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\*\*\*ALL events at Serendipity have been cancelled or postponed by our HOA and ELS due to concerns with the Coronavirus. This is in effect until further notice. The Monthly Media calendar may not be correct. If you have questions please call the chairperson of your group, watch the bulletin boards and the electronic sign at our entrance for updates. Please all stay healthy! *Nanci, Editor*

## HOA President's UPDATES

*Pat Lucksinger, HOA President, 518-573-0968*



### Notes from the monthly meeting with ELS:

**I**t's hard to believe we are closing in on the end of 2020. I sure hope 2021 brings us better times. We need to be diligent and follow CDC guidelines by social distancing, wearing a mask and hand washing frequently.

There was no HOA meeting in November as we are not allowed to meet in larger groups and I don't think we would have a quorum. I do not know if we will be able to meet in December. We will post on Facebook, the electric sign and posters in the clubhouses. Some board members want a meeting as they say there are many residents that have concerns and feel like they need to be able to voice their opinion. I agree, when it is safe. At this time residents can speak to myself or any Director. The HOA continues to look out for our membership. The HOA only needs to have a meeting once per year to satisfy the FL Statutes. There is no need for general board elections as no one's term is up at this time. The board elects the officers for a year term.

The HOA met with the park manager on November 4th. There is not much going on right now with this COVID world. Fruit trees continue to be an issue. If you have a tree that was

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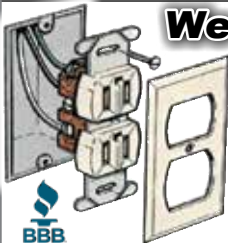
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approved in the past it will be allowed to stay if you keep the tree trimmed, and pick up all fruit. If this doesn't happen ELS will take the tree down. ELS will inspect monthly.

Speeding continues in the park by residents, guests and delivery persons. There is some new signage and more in the budget for 2021. If you know where the resident lives let the office know. If it's a delivery person continue to call their company or service.

The Dropbox at the office has been broken into a few times and I expect it will be gone before long. The box is available during business hours only.

The new lawn service contract has a start date of January 1.

Betty is addressing the activities that we hope to do in December.

It's sure different times and I wish everyone safe and healthy holidays.

Happy Holidays! - Pat

## Manager's Corner

Penny Garcia, Resort Manager  
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## Editor Notes

Nanci Dorau  
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Lot # 378 nanci.j.dorau@gmail.com

**From the Editor**

**NEW!!\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CUTOFF DATE TO SUBMITT ANYTHING FOR THE MONTHLY MEDIA FOR JANUARY IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4. THE MEDIA OFFICES CLOSE FOR A LONG HOLIDAY BREAK AND DECEMBER IS ALWAYS AN EARLY CUT OFF DATE. IF YOU HAVE ISSUES WITH THIS, PLEASE CALL ME AT 321-201-2479. THANKS FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.**

**NEW!!\*\*\*WE ARE IN NEED OF A VOLUNTEER TO TAKE OVER THE DELIVERY OF ONE STREET (JASMINE) BEGINNING IN JANUARY. PLEASE HELP US OUT! THANK YOU.**

- NANCI.

PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL ME TO REPORT ANY CHANGES TO THE BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY LISTS!!! If our residents do not let me know of changes in the park, I can not keep the editing of the newsletter current!

Remember to get your submissions in to me before the 10th of each month. Any errors or  
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**NEW!\*\*\*A committee is working on updating the birthday and anniversary lists. So, bare with us if errors appear! Please send me updates on birthdays and anniversaries! Nanci**

\*\*\*If anyone would be interested in helping with the “Meet Your Neighbor” column for the Monthly Media, please call me or email me.

Remember these articles...

1. **Meet Your Neighbor!** With your permission, we will highlight a member of our community. Whether a new move-in or a seasoned veteran, we would like to know your name and a little about you.
2. **Marilyn’s Recipe Corner!** Drop off your favorite recipe with your name at my home (#378) or email it to my address above and I will enter one each month in the newsletter.
3. **Community Articles!** If you wish to submit an article that may be interesting to our residents, feel free to email or drop it to me at #378 for editing and submission for publication. Be sure to add your name and phone number.

