors!!!!!!

See you there!

GOOD ONE!!!

by Nancy Mitchell

For all of us grandparents, here is a good one, worthy of being shared!

F RETARDED GRANDPARENTS

After summer vacation, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holiday away from school. One child wrote the following:



We always used to spend summers with Grandma and Grandpa. They used to live in a big brick house, but Grandpa got retarded and moved to Florida. They go to a building called a wrecked center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now, and do exercises there. There is a swimming pool too where they all jump up and down with hats on.

At their gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can escape. Sometimes they sneak out. They go cruising in their golf carts. Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night: Early Birds.

Some of the people can't get out past the man in the doll house. The ones who do not get out, bring food back to the wrecked center and call it pot luck.

My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too. When I earn my retardment, I want to be the man in the doll house. Then I will let people out so they can visit their grandchildren.

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VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION AT JG

by Chris Green

It turned out to be a raucous celebration of Becky & Dave's 50th Anniversary!!

Faye and Pat can cook like nobody's business. DELICIOUS!!

Big shout out to them and their hard working husbands.

My setup crew should go to interior design school. Thanks Sandy Russell, Margaret, Susan & Elaine. A special thanks to our new VP who gave us candy and included the men's room in the celebration. Thanks to the guys to took care of the walls. (They must go unnamed but not unloved.)

I drove Joanne and Bill crazy - but we still had fun. I love you!

Our guests needed just a little shove from the great entertainer Randy to keep that dance floor full!!!!

My cleanup crew did an amazing job. Definitely the hardest job of the day - Sandy, Andy, Mark, and a few others that I could not see in the dark (comes with age).

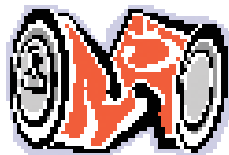
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May all of you have the Valentine's Day you desire.

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by Bet LeBrun

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by Janet Episcopo

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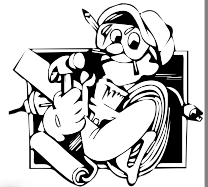
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BINGO

by Pat Pimm

Please join us on Thursday nights for a fun evening of Bingo with your neighbors, friends or overnight visitors of park residents. The cost is just 50¢ per card. Each week, park participation has grown, which means bigger payouts to the winners.

January 24

Hot Pot: (3-way split) Yvonne McDaniel, Warren Duplex and Pat Medina
 Regular Games: Linda Crawford (twice), Mark Rassmussen, Vicki Ritzau, Louis Suarez, Janet Episcopo, Victor Medina, Carolee Kingsbury
 Specials: Marcelle Rouse, Roy Robert, Robert McMillan, Diane Suarez & Cal Rouse. Roy and Robert had a bingo on our lucky number. Way to go!
 Full Card: Cal Rouse

January 31

Hot Pot: Sue Gang
 Regular Games: Roberta Adkins & R.D. Blankenship (split), Faye Kanopka, Sue Gang, Wendy Duplex, Mark Rassmussen, Bridie McLaughlin
 Specials: Roberta Adkins, Faye Kanopka, and a 5-way split between Pat Medina, Cindy O'Brien, Roberta Adkins, Joanne Cross & Kathy Najuch. And yes, Faye Kanopka won again. (Lucky Lady!)
 Full card: Split between Kay Najuch & R.D. Blankenship

February 7th

Hot Pot: Diane Greene
 Regular Games: Connie Hobbs (twice), Victor Medina, Pat Pimm, Faye Kanopka, Sue Gang (twice), Betty Harrison
 Specials: Joan Levy, Diane Suarez, Kathy Najuch & Grant MacAskill
 Full card: Claudette Vrab

A special thank you to Anne Jeffries and Kathy Najuch for donating special LARGE numbered bingo cards to us. That enables anybody who is visually impaired to be able to join us and play as well.

My thanks to my helpers: Betty Harrison and Faye Kanopka. Also, an extra special thank you to our caller, Hal Schroth.





