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MANAGER'S CORNER

We have four great shows for 2023 and tickets are going fast. If you are interested in purchasing the package, it's four shows for \$100, (\$25 per ticket) if paid for together. It's \$35 per ticket if you buy individual show tickets. Seating is assigned in the order of your ticket purchase. One show, *Moonlight Thief* on February 4, 2023, is cabaret style and seating is at tables of eight. There will be no refunds issued on these tickets. You are welcome to bring guests; and, if you can't make a show, you can either sell your ticket or give it away. We hope to see you there!

We have eight candidates running for four positions on the Board. Get Quorum is sending out emails to those residents who have never signed up for electronic voting. If you had signed up last year you are good to go and should receive an email from Get Quorum by mid November. Currently we have over 340 people signed up for electronic voting. Our Candidates Night is scheduled for November 14, 2022, at 6 p.m. on Zoom. Those residents who chose not to sign up for electronic voting will receive a paper ballot in the mail in November. The Annual Meeting at which the winners will be announced is scheduled for Dec. 7, 2022, at 6 p.m. on Zoom (information will be sent from Get Quorum).

The 2022 Candidates, in alphabetical order, are as follows: STEPHEN BERRY, BOB EDINGER, JERRY EHRLICH, EVELYN HARRIS, MARK JAFFIE, GAIL SHATZKAMER, HARRIS TOKAYER and IRENE WEINSTEIN.

Please check the lobby to see if your house is scheduled to be painted in 2023. If you're on the schedule, register with Priscilla to choose your color.

We seem to have residents parking on the street overnight. This is contrary to our bylaws. If you park on the street, you may be fined.

Be sure to check out our new community channel. It should be up and running by Oct. 31. It is still channel 63 on your television, and Gail Shatzkamer has spent lots of time working on it.

Jay Peskoff

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REMINDER

Copies of this newsletter are available in the back lobby of the clubhouse. Be sure to pick up copies for your homebound neighbors! **SNOWBIRDS** can also find the current issue at MajesticIsles.com under the heading "Newsletter" and past issues are available for your enjoyment through the resident portal on the website.



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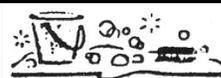
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Bob Edinger

We just dodged a bullet called "Ian." We had trees that were uprooted, and limbs fell, and we are in the clean-up process.

I am taking this opportunity to explain once again our standby line of credit earmarked for emergencies such as hurricanes. Had we suffered damages to our community in the amount of \$250,000, we would have had immediate cash available to pay for repairs. Without this line of credit, each homeowner would have been assessed \$555.56, payable immediately, to fix the damages that occurred. Instead, the repayment of the line of credit would have been spread out over three years, or \$185.19 per year per home, or spread out quarterly at \$46.30, plus interest.

I am pleased to tell everyone that the number of families using computerized voting this year is over 340 homes as of this writing. It is, and was, one of my top priorities to include as many persons as possible in the running of this community.

The other goal I have, yet unmet, is to provide activities to more residents, especially the newer ones. I am asking those of you that read this column to please step up and talk to us on the Board about your desires for activities or events that you would like to participate in by e-mailing Jay Peskoff; the Board will then review it.

The plan for Candidates' Night has changed from previous years. With eight people running for four seats, we will have each candidate talking about themselves for a maximum of three minutes and no questions will be asked. Residents should rely upon the candidates' resumes they received in the mail as well as their presentation on Candidate's Night, which will be on Zoom.

Kudos to Gail Shatzkamer, who rebuilt Channel 63 for all of us to enjoy, and which should be operational on or about October 31st.

We have four shows planned for 2023 at a cost per show of \$25 a seat if you buy all four. Jay and Priscilla have other event ideas that will be shared in the near future.



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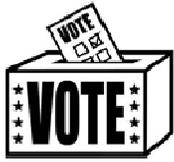
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(If you wish to serve on a committee, call the committee chair. – Ed.)

VOTING IN NOVEMBER

By Claire Deveney



GENERAL ELECTION: Tuesday, November 8, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Deadline to Register to vote is Tuesday, October 11.

Deadline to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot is Saturday, Oct. 29 by 5 p.m.

Early Voting: Monday, Oct. 24 through Sunday, Nov. 6, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Locations: The closest early voting site is the Hagen Ranch Library in Delray.

The website for all voting issues/applications is pbcelections.org.

In the General Election, you will be voting on candidates for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Officer, Commissioner of Agriculture, State Attorney, Public Defender, State Senator, State Representative, Supreme Court Justice, District Court of Appeals and Circuit Court Judges.

To request a Vote-by-Mail ballot, go to the voting website and follow the instructions. You can also authenticate your registration status at the same website by clicking on "My Status" and filling out the requested information. Be aware that Florida statutes have changed the Vote-By-Mail procedures for future elections, so **YOU WILL BE REQUIRED** to submit a new mail ballot request after November 8, 2022 for the elections in 2023 and 2024.

If you need to update your signature, complete the form and then mail it, or drop it off at one of their offices, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Questions about ballots: Complete and mail your Vote-by-Mail ballot as soon as possible upon receiving it. If you have questions regarding anything to do with the election, please contact Claire Deveney, Precinct Captain, on her cell phone at 561-504-3842. If you need a ride to the PBC Elections Office or help in dropping off your Vote-by-Mail ballot, call Claire.

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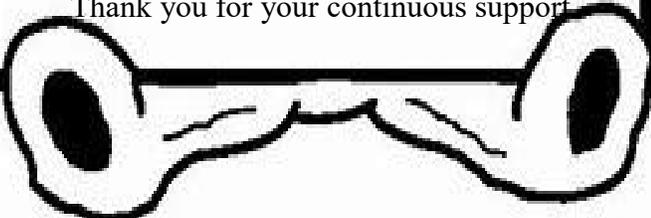


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We will start to collect Christmas gifts for our annual toy collection for the families at the Caridad Center/Soup Kitchen on November 1st.

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PROPERTY MATTERS

By Anne Gannon, Constitutional Tax Collector



The 2022 tax season is here and my staff is ready to support you during this busy time of the year. Once you receive your tax bill, I encourage you to use our convenient online payment process by visiting www.pbctax.com. And don't forget to pay early to take advantage of the discounts offered. Paying your property taxes by November 30 will result in a 4% discount – the maximum discount offered!

Watch your mail for your tax bill to arrive after November 1 and please visit www.pbctax.com for any questions you may have regarding paying your property taxes. Keep in mind that my office does not determine the amount of your taxes, that is determined by the property appraiser's office and the individual taxing authorities listed on your tax bill. Questions regarding the amount of your taxes must be directed to those offices, so review your tax bill for contact information.

Did you know there is an option to pay property taxes in installments? We have an Installment Payment Plan (IPP) that allows you to pay your taxes quarterly. For new enrollees, the IPP goes into effect for the 2023 property taxes and not your current 2022 bill. Eligibility requirements are as follows:

1. Your estimated property tax must total more than \$100.
2. Complete the online application by April 30, 2023
3. The first payment must be made no later than July 31, 2023.

