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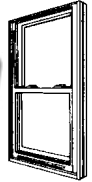
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All our snowbirds should be “roosting” at OakCrest/Acorn. We can’t wait to see you again!! There are sooo many fun activities going on for December.

As you may have heard, we’ve had a bit of turnover in the Home Owners board; one death, two needing time out for personal needs. So we’re looking for THREE volunteers as Directors. Your opinion is valued and we need a few of those.

If anyone is interested – please contact any member on the list which you can find on the inside front page.

Our next Board meeting is Wednesday the 23rd at 10:30am in the Pool Room – please come join us if you’re interested in joining the Board – for a personal interview.

Our next general meeting is Monday the 28th at 7pm. See you there!!

OAK CREST / ACORN RESIDENTS’ CLUB, INC.

Donna Henniger, President, Lot #412, 215-4090

Kathy Brady, Vice-President, Lot #226, 239-8726

The Activities Committee would like to thank everyone attending and supporting all of the November functions sponsored by the Residents’ Club and planned by the Activities Committee. The Activities Committee has put a lot of time and effort into planning and setting up these events. They really do appreciate all of you coming out and showing your support. They have many functions planned for the coming months and hope that you will continue to attend. Get your neighbors and friends to come along with you!

The next event will be the Annual Christmas Party and Dinner and will be held on Saturday, December 12th, 5:30 pm BYOB and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. The dinner menu will be ham, mashed potatoes, vegetable and dessert. Music and dancing will start at 7:00 pm with music by Soundwavz. Tickets are \$8.00 pp (non-refundable) and are available from Nancy at 37-7425 or Joy 588-0323. The cut off date to purchase your tickets is Thursday, December 10th at noon.

Celebrate New Year’s Eve at the Clubhouse with your friends and neighbors on Thursday, December 31st, 8:00 pm - 12:30 am. BYOB and Snacks. Music will be by Ro-Lyn Entertainment. Chinese appetizers will be served. The cut off date to purchase tickets is Tuesday, December



29th at noon. Tickets are \$10.00 pp (non-refundable) and are available from Nancy at 437-7415 or Joy at 588-0323.

The first pancake breakfast of the year was attended by 51 people and of those 51 two new residents attended. The 50/50 raffle was won by Deborah Raviera in lot 36 on Bun Oak. The next pancake breakfast will be on Saturday, December 5th. We will continue to have different items on the menu, so come and join us!

Nominations for new officers of the Residents' Club are now open and Nancy Barboza and Rhonda Gillespie have been collecting those nominations. At the December 7th Residents' Club meeting we will take nominations from the floor, and at the end of that meeting nominations will be closed. Voting will take place at the January 4th, 2016 Residents' Club meeting and the new officers will take over on February 1st.

Residents' Club dues are due in January 2016. The cost is \$2.00 per person. Your District Director will be in touch with you regarding payment of those dues. Please feel free to contact your District Director if you would like to pay your dues early and they will bring your membership card to you as soon as they have been printed.

We are in need of a district director and assistant for District 3. If you would like one of these positions or know anyone who would be interested, please contact Donna Henniger at 727-215-4090.

Below is a list of the upcoming events. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for some fun!

- December 12th at 5:30 pm Christmas Party/Dance. Music by Sound Wavz. Cost \$8.00 pp.
- December 31st at 8:00 pm New Year's Eve Party/Dance with music by RoLyn.
- January 9th, 2016 at 5:00 pm Potluck with entertainment by Judy B. Goode.
- February 19th, 2016 Dinner with Billy the Elvis Impersonator show/dancing. Cost \$8.00 pp.
- March 19th, 2016 Mardi Gras Theme Party and Dinner with music by Jonathan Elgart.
- April 2nd, 2016 at 11:00 am Brunch (which will be in place of the pancake breakfast)

Residents' Club Meetings and Pancake Breakfast:

- December 4th at 10:30 am - Executive Board
- December 7th at 7:00 pm - General Meeting
- December 5th, 8:30 am - 10:00 am - Pancake Breakfast



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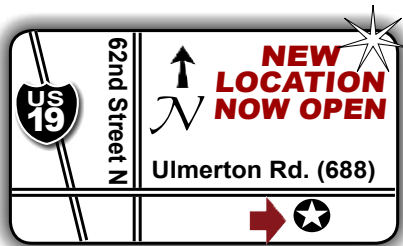
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Everyone did a great job decorating their carts for the Halloween Golf Cart Parade and I know the residents really enjoyed seeing them pass by. There were baked goods and coffee in the club house after the parade and some stayed and played games after the parade as well.



