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Greetings, friends and neighbors!

Good will toward men encapsulates a timeless virtue—one that emphasizes compassion, kindness, and benevolence. Its roots can be traced back to biblical verses, such as the proclamation in the Gospel of Luke celebrating the birth of Jesus: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men" (Luke 2:14, King James Version). Beyond its religious origins, this concept transcends cultural, religious, and temporal boundaries, underscoring the universal importance of goodwill.

More than a seasonal sentiment, good will toward men represents a fundamental aspect of ethical behavior that should guide daily interactions. It underscores the idea that, regardless of differences in background, beliefs, or circumstances, a shared humanity exists, calling for empathy and understanding. This virtue encourages individuals to rise above personal biases and cultivate an attitude of acceptance and support for their fellow human beings.

In a world marked by division, the practice of good will toward men becomes an antidote to animosity and discord. It serves as a catalyst for building bridges between individuals and communities, fostering a sense of unity that transcends superficial boundaries. By extending kindness and empathy, individuals contribute to the creation of a more harmonious and interconnected global society.

Moreover, good will toward men is reciprocal, offering benefits to both the giver and the recipient. Simple acts of kindness, whether in the form of a helping hand or a kind word, create a positive atmosphere that uplifts everyone involved.

Good will toward men is a timeless virtue that reflects the best aspects of human nature. It calls upon individuals to recognize their shared humanity, fostering empathy and kindness in their interactions. As this virtue is embraced in daily life, it contributes to the creation of a more compassionate and harmonious world—a world where the spirit of goodwill becomes a guiding light for all.

May you all have a very merry Christmas!

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The first airplane flight was on December 17, 1903. Wilbur and Orville Wright took the first airplane on four short flights at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.



Supermarket apples can be a year old. Are those apples you just bought actually a year old? Maybe! Farmers often pick apples in the fall, cover them in wax, hot-air dry them, and then put them in cold storage. This keeps them edible and ready to sell for 6 to 12 months!



Most wasabi paste isn't real wasabi. If you've always thought that your store-bought wasabi tastes more like horseradish, you're probably right. It's often used as a substitute since real wasabi is expensive.

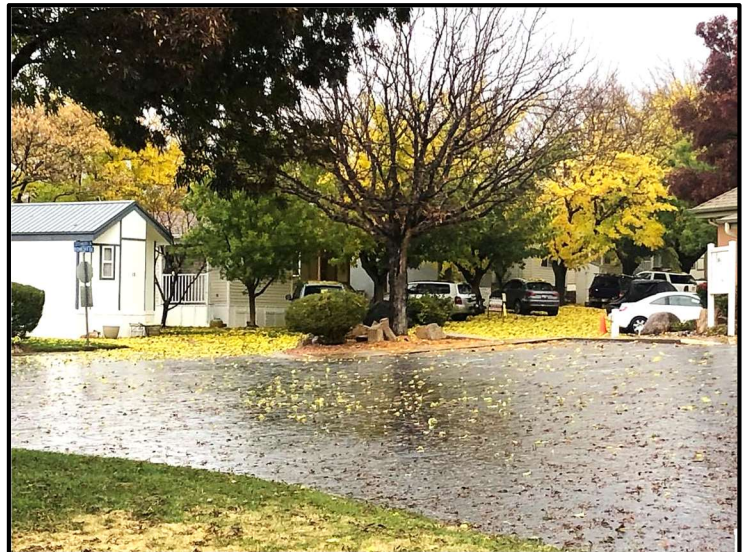


Around the Neighborhood!

We're sad to announce that **Suzanne Nelson**, of 95 **Redbluff**, passed away on November 13. From her obituary: "She loved spending time with her family. Her many interests included music, playing the piano, photography, painting, fishing, riding ATVs, spending time at her cabin in the summer and her winter home in Harrisburg. Suzanne had a loving heart and cared deeply for all she knew."

On the morning of November 19, we had a pretty wild storm with wind, rain and hail (followed by more wind and rain), beating the leaves off the trees. It was pretty exciting and beautiful at the same time. It left quite a mountain of leaves on Cottonwood for the landscapers to clean up that week!

Have you noticed? The annual Christmas star is up, along with a new "Peace on Earth" sign (the old one burned out last year). A big thank you to Stan & MaryAnn Roberts, for buying the new lights and re-stringing the sign, to Brett Fuhriman for helping put them up, and Carolyn Bywater for providing the electricity. Don't you just love the new changing colors?



Our November storm brought down a lot of leaves.

