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## Letter from the president

Kerry Ellis

As many of you know this will probably be my last letter as president of Japanese Garden Social Club. Todd and I will be moving to Rolling Greens in Ocala, Florida, probably before this Domei is published. I want to say though short lived I truly enjoyed being part of the Social Club Board. I am sorry I won't be here for the remaining events we planned for 2015/16. We will really miss all the wonderful friends we have made here and hopefully a few of you will still keep in touch. Tedd, sorry to drop this on you but I know you will do a great job for the remainder of the year.

Additionally, the 4th of July celebration, has a change for this event. It will be at the bay on the 4th, starting at 4:00 P.M. There will be food and music just like we planned, however it will be free to all residents! Please contact Kathy Curry for a free ticket by July 1st. So we have a count for food purchase.

## Memorial Day

Kathy Watson-Troll



Memorial Day was celebrated at the clubhouse, on Monday May 25th. We had 45 in attendance and a nice lunch was provided by our Social Club. The program remembered all branches of our Military. I would like to thank the Veterans who shared with us what Memorial Day meant to them. Frank Branigan, Ed Lee and Jim Grey. Paul Troll did a fabulous job as MC and of course these events would not be possible without our wonderful committee members. Thank you Judy Buss Bosse, Margo Hill, Gail Mederios, Victor Mederios, Debbie Grant and Paul Troll for another successful event!

## Remember, to submit articles to the Domei by the 10th of each month.

Topics of interest to you, or regarding the park, short stories about life experiences, suggestions for improvement, or just plain getting to know each other.

Did you know we have added deer(the northern kind) to our community flora and fauna? For those who miss the wildlife of the north, please visit our new neighbors, Bob and Janet. They live at 2672 Nagano. Yes, i did say....Bob and Janet!!!

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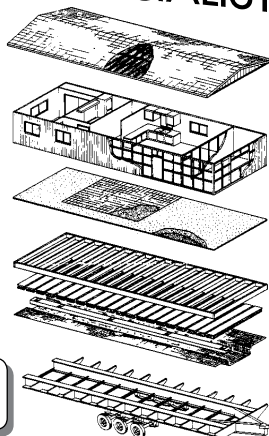
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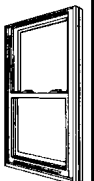
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## Big Thank You!

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Jay and Dorothy Ravener wish to thank all their friends and neighbors for the many cards and best wishes extended to them, in honor of their 65th Wedding Anniversary. Our community reflects the standards of family unity. We respect traditions as established by our elders who have set the examples of unity for residents of all ages, and come from all walks of life.

Many thanks to Jay and Dorothy for upholding these traditions and setting the example of those who have gone before.

## OUCH

*Noreen Adams*

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Age knows no limits. Remember, teenage years, what were you doing in your twenties, turning thirty seemed ominous. What woman wants to turn 40, or admit it. Men are considered mature and handsome in their 50's. Then in my 60's, I was overwhelmed. Exactly WHO was that woman in the mirror, my heart, mind, spirit and soul said I was not even 40, the wrinkles did not.

So, what happens at 70,80, 90. I look forward to having the "pizzazz" of many of our active and attractive residents, no rocking chair for them. They actually glow.

## An Extra Quarter

*Charlotte Thompson*



Several years ago, a preacher from out-of-state accepted a call to a church in Houston, Texas. Some weeks after he arrived, he had an occasion to ride the bus from his home to the downtown area. When he sat down, he discovered that the driver had accidentally given him a quarter too much change. As he considered what to do, he thought to himself, 'You'd better give the quarter back. It would be wrong to keep it.' Then he thought, 'Oh, forget it, it's only a quarter. Who would worry about this little amount? Anyway, the bus company gets too much fare; they will never miss it. Accept it as a 'gift from God' and keep quiet.'

When his stop came, he paused momentarily at the door, and then he handed the quarter to the driver and said, 'Here, you gave me too much change.'

The driver, with a smile, replied, 'Aren't you the new preacher in town?'

'Yes' he replied.

'Well, I have been thinking a lot lately about going somewhere to worship. I just wanted to see what you would do if I gave you too much change. I'll see you at church on Sunday.'



When the preacher stepped off of the bus, he literally grabbed the nearest light pole, held on, and said, 'Oh God, I almost sold your Son for a quarter.'

Our lives are the only Bible some people will ever read. This is a really scary example of how much people watch us as Christians, and will put us to the test! Always be on guard -- and remember -- You carry the name of Christ on your shoulders when you call yourself 'Christian.'

