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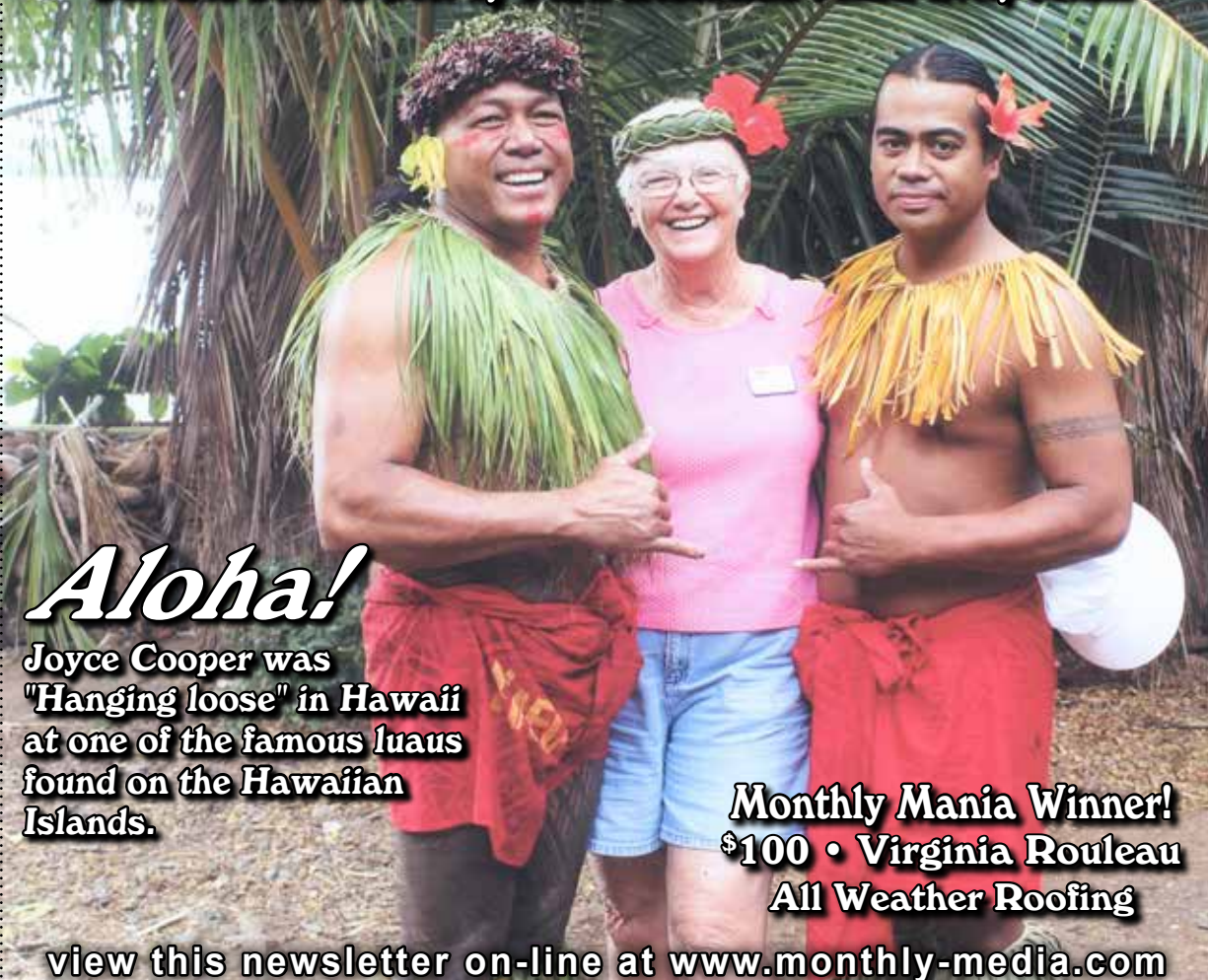
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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Terri Walls, #89
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Here come those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer....August is here with all of it's glory!!!! Hotter than Haites on a firecracker. So humid you feel like you walked into a shower when you walk outside. The heat has been horrible this summer, came early and settled in. Not unusual at all to have a 105-109 "feel like" temperature out there every day. Really hard on us old ones who have issues with swelling, and respiratory illnesses to endure these days. We mostly stay in the house with the A/C on full blast. Now I will say the pool has been absolutely wonderful, warm and relaxing. But we try to stay inside during the worst heat of the day. It just zaps your strength. But this heat will go away all too soon and then we will be getting ready to buckle up and party hearty when our snowbirds return.