The Christmas Golf Cart Parade will be December 19th. Participants will meet at the clubhouse at between 6:00 and 6:15 pm. Please contact Annette Watts at (843) 457-9599 for additional information or if you would like to donate cookies. The parade will start at 7:00 pm and will begin in Acorn and will work its way back to the clubhouse. There will be cookies and coffee in the clubhouse following the parade and all are welcome to join us, even if you didn't participate in the parade!



The Harley motorcycle parade will be held Thursday, December 3rd and we will provide the details as soon as they are available.



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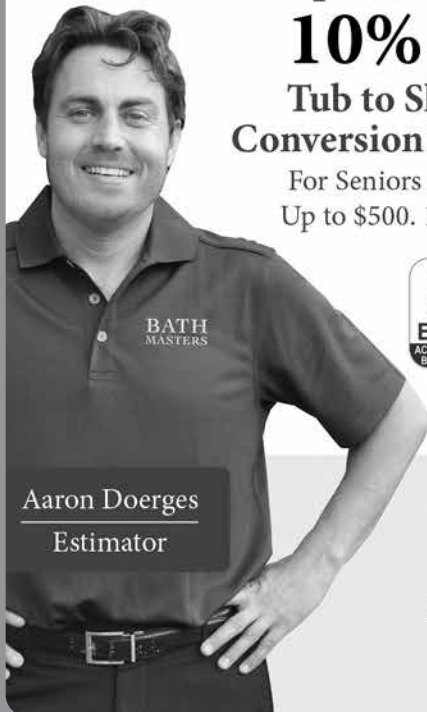
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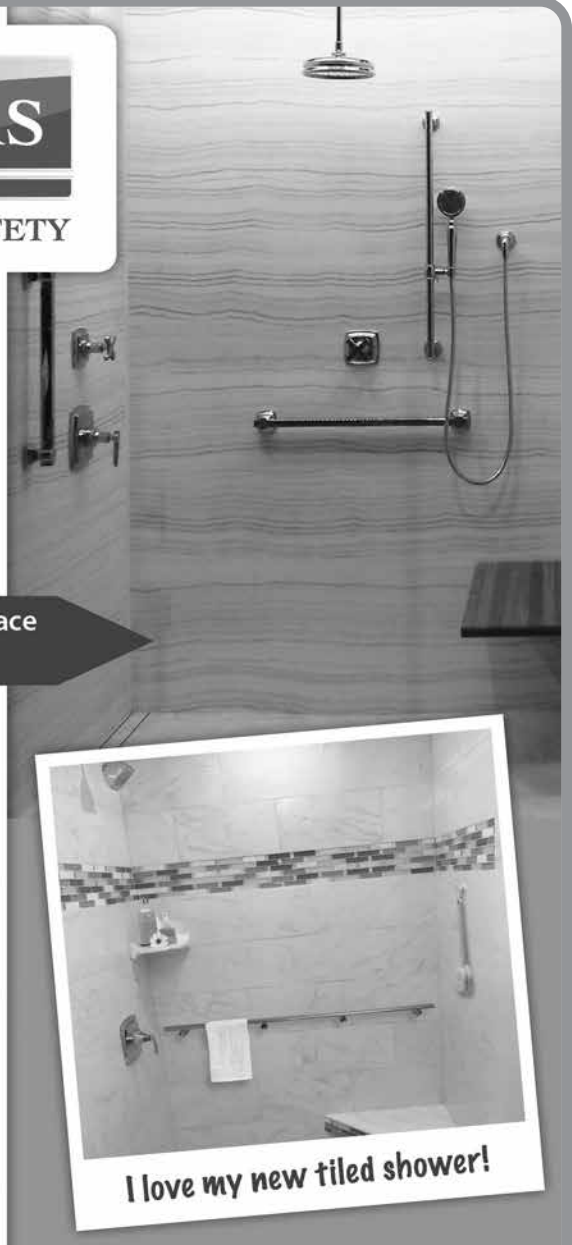
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by Margaret Fuller, 586-1590