Want more great news? If you make your first IPP payment by June 30, 2023, you will receive a discount of nearly 4% on your property taxes! To enroll, view the payment schedule and learn more by visiting www.pbctax.com/ipp/.

HOA RULES

Courtesy of your editor



Thank you for complying with the HOA rules and guidelines.

From the Editor

PETS

Dogs must always be on a leash, and walked on the sidewalks, not in your neighbor's yards or any of the common areas. Pet waste must be picked up and disposed of at home, not in any public receptacle.

PARKING

Parking of vehicles on the streets of the community is not permitted between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.; parking overnight in the clubhouse parking lot is likewise not permitted. Do not park in front of, or opposite driveways, near intersections or fire hydrants, and avoid obstructing sidewalks and mailboxes. When parking in the street, please park facing the correct traffic direction. Obey the speed limit (25 mph), and park on the odd side of the street in odd-numbered months, on the even side in even-numbered months. Please ensure that your guests obey our parking rules.

WALKERS and BIKE-RIDERS

Walkers are reminded to use the sidewalks, and bike riders should obey traffic rules and stop at all stop signs.

TRASH COLLECTION

Place trash at the curb **no earlier than** 5 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays for next day pickup. Recycling is picked up on Tuesdays, and bulk items on Thursdays. All trash should be placed in covered containers; garbage bags are not allowed.

PLANTINGS

Any plantings not installed by the developer must be maintained by the homeowner. All modifications to the exterior of units, including new plantings, require filling out an Architectural Modification form and returning it to the office for review by the ARC committee, which meets monthly.

MISCELLANEOUS

All persons arriving at the guardhouse for entry into the community must present ID to the guards.

The Association's covenants prohibit anyone from being on the banks of the lakes for safety reasons. Please remember this for yourselves and your guests.



PENGUINS

Submitted by Alene Kristal



Did you ever wonder why there are no dead penguins on the ice in Antarctica? Where do they go? Well wonder no more!

It is a well-known fact that the penguins are very ritualistic birds who live an extremely ordered and complex life.

The penguin is very committed to its family and will mate for life, as well as maintain a form of compassionate contact with its offspring throughout its life.

If a penguin is found dead on the ice surface, other members of the family and social circle have been known to dig holes in the ice, using their vestigial wings and beaks, until the hole is deep enough for the dead bird to be rolled into, and buried.

The male penguins then gather in a circle around the fresh grave and sing:

"Freeze a jolly good fellow."

"Freeze a jolly good fellow."

You really didn't believe that I know anything about penguins, did you?

From the Internet



A VIEW FROM ATOP A CAT TREE

By Misha K



Hello neighbors! Whew – we dodged that big storm, pretty much. Mom told me that it fried our big television and cable box, both of which had to

be replaced. She and Dad weren't happy about the expense of a new TV but promised it wouldn't cause them to cut back on our cat food. Phew!

I have to admit I've become very lazy of late. When Mom or Dad yell "Din-din" I don't automatically run to the kitchen for my meal. It's wonderful to have servants who deliver the food bowl to wherever I am at that moment. See how I've got them trained?

Speaking of training, I wish we could train my brother Winnie to stay out of our food bowls. He scarf's down his portion then immediately elbows himself into either Lily's or mine. He is bigger than either of us, and his bullying behavior is not acceptable, but I doubt the problem can be resolved; it forces one of our parents to stand guard while we eat and restraining him when he moves in.

The debate of "cats vs. dogs" is an argument as old as time. Rarely will you find someone who likes both equally, and each group is very passionate about their pets. However, cats, as anyone who has one will tell you, are better than dogs in every conceivable way. They're softer, sweeter, and smarter. They're quieter and cleaner. They're masters of both the art of lazy lounging and the one of skillful hunting (of rodents). Plus, once upon a time, we used to revere them as *gods*. And this all isn't just a cat lover's opinion - there's science and data to back it up. While you may have heard that dogs are man's best friends, here are some other reasons why cats actually make for far better pals. For example, studies have shown that cat owners are more intelligent than dog owners. Also, we cats love humans more than food, dogs are smellier, and, best of all, we don't have to be walked. And there's also that famous saying, "dogs drool, cats rule." Do we ever!



ISRAELI MIRACLES

Submitted by Jerry Elefson

The Israelis do not make islands in the shape of palm trees, towering skyscrapers, expensive hotels, nor do their leaders use cars with massive silver bodies (allusion to Dubai and the United Arab Emirates). The pride of Israel is that its technologies will be available to all humanity. Here are some examples:

1. Tel Aviv University is developing a nasal vaccine that will protect people from Alzheimer's and stroke.
2. The Technion, Institute of Technology (Haifa), has developed a simple blood test capable of detecting different types of cancer.
3. The Ichlov Center (Tel Aviv) isolated a protein that makes colonoscopy unnecessary to detect colon cancer, with a simple blood test. Colon cancer kills about 500,000 people annually.
4. Acne doesn't kill but does cause anxiety in teens. The Curlight Laboratory has created a cure. Emitting UV rays at high intensity, the device kills the bacteria that cause acne.
5. The Given Imaging Laboratory has developed a tiny camera in the form of swallowed pills and transmits thousands of photos of the digestive tract. These high-quality photos (two per second for eight hours) can detect polyps, cancers, and sources of bleeding. The photos are sent to a chip that stores them and sends them to a computer. At the end of the process, the camera is eliminated via the rectum.
6. The Hebrew University (Jerusalem) developed an electrical neurostimulator (battery operated) that is implanted in the chest of Parkinson's patients, similar to a pacemaker. The emissions from this device block the nerve signals that cause tremors.
7. The simple smell of a patient's breath can detect if a patient has lung cancer. The Russell Berrie Institute for Nanotechnology has created sensors capable of sensing and registering 42 biological markers that indicate the presence of lung cancer without the need for a biopsy.

8. Catheterization can be dispensed with in many cases. Endopat is a device placed between the indicator fingers, which can measure the state of the arteries and predict the possibility of a heart attack in the next seven years.

9. The University of Bar Ilan studies a new drug that fights viruses through the bloodstream. It is called Vecoy Trap, as it tricks a virus into self-destruction. It is very useful to combat hepatitis, and, in the future, aids and ebola.

10. Israeli scientists at Hadassah Medical Center (Jerusalem) may have discovered the first cure for Lou Gehrig's disease, in an Orthodox rabbi. Stephen Hawking, a famous British scientist, suffered from this disease and used methods invented by Israeli scientists to communicate.

From the Internet

DR. SEUSS

Anonymous

Alas they've come for Dr. Seuss, they wish to hang him with a noose. They claim his tales were racist bent, they judged him fast, missed what he meant.

But if we look inside his tales, you'll find the balance of the scales. Remember when Horton heard a Who, and we heard the wisdom of the Lorax too. The lesson behind "Green Eggs and Ham," that changed the mind of Sam I am. Remember, too, the rotten Grinch, who once would never give an inch.

He taught us lessons, one and all, boys and girls, big and small. If you've judged his works as poor, you should re-read them, I implore.

The man we know as Dr. Seuss turned our imaginations loose. His impact was beyond compare, he taught us it was good to care. To accept the red, the blue, the green, and on each other we can lean.