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by Japanese Garden Management

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PINOCHLE

by Lea Kier

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Jan. 26

1st place	Lea Kier	541 pts.
2nd place	Bert	498 pts.
3rd place	Dan Najuch	491 pts.

Feb. 1

1st place	Kay Najuch	551 pts.
2nd place	Joe Walker	486 pts.
3rd place	Kathy Najuch	473 pts.

Feb. 8

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SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP

by Carolee Kingsbury

Thank you to everyone who has joined the Social Club. We hope to have a great year. There is still time to join if you haven't. You save money on every event if you do. Come and join the fun.

JAPANESE GARDEN "COMMUNITY GARDEN"

by Sandy Rassmussen

Volunteers on Wednesdays 9-12PM

Volunteers are needed ongoing to tend to the garden watering, weeding, planting and harvesting. Please contact Sandy Rassmussen with any questions at 612-432-7874



LET'S DO LUNCH

by Dorothy Ravener, Queen Mother

The Red Kimono's of Japanese Garden extends an invitation to the R.O.M.E.O.'s for lunch at BELLISSIMO'S, 13220 South Belcher Road, Largo on Thursday, March 21 @ 12 noon

Please sign up on sheets at the Clubhouse. Hope to see you there!

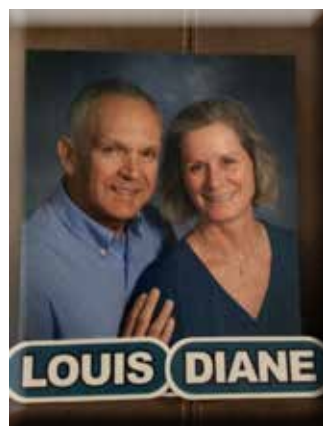
JAPANESE GARDEN CELEBRITIES

by Louis & Diane Suarez

Guess what game show two of our residents will be seen on? hint, hint...

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BRIDGE (TUESDAY NIGHT)

by Cathy Whyte



Jan 8

Wayne Showalter came in first with 4080 followed by Chris Rau with 3390. Cathy Whyte was third with 3320 and she and Diane Charlebois had the high round with 1340. They also bid and made a small slam. 6H was bid by Diane and played by Cathy.

Jan 15

Wayne Showalter was first again with 3400. Chuck Edmonds came in second with 3030 and Diane Charlebois was third with 2810. Diane and Cathy Whyte had the high round with 1470 and they also made a small slam again. 6S was bid and played by Diane with Cathy as her partner.

Jan 22

Wayne Showalter was first again with an even 4000. Cathy Whyte came in second with 3750 and Wanda Mooney was third with 3090. Wanda and Wayne had the high round with 1480.

Jan 29

Highest scores of the season so far with Diane Charlebois coming in first with 5600 and Wayne Showalter was second with 5030. Cathy Whyte came in third with 3250. Diane and Wayne had the high round with 2600 and they also made a small slam. 6NT was bid and played by Wayne with Diane as his partner.

Feb 5

Really low scores tonight. Joann Edmonds came in first with 2980 and Cathy Whyte was second with 2880. Chris Rau was third 2630 and his wife Maggie and Joann had the high round with 1590.

RECYCLING DUMPSTERS

by Park Management

The recycling dumpsters are **NOT** to be used to drop off junk you don't know what to do with. Please read what can go in the dumpster.

DO NOT dump your mattresses, TV's, bed frames, clothing and other non-recyclable items there.

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SUPER BINGO - MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

by Bet LeBrun

The last SUPER BINGO of the season is March 21st 2019 until it resumes in the fall.
65 people attended for the third Super bingo of the season!

And here are the lucky January winners...