On a sad note, the health issues for residents in the park have not gotten a lot better. We had a real extremely brutal start of this year losing several residents suddenly and then others being diagnosed that they had serious health issues. Well, it hasn't stopped. I am sad to report that Kay Wilson of #18 passed away the last week of June. She wasn't real social, but could be seen out walking her dogs during healthier times. She had a love of whicker and owned a lot of it, and she suffered from several health issues. I know her suffering is over and she is with our other angels, rest her soul. We also have others who have recently had diagnosis of serious issues and we are keeping them in our prayers for a quick and complete recovery. I have not received permission to name them, so just keep our residents in mind when you say a prayer to the man upstairs.

So, August is here, and what is going on in this month? According to my calendar, not a darn thing!!!! What the heck, not one mention of any holiday or anything in August.

As I mentioned last month, it is hurricane season here, and it is imperative that you have some sort of a plan of evacuation in place, as mobile home parks are the first to be evacuated if a storm is approaching. Get a flyer from the local stores, or from your newspaper and make certain you are prepared as best you can be for at least 3 days. That is 3 days worth of food, water, meds, etc. I know you get tired of hearing me preach this, but we have a lot of new residents who have moved here from other areas of the country, so they need to learn what to do to protect themselves, their possessions and pets, etc. It really doesn't take a lot to get things in order and maybe one day of getting all in place, but if a storm ever does head this way, you will be thankful you are prepared. Hurricane season runs until November 1st I think, so we have a ways to go to be prepared.

Management has advised they are working on the clubhouse this summer. What all is in their plans I have not heard, but rumor has it that they will be working on the electric issues, which I am happy to hear because about half the plugs in the place do not work. It is my understanding they are going to paint the interior of the clubhouse, and from that point I do not

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know. I am hoping that they will get us a new clock for the pool area, as it is frustrating not knowing what the time is while you are in the pool. Know that sounds really petty, but I caught myself constantly looking for the clock to tell the time. So I do hope they plan on replacing our clock. There is either one or two umbrellas left, not sure, as there was only one last time I swam. There was no trash can anywhere, just the lid laying on the pool deck where the can traditionally is. ??? This was also not a good thing, as people had no where to put their trash, and left it laying around. I did pick up 4 pieces of broken glass off the decking, clear glass that could have caused injury to any participants in the pool area. I had my two grandchildren with me and was not happy that there was broken glass where they were walking. The rules are posted on the fencing, and it clearly states that no glass items are to be in the pool area. These rules are set for a reason, our safety, and when they are not followed, it puts everyone in jeopardy. I get frustrated just like everyone else about what "we pay for and are not getting" but the no glass rule in the pool area is mandatory. I don't want a small piece of glass in my foot or anyone else's. So please, bring your drinks to the pool, but make certain they are in the proper plastic or aluminum containers, not glass. I know beer tastes best from a glass bottle, but get it in the cans for pool time. It is up to all of us to be mindful of everyone else. If we continue to blatantly disobey the rules, they will only give us more rules we won't like at all. So please remember that this is a community with all types of rules, and we need to work together to keep everyone safe and happy. Didn't mean to go on a rant here, but just saying, we need to be considerate to our other residents. I am hearing also, that they are planning on putting up security cameras in the park, and I am hoping that is not a rumor because I believe we need more security in the park. When you stop and think about it, we are a small community with several homes and a lot of recreational items all sitting right there for any person to be able to just walk up and break into it, steal, etc. Several of these homes and boats, etc. are vacant for several months. No gates to keep anyone from entering, and so here we sit, ripe for the picking. Advertised as a 55+ park, that tells anyone with unsavory thoughts that we are not spring chickens and possibly an easy target. So, to me, a camera is not considered a "spying" thing but a protective measure for all of us. Yes, management will be able to "watch us" but they will also be able to watch out for us. Sometimes you have to take the bad with the good. I have nothing to hide, so I am happy they are possibly considering this.