So, if you still won't give an inch, your heart has hardened like the Grinch. Release the grudge, the hate, the rue, and embrace the hope of Cindy Lou.

From the Internet

P.S. I have no idea who Cindy Lou is (Ed.)



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MOVIES/STREAMING

By Joan Sorkin



“Perfumer” on *Prime* is the story of a woman with an unusual sense of smell who uses her talent to carve out a unique career.

“Defeated,” on *Netflix*, tells the story of how Germany was divided between the allies after its defeat in WWII. It is very brutal, and I could not watch all eight parts. You might have better luck.

Tyler Perry has written and directed a new movie on *Netflix*. It is a love story entitled “Jazzman's Blues.”

Take a look at “Lou,” starring Allison Janney and Jennifer Hudson in an action-packed story of a kidnapped child on *Netflix*.

Based on a true story, “I Used to Be Famous,” on *Netflix*, tells of the friendship between a washed-up popstar and an autistic drummer who form a new band.

“Luckiest Girl Alive,” on *Netflix*, features Mila Kunis as a successful writer trying to ignore her painful past.

“Spectacular Now” on *HBO* tells the coming-of-age story of a popular high schooler who meets a shy awkward girl and how they influence each other's lives.

“Mr. Harrigan's Phone,” on *Netflix*, stars Donald Sutherland, and examines the friendship between a wealthy recluse and a young student.

If you are a fan of chocolate, watch a fascinating series on *Netflix* called “School for Chocolate” which follows famous chocolatier Amaury Guichon working with a group of pastry chefs and chocolate professionals to hone their skills. Get some insight into the wonderful world of chocolate – it's certainly not your Hershey chocolate bar.

COOKING CORNER

By Michele Zaitz



BROCCOLI CORN PUDDING

As with most of my recipes, this one is a very easy one. Broccoli Corn Pudding is a great alternative to stuffing to serve alongside turkey for Thanksgiving. It is also delicious with any meat, fish or chicken. All ingredients get mixed together in a large bowl, and scooped into a three-quart casserole or aluminum container.

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 20 oz bags of frozen broccoli
- 3 16 oz cans creamed corn
- 1 bag stuffing mix
- 1 lg onion, diced
- 4 eggs

DIRECTIONS:

Mix all ingredients together and bake at 350 degrees until set.



YOUR ITALIAN MOTHER'S PASTA SAUCE

Submitted by Steve Karten

Step 1: Call your mother and ask for her pasta sauce recipe. Set aside five to forty-five minutes for this step, as she will most likely complain to you about the weather, your father, and someone who wronged her in Italy back in 1961 before getting to the recipe. When you say, "I have to go, can you please just give me the recipe?" she will respond, "See, you never have time for me," and then spend another hour reminding you that she's a good mother.

Step 2: Collect the ingredients.

- One 28-ounce can of whole San Marzano tomatoes that your mom slipped into your luggage the last time you visited
- ¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil from a large oil tin that your mom sneaked into your luggage the last time you visited
- 7 garlic cloves, peeled and slivered, that your mom slipped into your luggage the last time you visited
- 1 large fresh basil sprig from the basil plant your mom slipped into your luggage the last time you visited (unpacking all of your clothes to wash them, again)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 lifetime of guilt and shame

Step 3: Heat oil in a large skillet over low heat; add garlic and sauté until tender, like the patch of upper lip hair that you've had lasered off multiple times but that keeps growing back because you can't erase your heritage.

Step 4: Stir in tomatoes, basil, and salt. Crush tomatoes with a spoon, like your mom crushed your teen-age dreams of having friends sit on a sofa without plastic. Simmer, stirring occasionally. Allow the sauce to cook down for fifteen to twenty minutes, using this time to maniacally clean your kitchen just like your mother maniacally cleaned the kitchen while the rest of the family actually enjoyed Christmas dinner. Reconnect to the trauma of calling out, "Mommy, please sit down and eat!" and her responding, "What, do you think the dishwasher is just going to clean itself?"

When you're done wiping the counter, be sure to repeatedly let your partner, children, roommates, dog, or houseplants know that you not only cooked but also cleaned today, until they praise your martyrdom.

Step 5: Pour the sauce over the pasta that your mother slipped into your luggage the last time you visited. Before serving, take a photo and text it to your mother along with the pasta emoji, Italian-flag emoji, and heart-eyes emoji. Anxiously await her approval.

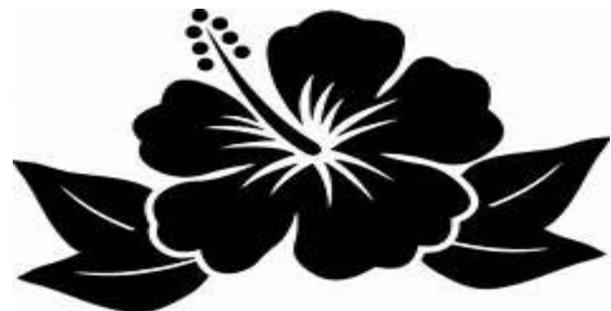
Step 6: Answer your mother's phone call asking you how to open a photo text - again. Please allow extra time for this step, as your mother will most likely stop listening to your directions and start talking sh*t about her cousin with the ugly husband who had the nerve to only give your niece a hundred dollars for her First Communion when your mother gave *her* daughter a hundred and fifty dollars.

Step 7: After your mother finally opens the photo, allow her to criticize the dish. (Examples include: "the pasta looks overcooked," "the pasta doesn't look cooked enough," "that's too much pasta, you're going to get fat," "that's not enough pasta, you're going to get too skinny," and, "you didn't clean the counter well enough.") Following her extended critique, she will deliver a single compliment about your cooking that she will somehow turn into a compliment about her cooking.

Step 8: Take a bite of your pasta, which is now cold because you spent so much time on the phone with your mother and then with your sibling talking about your mother.

Step 9: Order Thai food.

By Giulia Rozzi, taken from the Sept. 23, 2022 "New Yorker"



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HOW BOCA RATON MADE VICTORY IN WW II POSSIBLE

By Alene Kristal

Believe it or not, Boca Raton was an unknown rural community prior to the beginning of the war. I found this fascinating story and thought you readers would enjoy hearing about how a town so close to us had such a profound impact on WW II. It's all about radar.

The acronym RADAR (for Radio Detection and Ranging) was coined by the U.S. Navy in 1940. Up until the beginning of the war, radar existed in a primitive form. It required many 200-foot towers and didn't have the ability to pinpoint targets because the radio wavelengths were too large. At the outbreak of war in September 1939, both Great Britain and Germany had functioning radar systems. Scientists were interested in finding a way to "shrink" the wavelengths to microwave lengths so that the radar detection device could fit in a plane or a ship, rather than relying on a series of towers. "It was a science fiction idea" according to one of the commentators. At the time, all the Brits had were series of towers along their coastline to protect the island from German attacks – and they knew these would not succeed in repelling a concerted German air attack.