Game #1 Regular	(paid \$50)	Judy Heasley
Game #2 Special	(paid \$60)	Wayne Showalter
Game #3 Regular	(paid \$25ea)	Jim Rupinski, Sandy Rassmussen
Game #4 Special	(paid \$20ea)	Marcelle Rouse, Bet LeBrun, Doreen Adduci
Game #5 Regular	(paid \$25ea)	Chuck Edmonds, Wayne Showalter
Game #6 Regular	(paid \$25ea)	Judi MacAskill, Elaine Chioni
Game #7 Special	(paid \$60)	Terry Densmore
Game #8 Extra Special	(paid \$98)	Pat Pimm
Game #9 Regular	(paid \$50)	Bridget Davis
Game #10 Extra Special	(paid \$24ea)	Bridget Davis, Judy Heasley, Pete Altimari, Kate Steigerwald
Game #11 Jackpot	(paid \$50ea)	Lea Kier, Stan Mount, Victor Medina

A TOTAL OF \$774.00 WAS PAID OUT - INCLUDING A JACKPOT PRIZE OF \$150.00
The more people attending, the bigger the payouts!!!

As well, 13 Door prizes (various Valentine's theme bag of goodies)

Winners: Robert McMillan, Kathy Najuch, Chuck Stewart, Connie Hobbs, Joanne Smith, RD Blankenship, Marcelle Rouse, Cal Rouse, Dick Stebbins, Jim Rupinski, Helena Russo, Vicki Ritzau, Karen LaRosa

CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE!

Thank you to those who provided sweets for intermission. A special thank you to my helpers **Marcelle Rouse, Pat Pimm, Terry Densmore** and especially **Hal Schroth** - our caller who does a super job!

Any questions, email Bet LeBrun at betlebrun@hotmail.com



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Japanese Garden Events Calendar

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:15am Golf Tee off 12:30pm Hand & Foot 7pm Florida 7pm Pinochle	2 8:30am KK Bd of Dir Meeting (after KK) 1pm Texas Holdem Hands Across The Border Dinner & Dance
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ELECTIONS FOR THE JAPANESE GARDEN SOCIAL CLUB

by Bet LeBrun, Nominating Chairperson

I would like to present to you our new additions of Officers and Directors for the Japanese Garden Social Club. (Officers have a 1-year term. Directors have a 3-year term.) Here they are at the swearing in ceremony:

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Congratulations to everyone & let's welcome them!



From left to right:

MEL MOEN (Director), YVON GAUTHIER (Director), PAUL JEFFORDS (Vice-President), VINCE SALVAGE (Director), CHRIS GREEN (President), PAT HOFSTEADER (Treasurer), MARSHALL GILES (Secretary) [absent from photo]

We must not forget:

A big thank you to the outgoing Vice-President BECKY COLLINS

Another big thank you to outgoing Directors: JOANNE BARGOOT, SANDY RASSMUSSEN & CAROLEE KINGSBURY

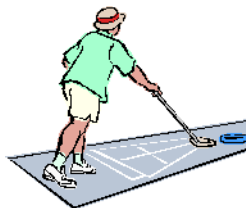
THANK YOU FOR SERVING THE JAPANESE GARDEN SOCIAL CLUB!



SHUFFLEBOARD

by Sandy Rassmussen

Shuffleboard continues on Tuesdays at 7pm, we have been playing and enjoying each others' company for an hour or two each week. All are invited, single or doubles, you do not need to know how to play. A big thank you to Mark Rassmussen & Betty Harrison for making sure the courts are groomed well before we play and that everything is cleaned up and put away at the end!



KARAOKE

by Bill Roberts

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

by Bet LeBrun, Editor DOMEI

Happy birthday to:
Paul LaRosa

March 1st



Let's face it, all of us have birthdays and some of us also have anniversaries. Some people like to celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries with a huge crowd, others not so much.

None of us likes getting old but it's a fact of life and there's nothing we can do about it - so we may as well make the best of it and have fun.