I did hear from Diana McNiven this month with a suggestion for the Media magazine, and I thank you Diana for sharing this info with us. She writes: A cool trick to determine how much fuel you have left in your propane tank....To check your propane tank, just boil some water and pour it all over your tank. Then take your hand and feel around the tank, from top to bottom. If the surface feels warm, that means that area is empty. But as you move your hand down, you may feel an area that is noticeably cooler because the propane inside is absorbing the heat. That drastic change in temperature marks the remaining propane! Thanks Diana, it is always so frustrating "guessing" how much propane you have.....this may take the guesswork out of grilling.

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Lastly, I would like to ask all of you again to stop for a moment and say a prayer for those that are dealing with health issues or other issues that need your thoughts and prayers. Watch out for your neighbors, make certain they are okay and handling the heat and humidity as well as they can. Make certain that our neighbors are eating as they should be, and getting along. Offer to take one to a doctor's appointment or shopping to get supplies that they need. Just a little bit of time, an afternoon, can be such a blessing to your neighbor who needs to know you have their back. I am a "pay it forward" person, and please give it a try. Until next month...

From the Co-Editor's Desk

Larry Dunnett #171
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I got Fired!

"That much gathers more on every plane of existence" is the first point in Charles Haanel's The Master Key System along with the comment "that Loss leads to greater loss is equally true."

So what does that really mean? Well, the full meaning of that will be revealed to you by... your own inner self as you progress through the 24 lessons in his excellent course but here is a simplified version.

Like attracts like.

Wow, that's a hard one isn't it? We have all sorts of platitudes that say the same thing, birds of a feather flock together, if you lie down with dogs you get up with fleas, and many more but the point is, it's a fact. Like attracts like is actually a Law of Nature.

Now I know all the mis-matchers on the planet are saying "no, you are wrong" because they subscribe to the "opposites attract" perspective, but that is all it is, a perspective. The attraction of North to South poles in a magnetic field is the magnetic attraction occurring. Magnetic attracts magnetic (or something in sympathy with "magnetic") as a magnet does NOT attract wood, glass, and a multitude of other materials. The Law still holds true.

If we accept this Law as being valid, how do we make use of it in a beneficial way?

I wish I could give you a simple one-liner that would allow you to do that but I can't.



Because it is a Law of Nature (or a Universal Law) each and every thing in this Universe not only OBEYS it but also MAKES USE OF it. The things we see around us like Trees, Rocks, Cats, or Dogs obey that same law just as we do. The entire Planet, yes the entire Universe is subject to the Law of "Like attracts Like" If you drop an apple core in the ground a Maple tree is not going to spring up from the seeds in that apple core... an apple tree is. Dogs can't mate with cats (or human legs, LOL) Fish can't mate with Birds, and so on. This thread holds true throughout Nature as we understand it. Like attracts like on every level of existence. But... there is one very important difference between all of those things and Human Beings.

Human Beings are "conscious", they are capable of thinking. Not that they always make use of that ability as many people in Managerial positions and most Politicians prove, but they ARE capable of thinking. That ability gives us, You, I, and everyone else, the ability to "make use of" that Law.

So what does that mean? Well, a tree cannot change the way it reacts to the Laws of Nature. A seed from an apple cannot decide on its own that it want to be a Maple Tree instead of an Apple Tree. A dog in the embryo stage cannot decide to be born a Cat, nor can Humans change that aspect of the Law, but, a Human CAN change the way they react to the world around them simply by "thinking" about it and no other living thing (to my knowledge) can do that. That ability to "think" gives us (Human Beings) the ability to make use of the Law.