There is a **green wooden box** on my driveway patio that says “NEWSLETTER” to leave any articles, recipes, or notices. You can also email me at [nanci.j.dorau@gmail.com](mailto:nanci.j.dorau@gmail.com)

## **Just-A-Note**

*Nanci Dorau, 321-201-2479*

*nanci.j.dorau@gmail.com*



**From: Pat Lucksinger, HOA President:**

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\*\*\*In these challenging times of uncertainty on our lives. I hope you are staying healthy and safe. If these restrictions are lifted and the Clubhouse is available.

See you around the park!

- Terry Ackroyd

## Chair Yoga Exercise

Terry Ackroyd, 518-429-7420

**CLASSES ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!** We are excited to continue our chair yoga exercise classes. This class is run to a video that includes stretch, strength and chair yoga. An easy format for all ages and abilities. We meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 A.M. to 11 A.M. at the East Clubhouse. Come and join us! Meet new people, Make new friends. If you have any questions please call me at 518-429-7420.  
-Terry



## Line Dancing

Leslie Bellinger, 727-729-5039

**LINE DANCING IS ON HOLD FOR THIS SEASON.** We will be starting again when the restrictions have lessened. Watch this Monthly Media Newsletter for the starting date. I hope you all have a wonderful Turkey season and I will see you as soon as possible!

Hope to "see you on the dance floor"- Leslie



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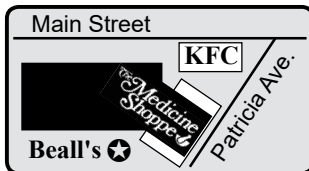
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## **“Marilyn’s Recipe Corner” by Marilyn Farnworth**

*From the kitchen of: Betty Buehrle, from Facebook*

### **PECAN PIE BROWNIES**

#### **Ingredients:**

1 box Brownie mix, must have instructions for making in 13x9 pan and ingredients listed on the package.

#### **Pecan Pie Filling:**

1 cup Sugar

1/4 cup Unsalted butter

1 1/2 cups Light Corn syrup

1 1/2 teaspoon Vanilla extract

4 Eggs

2 cups Pecans, roughly chopped

#### **Instructions:**

Preheat oven according to brownie package instructions.

Whisk together the sugar, corn syrup, eggs, butter, and vanilla in a small saucepan. Place on the stove top over medium high heat and begin to cook, stirring continuously.

Mix brownies according to package instructions.

Pour brownie batter into a greased 13x9 inch pan and place in oven to bake for 20 minutes. (see note about cooking time below)

As the brownies bake the filling in the saucepan should have thickened enough to coat your spoon (about 15 minutes). Stir the pecans into the mixture and continue to cook for 2-3 minutes until the mixture reaches the consistency of runny oatmeal. You want it to be loose enough to pour over the brownies but not liquid.

When the brownies have finished pre-baking remove them from the oven and pour the pecan pie filling over them spreading it out to cover the brownies completely.

Place them back in the oven and bake for 25-30 minutes or until the filling only jiggles slightly in the middle when you move the pan.

Let cool to room temperature before cutting. MMMMMMMM.....

## **Our Residents Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**\*\*\*A committee is working on updating the birthday and anniversary lists. So, bare with us if errors appear! Please send me updates on birthdays and anniversaries! Nanci**

### **December 2020~**

Serendipity and our residents wish everyone celebrating their birthday or anniversary this month a wonderful day.

Birthstone: Tanzanite, Zircon or Turquoise

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Birth Flower Meaning: Hope, wealth, protection and defense.

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| 2 Marge DeMarco      | 14 Joe Messina      |
| 3 Jeff Juneau        | 15 Linda Donegan    |
| 6 William Price      | 15 Kirk Koloini     |
| 10 Cathy Mooney      | 15 Mary Hall        |
| 11 Jane Bardin       | 15 Laurel Ramsey    |
| 12 Diane Clement     | 19 Sue Dechert      |
| 12 Sue Shumyhora     | 21 Bill Hughes      |
| 14 Dennis Buehrle    | 22 Maurice Cloutier |
| 14 Margaret Isserlis | 25 Christy Hayat    |
|                      | 31 Kimberly Otero   |



## December ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Val & Joyce Pietrkiewicz
- 5 Ron & Margaret Houser
- 5 Ken & Gayle Koeppe
- 15 Larry & Dot Jones
- 24 Jean Lamontagne/Nicole T



## Celebrities with December Birthdays

If you don't know who these people are, here is something for you to do in your spare time... Google their names!