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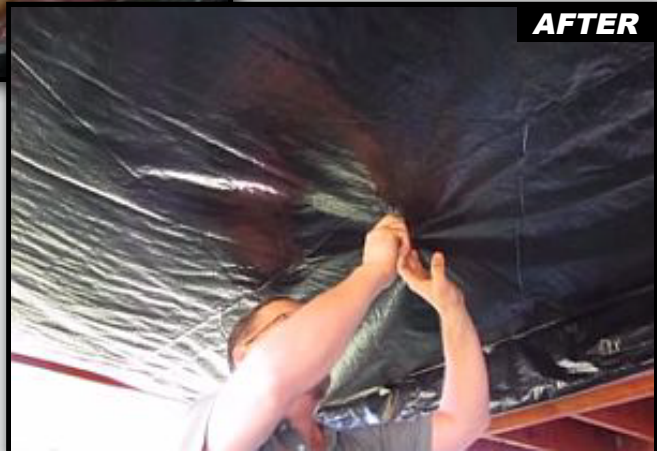
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CRIBBAGE REPORT

by Chuck Stewart



January 14

- 1st place: Chuck Stewart had 4 wins with only 4 loss points.
 - 2nd place: Kathy Najuch had four wins with 12 loss points.
 - 3rd place: Noreen Langone had four wins with 23 loss points.
 - 4th place: Anne Jeffries had four wins with 30 loss points.
 - 5th place: Gaetan LePage had three wins with 16 loss points.
 - 6th place: Mike Brophy had three wins with 28 points.
- Lori Sharpe had a twenty point hand. Well done Lori!

January 21

- 1st place: Hal Schroth had 5 wins with no loss points. Well done Hal!
 - 2nd place: Lea Kier had 4 wins with 8 loss points.
 - 3rd place: A tie- both Cal Rouse and Bert Franson had 4 wins with 10 loss points.
 - 4th place: Reid Kier had 4 wins with 12 loss points.
 - 5th place: Roy Robert had 4 wins with 15 loss points.
 - 6th place: Kathy Najuch had 4 wins with 17 loss points.
- Both Mike Brophy and Bert Franson had a 21 point hands. Well done Bert and Mike!

January 28

- 1st place: Cal Rouse had 4 wins with only 4 loss points.
 - 2nd place: Hal Schroth had 4 wins with 7 loss points.
 - 3rd place: Rene Roussel had 4 wins with 12 loss points.
 - 4th place: Yvon Gauthier had 4 wins with 19 loss points.
 - 5th place: Reid Kier had 4 wins with 30 loss points.
 - 6th place: Chuck Stewart had 4 wins with 43 loss points.
 - 7th place: Noreen Langone had 3 wins with 11 loss points.
- Gaetan LePage had a 24 point hand. Both Bridie McLaughlin and Joe Walker had 20 point hands. Well done Gaetan, Bridie and Joe! Alison had a 24 point hand. Well done!

February 4

- 1st place: Joe Walker had 4 wins with 19 loss points.
 - 2nd place: Yvon Gauthier had 4 wins with 44 loss points.
 - 3rd place: Anne Jeffries had 3 wins with 14 loss points.
 - 4th place: Chuck Stewart had 3 wins with 25 loss points.
 - 5th place: A tie: both Reid Kier and Yvonne McDaniel had 3 wins with 26 loss points.
 - 6th place: A tie: both Cathy Whyte and Ed LaGree had 3 wins with 30 loss points.
- Chuck Stewart had a 20 point hand. Well done Chuck!

Cribbage is played every Monday night in the library at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come out and join in on the fun.



GOLF (open to everyone!)

By Ziggy Wyeth

The location of the weekly golf has not been decided yet. Until further notice, please call Ziggy at (727) 559-1304 for location. Tee off time of 9:15am on Fridays.

Please remember this is open to everyone!!