Edgar (Taffy) Bowen was a Welsh physicist who knew about short wavelength radar and was recruited to be part of the effort to build a radar system that could fit in a plane. Churchill orchestrated a plan for Bowen to get all the radar science documents, as well as the cavity magnetron, a key component in the proposed new radar system, on a ship to the U.S. Bowen met with his American counterparts in 1940 to collaborate on solving this scientific conundrum. Apparently, the American scientists were "blown away" by the cavity magnetron, which was capable of creating microwave energy.

Bowen joined the Americans who set up shop at M.I.T.; the team included scientists and engineers from all over the country. The project was top secret and eventually included hundreds of scientists and support personnel. They made rapid progress and developed a working system in less than a year.

After Pearl Harbor, the Americans were formally in the war and their shipping lanes were under constant attack by German U-boats off the coast in the Atlantic. The scientific group at M.I.T. now needed to test the device they'd invented and couldn't do so in the north due to the cold. They also needed a small town that was not only warm, but on the ocean so they could perform the necessary tests. They chose Boca Raton. At the time, Boca was a small rural community (750 people) known for its green beans (!) and a large, exclusive club. There were also numerous airfields in the vicinity.

Boca's isolation was a key factor in maintaining the secrecy of this top-secret project. It had a large grassy airfield, and the group took it over. They also took over the club as a headquarters and, in a short time, over 3,500 workers were brought in to build the structures necessary for workers' housing and of the testing of the new radar system. The base eventually grew to 15,000 servicemen and a contingent of WAC's. Eventually the base was successful in attacking German U-boats, and the science was used by Britain as well. Commentators opined that the radar developed at Boca Raton won the war, and the atomic bomb ended it.

Based on a PBS program.

Me: I'm going to get a dog to protect my house.

The dog:



COMMON WORDS WE GOT FROM OTHER LANGUAGES (Not derivations)

Submitted by Alene Kristal

RSVP

This popular acronym shows up on invites as a request to confirm whether you're attending an event. If you've ever wondered what it stands for, it's a French phrase, "*répondez s'il vous plaît*," meaning "please reply." The French don't really use this term (or its abbreviation) anymore, but in English-speaking nations, it's become common shorthand for events.

Chop Chop

Want something completed in a hurry? You may say "chop chop" to indicate speed when completing a task. This call to action is inspired by a Cantonese phrase, *cuk cuk*, or the Mandarin, *k'wai k'wai*. Word has it the phrase spread on 19th-century English ships that employed Chinese workers.

Emoji

Thought the word we use to describe the little graphics on your electronic devices was crafted in Silicon Valley? Think again – *emoji* actually comes from Japan. Its meaning is quite simple too: the "e" is commonly used around the globe to denote something electronic, while "moji" means letter or character in Japanese.

Paparazzi

This Italian-bred word is a well-known label applied to photographers who sell photos of celebrities and other high-profile individuals for money. The source of the word is appropriately star struck: the 1960s film "La Dolce Vita" features a character named Paparazzo, a news photographer. The character's name is inspired by an Italian word that refers to an annoying noise, like a buzzing mosquito – or a clicking camera lens.

Doppelgänger

Hailing from Germany, you'd call someone or something a *doppelgänger* if it was the spitting image of someone or something else. The literal meaning couldn't be clearer either – in German the word translates to "double-goer."

Bagel

Quite a few Yiddish words have made their way into English, including *klutz*, *spiel* and *glitch*. Bagel is a direct descendant of the Yiddish *beygel* from the early 20th century. But in a twist, that word also ties into the Middle High German *böugel*, meaning ring. This also draws on the Old High German *bouc*, with the same meaning. That's a lot of history in one word!

Siesta

If you're looking to enjoy a brief rest or nap, you may go down for a siesta. Most people know this as a Spanish word, but the word's origins go back to the Latin phrase, *sexta hora*, referring to the sixth hour. During the 17th century, the sixth hour was counted from dawn, generally making mid-day the perfect time for a siesta.

Diva

Italians have a flair for the dramatic, hence the creation of words like *diva* – applied to notoriously self-important and temperamental people. While it also has a more professional application when referring to female opera singers, most of us use *diva* when talking about our fussy pets or overdramatic bosses.

Karaoke

If you love to sing along to cheesy backup vocals, you're taking part in the Japanese art of karaoke. The actual Japanese meaning is "empty orchestra," but the term was introduced in its exact Japanese form when karaoke swept the nation in the last half of the 20th century.

Wanderlust

This seemingly English word – referring to a strong desire to travel – is actually German and was first adopted in 1902. It comes from two German words: *wandern* (to hike) and *lust* (desire), though today German speakers would be more likely use the term *fernweh*, meaning farsick, aka the antonym of homesick in English.

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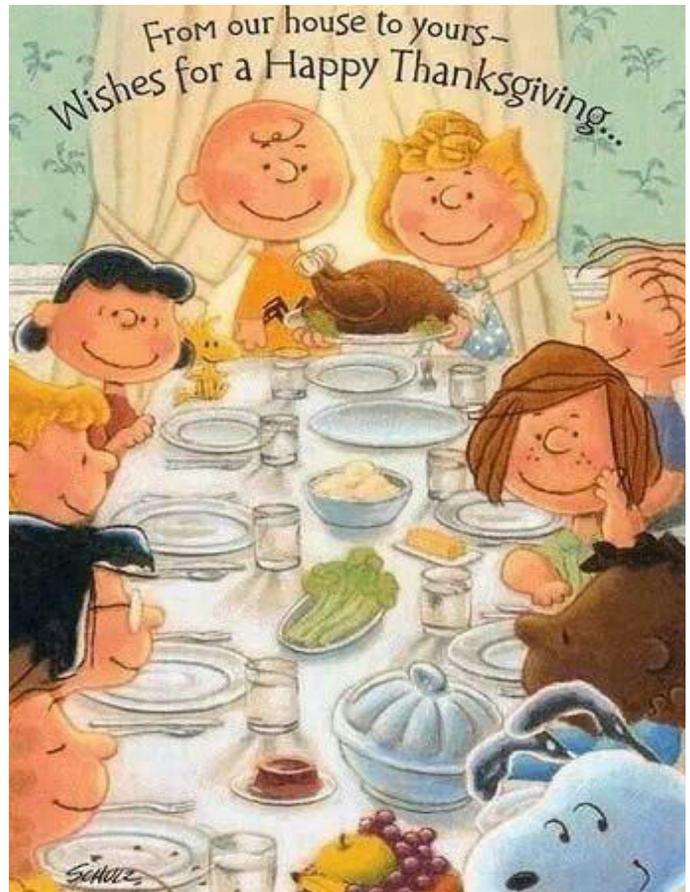
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Many of us in the gardening world have come across myths. Let me quote how Webster defines a myth: “a myth is a popular belief or tradition that has grown around something or someone.” Let’s visit several myths that can be attributed to Webster and apply to the world of gardening.

Myth - Buried banana peels give roses and other garden plants a potassium boost. Bananas contain a high level of potassium which our gardens require to produce flowers. However, the potassium from peeled bananas will eventually break down the required nitrogen from the soil causing less nitrogen for greening of plants.