- Walt Disney. December 5, 1901.
- Sammy Davis Jr. December 8, 1925.
- Emily Dickinson. December 10, 1830.
- Frank Sinatra. December 12, 1915.
- Shirley Jackson. December 14, 1916.
- Jane Austen. December 16, 1775.
- Ludwig Van Beethoven. December 16, 1770.
- Taylor Swift. December 13, 1989.
- John Legend. December 28, 1978.
- Britney Spears. December 02, 1981.
- Jay-Z. December 04, 1969.
- Rod Serling. December 25, 1924
- Humphrey Bogart. December 25, 1899
- Jimmy Buffett. December 25, 1946.
- Cab Calloway. December 25, 1907.
- Louis Chevrolet. December 25, 1878.
- Woody Allen. December 1, 1939.
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## Bingo

Melissa Caswell, 518-337-0120, Betty Sager, 518-308-9329



**THERE WILL BE NO BINGO UNTIL RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED AND THAT WILL ALL DEPEND ON HOW THINGS TURN OUT FROM THIS PANDEMIC, AS LONG AS WE DON'T GO BACK TO A CLOSE DOWN AGAIN. WE WILL TRY TO REOPEN. WE SURE DO HOPE THIS CAN HAPPEN BUT FOR NOW IT CAN'T HAPPEN AT THIS TIME IT'S JUST NOT SAFE.**

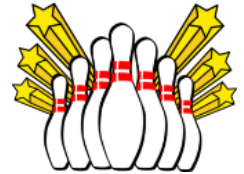
BINGO is played in the East clubhouse. We have all new equipment including a new screen and computer. We play BINGO every THURSDAY at 7:00 P. M. sharp! Please bring a friend, bring a neighbor! It's a fun night out and you can get a chance to meet new people. I want to thank everyone for participating in our BINGO. We have a great group of people and we always welcome more to attend - the more the merrier! This also means the bigger the pots to win.

Thank You, Melissa Caswell

Any Questions please call me at 518-337-0120

## Bowling

Bob Jones, 727-638-0822



**To Everyone! Have a wonderful and merry holiday!**

At this time I have contacted most of the bowlers who were bowling last year to see if they want to bowl this coming season. Understandably, most of the people contacted have decided not to bowl until this pandemic is under control. So, as of now bowling this season is “up in the air” and will be **POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

To all our park residents – we would like to invite you all to join our Friday morning mixed bowling family in the coming months. There will be a sign up sheet in the West Clubhouse only for new bowlers to sign up for just in case all goes well!

Watch this Monthly Media and the bulletin boards for information on any changes or updates. No matter how well you bowl, please come, join our bowling family and have a great time with us! We are a “fun” league and we cheer everyone on! It is never too late to join. If you have any questions please call me at 727-638-0822.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the lanes in the near future! -Bob

## Bridge

Steve Sisson, 727-772-5882

**BRIDGE GAMES ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!** Hi all! Games are played on Thursdays at 7:00 P. M. at the East Clubhouse. New players are welcome and instruction is available. Call for information and to let us know you will be attending.

-Steve



## Cards – 65 Rummy

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**CARD GAMES ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!** Cards are played every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. at the West Clubhouse. We will play on Fridays at 6:30 at the West Clubhouse. It's easy to play. Come join us for a fun night out.

## Cribbage

*Steve Gebbett, 727-784-0439 or Jim Beatty, 727-216-3715*

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**CRIBBAGE GAMES ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!** Cribbage is played on Tuesdays at 7:00 P. M. in the card room in the East Hall. See you there!  
*-Steve*

## Dominoes

*Phyllis Messina, 727- 785-3249*

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**DOMINO GAMES ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!** We are always looking for more players. Everyone is welcome. Come for the **FUN!** Dominoes are played year round every Sunday and Wednesday at 6:30 P. M. in the West Clubhouse. For further information please phone Phyllis Messina at 785-3249.



## Euchre

*Marty & Beth Ott, 727-787-3272*

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**S**tay well, and hopefully we can resume play soon! Have a wonderful holiday season!  
*-Beth and Marty*

## Serendipity Travels & Adventures

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**I** hope you all are staying healthy and safe. Safe travels to the homeward bound. Our travel plans will resume after the COVID-19 pandemic had subsided and the travel industry picks up again.