Watch your thoughts; they become words.  
Watch your words; they become actions.  
Watch your actions; they become habits.  
Watch your habits; they become character.  
Watch your character; it becomes your destiny.

I'm glad a friend forwarded this to me as a reminder. So, I choose to forward it to you - my friend. God bless you.

If you don't pass this on to anybody, nothing bad will happen; but, if you do, you will have ministered to someone today.

Communication is the in key to unity within the park. Whatever is best for you. Regardless, of whether it be the park website, Channel 96, the Bulletin Board, or prefer The Domei like a monthly newspaper.

It is good to have choices.

Individuality is the cornerstone of freedom of expression, our freedom.

## **THE BEST SERMONS ARE LIVED, NOT PREACHED**

*Charlotte Thompson*

1. Today, I interviewed my grandmother for part of a research paper I'm working on for my Psychology class. When I asked her to define success in her own words, she said, "Success is when you look back at your life and the memories make you smile."
2. Today, I asked my mentor - a very successful business man in his 70s- what his top 3 tips are for success. He smiled and said, "Read something no one else is reading, think something no one else is thinking, and do something no one else is doing."
3. Today, after a 72 hour shift at the fire station, a woman ran up to me at the grocery store and gave me a hug. When I tensed up, she realized I didn't recognize her. She let go with tears of joy in her eyes and the most sincere smile and said, "On 9-11-2001, you carried me out of the World Trade Center."
4. Today, after I watched my dog get run over by a car, I sat on the side of the road hold-

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ing him and crying. And just before he died, he licked the tears off my face.

5. Today at 7AM, I woke up feeling ill, but decided I needed the money, so I went into work. At 3PM I got laid off. On my drive home I got a flat tire. When I went into the trunk for the spare, it was flat too. A man in a BMW pulled over, gave me a ride, we chatted, and then he offered me a job. I start tomorrow.
6. Today, as my father, three brothers, and two sisters stood around my mother's hospital bed, my mother uttered her last coherent words before she died. She simply said, "I feel so loved right now. We should have gotten together like this more often."
7. Today, I kissed my dad on the forehead as he passed away in a small hospital bed. About 5 seconds after he passed, I realized it was the first time I had given him a kiss since I was a little boy.
8. Today, in the cutest voice, my 8-year-old daughter asked me to start recycling. I chuckled and asked, "Why?" She replied, "So you can help me save the planet." I chuckled again and asked, "And why do you want to save the planet?" Because that's where I keep all my stuff," she said.
9. Today, when I witnessed a 27-year-old breast cancer patient laughing hysterically at her 2-year-old daughter's antics, I suddenly realized that I need to stop complaining about my life and start celebrating it again.
10. Today, a boy in a wheelchair saw me desperately struggling on crutches with my broken leg and offered to carry my backpack and books for me. He helped me all the way across campus to my class and as he was leaving he said, "I hope you feel better soon."
11. Today, I was feeling down because the results of a biopsy came back malignant. When I got home, I opened an e-mail that said, "Thinking of you today. If you need me, I'm a phone call away." It was from a high school friend I hadn't seen in 10 years.
12. Today, I was traveling in Kenya and I met a refugee from Zimbabwe. He said he hadn't eaten anything in over 3 days and looked extremely skinny and unhealthy. Then my friend offered him the rest of the sandwich he was eating. The first thing the man said was, "We can share it."



The best sermons are lived, not preached

## NEW RESIDENTS

*Becky Collins*



**B**ob McMillan and Janet Episcopo live at 2672 Nagano Dr. Bob and Janet are originally from New Jersey. They have 1 son and 3 daughters. Janet is retired. Bob is an automotive technician. Janet and Bob came to visit friends and liked it here. Janet's hobbies are crafts. We welcome our new additions to the park, and look forward to getting to know them.

Tim Armstrong and Ruth Kimberly Armstrong live at 2644 Fujiama Dr. Tim is from Los Angeles and Ruth is from Georgia. They have 1 daughter. They appreciate the peace and quiet of Japanese Gardens Mobile Home Park. Tim is retired from publishing. His hobby is photography. Ruth still works in visual communication. We should warn them, it's not so quiet when our friends from the north return. Enjoy.



## ALWAYS A PRICE

Charlotte Thompson

God is looking out for Seniors.....

Most seniors never get enough exercise. In His wisdom God decreed that seniors become forgetful so they would have to search for their glasses, keys and other things thus doing more walking.

And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God saw there was another need. In His wisdom He made seniors lose coordination so they would drop things requiring them to bend, reach & stretch.