December 18 is Bake Cookies Day

Bake Cookies Day comes at an opportune time. It arrives amidst the major December holidays. It serves as a reminder to bake holiday cookies if you haven't done so already. People, young and old, celebrate this day by baking their favorite cookies. Make a party of it, and bake cookies in groups with family, friends, kids, and grandkids. Don't stop at baking just one kind of cookie. Plan to bake several varieties of cookies. Try a new recipe, or two, or three, or....

'Ya gotta just love Bake Cookies Day.....

..... Christmas is for Christians

..... Hanukkah is just for Jews

.... Ramadan is for those of Islamic descent

..... Kwanzaa is for those of African origin

..... Native American Day is for American Indians

.... But, Bake Cookies Day is for EVERYONE!

If you bake more than you can eat, good for you! Wrap up gift trays filled with cookies for friends and neighbors.

Most cookies freeze well, too.



Important Note: we are very surprised that this day is not immediately followed by "Eat Cookies Day". We did not even find an Eat Cookies Day. So, you can, and should, eat them every day!

How to Celebrate Bake Cookies Day

This is a wonderful food holiday. It is the perfect day for the holiday season. Here's how to celebrate it:

- Pull out your holiday recipe books.
- Make a batch of Christmas cookies.
- Set them out on a plate and watch them disappear!
- After you've made several varieties of Christmas cookies, put a few of each of them on a plate and give them to neighbors and friends.
- Have a Christmas cookie exchange.



John & Jerry did a great job of carving the ham and turkeys.





Friends visiting at the turkey dinner, and the dessert table was fabulous!



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They Said It

“I believe we are on an irreversible trend toward more freedom and democracy - but that could change.” -- Dan Quayle

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“Thanksgiving dinners take 18 hours to prepare. They are consumed in 12 minutes. Half-times take 12 minutes. This is not a coincidence.”—Erma Bombeck

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“Insanity runs in my family. It practically gallops.”—Mortimer Brewster (Cary Grant), *Arsenic and Old Lace*

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“Anyone who lives within their means suffers from a lack of imagination.”—Oscar Wilde

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Cal: “You are really pushing my buttons today.”

Becky: “Which one is 'mute'?”
—*Waitress*, the Musical

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December Birthdays

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

3rd - Evelyn Caldwell

3rd - Ray Orbin

7th - Dennis Bingham

10th - Jeff Bott

12th - Bob Banks

15th - Bea Ogden

17th - Nola Diemel

18th - Brian Chapman

20th - John Cook

20th - Craig Rock

28th - Terri Perkes

28th - Carole Pendleton

28th - Stan Roberts

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

Cream Cheese & Bacon Green Bean Casserole

Ingredients:

- 3 c. milk
- 2 oz. Lipton Onion Soup & Dip Mix (2 packets)
- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 5 c. chopped green beans, frozen
- 1/2 c. real bacon bits
- 1 c. French's fried onions

Topping:

- 15 Ritz crackers
- 1 c. French's fried onions
- 1/4 c. melted butter
- 2 Tbsp real bacon bits



Instructions:

Preheat oven to 375°F. Pour milk into large saucepan, and add the onion soup mix to the milk and stir well. Bring to a boil. Add the cream cheese to the pot and reduce the heat to medium. Stir until the cream cheese is completely melted. Add the frozen green beans to the pot and stir until they are completely coated in the soup and cream cheese mixture. Add 1/2 cup bacon bits and 1 cup fried onions to the pot and stir well. Reduce heat to low. Heat, stirring frequently, until mixture is heated through.

Topping:

Crush the crackers in a plastic bag until finely crumbled. In a small mixing bowl, mix cracker crumbs, 1 c. fried onions, and melted butter. Stir with a fork to combine. Dump the green bean mixture into a greased 9-inch square baking dish and spread it out evenly. Sprinkle the topping mixture over the green beans. Sprinkle bacon bits on top. Place the casserole in the oven and bake until topping is just starting to brown. 14-16 minutes.

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Jalyn Outsen is this month's winner!



Last year I actually saw some flying reindeer. And that's the last time I put homemade moonshine in my eggnog.



Puzzle with a Prize!

Congratulations to last month's winner!!! Jalyn Outsen won the \$15 gift certificate to Home Depot. We had 7 entries this time, so your chances of winning are still really good. A big thank you to all who participated—it was a lot of fun. The solution to the puzzle was:

1 – Four-wheel drive; 2 – Apple pie; 3 – Up to you; 4 – Robin Hood; 5 – Design; 6 – Engineer; 7 – Vegetables; 8 – Afternoon tea; 9 – Camping overnight; 10 – Time to go; 11 – Long time no see; 12 – Polite -- How many did you get right?