To put it bluntly, you attract what you think about. Here is where people get hung up on all the things seemingly wrong with the world such as Hunger, Genocide, and Poverty. We generally say to ourselves "I can't believe all those folks that are starving to death are attracting that" but, and I say this with compassion, they are, and in a later lesson I will try to explain what I understand about those events. Also, because you in fact attract what you think about, here is where it gets challenging... at least the personal level.

Have you ever done something that you wish you hadn't and weren't sure why you did it? I have, and I'll bet you have too. I now understand what brought that action about but when it was happening I didn't understand because I didn't understand the true power of the Law.

Other people's energies (thoughts) CAN affect us and our actions IF WE LET THEM. Those folks that don't realize they have control over how they think "react" and those that do understand "respond." When you "react" the resulting action is a result of existing thought patterns which come about as a result of past experiences and teachings. But when you "respond" you are creating new thought patterns in respects to that particular event or experience along with drawing on past experiences. There is a huge difference between those two and the results

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attained. Personally, I would rather be a "responder" and not a "reactor" because if I am a responder then I have control.

What do I mean by "I have control"?

I have a choice as to how I respond to any particular event. I can be angry, sad, happy, relieved, frustrated, or any other emotional response that I CHOOSE... as long as I remember that I control my thoughts.

For example, if my boss come in and says "you're fired" I can, be angry and attack him or her, be despondent and crawl into self-pity, or be thankful and realize that there are now new opportunities opening for me. I know from personal experience that the last choice is not only the best choice but when you make that choice the Law kicks in. And I'll tell you another secret about that events like that, they happened because you want them to. At some level within yourself you are not happy with that job (I really hated mine) and because that is what you think about the whole time at work, the Law brought about events to have you removed from that situation. Ultimately the Law works in our best interest. That may be hard to accept but it is true. By the way, two days later (after I got fired for disagreeing with a senior manager) I received an unexpected call offering me a position (not a job) doing what I love (teaching in the Private Sector) at a much greater pay level. The Law works in our best interest. Admittedly not everyone is going to get fired from one job and be offered a better one only a few days later. Sometime the Law is trying to "teach" you a lesson... about yourself. Once again you can either "respond" and do some soul searching that will perhaps bring about a change, or you can "react", be angry, and go get another job you hate. The choice is yours.

One more point, a tree doesn't become a tree overnight. With that said, understand that the changes in you (inside) and your life won't happen instantly either. We are a "growing" thing, just like a tree, and that rate of growth needs to appropriate to us (personally) for us to benefit. Sometimes that growth is painfully slow.

But... I control how I think, therefore what I think, and therefore what I attract. And THAT folks is the KEY.

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Thought of the day: Very often the things we don't like in other people are the same things we find in ourselves.

With that I will close.

Larry D'



From the Manager's Desk

Susan Worden, Community Manager

Susan is here on Tuesdays and Fridays., 9: 00-3:30. Remember to contact her via email (best) if you need to talk with her when she is not here. Her email address is **riviera@arcinvestments.com**. Our assistant manager is here Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Riviera Estates Homeowner's Association

Alan Hennigar, President

The next meeting of the Homeowner's Association will be November 3rd at 9:30 a.m. which is the first meeting after the northerners return. There will be a lot to catch up on and the nomination and elections of new officers will be in November and December, so please be sure to attend.



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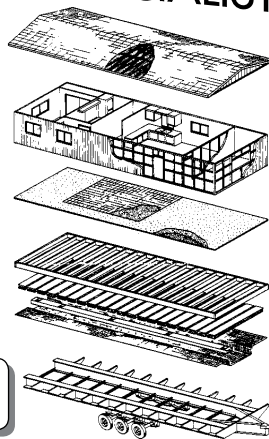
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FYI: Riviera Estates MHP would like to remind our residents that **NO one is allowed to touch the temperature settings on the pool heater and/or the clubhouse air conditioner.** Our manager and the Homeowner's Association Executive Board have insisted on this. Pool hours are 9:00 a.m. until dusk daily. Pool is heated in winter, the months of November through March. .