And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God considered the function of bladders and decided seniors would have additional calls of nature requiring more trips to the bathroom, thus providing more exercise.

God looked down and saw that it was good.

So if you find as you age, you are getting up and down more, remember its God's will.

It is all in your best interest even though you mutter under your breath.

### Nine Important Facts To Remember As We Grow Older

1. Death is the number 1 killer in the world.
2. Life is sexually transmitted.
3. Good health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.
4. Men have 2 motivations: hunger and hanky-panky, and they can't tell them apart. If you see a gleam in his eyes, make him a sandwich.
5. Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day. Teach a person to use the Internet and they won't bother you for weeks, months, maybe years.
6. Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in the hospital, dying of nothing.
7. All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.
8. In the 60's, people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird, and people take Prozac to make it normal.
9. Life is like a jar of jalapeno peppers. What you do today might burn your bottom tomorrow.

## PERSPECTIVE

DOROTHY RAVENER



As You Get Older

The biggest lie I tell myself is ..."I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it." Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes; come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller!


Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet!

I don't trip over things, I do random gravity checks!

I don't need anger management. I need people to stop pissing me off!

Old age is coming at a really bad time!





Lord grant me the strength to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can & the friends to post my bail when I finally snap!

I don't have white hair. I have "wisdom highlights". I'm just very wise.

My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance to idiots that needs work.

Teach your daughter how to shoot, because a restraining order is just a piece of paper.

If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would've put them on my knees.

The kids text me "plz" which is shorter than please. I text back "no" which is shorter than "yes".

I'm going to retire and live off of my savings. Not sure what I'll do that second week.

Even duct tape can't fix stupid ... but it can muffle the sound!

Why do I have to press one for English when you're just gonna transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?

Of course I talk to myself, sometimes I need expert advice.

Oops! Did I roll my eyes out loud?

At my age "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for.

And, of course.. Have I sent this to you already... or did you send this to me?

## MANAGER'S CORNER

(STEVE LYLE)

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**W**e have installed much needed speed limit signs throughout the park. Please adhere to the 10 mile per hour speed limit, for the safety of residents and visitors alike. A bike, tricycle, golf cart, motorized jazzy, car, delivery truck, can all cause irreparable damage to the fragile bones of any one, of any age. All bones can break.

Recently we celebrated Memorial Day. We would like to further honor all Veterans. In an effort to do so, please help us by allowing us to display the flag representing your individual country or state, whichever you may have available to share.

Please contact Steve Lyle at 727-531-4476.

A point of information, the park management has broached the subject of being willing to provide labor for installation of one or two picnic tables, near the benches by our bay. Management has discussed this, in hopes that the Social Club would be willing to purchase these items for the enjoyment and relaxation of the residents.

Again, the contact person will be Steve Lyle.

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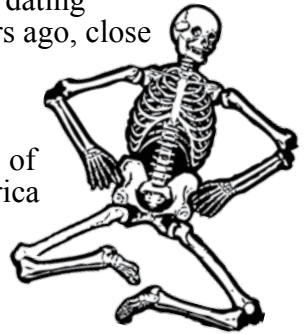




## Ancient bones offer clues to evolution

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

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



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

From time immemorial, men have wooed their lady loves with romantic (if sometimes off-key) music. Now scientists from Duke University believe that love songs aren’t just for humans. Mice also sing to females they hope to attract, although they aren’t likely using Barry White.



Instead, mice rely on high-pitched sounds outside the range of human hearing, using specific tunes when they smell a potential mate and different ones when they finally set eyes on her. The songs are louder and composed of more complex sounds when they smell a female scent, and get simpler—but longer—when they finally meet face to face. The complex songs seem to attract females, although what specifically draws them close is still uncertain.

**The very striving and hard work that we so constantly try to avoid is the major building block in the person we are today.**

**—Pope Paul VI**



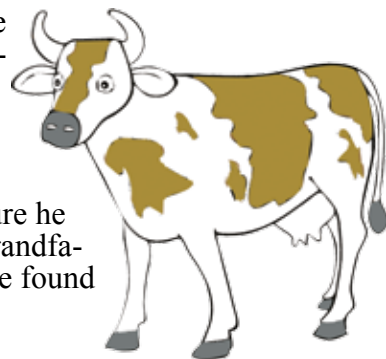
## The strongest bonds

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

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

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



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

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

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

## Correct: A Zen parable

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

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



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

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## Keep your mouth shut

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

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

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

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

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

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

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





## Doctors may soon use lasers to seal wounds

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

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



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## Twin suns may support rocky worlds—in theory