WISDOM FROM THE CAVE

by Pelican Joe

Things we know but don't think about:

1. Some people talk so much, no one knows what they are saying.
2. A whiskey glass and a woman's A\$\$ can make a horse's A\$\$ out of a man.
3. When you have reached a point in life where you believe you have all the answers, the questions are changed.
4. Never under estimate the power of large assemblages of ignorant people.
5. Life is not fair, don't complain when it demonstrates that to you.
6. You can't controlled most things in life, so learn to control yourself.
7. If you don't try , you will never know if it can be done.
8. People who cannot take the advice of others, are generally those who blame others for their problems.
9. Happiness in life is an internal choice you make, not an external happening.
10. Less is generally better than more, an exception being "Air".
11. The love you give away...will make life better for you.
12. Hard times make you think, thinking makes life bearable.

GRANDMAMA'S SWEET POTATO SOUFFLÉ

by GA Judy Carter

My son, Michael Newton, was born on January 5, 1961, in Athens Georgia. Being the first grandchild on both sides, he led a charmed childhood. Growing up, both sets of grandparents took turns keeping him for a week at a time for years. It was fun for all of us.

My mother was a great cook. Her favorite things were her family and cooking for all of us. Thanksgiving was always special; she would everyone's special dish and spend most of the mealtime up and running, serving you more and more. My sister Jenni lover her macaroni and cheese, and tried to get all the cheese on her plate before it was passed to the rest of us. Joan and I loved the desserts; we always had more than one dessert - all of them homemade and great.

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My son Michael's favorite was grandmama's sweet potato soufflé. It was mashed sweet potatoes with marshmallow on top. As soon as we'd get to mama's house on Thanksgiving, he would run to ask grandmama if she had cooked his sweet potatoes. She always gave him a big kiss and said she sure had. Suddenly, she thought if marshmallows were good, she would add pecans. The next year it was marshmallows, pecans, and pineapples. The next, more marshmallows, pecans, pineapples and coconut. On and on and on, until the year she died, the casserole consisted of potatoes, marshmallows, pecans, pineapple, coconut, raisins, lemon flavoring, and butter.

The strange thing was that Michael did not like any of the things in the casserole except the marshmallows. He would never tell his grandmama that though. Each year he asked me to tell her but I could not do it. We would never hurt grandmama's feelings. So, for about eight years, we all ate this multi-item casserole, and pretended it was great. Each year I would wonder what in the world she could come up with this time. The year she died, we had Thanksgiving at my sister's house. By now, all the grandchildren were grown. As we sat down to eat Thanksgiving dinner, I looked and my sister had made the sweet potato casserole with only marshmallows. We won't mind telling her if she starts adding things we don't like.

SENTENCES TO MAKE YOU THINK

by *Pelican Joe*

- Do twins ever realize that one of them is unplanned?
- What if my dog only brings back my ball because he thinks I like throwing it?
- If poison expires, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?
- Which letter is silent in the word "Scent," the S or the C?
- Why is the letter W, in English, called double U? Shouldn't it be called double V (**it is in French**)
- Maybe oxygen is slowly killing you and It just takes 75-100 years to fully work.
- Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.
- The word "swims" upside-down is still "swims".
- If you attempt to rob a bank you won't have any trouble with rent/food bills for the next 10 years, whether or not you are successful.
- 100 years ago everyone owned a horse and only the rich had cars. Today everyone has cars and only the rich own horses.
- Your future self is watching you right now through memories.
- If you replace "W" with "T" in "What, Where and When", you get the answer to each of them.
- Many animals probably need glasses but nobody knows it.
- If you rip a hole in a net, there are actually fewer holes in it than there were before.
- If 2/2/22 falls on a Tuesday, we'll just call it "2's Day".
- Life is like a roll of toilet paper; long and useful, but always ends at the wrong moment.