*-Terry Ackroyd*

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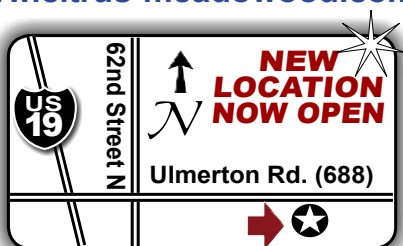
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## 'Monday' Golf at Tarpon Woods Golf Club

Linda Taylor, 727-418-4087

**M**onday Golf is now being played primarily at Tarpon Springs Golf Course. At the present time, tee times are beginning at 8:30 A. M. Anyone interested in playing with the group can contact me at lindataylor661@hotmail.com or call at 727-418-4087. Everyone is welcome and you do not have to be a resident of Serendipity.

-Linda



## 'Tuesday' Golf League

Jean-Louis Lamontagne, 727-787-1213, or Jim Beatty, 727-216-3715

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-Jim and JL

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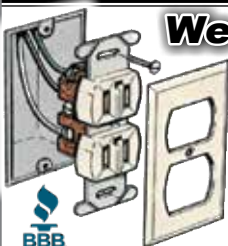
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# Serendipity

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## Mah Jongg

Melissa Caswell, 518-337-0120

**M**AH JONGG IS ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE! We would be unable to play the game and sit at the 6 foot distance recommended for social distancing during this pandemic. Hopefully, we will get past this soon and things can get back to normal. I miss all our players and can't wait to be able to get together soon. Watch the bulletin boards for updates. I hope everyone has a great holiday season and you are able to join us when we begin to play again soon!

*-Melissa Caswell*

Mah Jongg is played every Wednesday, 1:00 P. M. until 3:00 P. M. in the East clubhouse. Anyone is invited to join us. Don't worry if you never played because these are learning classes as well as people who know how to play. It's a fun game and you will be able to meet some of your neighbors as well.

## Pinochle

Jan Barrett, 727-786-8638, Annette Davis, 727-253-4316

**P**INOCHLE IS ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!  
Pinochle is every Friday at 6:30 P. M. in the West Clubhouse. It is only \$1.00 to play. Everyone is welcome. Come watch, learn this old time game and have fun! Watch the bulletin boards for future information.



*Come and join us, Jan Barrett and Annette Davis*

## Shuffleboard/Fun League

Chuck Bellinger (727-729-5039), George Wagner (716-604-6370)

**S**HUFFLEBOARD IS ON HOLD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. Hope all is well with everyone and we get through this Covid-19 disaster we are experiencing. You are encouraged to continue to shuffle, just get a group to meet on any day. You can put a notice on the Shuffle white board if you want to get a group together. Good health to all, and Happy Holidays!

Listed below are the new officers for the 2021 season. Many thanks to those that volunteered.

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Keep in mind the Fun League will hopefully start back up the first week in January 2021.  
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# HOA and Social Committee Update

Pat Lucksinger, President, 518-573-0968, Betty Buehrle, Social Director, 330-232-6345

## **ALL SERENDIPITY EVENTS ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!**

**\*\*\*PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARDS, THE ELECTRONIC BOARD AT SERENDIPITY'S ENTRANCE, OR CALL THE CHAIR OF YOUR EVENT/GAME TO SEE IF IT IS BEING HELD DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST. BE SAFE, WASH YOUR HANDS AND STAY HEALTHY!**

**Our HOA meetings are the third Tuesday of the month from November till April.**

We are always looking for more volunteers. Informational flyers for all events are posted in both the East and West Clubhouses. Sign-up sheets are only posted in the West Clubhouse.

I have submitted a few possible events for December to ELS for approval, but at this time of turning this article in for publication I haven't heard anything yet. So the following events are being planned but

NOT YET APPROVED. Please check the bulletin boards, Facebook Group, and the electric sign out front for further details.

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

When: Wednesday, Dec 9

Where: Front of West Clubhouse, Outside

Time: 6-10:00 PM

Band: Lady and the Outlaw



Guests may come in golf carts, practicing social distancing. For those without carts you may bring your own chairs. ALL GUESTS must bring a mask for the times needed that you are unable to social distance.

### **BRING A GIFT FOR TRAFFICKING VICTIMS**

We would like to sponsor a charity this year for victims of trafficking. There are 28 young people in a local home that could really need our support and encouragement during this holiday season. There are 12 children: 1 boy, age 6, and 11 girls, ages 5-9 and 12. There are 16 girls, ages 16 -21. Items they can use, and can be found in stores like 5 Below and Walmart are: all kinds of craft items, crayons and coloring books, felt tip pens, Word Search, sticker books and puzzle books. Small boxes used for trinkets and memory boxes. Fingernail polish and remover, and emery boards. Travel sets and shampoo, toiletries, makeup, Dove soap, fancy smelling soaps, perfume, hygiene products. Clothing: wild hats, T shirts and socks, kids clothes, shoes, small purses, sweaters, blankets.

