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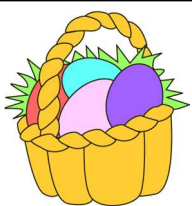
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Lots of Fun Stuff!



Happy
Easter!

April, 2023



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Greetings, friends and neighbors!

On March 18, the Annual Meeting of the HEOA was held in the clubhouse. Over 70 people attended, and it was a good, productive meeting. This is the time of year when elections are held, so we have a new board. Their names are listed in the left sidebar. Dave Comerzan stepped down as President, but will still serve on the board, and Jerry Bryant is the new President. We'd like to thank Dave for his year of service to the community. We're excited to see what the new board will add to the community.

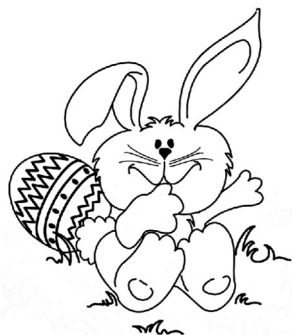
This "reporter" was busy helping with the Zoom and the luncheon that followed, and totally neglected to get a photo of the new board! *Mea culpa!*



Are you as happy to see Spring as I am? It has been a long, wet winter for sure in these parts. As of this writing, it's still raining. We surely need the water in this state after many years of drought, but some of us are looking forward to some sunshine! It sure is nice to live in a place where sunshine is the norm and there are many things to do.

Spring is my favorite time of year. It's when winter loosens its icy grip on the world and Mother Nature comes back to life. I love when the robins arrive, followed by other songbirds. Then the crocus, daffodils, tulips and other bulbs start peeking out of the ground. but when they suddenly get tall and burst forth in a glorious rainbow of colors while the flowering plum starts to bloom – oh, my goodness! My heart can barely contain the joy. I just can't wait to get out there and put some seeds in the ground to watch them grow and produce veggies to snack on. Does it get any better than this?

Maria Allan
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- 2 Eggs
- 2 c. Flour
- 1 t. Baking Soda
- 2 c. Chocolate chips



1. Combine coconut, pecans, and oats on a baking sheet and toast in the oven for 8 minutes at 350°. Watch to make sure they don't burn.
2. Cream together butter and sugars. Cream in vanilla and eggs. Stir in flour and soda. Add in toasted ingredients and chocolate chips.
3. Form into walnut-sized balls and place on baking sheet. Bake at 350° for about 11 minutes.



Around the Neighborhood!

Carolyn Bywater turns 90 this month! Her family is hosting an open house birthday celebration on Wednesday, April 12 from 2 to 4 PM in the clubhouse. There will be light refreshments and visiting with Carolyn and friends. Drop by and give her your birthday wishes. No gifts, please.

We are sad to report the passing of **Stace Sharp**, a long-time resident of Harrisburg, on March 12. She lived on Pioneer Circle and has been struggling with health issues for some time. We extend our condolences to her family.

We were informed recently that **James Alvey**, who lived with his wife Judy on Overlook, passed away suddenly on November 10. We extend our condolences to his wife and family.