Myth - Drought-Tolerant Plants do not require watering. Drought-tolerant plants, such as succulents, may require less water than other plants. Succulent plants have parts that are thicker and fleshier and retain water in arid climates with sandy soil conditions. When young, these plants are susceptible to drought since their shallow roots are just getting established. Therefore, it is necessary to keep the young succulent roots slightly moist but not soggy in the early growing stages, especially the first year.

Myth - Sprinkle coffee grounds around acid-loving shrubs. Coffee grounds, especially fresh grounds, are acidic. Adding them to the soil will slowly change the soil’s Ph, because they tie up the nitrogen. To lower the soil Ph, without causing a nitrogen deficiency, add a sulfur soil-based acidifier. Your ixora will enjoy this.

Myth - Adding fertilizer to the planting hole helps transplants to establish roots quickly. After you dig a hole, adding fertilizer or other amended soil is unnecessary. In some instances, it can actually discourage a strong established root

system. If you are concerned about fertility, spread a small layer of compost in the planting hole and top off with a couple of inches of mulch.

Myth - All Newly planted trees require staking. A newly planted tree which is not top heavy or planted in a windy location does not require staking. Movement is actually good. This is analogous in humans, as our muscles grow larger and stronger when we exercise with a little movement. Tree trunks will grow thicker and stronger with movement. If your tree does require staking, make sure the supporting strap is loosely attached and is left on no longer than six months. To prevent the strap material from cutting into the trunk, use a piece of discarded rubber hose.

Myth - Painting pruning cuts protects trees from diseases and pests. Research has shown that many of our professional arborists have given up the practice of painting tree cuts. Years ago, this practice was thought to prevent diseases and insects from entering the wounded cut. However, research has shown that treating painted tree wounds slowed down the trees natural healing process. To avoid damage, arborists prune with clean sharp cutting tools.

By using your gardening experience, you may be able to filter out the above time-tested myths. Being a gardener, you will then be able to “weed” out fact from fiction!

A bit of trivia for the upcoming holidays. Ben Franklin proposed for a short time the myth that the turkey was our national bird. However, in 1782, the bald eagle was chosen.



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By Michele Zaitz

Community defined: A community is a network of social and economic relationships and the places where those relationships interact.

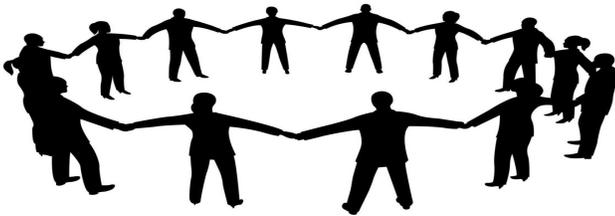
We are a community!!

When Ira and I decided to leave New Jersey, I said the biggest gift we could give each other was to find a community. After losing parents, siblings and a child (unfortunately everyone here has experienced some form of loss), we faced the fact that it's inevitable that one of us is going to be in need of support from a community.

We feel so lucky that the community we landed in is Majestic Isles. It's small in size, but big in diversity. Ira and I often look around at the beauty of the physical environment and say how lucky we are. We have made friends with neighbors from all walks of life, and each relationship enriches our lives. We made a good choice!

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THINGS BRIGHT WOMEN SAY

By Anonymous

1. I'm not offended by all the dumb blonde jokes because I know I'm not dumb . . . and I also know that I'm not blonde. *Dolly Parton*
2. You see a lot of smart guys with dumb women, but you hardly ever see a smart woman with a dumb guy. *Erica Jong*
3. I want to have children, but my friends scare me. One of my friends told me she was in labor for 36 hours. I don't even want to do anything that feels good for 36 hours. *Rita Rudner*
4. My husband and I are either going to buy a dog or have a child. We can't decide [whether] to ruin our carpet or ruin our lives. *Rita Rudner*
5. I've been on so many blind dates, I should get a free dog. *Wendy Liebman*
6. Never lend your car to anyone to whom you have given birth. *Erma Bombeck*
7. If high heels were so wonderful, men would be wearing them. *Sue Grafton*
8. I'm not going to vacuum 'til Sears makes one you can ride on. *Roseanne Barr*
9. I think, therefore I'm single. *Lizz Winstead*
10. When women are depressed, they either eat or go shopping. Men invade another country. *Elayne Boosler*
11. Behind every successful man is a surprised woman. *Maryon Pearson*
12. I base most of my fashion taste on what doesn't itch. *Gilda Radner*
13. In politics, if you want anything said, ask a man; if you want anything done, ask a woman. *Margaret Thatcher*
14. I have yet to hear a man ask for advice on how to combine marriage and a career. *Gloria Steinem*
15. Some of us are becoming the men we want to marry. *Gloria Steinem*
16. I am a marvelous housekeeper. Every time I leave a man I keep his house. *Zsa Zsa Gabor*

SCAMS

Submitted by Sally Galan

Smishing

Smishing is short for “SMS phishing,” and for this one, you’ll be getting a text, not an actual phone call. In the text, the person will claim to be from your bank and provide a link for you to click on. If you do, the scammer will attempt to trick you out of money or personal information. You should delete this text or any other like it.

Health insurance Scam

For these scams, you’ll get a robocall or one from an actual person claiming to work for a health insurance company. They’ll say they can get you discounted insurance, which often involves a “medical discount card” that ends up not being accepted anywhere. While this scam happens quite a bit during open enrollment season, it can occur year-round. Most of these calls are illegal, and you can actually file a complaint with the FCC if you get them.

Tech support Scam

Warning: Your computer has been infected with a virus! So goes these tech-support scams, which are some of the oldest in the book. After this lead-in, instead of removing the alleged virus, the person on the phone will walk you through a process that actually places a virus on your computer. Just how common is this scam? Microsoft has estimated that around 3.3 million people are scammed each year, leading to an annual cost of \$1.5 billion and an average loss of more than \$450 per individual.

Recovery Scam

This might seem like a no-brainer, but if you’ve already fallen victim to a scam, don’t believe it when someone calls to help you recover money from that scam. In a recovery scam, someone calls a person who has already been scammed and offers to help - but that help actually involves scamming the same person again.

Back-to-school Scam

Like all scams, this one targets people who are vulnerable - in this case, current or recent graduates. Here are some common variations on the theme: Someone calls a recent grad and offers a scholarship that doesn’t exist, or says they’ll help to find a roommate or a non-existent house rental. The goal is to acquire personal information, sometimes financial information, that is then used by the scammer.

FBI arrest/deportation Scam

A helpful note: If the FBI is planning to arrest you, they’re not going to call you first. But it can still be jarring to get an official-sounding call from someone claiming to be from this government office. In this scam, the caller will say he’s from the FBI and has a warrant for your arrest or is from Immigration and plans to deport you. The caller will ask you to make a payment in order to rescind the warrant.

Google-listing Scam

In this type of scam, a caller will claim that he can either add or remove your business on Google for a fee. The callers are not affiliated with Google, have no power to do what they claim, and are simply collecting payment for a service that they will not do. According to Google, while you might get a call from an operator for the purposes of development, customer service, or support, the caller “will never ask you for payment information over the phone or guarantee you favorable placement in [their] products.”