ATTENTION PET OWNERS: Please be a responsible pet owner and a **RESPECTIBLE** pet owner as well. When walking your pets, please do not allow them to "potty" in other people's yards. Some are not pet lovers as we are. Your dogs must be leashed at all times, and there are plenty of areas where your dog can go. There is a pet cleanup station in the storage field for your use. Please be sure to **clean up** after your pet. Also, please try to keep your pet from barking or making loud disturbing noise that can bother a neighbor. Complaints are being received by the office on a constant basis of pet problems in the park. So, at this time, our pet rule policy should be noted. Pets are allowed in park, **UP TO 20 POUNDS** weight restriction. Copies of pet inoculation certificate must be given to the office as proof the pet has been vaccinated. There is a **LIMIT OF TWO PETS PER COACH.** Fences for the pets are not allowed to be installed. All pets must be leashed at all times when outside the coach. Make certain when you leave your pet, they are not barking the entire time you are gone and bothering your neighbors. If this is the case, please make some type of arrangements that will alter this situation, such as a pet sitter, taking pet with you, or if the problem continues, and complaints continue in the office from residents being bothered by the barking, the park is forced to take steps in resolving the issue, such as requiring you to get rid of the dog, or face eviction procedures. Please be a responsible pet owner and obey the rules concerning them. It is **IMPERATIVE THAT YOU CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET EVERYWHERE, INCLUDING THE DOG WALKING AREA.** Please do not ignore these pet owner rules, so that we all can continue to love and enjoy our pets. But at all times we must be respectful of all the residents that live here, that they are not bothered by our pets in any way. Not by hearing them all the time, or stepping in their waste when out walking etc. Thank you for adherence to the policies and rules.



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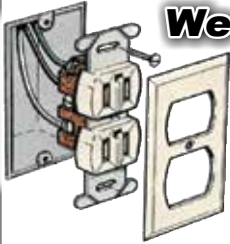
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Activities and Department Reports

All activities with the exception of Koffee Klatch on Saturday mornings are suspended until the fall when the northerners return.

Good Neighbors Club: Good Neighbor's Club Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of the month for the membership. Our next meeting will be on November 10th, at 9:30 a.m. Contact Claudette Lusignan at 223-5228 or email the Good Neighbors executive board with questions, suggestions, etc at

gnclubre@gmail.com. We also have a new website, where event calendar is posted and pictures etc. It is www.rivieraestates-goodneighbors.com, Please check it out.

June Pot Luck reported by Terri Walls. We had pot luck on the 26th at 6 p.m. as usual with about 9 or 10 people in attendance. It is such a different type of pot luck, very casual, and we eat and talk till 8 or 8:30. It is small, almost like having a few friends over to share a meal, and we enjoyed it tremendously. There was plenty of food, no one left hungry and many left with "lunch for tomorrow" bags. Thank you to all who attended and for their dishes and company. We will have a July pot luck, then I am going to stop until October when I will resume having them.

July 4th Fair Food Favorite's Party: We had a gathering of about 20 people who came up and visited with us at our July 4th party with "Fair Food Favorites" tasting. We had the sausages and peppers, corn dogs, elephant ears, snow cones, and funnel cakes. Apple slices dipped in caramel sauce. It was a fun get together, and everyone was relaxed and enjoyed socializing and visiting with each other. The day was enjoyable and of course thanks to all who attended and helped in clean up etc.