WISDOM OF PHYLLIS DILLER

by Pelican Joe

- As your beauty fades, so will his eyesight.
- Housework can't kill you, but why take a chance?
- Cleaning your house while your kids are still growing up is like shoveling the sidewalk before it stops snowing.
- The reason women don't play football is because 11 of them would never wear the same outfit in public.
- Best way to get rid of kitchen odors: Eat out.
- A bachelor is a guy who never made the same mistake once.
- I want my children to have all the things I couldn't afford. Then I want to move in with them.
- Most children threaten at times to run away from home. This is the only thing that keeps some parents going.
- Any time three New Yorkers get into a cab without an argument, a bank has just been robbed.
- We spend the first twelve months of our children's lives teaching them to walk and talk and the next twelve years telling them to sit down and shut up.
- Burt Reynolds once asked me out. I was in his room.
- What I don't like about office Christmas parties is looking for a job the next day.
- The only time I ever enjoyed ironing was the day I accidentally put gin in the steam iron.
- His finest hour lasted a minute and a half.
- Old age is when the liver spots show through your gloves.
- My photographs don't do me justice – they look just like me.
- Tranquilizers work only if you follow the advice on the bottle – keep away from children.
- I asked the waiter, 'Is this milk fresh?' He said, 'Lady, three hours ago it was grass.'
- The reason the golf pro tells you to keep your head down is so you can't see him laughing.
- You know you're old if they have discontinued your blood type.





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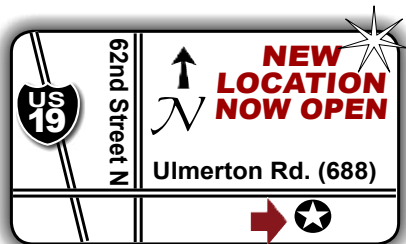


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Watch these risk factors while you're driving

Staying safe on the road means being aware of the risks. According to the Knowledge at Work website, these factors can increase the chance of an accident while driving:

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- Driving through the night, during a midafternoon energy dip, or when you would normally be asleep.
- Driving under the influence of sedating medications like antidepressants, cold tablets, antihistamines, and the like.
- Working more than 60 hours a week. This can raise your risk by 40 percent.
- Drinking alcohol, even in small amounts.
- Driving alone.
- Driving along a long, dark, or boring road.



Mystery of the missing Martian methane

It's a mystery—what happened to the methane on Mars? Science Magazine reports that in 2004, the Martian Express orbiter detected signs of methane in Mars' atmosphere. In 2014, the Curiosity rover observed a methane spike in Gale crater that lasted several months, and a few years later Curiosity detected a small seasonal cycle of methane eruptions in the Martian northern hemisphere.



Some scientists doubted the findings. The European Space Agency sent the Trace Gas Orbiter up, arriving in the red planet's orbit in 2016. Although some issues with the readings remain to be cleared up, researchers report that they haven't found any methane at all.

What happened? No one knows, but the Trace Gas Orbiter will keep reporting data until 2022, so maybe scientists will be able to solve the mystery after all.

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—Bill Nye

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PARADISE ISLAND ANNUAL FLEA MARKET, March 9th, 1001 Starkey Rd., Largo, FL 33771, at the Clubhouse 9am-1pm. 60+ vendors and a huge room of community donations. Furniture, clothing, household, tools, collectibles, Treasures for sale! Canteen open for food. Early entry @ 8am \$1.

Annual Penny, Bake, Jewelry, Craft Sale: Saturday, March 9th, 9:00am-noon. Golden Acres R.O. Park, 1040 Main Street, Dunedin, Florida.

COMMUNITY RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE: Saturday, March 9th, 8:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Blue Jay Estates, 2755 Curlew Road, Palm Harbor.

TOGETHERNESS SALE: Saturday, 3/16/19, 8am-2pm. Faith Lutheran Church, 1620 Pinehurst, Dunedin. Café, Bake Sale, Household Items, Collectibles, Clothing, Books, Jewelry, Furniture, Plants.