We all receive these types of calls, texts or emails. Exercise common sense and do not ever give your personal information to anyone on the phone – not even if you’re returning a call. The only exception to this maxim is when you have initiated the call to an entity with which you already do business.

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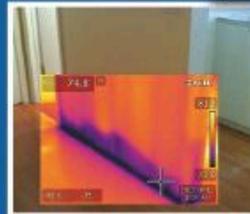
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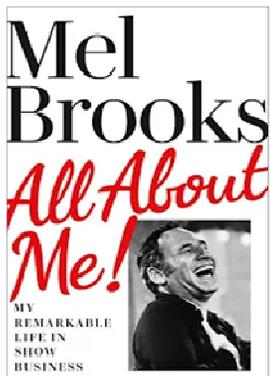
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“ALL ABOUT ME!” BY MEL BROOKS

By Stan Kaish



In 2021, Mel Brooks published an autobiography entitled “All About Me.” It is subtitled “My Remarkable Life in Show Business.” By my calculation, he was 95 years old at the time of publication, which is remarkable enough. The story he tells about his career warrants a word beyond remarkable. I’m not quite sure

what it should be. See what you think.

Melvin Kaminsky was the fourth and final child born to Kate and Max Kaminsky of the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn. When Mel was two years old, his father, Max, died from tuberculosis. That meant hard times for the Kaminsky family, but there were abundant uncles and aunts in the neighborhood, as well a grandma on the floor below. With familial support of a full time Mom, the Kaminskys got by. Socially, Mel was short and slight and if you’re short and slight in a Brooklyn schoolyard, you are best served if you can live by your wits. Mel made them laugh and so was always one of the gang.

One day when Mel was nine, his cab-driving Uncle Joe came by and said, “Mel, I’ve got two free tickets to a Saturday matinee of a Broadway musical called ‘Anything Goes.’ Would you like to come with me?” Mel did and tells it this way. “When the final curtain fell, I leapt to my feet and cheered my nine-year-old head off, clapping my hands until they stung. Way up there, at the top of the second balcony, I figured I was as close to heaven as I would ever get.” It was that night that he pledged to Uncle Joe, “I’m going into show- business and nothing will stop me.” He decided that going into show business as Mel Kaminsky could slow him down, so he adopted a shortened version of his mother’s maiden name (Brookman) and became Mel Brooks.

Good fortune led to his first step in that direction. In high school, he signed up for the school band and was assigned to be a second drummer. It turned out that the saxophone player had a brother named

Buddy Rich who was the drummer in Artie Shaw’s band. One thing led to another, and Buddy Rich was instrumental in teaching Mel enough about playing the drums to allow him to make his entry to show biz as a musician.

But first, there was the Catskills. A guy named Don Appell, who was an actor playing bit parts on Broadway, lived in his neighborhood. Mel and a friend established a relationship with Don based on their interest in show business, which led to Mel’s spending his summers in the Catskills as the Social Director at the Avon Lodge, one of the more modest hotels there. Don also got Mel a job as a bus boy in the hotel. When one of the entertainers hurt his leg, Mel jumped on the opportunity to say he could take his place, showed he knew some of the entertainer’s lines and got the chance. Things didn’t go too smoothly on that occasion, but he got one big laugh and was on his way. Soon Mel was made pool *tummeler* - a job where you walk around the pool telling jokes and doing silly things to keep the guests awake and laughing after lunch. Mel always called the Borscht Belt his training ground. He got to watch the great Jewish comedians in action and see what got laughs and what didn’t.

When Mel turned 18, he was inducted into the army to fight in World War II. He was sent overseas and stationed in France as a combat engineer. His job was to clear mines and booby traps. More importantly, he also got to see USO shows. Then it was announced that Special Services was looking for people who could sing, dance, tell jokes, or play the drums. Mel could do all four; he applied, was transferred to Special Services, and spent the rest of his time in the service touring units and putting on shows. He was discharged in 1946 and was ready to launch a career in show business.

For ten years he wrote for Sid Caesar’s “Show of Shows.” Among the other writers were Neil Simon, Woody Allen and Carl Reiner, who became Mel’s best friend. But he had one major problem - money. He was hired by Sid, not the network, to be Sid’s personal writer. It was good experience but paid relatively little money. But something else turned up. At parties, Mel and Carl Reiner played a game where Carl would ad lib spontaneous questions aimed at

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“All About Me” (Continued from Page 26)

some character in history and Mel would come up with answers that invariably cracked the other guests up. Their most successful routine involved the 2,000- year-old- man, which was funny enough to inspire Steve Allen to say, “Record it!” In 1960, sales of those records was the main source of income for the now divorced Mel Brooks who was supporting three children.

All that was about to change when David Susskind asked Mel to write a show about cops and robbers. The one he and Buck Henry put together became “Get Smart.” About that time, he fell in love with and married Ann Bancroft and began working on the script for a crazy movie called “Springtime for Hitler,” built around a premise that one could make more money from a bad play than a good one, if done right. The title, as I am sure most of you know, got changed to “The Producers.” The writing and casting of that show occupy many pages of “All About Me” because that movie would establish the pattern of much of his future work. In addition to writing it, he directed it, wrote the key song contained in it, and was rewarded with an Oscar for Best Original Screen Play.

From there on, the book focuses on the stream of motion pictures Mel wrote, with considerable attention paid to details of casting, and stories involving his thinking as he put ideas and melodies on paper. Basically, he devotes a chapter to each of his projects.

This 450-page book is filled with show business stories involving stars who were household names during his lifetime, and therefore a good part of most of ours. He also offers up sections of scripts he wrote, lyrics from songs he composed and a steady patter of trade talk - all very entertaining reading.

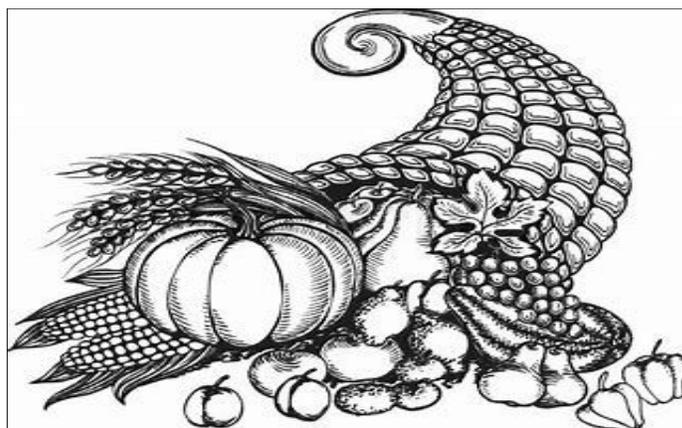
He went on to write and direct “Twelve Chairs” the first movie in which he began playing a part. Next came “Blazing Saddles,” in which he began writing parodies of movie genres, in this case, Westerns. Then came “Young Frankenstein,” written with Gene Wilder. “Silent Movie” followed, in which the world-famous mime, Marcel Marceau, speaks the only word. Next was “High Anxiety,” for which

Mel got Alfred Hitchcock’s okay before making it and won his praise afterwards. “History of the World – Part I” followed. Here, Mel plays Moses and famously drops one of three stone tablets he is carrying, thereby reducing mankind to only ten commandments. “Spaceballs” came next, one-upping “Star Wars,” and then a riff on “may the force be with you” became “May the Schwartz Be With You.” “Life Stinks” was followed by “Robin Hood: Men in Tights,” in which Mel replaces Friar Tuck with Rabbi Tuckman, and “Dracula: Dead and Loving It,” for which Mel’s Academy Award winning wife, Ann Bancroft was available to play a small cameo as a gypsy woman offering a tremulous warning. And the list goes on.

