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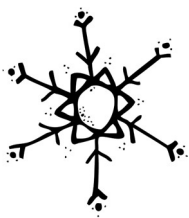
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Greetings, friends and neighbors!

Ah, the annual rite of passage we call New Year's resolutions—a time when we boldly declare war on our own bad habits, armed with kale smoothies, gym memberships, and the unbridled enthusiasm of someone who has yet to realize that chocolate exists.

As the clock strikes midnight on January 1st, we transform into optimistic visionaries, determined to sculpt our bodies into marble statues and our minds into profound philosophical thinkers. Spoiler alert: by mid-January, the kale has been replaced by cookies, the gym card is buried under a pile of forgotten aspirations, and we've accepted the fact that our commitment to reading more books means devouring the latest thriller on Netflix.

New Year's resolutions are like a game of Jenga—you start with the best intentions, carefully stacking your goals. Lose a piece here, skip a workout there, and suddenly your tower of ambition comes crashing down, leaving you to wonder if learning to juggle flaming torches was really a feasible endeavor.

But let's not despair, for the true genius of New Year's resolutions lies not in their achievement but in their ability to unite us in the shared experience of overreaching. It's the one time of year when we can collectively nod our heads in solidarity as we all realize that, once again, we've pledged to become master chefs while simultaneously ordering takeout for the third night in a row.

So here's to the New Year, where resolutions are made to be broken, and the only thing we're truly committed to is the art of self-deprecating humor. After all, laughter burns calories, right? Time to add "become a stand-up comedian" to the list—just after "learn to bake artisanal sourdough" and "master interpretive dance." Cheers to another year of aspiring to be the best versions of ourselves, even if that version is just a slightly upgraded model of last year's fabulous mess.

Maria Allan

Editor



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Wanda Millhouse was the December winner!
 Congratulations!

Puzzle with a Prize!

Congratulations to last month's winner!!! Wanda Millhouse won the \$15 gift certificate to Arby's. We had 5 entries, so your chances of winning are still really good. A big thank you to all who participated—it's always fun. The solution to the puzzle was:

- 1 – Fishing hook; 2 – Farm animal/Animal farm; 3 – Touchdown; 4 – Honeybee; 5 – Cornerstone; 6 – Love at first sight; 7 – Freeze over; 8 – Caveman/Mancave; 9 – Catwalk; 10 – Hiking in the woods (High king); 11 – Sandbox; 12 – Lovebirds. -- How many did you get right?

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Here's 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"
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This month's prize is a \$15 gift card to Lin's Market.

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 10/18. 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!



1 B BOW W	2  EASY	3 COFFEE
4 CHOICE CHOICE CHOICE CHOICE	5 come → Spring Summer Autumn Winter	6 I'LL GET IT
7  check check check check	8 I'm You	9 ILL 
10 AGENT	11  N 	12 noon good

News from the Board

I hope you all had a Merry Christmas -- Happy New Year!

As you know, we had our Quarterly Board Meeting last month. It was very disappointing that only 15 people attended--including my wife. Guess maybe you are very satisfied with what the board is doing--so hurrah for that!

The voting for updating our Harrisburg CC&R's has been ratified; at least 84% of the voting came in as a "Yes." By the time you see this, you should have gotten an email with the exact count of the vote. Thank you--it's been a long 7+ years and hard work by those who have volunteered on the document committees.

As you know, March is approaching (our annual meeting). We will have five open board seats on the ballot. We have sent out an email blast for those of you interested in running for the board. We need your bios by January 15th--the cutoff date.

As most of you already know, we had to raise our monthly dues by \$15, so as of January 1st, our dues go up to \$145.

Thank you to all the many volunteers we have had in our park this past year. Kudos to you all!

I hope we all have a better year ahead with less water leaks and tree issues!



Thank you,
Jerry Bryant
Harrisburg HEOA President

They Said It

“The worst part of online shopping is having to get up and get your credit card from your purse.”—Anonymous

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“People say, ‘But Betty, Facebook is a great way to connect with old friends.’ Well, at my age, if I want to connect with old friends I need a Ouija board.” --Betty White

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“My advice to you is get married: If you find a good wife you’ll be happy; if not, you’ll become a philosopher.” —*Socrates*

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

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“Never criticize your spouse’s faults; if it weren’t for them, your mate might have found someone better than you.” —*Jay Trachman*

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Copycat Panera Creamy Tomato Basil Soup

From: ThePinningMama.com

Ingredients:

- 2 28-oz cans crushed tomatoes (or switch one can for tomato sauce)
- 1 Tbsp. Crushed garlic
- 1 14-oz. can (or 2 cups) Chicken broth
- 2 Tbsp. Sugar
- 1/3 c. Butter
- 1 c. Heavy cream (or half & half)
- 1 Tbsp. Dried minced Basil leaves

Instructions:

1. Combine tomatoes, broth, basil & garlic and bring to a boil (slowly, and stirring often so it doesn’t burn). Simmer (stirring frequently) for 10 minutes; remove from heat.
2. Stir in sugar and butter until butter is melted. Slowly stir in cream until everything is combined and creamy.
3. Serve hot with parmesan, a dollop of pesto, or a sprinkle of fresh basil. (With a grilled cheese sandwich on the side, of course!)
4. Makes 9-10 cups.