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- RICHARD (SARGE) SLEGER, 236 Basket Oak, at Largo Medical Center on November 3rd
- ANITA BAUER, 364 Jack Oak, at home on November 7th
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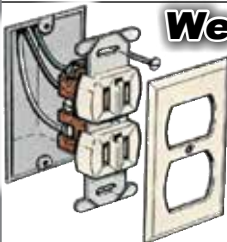
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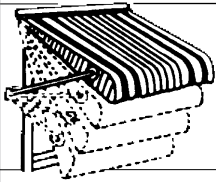
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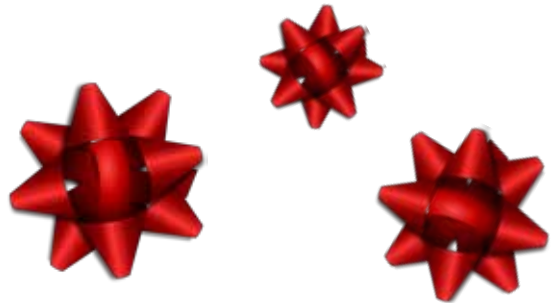
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Hanukkah, Dec. 6-14. Beginning at sundown, this eight-day festival in the Jewish faith celebrates the triumph of light over darkness and the rededication of the Holy Temple (the Second Temple) in Jerusalem.



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- **Set concrete goals.** Don't vaguely aim to walk "more" each day. Set challenging but realistic goals. And be sure to chart your progress.
- **Shorten the duration.** Rather than a single hourlong session, aim for three 20-minute workouts or four 15-minute workouts a day. People who opt for shorter sessions actually tend to work out more over the course of a week.
- **Redefine "exercise."** You don't have to spend hours at the health club to stay in shape. Keep track of your daily activity and try to incorporate healthy behaviors like walking for at least 20 minutes, taking the stairs instead of the elevator, or getting off the bus or train a block early. Exercise will become part of your day, not an added chore.
- **Clear your mind.** Make a regular date with yourself for exercise and train yourself not to think about all the other tasks you could be doing. Focus on the here and now and don't get distracted by the future or the past.
- **Find exercise you enjoy.** Most gyms offer a variety of exercise equipment, so choose an activity that makes you feel good while you're doing it, not something you detest no matter how beneficial it may be. Riding a bike through your neighborhood is just as helpful as sitting on a stationary bicycle in the gym.
- **Set your own goals.** Even if you work with a buddy or trainer, decide for yourself what you want to achieve. Set realistic targets that challenge you, not impossible goals that make you reluctant to try.



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- 5. Radiolocation
- 10. Cast a ballot
- 14. Hearing organs
- 15. Delete
- 16. Not under
- 17. Mathematics
- 19. Dregs
- 20. Ear of corn
- 21. Consumed
- 22. Charred
- 23. Capture
- 25. List components
- 27. Antlered animal
- 28. Snuffled
- 31. Liabilities
- 34. Question
- 35. French for "Summer"
- 36. Historical periods
- 37. Cunning
- 38. Extent
- 39. N N N N
- 40. Divinity
- 41. Trifling
- 42. Prisoner
- 44. Many millennia
- 45. Arm of the sea
- 46. A despicable coward
- 50. Corrupt
- 52. Utilizers
- 54. Armed conflict
- 55. Egg-shaped
- 56. Defile
- 58. Adriatic resort
- 59. Fangs
- 60. Anagram of "Seek"
- 61. Plod along
- 62. An analytic literary composition
- 63. What we sleep on

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- 1. Tranquility
- 2. Moses' brother
- 3. Baby beds
- 4. Eastern Standard Time
- 5. Statement
- 6. Mountain crest
- 7. A romantic meeting
- 8. In an inane manner
- 9. Record (abbrev.)
- 10. Loudness
- 11. Slept through the alarm
- 12. Adolescent
- 13. At one time (archaic)
- 14. Makes well
- 22. Flock
- 24. Catches
- 26. Rubber wheel
- 28. Hotel offering
- 29. French for "State"
- 30. Declare untrue
- 31. Accomplishment
- 32. Sea eagle
- 33. Torture of the feet
- 34. Tranquillities
- 37. Heredity unit
- 38. Dispatched
- 40. Pickle flavoring
- 41. Sheriff's group
- 43. Not digital
- 44. Ribald
- 46. Triangular formation
- 47. Conscious
- 48. Deserved
- 49. Put on clothes
- 50. Volumes (abbrev.)
- 51. Wicked
- 53. Litigates
- 56. Consumed food
- 57. Confederate soldier



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NEA: Fewer Americans enjoy the arts in person

When was the last time you went to the symphony, the ballet, or a museum? A National Endowment for the Arts study points to a disturbing trend: The number of Americans attending core arts events like the opera, the theater, and other activities is on the decline.