Let's do another! Identify the word or phrase depicted in each of the rebus pictures on the right. Example:

STORM	= TH <u>under</u> STORM = "thunder storm"
TH	

This month's prize is a \$15 gift card to Arby's.

The rules & fine print: Write your entry on a 4 X 5 piece of paper and drop it in the yellow contest box inside the clubhouse. Be sure to include your name, Harrisburg address, phone number and the solution to the puzzle on your entry. It's okay to consult with your friends or use the internet, and you don't have to get them all right—just enter! The more people who enter, the more fun it is. Good luck! (If you're out of town, you can email your entry to marvelousmom2@yahoo.com, and I'll put it in for you.)

Entries must be submitted by 12/18. The winner will be drawn from the entries with any correct answers, so if you don't know them all, give it your best guess and enter anyway! The solution and winner will be announced next month. The contest is limited to Harrisburg residents. Limit one entry per household. Limit one winner per household per quarter (to give everyone a chance). If you've already won, you can still enter for the fun of it; you just won't be eligible for another prize for 2 months (**unless nobody else enters—which is very possible**). You can't win if you don't enter!



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H.I.C. Chronicles

The HIC rolled up the hoses we use to water some trees and shrubs in Memorial Park. We cut up some large branches that fell, and if the pond ever dries out we'll finish the weeding.



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Just for Fun

My wife asked me the other day where I got so much candy. I said, "I always have a few Twix up my sleeve."

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How do cows stay up to date? They read the Moo-spaper.

😊 😊 😊

What's the difference between a well-dressed man on a unicycle and a poorly-dressed man on a bicycle? Attire.

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Where do pirates get their hooks? Second hand stores.

😊 😊 😊

Of all the inventions of the last 100 years, the dry erase board has to be the most remarkable.

😊 😊 😊



Friends visiting at the turkey dinner.

News from the Board

By Jerry Bryant, President

Hi to all Harrisburg Homeowners! As you all know, we have had a rough few months with trees blowing over. Also as of right now, we have had 14 different water leaks due to our pressure relief valve failing at the beginning of the park. Please check your pressure relief valves, as you all should have one on your own water line coming into your home.

Due to all these issues our expenses exceeded approximately \$50,000, with a couple of leaks that still need attending to. The Reserve budget was approximately \$43,000, so we ended up using the allocated reserve funds plus more this year!

In 2024, we are budgeting for trees, roads, new updated pool solar, and getting a full-time, much needed maintenance man. With deep thinking and budgeting, and also with the continued price increase of items, we do not see a way out of our current situation without raising our dues.

By the time you read this, we will have already sent out a letter to you all in regards to the increase that will take effect on January 1, 2024.

It saddens us, but is a much-needed raise in HEOA dues to keep us afloat and budget for what's ahead.

A reminder: DIRT does not belong in our dumpsters--there's plenty of room out behind them in the field to dump and spread it out! Our dumpster fees have risen some \$2,000 due to excessive weight. If a contractor is working on your property, he is to take his demolition work with him, and not use our dumpsters. For homeowners, our dumpsters are free for daily trash and tree trimmings. If you have excessive waste and can haul it away, the dump by Coral Canyon is free for your bigger items.

On another note, there will be a few seats coming open on the board in March! Please consider helping our community move forward and continue to maintain our little oasis as a beautiful and friendly place for all of us to live.

Thank you. Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas coming up!



Your HEOA President
Jerry Bryant

Cinder Cones

By Karen Brunette

Cinder cones are abundant in Southwestern Utah and are a type of volcano named for the materials they once spit out, cinders or gas-filled rock fragments, ash, and other pyroclastic products.

A visit to Snow Canyon State Park offers an opportunity to study and even hike up the steep sides of a cinder cone. Hikers say it is like hiking on marbles!

Three times in the last two million years, this area has experienced lava flows. The color and texture of the lava depends on the cooling conditions. Higher temperatures produce orange to reddish rocks, while cooler temperatures produce gas-filled black rocks, which are full of holes from the explosive release of gasses which also causes shrinking of the viscous rock.

Cinder cones are one of five basic types of volcanos. The materials erupting from a volcano determines the shape of its cone. When liquid magma beneath the earth's surface finds a vent or breaks to the surface, the pressure of this hot, sticky material rises to the earth's surface and spits into the air. As the liquid rock rapidly cools, it falls back to the earth as cinders, volcanic bombs and ash. As this process is repeated many times, the steep cone is formed.