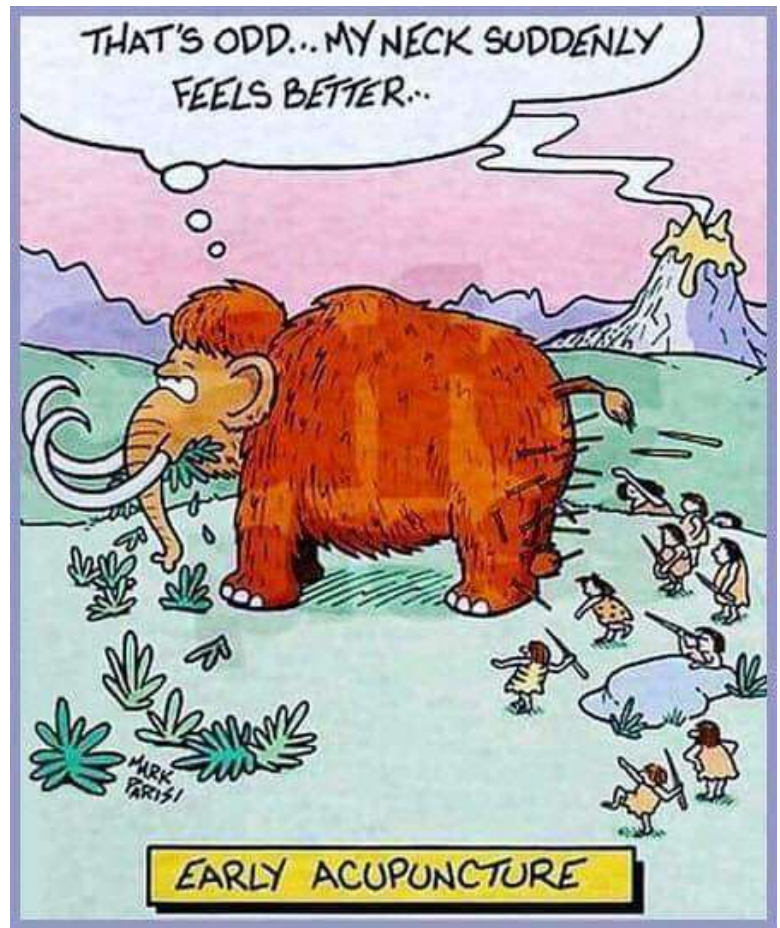




Around the Neighborhood!

We welcome a new neighbor this month! **Curtis Koster**, from South Carolina, has purchased **93 Redbluff**. He works for the Federal Reserve Bank as a cloud architect, designing the underlying cloud infrastructure that supports the systems that help run the nation's economy. He loves the outdoors. During the times he is here, he plans to work from home and take advantage of the many activities available in our area! Welcome!

We had a lot of excitement on December 12. Our neighbors at 60 Cottonwood got a new house! The whole street turned out to watch as the double-wide manufactured home was very carefully maneuvered into place. The company spent a few days finishing the installation and putting in the finishing touches. Congratulations to Lance, Laura and Emma. It's a beautiful home.



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Friendly Reminder:

Please, please remember to be courteous and pick up after your dogs! We would like this to be a clean and friendly neighborhood. Everyone must contribute. Thank you!





HAPPY BIRTHDAY
January Birthdays

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

6th - Jerry Finkbeiner
8th - David Walsh
10th - Edith Finch
11th - Rulon Johnson
12th - Siera Heaton
13th - John Anderson
14th - Richard Sevcovic
19th - Betty Hobbs
19th - Gretchen Humke
26th - Rachael Rock
27th - Chuck McDowell
30th - Cindy Roberson

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

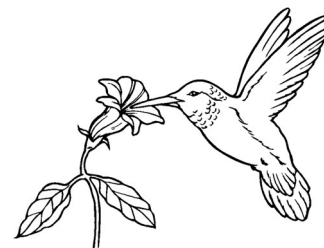


More Hummingbird Facts!

Here is the the final instalment of our series about hummingbird facts. There sure have been a lot of them—37, counting this column. How many of them did you already know?

1. Their chest muscles account for much of their body weight. Since their pectoral muscles are so critical for flying, they make up about 25 to 30% of the bird's total weight.
2. They have incredible vision. Hummers see in ultraviolet light — and can see much further than humans.
3. They have a sense of smell, too. Contrary to popular belief, hummers can smell the environment around them just a little bit. They mainly use it to detect danger or predators lurking near flowers they're hoping to collect nectar from.
4. Their average lifespan is about three to five years. Other factors like species, habitat conditions, and predators can play a role in it. There have been instances where a hummer has lived much longer than five years as well.
5. Hummers do not mate for life. The male hummer isn't involved at all in the nesting or egg incubating process, and will continue to mate with others at the same time.
6. Hummers have a cool nickname. They are often called "flying jewels." This nickname started back when Spanish explorers visited the Americas for the first time and were wowed by the birds' vibrant colors.
7. A group of hummers is called a "charm." They may also be referred to as a bouquet, shimmer, or glittering. The perfect names for such small and unique birds!