According to “A Decade of Arts Engagement: Findings From the Survey of Public Participation in the Arts, 2002–2012,” only 33.4 percent of U.S. adults attended any arts events between July 2011 and July 2012—down from 34.6 percent in 2008, and down yet again from a decade earlier when the figure was 39.4 percent.

One bright spot in the report: Although only a third of U.S. adults attended a cultural event in person, 71 percent said they had watched, listened to, or downloaded some kind of artistic event via the Internet. That includes streaming pop music, however, lumping Beethoven in with Nicki Minaj.



Americans upbeat about science



Despite controversies and disagreements about climate change, genetically modified foods, animal testing, and other scientific issues, most U.S. citizens have a positive view of science and scientists, according to a study from the Pew Research Center.



The study found that 79 percent of U.S. adults believe science has made their lives better, and a majority of them have a positive view of science’s impact on such matters as food quality, health care, and the environment. Additionally, 61 percent believe that government investment is essential to scientific progress, although 34 percent say that private investment would be sufficient.

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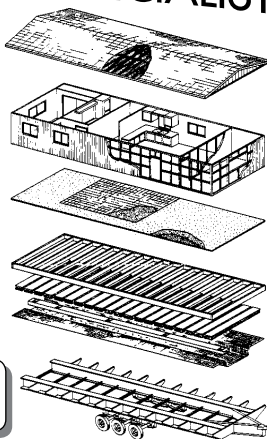
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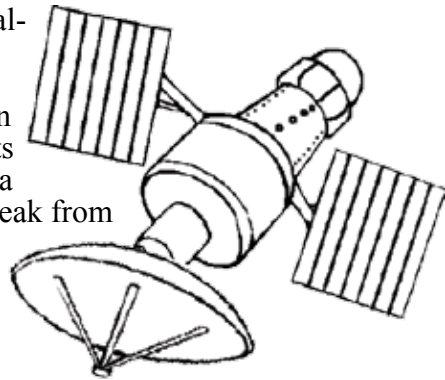
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'Sandwich' material may protect future space travelers

One danger posed by long space voyages is damage to a spacecraft's hull by micro-meteoroids and other space debris. Even a very small object racing at high speeds can strike like a bullet, poking a nasty hole in the side of a spaceship millions of miles from Earth. Shields offer some protection, like the one used by the International Space Station to vaporize objects before they hit. But according to the Science Daily website, scientists may be close to perfecting a self-sealing substance that can repair a small breach in a short time.

The material is made by placing a reactive liquid between two layers of a solid polymer. In experiments shooting bullets into the "sandwich," the liquid was able to quickly establish a solid plug once it was exposed to air, preventing an oxygen leak from inside a spacecraft. The substance could also be used in cars and other terrestrial structures, the researchers say.



Undersea monolith poses a mystery

It may not be the imposing black monolith from the film "2001: A Space Odyssey," but it's mysterious nonetheless: Explorers have discovered a man-made stone structure deep in the waters off Sicily, and its purpose is a puzzle.

The object, originally on an island in the Sicilian Channel that became submerged during a flood 9,300 years ago, is 12 meters long (39 feet) and weighs 15 tons. Scientists estimate that it's about 9,350 years old. Broken in two pieces at a depth of 40 meters (139 feet), the object has three roughly similar holes: one on the top, and two more on its sides. The structure would have required cutting, extraction, transport, and installation, suggesting its makers had fairly advanced engineering skills. Its purpose remains unclear.

How do you weigh a dead dinosaur?

Paleontologists routinely tell us that a particular dinosaur or mammal from millions of years ago weighed X pounds, but how do they measure the weight of an animal that's extinct? Here's one new technique scientists have developed:

The first step is constructing a digital model of the bones recovered. Then a computer program covers the model in a digital "shrink wrap" to estimate the animal's volume. In the final step, they come up with an estimate using a volume-to-mass conversion based on 14 living mammals starting with the red deer (90 kilograms) to the African elephant (2.7 metric tons).

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