Our area lies in a transition zone between the Colorado Plateau to the east and the Basin and Range to the west. Tectonic forces are continually pulling apart and thinning the earth's crust here and fracturing rocks. In all of the Southwestern states, over 600 volcanoes and cinder cones have been identified. Could these cinder cones erupt again? Yes!

Look around the area as you drive in almost any direction. Cinder cones are visible in Hurricane, Santa Clara and behind Zion National Park, to point out a few. The more visible these cones are means they were formed later during the eruptions. Cinder cones formed at the beginning of the eruptions are usually destroyed over time from erosive forces. Cinder cones look like a smaller version of Mt. St. Helens, after the eruption, but without fallen or living trees or snow.



Activity Committee Report

By Cindy Bryant

The Holidays are upon us!! A blessed time with family and friends!

Thank you to my crew of Linda Bingham, Marge Comerzan, Steve Hart, and Jerry Bryant who stayed after our Activity meeting and helped take down Halloween decorations and put up the Thanksgiving decor! The clubhouse looked like fall for our Thanksgiving Welcome Back Potluck Dinner! A few new faces of those who returned after being gone for the summer! Welcome back to our little oasis with friendly friends/neighbors! We had amazing cooks and attendees who polished off the 2 turkeys (Thanks to cooks Linda Bingham and Imelda Akens) and ham (Thanks to cook John Gansereit) and the many awesome side dishes and desserts!! A feeling of family was enjoyed by 32 neighbors! We are blessed!!

Movie night on November 18 was "Ratatouille," a funny, entertaining flick attended by 13 neighbors! Thank you Michelle Drake for loaning your DVD!

December Events:

- Time for some Christmas fun! Sing Along/Cookie Swap December 2nd at 6 PM (Steve checked--Church dinner Dec 9th) Thank you Steve! Everyone bring a dozen cookies/candy to share! Hot chocolate and coffee will be served.
- Tuesday Potluck December 12 will have a Christmas theme with a White Elephant gift exchange! Dinner at 5:30 PM with Bingo following! Winners of Bingo will get to pick first for wrapped gifts!
- Movie Night December 16 at 6pm! Will be a Christmas one—to be announced!

Upcoming:

- Potato Bar/Talent Show- Saturday, January 20 at 5:30pm! A sheet for you talented people to sign up is on the counter in the clubhouse! Or call me-Cindy at (435)669-9415! Don't be shy-it's a fun, friendly night with friends!
- Movie night: January 13 at 6pm "Bucket List" -- Very fitting for the first of the year and New Year's Resolutions!!
- February: Valentine Dinner/Dance: "60 & 70's"!

Dixie Direct coupon books have arrived (Cindy got 20 books) and are available at the office M-F 9-noon or sign the request sheet on the counter and I will make sure you get one! Price is \$40 and the Activity Committee gets half! It's a great addition to our funds for activities!!

The Holidays are upon us!! Have a safe wonderful time/trip during this festive season! We are blessed!

Take care,

Cindy Bryant

Activity Committee Chairperson

*We had a pretty good crowd at
Movie Night! ↓*



*There were lots of yummy
dishes at the turkey dinner. ↓*



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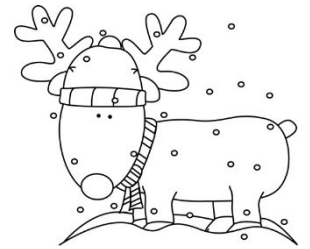
**The Bargaindales table brought
in \$103 for the month of
November!!**

**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 and the Improvement Committee, to pay for all the fun activities we have and putting in new flowers, etc.



December 2023



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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 2 Singalong/ Christmas Cookie Swap 6:00 PM
3	4 Activity Planning Meeting 10 AM Pool 5:30 PM 25¢ per game 	5	6 Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1 	7 Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM 	8	9 Movie Night 6:30 PM
10	11 Pool 5:30 PM 25¢ per game 	12 Potluck Dinner & Bingo 5:30 PM/\$1 Card 	13 Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1 	14 Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM 	15	16 Quarterly Board Meeting 10:00 AM
17 Ice Cream Social 6:00 PM - 75¢/scoop 	18 Pool 5:30 PM 25¢ per game 	19	20 Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1 	21 Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM <i>Winter Solstice</i>	22	23
24	25 <i>MERRY CHRISTMAS</i>	26	27 Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1 	28 Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM 	29	30
31 <i>NEW YEAR'S EVE</i>						