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When: Dec: 13, Sunday

Where: Front of West Clubhouse for line up and Judging. After parade meet back to East Clubhouse parking lot on Lotus street for announcement of parade and home decorating contests.

Time: Dusk, approx. 6:00 PM

Lite refreshments will be available.

AT THIS TIME WE STILL NEED TO SOCIAL DISTANCE. ALL RESIDENTS GOING INTO CLUBHOUSE OR THAT CANNOT MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCE MUST WEAR A MASK.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

When: Sunday, Dec 20

Time: 7:00 PM

Where: Meet at East Clubhouse Porch



To maintain Social Distancing we will travel via Golf Carts and bikes throughout the park. Sign up sheets will be on bulletin boards for those that are participating.

DO WE NEED TO PRACTICE?

**CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR THOSE ALONE IN PARK**

The HOA will be catering a Christmas dinner to be delivered to single residents that will be alone on Christmas day. There will be sign up sheets posted on both bulletin boards, or you may call Betty B, lot 35, if you would like to participate. Also if anyone knows of someone in the park that is alone and would like a meal please sign them up or call Betty B. (phone number is in Monthly Media or phone book)

**NEW YEARS EVE**

At this time it depends on if we get approval from ELS. Our plans at this time are that the New Years event will be similar to the Christmas Party event. If anyone has any ideas of what you would like to do that will be appropriate for ELS guidelines Please call Betty B. Thank You!

Please check bulletin boards, Facebook Group, and electric sign out front for details of events. DUE TO THE COVID VIRUS THINGS MAY CHANGE! If anyone would like to chair or help in any event, or have ideas to do, please let me know. Thank you! Happy Holidays! - Betty B, Social Director

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# Tentative Planned Events for Serendipity MHP – 2020-2021

## 2020

Dec 9 Xmas Dinner/Dance with “Lady and the Outlaw”  
Dec 31 New Years Eve with “Al March”

## 2021

Jan 15, 2021 “Cahal Dunne” Entertainment  
Feb 14 Valentines Dinner/Dance with “Michael Jayne”  
March 5 “Soul Sensations”  
April To Be Determined



## A Note From Betty Buehrle:

It has been very difficult planning events this year, as most of you know. The HOA board has been working with ELS as to what we can do and what we cannot do according to the CDC and ELS protocols. Rules seem to change constantly.

So we are planning smaller events with Social Distancing and wearing Masks as appropriate. Please check the electric sign up front driveway. Flyers will be posted in both clubhouses and information posted on Face Book Serendipity Group. If you would like to help with events or have any questions please call board members Jerry Z, Cindy S, or Sue S. Their phone numbers are in the Monthly Media and the Serendipity phone book.

Thank you for your patience! Happy Holidays!

*-Betty*

The Covid-19 pandemic continues as our planned events have been cancelled. The HOA board and ELS continue to work, month by month on what we can do safely and avoid infecting others. At this time of writing this article the HOA cannot sponsor large group events.

There are a few small groups meeting at the East Clubhouse adhering to Social Distancing and wearing masks for safety:

Monday at 10:00 AM Chair Yoga, bring your own masks and wipes for chairs.

Wednesday at 10:00 AM Strength Class, bring your own weights, masks, and wipes for chairs.

Thursday at 7:00 PM Small scale Bingo, Cards are \$2-4, bring your own dobbers, and place mats.

### **Activities on your own available:**

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Please Remember: Be responsible! Maintain safe social distancing. Wear masks where required. Clean off your tables, chairs, and gym equipment after use! Have a good time staying safe and healthy!

**\*\*Billiards and Shuffleboard players must be 18 years old to play without adult supervision! \*\***



## TRIVIA NIGHT

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**T**rivia Night will again start up when West Clubhouse opens and can be scheduled. We meet at 7:00 pm, on a Saturday. The cost is only \$1, with the winning team shares the “pot”. Bring your favorite beverage. The HOA will provide refreshments. We have a fun time, playing with teams, trying to come up with the answers to multiple trivia questions. Lots of laughs and maybe learning that you know more than you think!