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

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



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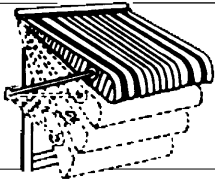
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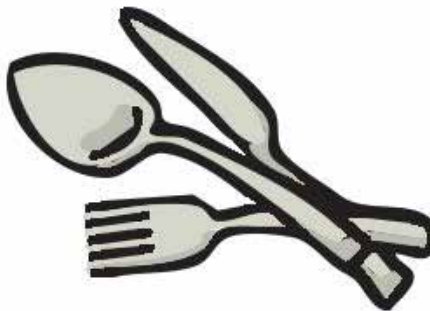


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- Louisiana: Sweet potato (state vegetable)
- Maryland: Smith Island Cake—a yellow cake of 8-10 layers with chocolate frosting (state dessert)
- New York: Apple muffin (state muffin)



## The creative process—from the artists who know

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What do professional artists, writers, and performers think about creativity? From The Guardian come these thoughts on the process from people who depend on their imagination to do their jobs:

- Guy Garvey, musician. “Just start scribbling. The first draft is never your last draft. Nothing you write is by accident.”
- Polly Stenham, playwright. “I’m very fidgety, and I seem to work best when my hands are occupied with something other than what I’m thinking about. During rehearsals, I find myself drawing little pictures or symbols that are somehow connected to the play.”
- Tamara Rojo, ballet dancer. “An idea never comes to me suddenly; it sits inside me for a while, and then emerges.”
- Mark-Anthony Turnage, composer. “If you get overexcited by an idea, take a break and come back to it later. It is all about developing a cold eye with which to look over your own work.”
- Fyfe Dangerfield, musician. “For me, the image of the tortured artist is a myth—you don’t need to be miserable to write songs. In fact, if I am feeling down, the last thing I want to do is write; though it’s important sometimes just to sit down and get on with it, however you’re feeling. Your creativity is like a tap: if you don’t use it, it gets clogged up.”

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Thanks!

-Monthly Media Staff

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- Procrastination. You know you should go to bed, but you let yourself get distracted by household tasks or the TV. Set a firm time limit on your evening and stick to it.
- Caffeine. Avoid coffee and other caffeinated drinks after 3 p.m. The effects can linger for up to seven hours, making sleep difficult by the time you need to go to bed.
- Heat. You may not be sweating, but feeling just a little too warm can keep you from dropping off. Try sticking one foot out from under the covers to balance the temperature.
- Stress. The news, your job, or personal worries can make relaxation and sleep difficult. Practice meditation and other techniques to un-tense your body and your mind.
- Work. If your job starts too early in the morning, you'll have trouble waking up and performing well. Try to negotiate a later arrival time. Emphasize how your productivity will increase if you get the right amount of rest.



## Prevent back pain before it strikes

Back pain can make your work difficult no matter what job you do. Lifting heavy items is only one potential source of damage; poor posture and repetitive movements can also cause strain and pain. Keep your back in good shape with these general tips from the Mayo Clinic website:

- Get some exercise. Losing weight and staying in shape will decrease wear and tear on your back muscles. Combine aerobic activity with strength training that stretches and strengthens your stomach and back.
- Practice good posture. Your parents were right when they told you to stand up straight. Make a point of keeping your weight balanced on both feet without slouching. Use a chair with good back support, and make sure it's the right height, allowing you to keep both feet flat on the floor and your knees on the same level as your hips.



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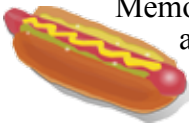
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**Eye Injury Prevention Month.** Eye injuries occur at a rate of more than 2,000 per day, with an estimated 1,000 eye injuries occurring in American workplaces alone. In addition to wearing proper safety eyewear, early detection and treatment of eye conditions and diseases are essential to maintaining good vision throughout your life.



**Independent Retailer Month.** Celebrate independent retailers across the country. Support and shop independent merchants all through the year, and use July as a time to unite for the independent retailers in local communities that help build our economy.

**National Hot Dog Month.** What better month to enjoy a delicious hot dog? The National Hot Dog and Sausage Council estimates that Americans eat over 7 billion hot dogs between Memorial Day and Labor Day, with 150 million consumed on the Fourth of July alone. Do your part.



**Parks and Recreation Month.** This year marks 30 years of Parks and Recreation Month, highlighting the enduring importance of parks and recreation for the world. From the start, parks were created to give us a place to appreciate nature, exercise, socialize, and have fun—a mission that lives on into the future.

## July Daily News...

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

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

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

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



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