Labor Day Party: Our next and last "summer party" will be the Labor Day Party that is scheduled on Monday, September 5th. We are in the planning stages of this event and therefore I have no definite information for you, other than to keep your eyes peeled for information on the bulletin boards in the clubhouse and the outside bulletin board next to the pool. All information will be displayed in this area with sign up sheets inside the clubhouse on the bulletin board. This will be a big party, where we will depend on the sign up sheet for the number of people we will be feeding. So please be looking for additional information as you don't want to miss this one and we will be cutting off the sign up time so we can plan the meal and make sure we have enough food for all who want to attend. You will not be able to come that day and plan on attending if you have not signed up. So, you do not want to miss this one, and keep looking for the information. Thank you.

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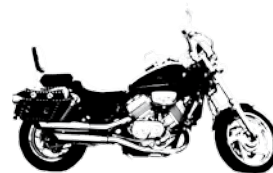
National Black Business Month. During August, individuals, institutions, and businesses are encouraged to visit at least one black-owned business per day. The increased sales resulting from that traffic could result in more than 40,000 additional jobs during the month and as many as 450,000 new jobs if the habit is continued over the course of a year.

National Immunization Awareness Month. National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM) provides an opportunity to highlight the value of immunization across a person's lifespan. Activities focus on encouraging all people to protect their health by being vaccinated against infectious diseases.

Clown Week, Aug. 1-7. Celebrations take on a variety of forms, such as putting on shows in malls, child care centers, hospitals, and nursing homes, and clown appearances in parades, grand openings, and other places.

National Fraud Awareness Week, Aug. 7-13. Businesses and government agencies around the world lose an estimated 5 percent of their annual revenues to fraud. National Fraud Awareness Week seeks to educate everyone on the dangers of fraud and how to protect themselves from criminal activities.

Motorcycle Week, Aug. 14-20. For the motorcycle rider and lover, a week dedicated to the vehicle that millions of Americans enjoy. Ride, celebrate, and make new friends on the road.



National Aviation Week, Aug. 14-20. A celebration of flight, observed during the week of Orville Wright's birth, Aug. 18. Along with his brother Wilbur, Orville Wright built and flew the world's first successful airplane in Kitty Hawk, N.C., in 1903.

International Beer Day, Aug. 5. Enjoy your favorite beer, or try a new one—responsibly, of course.

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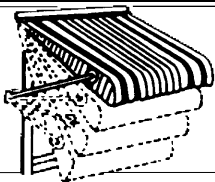


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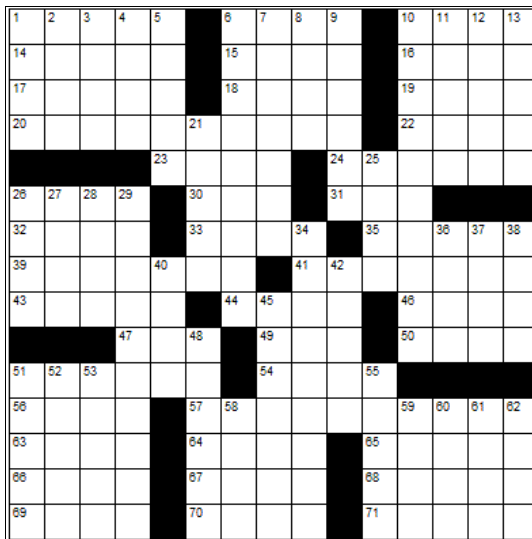
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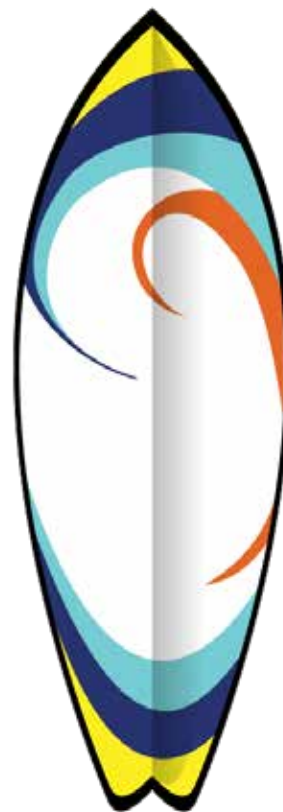
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- 18. Bright thought
- 19. Carpenter's groove
- 20. Daughter of a step-parent
- 22. Therefore
- 23. Against
- 24. Girdle
- 26. Chick's sound
- 30. Flee
- 31. In what way
- 32. Cap
- 33. Former lovers
- 35. Choice
- 39. Red wine
- 41. Business executive
- 43. Body
- 44. A period of discounted prices
- 46. Small city
- 47. Best seller
- 49. Calypso offshoot
- 50. If not
- 51. Domestic breed of rabbit
- 54. Certain ball-and-socket joints
- 56. Storage cylinder
- 57. A type of semiconductor
- 63. Chair
- 64. An indefinite period
- 65. Nigerian monetary unit
- 66. Behold, in old Rome
- 67. 1 1 1 1
- 68. To untwist
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- 1. Vipers
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- 12. Prod
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- 26. Agreement
- 27. Reflected sound
- 28. Arab chieftain
- 29. A toy that fires pellets
- 34. Sleekness
- 36. False god
- 37. Kittens' cries
- 38. Sea eagle
- 40. French for "Black"
- 42. Some tides
- 45. Disgraced
- 48. Skin pattern
- 51. Donkeys
- 52. Daughter of a sibling
- 53. Candied
- 55. Nasal passage
- 58. Peel
- 59. Rational
- 60. Cultivate
- 61. By mouth
- 62. Beams