Any questions on social events please call *Betty B*, 330 232-6345.

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**“Get Well” cards were sent to:**

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**“Thinking of You” cards were sent to:**

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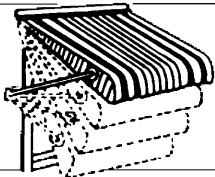
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# Halloween parade



*Left: Here is the winner of our Halloween Golfcat Parade! Berty Sager! Pictured with Dawn.*



# THE CURIOSITY CORNER

by Dennis Buehrle, Resident

## Pig War 1859

After the War of 1812 with Great Britain and our neighbors to the North, we had another entanglement with them. In 1859 there was a confrontation between the U. S. and the United Kingdom over the national boundary around the San Juan Islands, between Vancouver Island (Canada) and the state of Washington. The incident, known as the Pig War, has also been referred to as the Pig Episode, Pig and Potato War, the San Juan Boundary Dispute and the Northwestern Boundary Dispute. The only casualty of this dispute however was the undesired death of one large pig.

The Oregon Treaty of 1846 resolved a boundary dispute between Britain and the U. S., but the description of the boundary through these islands was sufficiently vague enough, that both parties drew different border boundary lines between Vancouver



Island and the United States. Each country claimed sovereignty over San Juan Island by drawing the boundary line through a different strait on each side of the island. During this period Britain set up a sheep ranch to be owned and operated by the Hudson Bay Company on San Juan Island. Americans began hearing about this fertile land and by mid-1859 approximately 28 American settlers had arrived on the island. They staked claims on British Columbia land, owned by the Hudson Bay Company as sheep grazing land. Consequently, the British considered such claims illegal and the settlers as squatters.

On June 15, 1859, the vague terminology of the borderline led to conflict. Lyman Cutlar, an American farmer, moved to San Juan Island claiming that the Donation Land Act of 1850 gave him the right to settle there. One day he came out of his dwelling to see a large black pig rooting through the garden eating his tubers (potatoes). It apparently was not the first time that this had happened, but it was going to be the last! He picked up his rifle, took careful aim, and... kill the PIG! The pig was owned by an employee of the Hudson Bay Company, an Irishman hired to run the sheep ranch.

The Irishman, Charles Griffin, had several pigs and let them roam freely. Cutlar offered \$10 (about \$280.00 today) as compensation but Griffin refused. Griffin demanded \$100 (equivalent to about \$2,800.00 today). The ensuing argument about who was responsible for keeping the pig out of the garden never reached a satisfactory conclusion. When British authorities threatened to arrest Cutlar, American settlers called for military protection.

Fort Victoria, held by the British on Vancouver Island, could guard only one of the two straits in the disputed area. However, control of San Juan Island would give any fort erected on the island commanding coverage of both straits, and each country recognized the strategic significance of the island.

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When word of this situation eventually reached Washington D. C. representatives of both governments were astounded that it had reached such a potentially explosive state. President Buchanan sent General Winfield Scott to resolve the situation. He eventually negotiated a reduction in troops and joint occupation of the island until a resolution to the boundary dispute could be achieved.

San Juan Island remained under joint military occupation for twelve years. In 1871 the Treaty of Washington, signed by both parties, settled disputed territorial claims but apparently did not address the issue of San Juan Island. That issue was referred to Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany for settlement. He referred the issue to an arbitration committee in Geneva, Switzerland. On October 21, 1872 after about a year of deliberation, the commission, through the Kaiser, ruled in favor of the United States. The national boundary dispute, finally settled, was drawn through the Haro Strait, making the San Juan Island a possession of the United States, and finally bringing and end to the "Pig War".

So, while it is nice to know that the U. S. did not go to war with Britain or our neighbor to the north (Canada) over a pig. I still have this nagging question...Did Charles Griffin ever receive compensation for his pig?

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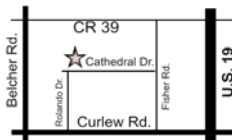
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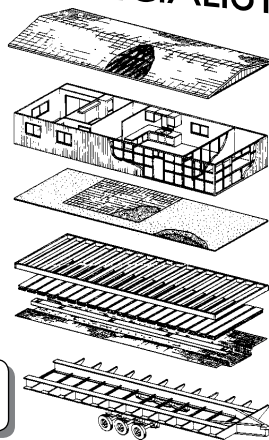
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