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These drawing games can spur your brain

Drawing can spur your creativity. You don't have to be a Picasso. Just try some of these games with your friends (from the My Modern Met website):

- **The Exquisite Corpse.** In this game, developed by the 20th-century Surrealist artists, one person begins a drawing at the top of a sheet of paper, then folds it over or covers it up so only a bit of the bottom is showing. The next person continues the drawing, folds it down, and so on. Unfolding it to reveal the completed drawing should produce surprises, laughs, and even some ideas.
- **Paper Telephone.** One person writes a short, descriptive phrase on a piece of paper, then passes it to the next. He or she then draws a picture based on the phrase. The next person looks only at the picture and then writes a phrase or sentence describing it. The following person then draws a picture of that phrase, and so on. By the end, the final picture and the original phrase may have nothing to do with each other.
- **Blind Contour.** In this exercise you (and a partner) draw something around you, but without looking at the paper—just the subject of your drawing. Keep your pen or pencil on the paper at all times. You might be surprised at what you see.
- **Scribbles.** One person scribbles on a piece of paper, eyes closed. The next person has to turn that doodle into a drawing. This forces your mind to make sense of nonsense.



A simple exercise for imagination

Your subconscious mind can help you exercise your imagination. Try this technique (used by Thomas Edison):

Ten minutes before you go to sleep, organize your thoughts. Think about a problem you're trying to solve, or ask your brain a question. Keep thinking about this as you drift off to dreamland. Then, during the first 10 minutes after waking up, write down whatever pops into your head. You'll often find that your brain has answered your question during your sleep. In the morning your mind is looser, and you're more likely to remember dreams and connect them to your daytime reality.

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—SIR JOSHUA REYNOLDS



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- 1. Minute floating marine tunicate
- 5. A Semitic people
- 9. Bowel cleansing
- 14. Blacken
- 15. A South American hare-like rodent
- 16. A small 3-masted boat
- 17. Automatic (abbrev.)
- 18. Ends a prayer
- 19. Consent
- 20. Characterized by vigor
- 22. Emotional states
- 23. Pinfish
- 24. Financial inspection
- 26. Chief Executive Officer
- 29. Conundrum
- 33. One piece work clothes
- 38. Approached
- 39. African river
- 40. Farewell
- 42. Goodbye (slang)
- 43. Enrol
- 45. Savior
- 47. Spiritualist meeting
- 48. Away from the wind
- 49. Disappeared gradually
- 52. Rhythmic ways of speaking
- 57. A colorless inert gas
- 60. The throne of God (2 words)
- 63. Sheared
- 64. Make indistinct
- 65. Minor Western Samoan monetary unit
- 66. Tranquility
- 67. Anagram of "Neat"
- 68. Impulse
- 69. Satisfied
- 70. Coarse file
- 71. Anagram of "Pose"



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- 1. Sings in a particular jazz style
- 2. Title for benevolent deities (Zoroastrianism)
- 3. Not now
- 4. A pointed projection
- 5. Nursemaid
- 6. Avatar of Vishnu
- 7. Sporting venue
- 8. A family of African languages
- 9. Analyze closely
- 10. Bargain
- 11. Anagram of "Bore"
- 12. A fitting reward (archaic)
- 13. Cards with just one symbol
- 21. A source of cocaine
- 25. Lay bare
- 27. Jubilant
- 28. Not young
- 30. Metric unit of weight
- 31. Anagram of "Teem"
- 32. Hebrew month
- 33. 1 1 1 1
- 34. A climbing plant
- 35. Singer _____ Fitzgerald
- 36. Make stronger
- 37. Term of address for a man
- 41. Anagram of "Lee"
- 44. Examined quickly
- 46. Resembling snake-like fishes
- 50. A piece of hot glowing coal
- 51. 4th letter of the Greek alphabet
- 53. Publish a magazine
- 54. Looks lasciviously
- 55. Latin-American ballroom dance
- 56. Having a sharp inclination
- 57. Vipers
- 58. Goddess of fertility (Greek mythology)
- 59. Anagram of "Toga"
- 61. Hurries on foot
- 62. A ludicrously false statement

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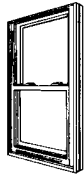
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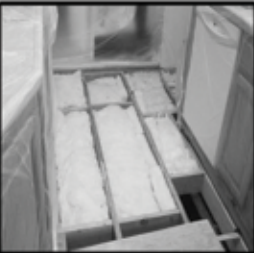


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