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Henry was visiting a distant country where he didn't know the language. He managed fairly well with the help of a guide, but on Sunday he wanted to go to church, and his guide had the day off. So he found a small church in the village where he was staying and followed a friendly-looking man inside.

The man greeted him and smiled, so Henry took a seat next to him and decided to copy his every action. When his new friend rose with the congregation to sing a hymn, Henry did the same, finding the hymn by looking at the man's hymnal. When the collection plate came around, Henry put in the same amount of money as the man next to him.

Toward the end of the service, the minister made some kind of announcement. The man next to Henry stood up, so Henry did too. The congregation gasped in shock.

After the service, the minister approached Henry. So Henry's surprise, the minister spoke English. "You don't know a word of our language, do you?" the minister asked kindly.

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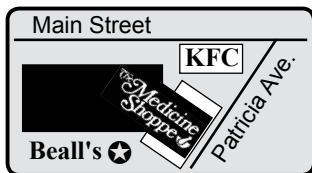
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Act of compassion

In these days of political polarization, this story about acceptance seems appropriate: When former Vice President Hubert Humphrey died, hundreds of political figures from around the world came to his funeral. One was former President Richard Nixon, who resigned from office in the wake of the Watergate scandal. Everyone wondered how the disgraced ex-president would be received.

When then-President Jimmy Carter arrived, he noticed Nixon standing alone. Instead of heading for his seat, Carter walked toward Nixon, held out his hand, and then gave Nixon a hug, saying, “Welcome home, Mr. President, welcome home!”

Despite belonging to a different political party, Carter decided to show compassion toward someone whom many ignored. It was an extraordinary gesture of acceptance.

A life in books

Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Geraldine Brooks’ love of books from a young age was supported by a woman she never met. According to *The Power of Good*, by Mark McCrindle (Hybrid Publishers), Brooks’ grandfather mentioned to a friend named Althea Glasby that his granddaughter loved to read, and so every year for Christmas young Geraldine got a book signed, “To Geraldine, with love from Althea Glasby.”



“I have no idea what this woman spent so much time and thought on a child she didn’t know,” Brooks said as a grownup. “Whatever the reason, I wish I could thank her in person. I wish I could tell her how those books shored up a love for the written word that grew over time into a career and a calling. I would like to give her one of the books I’ve written, nice, hardback first edition. The signature wouldn’t be as fine and fluid as hers, but in my own pedestrian scrawl I would say thank you, for the gifts that helped to lead me to a life in books.”