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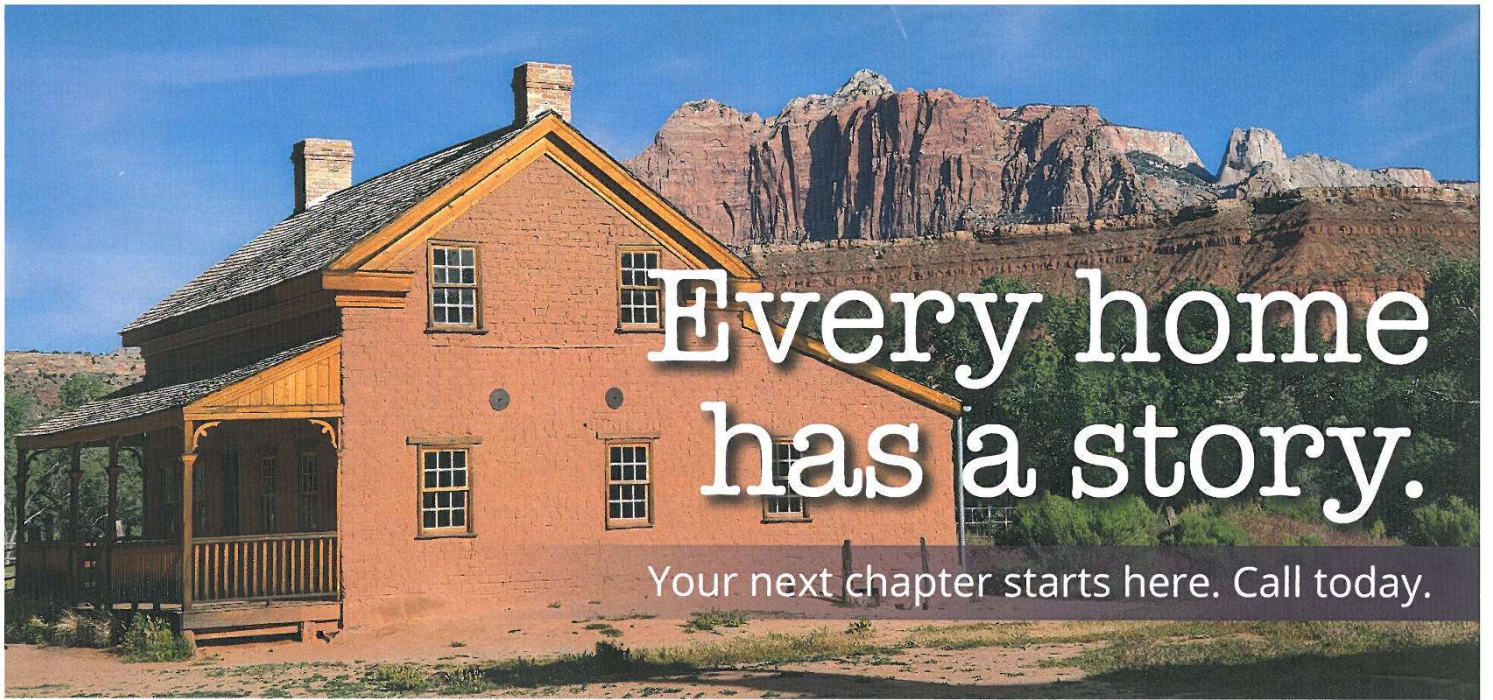
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News from the Board

By Jerry Bryant, President



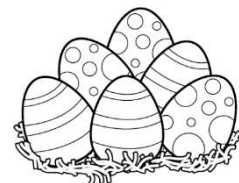
Well, I'm back!! Lol! I again will do my best, as many around the park already know--my interest is always to try to make our park better! I'm here for everyone not just for myself.

Just remember nothing can get solved overnight or without letting us know through the proper channels--fill out a form or check with the office if you are not sure.

As I mentioned at our annual meeting, we had money allotted in our budget to update our clubhouse TV. With Chuck's help with our financing and John Parker's help with acquiring a very good condition pool table, and my shopping around for benches and a BBQ, we were able to acquire these items *and* a new TV for approximately the same price we had allocated for just the TV! Thank you, John for everything you did to get the pool table all set up.

The board is here to keep our park nice. Things need to be maintained and replaced as needed. We as a board will continue to work to improve areas to its best and as reasonable as we can to save us all money and keep our dues low!

We on the board thank you for your support. Let's keep our neighborhood friendly and everyone smiling!





Things to Do, Places to Go!

It's time for the Washington County Fair! Gather up the young'uns and come to the fair, which will be located at Legacy Park – 5500 West 700 South in Hurricane April 14-22. There will be rides, live stage entertainment, free petting zoo, a half-pipe skate ramp, military wall of honor, contests, rodeo, and of course Fair Food, a universal favorite.

Admission is \$2 per person age 13+, \$1 12 and under. There will be a concert with Chris Janson.

Be sure to visit the exhibits as well! For more information, a map and schedule of events, go to <https://washcofair.net>.



April Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all our friends and neighbors born in April!

- 2nd - Reva Finkbeiner
- 3rd - Tamera Goering
- 3rd - Marilyn Turley
- 5th - Steven Hardman
- 5th - Lori Dean
- 7th - Donna Jo Judson
- 8th - Marj Comerzan
- 9th - Ed Miller
- 9th - Ruth Klausmeier
- 11th - Dick Reynolds
- 12th - Carolyn Bywater
- 12th - Blaine Cunningham
- 12th - Clynn Mann
- 12th - Margaret Thompson
- 21st - Kurt Draper
- 23rd - Carl Hobbs
- 24th - Merrell Turley
- 25th - Cindy Bryant
- 28th - Troy Hansen
- 28th - Jim Plumof
- 30th - Nickola Sanic

Did we miss your birthday? Please give the month and date to the office or contact the editor.



They Said It

“Clothes make the man. Naked people have little or no influence in society.” —Mark Twain



“Before you marry a person, you should first make them use a computer with slow Internet to see who they really are.” —Will Ferrell



“I love being married. It's so great to find that one special person you want to annoy for the rest of your life.” —Rita Rudner



“When your mother asks, ‘Do you want a piece of advice?’ it is a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway.” —Erma Bombeck



Activity Committee Report

By Cindy Bryant

Will it ever quit raining? Know we need it, but Yikes it's been a long cold winter!!! Come on summer!!

Our Annual Meeting Luncheon turned out great! Hoagies were a big hit! Thank you to Teri Perkes and Maria Allan for making the Potato Salads and the Hobbses for donating the potatoes! I made Macaroni Salad, Linda Bingham made a Frog Eye Fruit Salad and Imelda Akens made Coleslaw! Thank you to Jerry Bryant for baking the Brownies & Linda Bingham for the Cookies! We served 55 people! Yahoo!

Thank you for those who came and donated to our Annual Activity Committee fundraiser. We hope to get the concrete bean bag toss (aka Cornhole) game soon and maybe another type of game! Our goal is to have activities available for all to enjoy, improve our community and help bring more neighbors outdoors!

We would like to Welcome Imelda Akens and Liz Nuttall to our activity committee! Imelda has jumped right in to help with setup at events and made coleslaw for our Annual Luncheon! Welcome ladies and thank you, Imelda!

As announced at the annual meeting, due to the increase in food costs, we will be upping the ice cream prices to 75¢ a scoop starting this month! Banana splits with 2 scoops will be \$2.00. We try to keep the prices down but need to at least break even! Thank you to Maria for always hosting it! Thank you to those who attend; it's a delicious social hour! (Lol-last month we talked about our experiences at scary or ghost hotels! Fun!)

We have a new event that started in March-8 Ball Pool night on Mondays at 5:30pm! Cost 25¢ a game and proceeds go to the Activity Committee! It's a fun relaxing night—non-competitive! Everyone is welcomed!

Anyone interested in starting a Wii bowling time? I donated our console and Wanda Milhouse donated one with an exercise bench that we will put upstairs in our exercise room! Thank you Wanda!

Pinochle and craft time will be off the calendar for now due to lack of interest! Ongoing is Hand & Foot on Wednesday afternoons at 1:30pm, Texas Hold 'Em on Thursday nights at 5:30pm, and pool on Monday nights at 5:30pm! Interested in starting up a game? Contact me or put in a request/suggestion form into the box next to the office!

Upcoming:

Easter: nothing planned due to family time! Tuesday, April 14 will be our Easter Potluck dinner and Bingo night!

We are so looking forward to water aerobics starting in the pool, but of course it's gotta get warmer! Funny how some years we are in the pool in March, yet sometimes not till May. Hopefully in between--April??? Only Mother Nature knows for sure!! Watch for announcements!

Take care--hope to see you around!

Cindy Bryant

Activity Committee Chairperson



Did you Know?