One major achievement remains: the re-writing of “The Producers” as a Broadway musical. It was nominated for 15 Tony Awards and won 12, the most any musical has won in the history of Broadway to this date. (“Hamilton” only won eleven.) Mel and Tom Meehan won for Best Book of a Musical, and Mel won for Best Original Score, music and lyrics. Those awards made Mel an EGOT, one of only 17 people who have won the four principal awards of show business, Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony.

I’m still looking for that word beyond remarkable that describes Mel Brooks’ career.

(I was in the audience of “The Producers” one of the nights Mel Brooks was there with Anne Bancroft. After every song finished, he jumped up and gesticulated wildly, shouting “Bravo” at the top of his lungs. He was a show in itself. – Ed)





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POLITICS QUIPS

Submitted by Edie Balan

“Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich by promising to protect each from the other.” ~ *Oscar Ameringer*, “the Mark Twain of American Socialism.”

“I offered my opponents a deal: if they stop telling lies about me, I will stop telling the truth about them.” ~ *Adlai Stevenson*

“A politician is a fellow who will lay down your life for his country.” ~ *Texas Guinan*, 19th century American businessman

“I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians” ~ *Charles de Gaulle*

“Instead of giving a politician the keys to the city, it might be better to change the locks.” ~ *Doug Larson* (English middle-distance runner who won gold medals at the 1924 Olympic Games in Paris, 1902-1981)

“We hang petty thieves and appoint the bigger thieves to public office.” ~ *Aesop*

“Those who are too smart to engage in politics are punished by being governed by those who are dumber.” ~ *Plato*

“Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river.” ~ *Nikita Khrushchev*

“When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become president; I'm beginning to believe it.” Quoted in “Clarence Darrow for the Defense” by Irving Stone.

“Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, go out and buy some more tunnel.” ~ *John Quinton*, American actor/writer

What happens if a politician drowns in a river? That is pollution. What happens if all of them drown? That is a solution!!!

(From the internet)

SOME MUCH NEEDED HUMOR

By Anonymous

Thoughts I Wish I'd Written...

1. I thought getting older would take longer.
2. A wise man once said respect your elders; they graduated school without the internet.
3. Why do I have to press “1” for English? Did America move?
4. We have enough gun control; what we need is idiot control.
5. Behind every angry woman stands a man who has absolutely no idea what he did wrong.
6. Instead of “single” as a marital status, I prefer “independently owned and operated.”
7. Let's stop sending money to other countries and let them hate us for free.
8. Vegetarian: ancient tribal name for the village idiot who can't hunt, fish or light fires!
9. I look at people and sometimes think ... “really? that's the sperm that won?”
10. In my defense, I was left unsupervised.
11. If guns kill people, then pencils misspell words, cars make people drive drunk, and spoons make people fat.
12. My decision-making skills closely resemble those of a squirrel when crossing the road.
13. Some things are just better left unsaid. and I usually realize it right after I say them.
14. Camping: where you spend a small fortune to live like a homeless person.
15. If my body is ever found on a jogging trail, just know that I was murdered somewhere else and dumped there.

From the Internet

THE EARTH SHAKES

Submitted by Steve Karten

This comes under the heading of Who knew?



The Earth shakes every 26 seconds, and scientists aren't sure why.

Like a lot of strange happenings, it was first noticed in the 1960s: a small seismic pulse, large enough to register on seismological instruments but small enough to go otherwise unnoticed, occurring every 26 seconds. Jack Oliver, a researcher at the Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory, first documented the "microseism" and figured out that it was emanating from somewhere "in the southern or equatorial Atlantic Ocean." It wasn't until 2005 that it was determined that the pulse's true origin was in the Gulf of Guinea, just off Africa's western coast, but to this day scientists still don't know something just as important: why it's happening in the first place.

There are theories, of course, ranging from volcanic activity to waves, but still no consensus. There does happen to be a volcano on the island of São Tomé in the Gulf of Guinea near the pulse's origin point, not to mention another microseism linked to the volcano Mount Aso in Japan, which has made that particular explanation more popular in recent years. Though there's no way of knowing when (or even if) we'll learn the why of this phenomenon, one thing's for sure: better a microseism than a macroseism.

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NAME THAT TV SHOW

Submitted by Arlene Bloom

These are selected lyrics from famous TV show themes. Can you name the show from which each tune comes?

1. "Love, exciting and new. Come aboard, we're expecting you."
2. "Here's the story of a lovely lady who was bringing up three very lovely girls."
3. "One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight. Schlemiel, Schlimazel..."
4. "You take the good, you take the bad, you take them both and there you have..."
5. "Sometimes you want to go where everybody knows your name. And they're always glad you came."
6. "What would we do, baby, without us?"
7. "As long as we got each other, with got the world spinning right in our hands..."
8. "Lucky there's a man who positively can do all the things that make us laugh and cry..."
9. "Good morning, USA! I've got a feeling that it's gonna be a wonderful day!"
10. "Boy, the way Glenn Miller played songs that made the it parade. Guys like us, we had it made. Those were the days..."
11. "They're the modern Stone Age family. From the town of Bedrock..."
12. "Goodbye grey sky, hello blue. There's nothing can hold me when I hold you. Feels so right, it can't be wrong, rockin' and rollin' all week long."
13. "If the teacher pops a test, I know I'm in a mess and the dog ate all my homework last night..."
14. "Just sit right back and you'll hear a tale, a tale of a fateful trip..."
15. "We're movin' on up to the East Side..."

From TV Guide Trivia Puzzles

(Answers can be found on page 36)

CALLING ALL DOG LOVERS

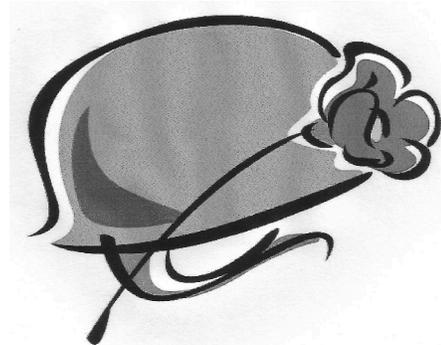
Submitted by Arlene Bloom

Can you match the TV dog character to the correct TV show?