A costly game

Bill and Fred were playing golf one day. When they came to a hole with a large water hazard, Bill teed up and watched his ball drop into the water. He checked his golf bag and found he didn’t have any extra balls, so he asked Fred to give him one.

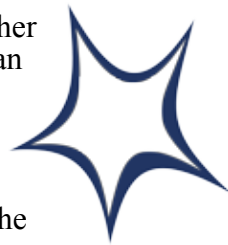
That ball, too, went into the water, so Fred gave him another—which also sank. After the third golf ball disappeared into the drink, Fred said, irritated, “You know, those golf balls cost \$10 a piece!”

“Hey,” Bill said, “you shouldn’t play the game if you can’t afford it.”



New moon discovered around distant dwarf

The solar system is a little bit larger these days. The Hubble Space Telescope has found a new moon orbiting the dwarf planet Makemake in a region of space beyond the planet Neptune known as the Kuiper Belt, where many other small planet like objects have been found. Makemake is slightly smaller than Pluto, another dwarf planet, and is covered by a layer of frozen methane.



According to the Sci-News website, the moon, nicknamed MK2, is approximately 100 miles around and orbits close to 13,000 miles above Makemake. Astronomers discovered it after examining observations from the Hubble made in 2015. Astronomers believe that it is the product of a collision between Makemake and another celestial object or was captured by Makemake billions of years ago.

Wookiee alert! New species sited on Earth

Chewbacca has been sighted—not a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away, but in Papua New Guinea. It’s the name of a newly discovered species of flightless beetle, dubbed *Trigonopterus Chewbacca* because of its distinctive pattern of scales.

As reported on the (e)Science News website, Chewbacca is one of four new black weevils discovered by an expedition of scientists looking for examples of the *Trigonopterus* beetles. The website notes that unlike its fictional namesake, this Chewbacca doesn’t depend on size and brawn to scare enemies off, because it measures only 2-3 millimeters in length.

New evidence changes theory about dinosaur extinction

For years scientists and dinosaur enthusiasts have accepted the theory that a giant asteroid caused the mass extinction of the dinosaurs 66 million years ago. Now that theory has undergone some tweaks, as reported on the Science News website.



The asteroid probably didn’t help matters, but evidence now suggests that the dinosaurs had begun dying out long before it struck. Dinosaur species began disappearing faster than new ones evolved some 40-50 million years before the asteroid’s impact—a loss in diversity that made surviving the event more difficult.

Many species of birdlike dinosaurs kept going, ultimately evolving into the birds we see today. Scientists speculate that because much of the diet of today’s birds consists of seeds, earlier flying reptiles may have relied on the same food source, which can last for decades.

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The Institute of Medicine advises that men get about 125 ounces of water a day, and women 91 ounces, so the study suggests that most men and women are getting adequate amounts of fluid.

The report notes that “water” doesn't mean just plain water, though—in fact, only about 30 percent of fluid intake comes from the tap or bottle. We also get water from juices, sodas, coffee/tea, and even food. But juice and soda can add extra calories to your diet, so don't depend on these too much for your daily dose of H₂O.



New findings on lifespans - How long will you live?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently reported that the average life expectancy for a Caucasian American born in 2014 is currently 78.8 years, down from 78.9 years one year before.

The life expectancy of non-Hispanic white women born in 2014 is 81.1 years, a slight decline from 81.2 years. For non-Hispanic white men, the figure is 76.5 years. The CDC notes that the drop, though mild, is unusual in nations like the United States, which tend to have higher standards of public safety and health care.

No more dumb blondes

The stereotype of the dumb blonde doesn't hold up, according to a study from The Ohio State University. Researchers studied data from more than 10,000 Caucasian women and found that natural blondes had an average IQ score within 2 or 3 points of brunettes and redheads. No word on whether the researchers determined that blondes really do have more fun.

The difference between the poet and the mathematician is that the poet tries to get his head into the heavens while the mathematician tries to get the heavens into his head.

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