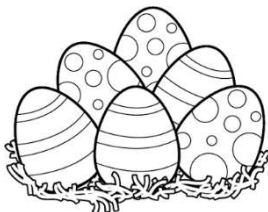
By Karen Brunette

The Hurricane earthquake fault extends for 160 miles from north to south, beginning south of Cedar City and extending through the Grand Canyon. The fault extension into the Grand Canyon is unusual in that the Colorado River does not flow along the fault line, but crosses it in one place, then runs parallel to it for a 25-mile section.

Geologists estimate that movement along the fault line began approximately 5 million years ago. The offset depth near the town of Hurricane is over 8,000 feet. Viewing this offset can be accomplished by driving to the large bridge in LaVerkin, walk across and look down and around. You are now standing over a segment of one of the longer earthquake faults on the North American continent.

You can also take the 1.3-mile drive on the marked dirt road to the LaVerkin Overlook to view the Hurricane Mesa and the Hurricane cliffs BELOW.

Seismic activity in this area over the last century includes some twenty earthquakes with a magnitude greater than 4.0. The last recorded quake of 5.8 was recorded on the September 2, 1992. The focus of this quake was close to 10 miles below the earth's surface and it triggered a slope failure near Springdale with many rockfalls along the steep cliffs.



April 7 is No Housework Day!



This April 7 holiday is your chance to do anything except housework. Better still, have someone else do the chores for a day. Housework is a daily, seemingly endless, and repetitive group of tasks. It often goes unrecognized and worst of all, is often taken for granted. But, watch out! If the dishes aren't done, or there are no clean towels, somebody notices.

We think it's important to plan for this holiday. For example, if you're going to need clean clothes on this day, do the laundry the day before. If you fail to do so, and you find there's no clean underwear, you're going to have to "go commando" on *No Housework Day*.

If you normally do the housework around the house, cease and desist for this day. Instead, kick back and enjoy the day. Relax and do anything, except housework. There is one exception. If you are a spouse or significant other, and you always do the housework for your mate, let them do the housework today. It gives you a break from the routine. And, they just might get an appreciation of how much work it takes to keep up the house.

How to Celebrate No Housework Day

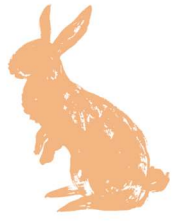
Get into the spirit of this special holiday. **DO NOT DO HOUSEWORK!**

- When you get up in the morning, do not make your bed.
- After meals, leave the dishes in the sink. Note: You are allowed to put things into the dishwasher. After all, you have to set them down somewhere.
- There will be no vacuuming, dusting, mopping, or clothes washing and ironing.
- Hire a maid, butler, and cook for the day.

Today's Quote: "Housework can't kill you, but why take a chance?" – Phyllis Diller

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Just for Fun

Earl and Bubba are quietly sitting in a boat fishing, chewing tobacco and drinking beer when suddenly Bubba says “Think I’m gonna divorce the wife – she ain’t spoke to me in over two months.” Earl spits overboard, takes a long slow sip of beer and says, “Better think it over; women like that are hard to find.”



I am looking for someone to brush their teeth with me. I just found out that 9 out of 10 dentists say brushing alone won't reduce cavities.



A man has been found guilty of underusing commas. The judge warned him to expect a really long sentence.



The Bargaindales table brought in \$76 for the month of March!!

Thank you for all your generous donations and contributions!

For those of you who are new, The Bargaindales table is located in the southeast corner of the clubhouse, near the pool table. This is where residents can donate items in good condition that are no longer being used. You can also purchase anything on the table that you want to have for a price that you think is reasonable. Put your payment in the locked box on the wall next to the table. Your donations go to the Activity Committee, the Improvement Committee, and the Newsletter to pay for all the fun activities we have and putting in new flowers, etc. Contact MaryAnn if you have something to donate.



The Roadrunner (And Roadrunner Park)

Check out our new park sign--“Roadrunner Park.” The sign was designed, painted, and donated by our neighbor Dennis Bingham, and the name for the park was submitted by Shirley Law in our “name the park” contest. Cindy Bryant researched roadrunners and compiled a lot of information about them which was given at the dedication of the sign. Unfortunately, it had to be edited down to fit this space, But thank you, Cindy for this great info!