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|------------------|---|
| A. Arnold | 1. <i>The Beverly Hillbillies</i> |
| B. Astro | 2. <i>The Brady Bunch</i> |
| C. Bandit & Jack | 3. <i>Columbo</i> |
| D. Tramp | 4. <i>The Donna Reed Show</i> |
| E. Tiger | 5. <i>The Doris Day Show</i> |
| F. Boot & Henry | 6. <i>The Dukes of Hazzard</i> |
| G. Brandon | 7. <i>Emergency</i> |
| H. Buck | 8. <i>Empty Nest</i> |
| I. Bullet | 9. <i>Frasier</i> |
| J. Buster | 10. <i>Full House</i> |
| K. Claude & Duke | 11. <i>The Ghost & Mrs. Muir</i> |
| L. Coco | 12. <i>The Little Rascals</i> |
| M. Comet | 13. <i>How The Grinch Stole Christmas</i> |
| N. Djinn Djinn | 14. <i>I Dream of Jeannie</i> |
| O. Dog | 15. <i>The Jetsons</i> |
| P. Dreyfuss | 16. <i>Life Goes On</i> |
| Q. Eddie | 17. <i>Little House on the Prairie</i> |
| R. Flash | 18. <i>Max About You</i> |
| S. Lord Nelson | 19. <i>Married...with Children</i> |
| T. Max | 20. <i>My Three Sons</i> |
| U. Murray | 21. <i>Punky Brewster</i> |
| V. Petey | 22. <i>The Roy Rogers Show</i> |
| W. Scruffy | 23. <i>The Wonder Years</i> |
| X. Speedy | 24. <i>The Drew Carey Show</i> |

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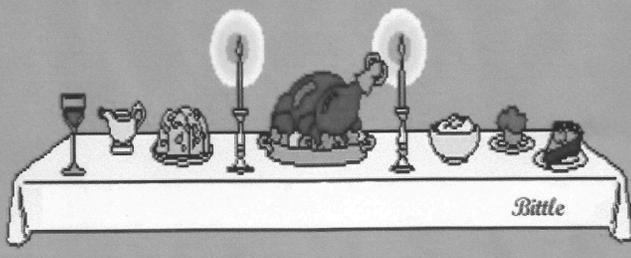
Submitted by Alene Kristal

- ◆ Venus is the only planet that rotates clockwise
- ◆ Walt Disney was afraid of mice
- ◆ The three most valuable brand names on earth? Marlboro, Coca Cola, and Budweiser, in that order
- ◆ “Go” is the shortest complete sentence in the English language
- ◆ Americans eat an average of 18 acres of pizza every day
- ◆ Only one person in two billion will live to be 116 or older
- ◆ 47.2 percent of all statistics are made up on the spot
- ◆ A dime has 118 ridges around the edge
- ◆ Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair
- ◆ Most lipstick contains fish scales (ugh!)



THANKSGIVING POEM

May your stuffing be tasty
 May your turkey be plump,
 May your potatoes and gravy
 have nary a lump.
 May your yams be delicious
 and your pies take the prize,
 and may your
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 stay off your thighs!



(Answers to the TV Show Trivia page 35)

1. *The Love Boat*
2. *The Brady Bunch*
3. *Laverne & Shirley*
4. *The Facts of Life*
5. *Cheers*
6. *Family Ties*
7. *Growing Pains*
8. *Family Guy*
9. *American Dad!*
10. *All In The Family*
11. *The Flintstones*
12. *Happy Days*
13. *Saved By The Bell*
14. *Gilligan’s Island*
15. *The Jeffersons*

(Answers to the TV Dogs page 35)

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| A. 16 | M. 10 |
| B. 15 | N. 14 |
| C. 17 | O. 3 |
| D. 20 | P. 8 |
| E. 2 | Q. 9 |
| F. 7 | R. 6 |
| G. 21 | S. 5 |
| H. 19 | T. 13 |
| I. 22 | U. 18 |
| J. 23 | V. 12 |
| K. 1 | W. 11 |
| L. 4 | X. 24 |



NEWS AND VIEWS

By **Bobbie Rosenfeld**



Hi again. One of the big stories this month was the death of the reigning Queen of England. Few have power for 70 years, but the long queue to mourn her attests to her country's love of her. Then there was the Mar-a-Lago top secret document mess, still going on, with Trump working hard to delay, delay, delay, justice. But Georgia, New York, and the Jan. 6 commission are all pressing forward during the run-up to the mid-terms. Speaking of midterms, the Herschel Walker story grows each day. Republicans have had to admit that what they really care about is controlling Congress, not any issues. Our group enjoyed the comments on this discussion and noted the blatant hypocrisy of some of the commentary.

Our members observed the rise in restaurant prices, and other economic problems; we also talked abortion and COVID and flu shots.

We discussed the war in Ukraine, and were all pleased with the progress being made, despite the terrible cost in lives of any war. We also talked about how Putin might be ousted from office. We noted that some of the areas Russia annexed are already back in Ukrainian hands.

We talked about colleges boycotting Israel. We also discussed the fact more women are brewing beers and opening restaurants on their own and building a clientele base. We covered the elections in Britain and Italy of right-wing, fascist-leaning female leaders, as well as moves to the right all across Europe.

The big news here was Ian, one of the largest, most expensive storms to ever hit our state. Sixty-seven million in damages, over 150 dead, and a seacoast destroyed. Fortunately for those of us on the east coast, we dodged a frightful bullet.

The bit of good news we covered is that a huge piece of land in Fort Lauderdale will be turned into a major film and television studio. Think jobs and money coming into our state, and some of you might wind up being extras in shows!

Join us Mondays at 3 p.m.

BOOK TALKS

By **Claire Deveney**



Claire Deveney will lead the discussion of "The Paris Apartment," a #1 "New York Times" bestselling mystery novel by Lucy Foley, on Wednesday, November 16 at 2 p.m. in the clubhouse ballroom.

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The book for December is "Sooley," a novel by John Grisham.

Book Talks meets the third Wednesday of the month through June. Contacts for Book Talks are Claire Deveney, 561-504-3842, and Allan Topolosky, 301-335-2288. To add your name and email address to the list, please email cdeveney@comcast.net.

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3	Thursday	10:30 a.m.	Calendar Meeting	(f,h)
4	Friday	11:00 a.m.	Newsletter Staff Meeting	(f,h)
7	Monday	10:00 a.m.	Board Workshop	(f,h)
10	Thursday	1:00 p.m.	PAP Opening Meeting	(p,h)
14	Monday	6:00 p.m.	Candidates' Night - Zoom	(f,h)
		7:00 p.m.	Glitz & Glam Beading	(p,h)
16	Wednesday	2:00 p.m.	Book Talk	(f,h)
28	Monday	2:00 p.m.	Cooking at MI	(p,h)

Weekly Activities

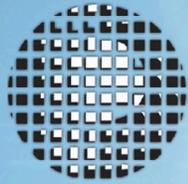
Daily	8:30 a.m.	Pickleball	(f,h)
Monday	10:00 a.m.	Chair Yoga	(f,h)
Monday	10:30 a.m.	Quilling	(f,h)
Monday	3:00 p.m.	News 'N Views	(f,h)
Tuesday	9:15 a.m.	Aqua Fit	(f,h)
Tuesday	12:00 p.m.	Bowling	(p,a)
Tues/Thurs/Sat	9:30 a.m.	Tennis	(f,h)
Wednesday	10:15 a.m.	Aqua Fit	(f,h)
Wednesday	1:00 p.m.	Needlecraft	(f,h)

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