There are two types of roadrunners found in southwest and central US and Mexico deserts: the Greater and Lesser Roadrunners. The Greater are larger, and that’s what we have in our area. Roadrunners are part of the cuckoo bird family due to its “coo” calls and its slender body with rounded wings and graduated tail feathers. They are about the size of a crow and can grow to up to 2 feet but weigh less than a pound and can live 7-8 years. It’s hard to tell the female from the males, as they are the same color, but the females are smaller and have smaller bills. They are smart and have great memories. They know where they stored food, what type it was & when they last ate.

Roadrunners are drought tolerant, getting most of their water from their prey. They eat bugs, beetles, lizards, worms, mice, scorpions, frogs, reptiles, and eggs. They will team up and peck at a rattlesnake’s head until it dies. They also are known to slam their prey on a rock to kill it. They enjoy eating fruit and berries, seeds and plants and flowers but their favorite is the grasshopper! They are the best free pest controller around!

Roadrunners can fly--mostly in short bursts--but they usually run away. They run parallel to the ground and use their long tails as rudders and can run 20-27 mph. In spite of Wile E. Coyote, roadrunners can’t out run a coyote, who can run 43 mph, and they do hunt roadrunners!

Roadrunners are usually solitary birds but will mate for life. Males will search for a nesting area before he looks for a female then tries to woo the females with food, often bringing her a lizard. They will also attract each other with offerings of sticks or grass.

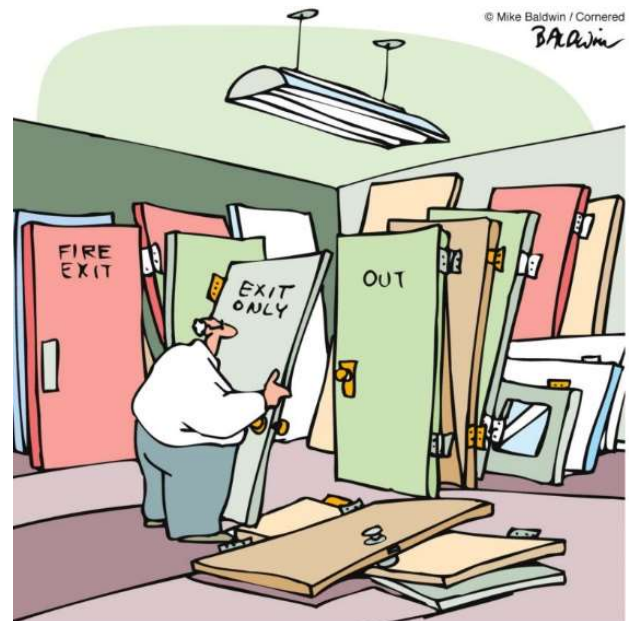
Once mated, they stay together and defend their territory all year. Will build a nest in a low bush or tree and line it with grass, leaves, sometimes cow dung. A roadrunner can lay 2-8 white eggs, usually in late spring or early summer, both taking turns protecting the hatchlings and getting food.

Roadrunners drop their body temps to conserve energy during cold desert nights. They will sunbathe in the morning sun by raising their feathers to allow the sun to reach their skin, which is black to absorb heat.

Roadrunners can raise and lower their crest on their head and make it lean forward or backwards. Their tail tip is higher than their head when standing and they can make it go up or down which helps them balance when standing or running! Their beak curves upward like a potato chip. They have a long dark brown bill and eyes that are wide open and nearly touch in the middle-like it’s had too much caffeine! With a long skinny neck that flared at the top and bottom. Long skinny brown legs with 4 toed feet shaped in a X! Their footprints make it hard to know what direction the bird went! They have little claws to help them run quickly over rough terrain.

I say good! We love our local roadrunners and enjoy watching them! Therefore it’s a pleasure to call our little Harrisburg park The Roadrunner Park!

Researched and submitted by Cindy Bryant.



Bob loved the outdoors. Wound up with quite a collection.



April 2023



Indoor Aerobics Mon.-Fri. @ 9:00 am

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