We hope you have enjoyed this series of hummingbird facts!



The birthday girl gets a cake!

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Learn Your Name in Morse Code Day is January 11. (Morse Code Day is April 27.)

Morse Code Day and *Learn Your Name in Morse Code Day* are two separate and special days. We celebrate them for similar, yet slightly different reasons. These holidays center around Samuel Morse, the communications code he created, and the magnetic telegraph machine that was first used to transmit this revolutionary means of communication from one distant location to another. In 1836, Samuel Morse and his compatriots, Alford Vail, and Joseph Henry developed the code. On January 11, 1838, Samuel Morse and Alford Vail demonstrated the use of the electric telegraph to transmit a message in code for the first time.

Did You Know? SOS signals were often sent in Morse code. While SOS had no specific translation, it was said to mean "save our souls" or "save our ship."

A unique series of dots and dashes, called "dii and dah," for each letter of the alphabet, and the numbers 0 thru 9. Long before the invention of radios and cell phones, operators used telegraph machines to send messages using this code. On the receiving end, the Morse code is translated back into alphabetic characters and numbers to form the message. The message allowed for an instant, coast-to-coast communication of information over telegraph lines. Once radios arrived, Morse code continued to be a major means of communication. Morse code was in use in the military, ham radios, and other means of communication for decades.

Morse code is in danger of disappearing as a means of communication. As of 2007, knowing it is no longer a requirement for a ham radio license.

Learn Your Name in Morse Code Day was created to stir up interest in Morse code. As a communication tool, Morse code is being replaced by modern technology. This special day was created to encourage people to learn and use Morse code, and to keep it from disappearing altogether. Hopefully, this day will pique your interest in Morse code and you can start to learn more about it, by learning to communicate your name in Morse code.

Morse Code Chart

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E	•	R	• — • —	F	• — •••
F	•• — •	S	— • — —	G	— ••••
G	— — •	T	••• —	H	— — •••
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I	••	W	• — — —	X	— — — •
J	• — — —	X	— • — —	Y	— — — ••
K	— • — —	Z	— — ••		
L	• — ••				
M	— —				

HIC Chronicles

Our volunteers cleaned up and pruned roses at Roadrunner Park. We also trimmed up the cacti, the hedge, and a tree, and cleaned up the leaves behind cemetery on Archview.



Crabby Road

3-26-08

*You're never too old to
really hurt yourself trying
something new.*



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The Circus is coming to Town!

On January 22 at 4:30 and 7:30 PM, the Jordan World Circus will be performing at the Washington County Regional Park located at 5500 700 S St, Hurricane, UT 84737 (over by the DMV). Tickets are available on line at <https://jordancircus.com/tour-dates/>.

For more fun things to do in our area, go to <https://greaterzion.com/upcoming-events/> and select the month you want to look at. There are dozens of fun and interesting things to do.





Friends enjoying a delicious potluck dinner.



The Bargaindales table brought
in \$96 for the month of
December!!

Please remember that items are
not free—put your donations in
the box.

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.

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Activity Committee Report

By Cindy Bryant

Let the New Year begin!!! Wow 2024 already! Yikes!! Hope you all had a blessed Christmas holiday & Happy New Year!!

First of all I would like to give a Big Shout-out and Thank You to my Activity Committee! Maria, my rock who does the monthly Potluck and Bingo, also the Ice Cream Socials every month! Besides doing the Newsletter, she attends every event and designs and prints our signup sheets and flyers. Terri Perkes & Imelda Akens attend most all meetings and events, and are also there to help decorate the Clubhouse! Steve Hart also attends most all events and is always available to help when he's here! He is also very busy with heading the ACC committee! I have others who help when in the neighborhood but these four, along with my husband Jerry, are my main helpers! You guys are truly appreciated!

We had a great turnout to the monthly potluck dinner. It included a surprise birthday celebration of Bea Ogden's 96th birthday and a white elephant gift exchange along with the bingo game! It was a lot of fun!

We will continue for now with a Saturday Movie Night on the second Saturday of each month! Fitting for the New Year we will have "The Bucket List" on Saturday January 13th at 6:30 pm! Come enjoy some neighbors for popcorn, candy and a great time!

Our yearly Potato Bar with a Talent Show is scheduled for Saturday, January 20th at 5:30pm! Come enjoy the yearly Hobbs Delicious Potato Bar with a fun Talent Show following! Come cheer on your neighbors as they WOW us with their talents! A fun filled night!! Please sign the signup sheet so that we can get a head count for the potatoes It's on the counter in the clubhouse--deadline will be Wednesday, January 17th!

Upcoming: February 10th at 5:30 pm--Valentines 60's Dinner & Dance! Find your tie dye shirts/pants, bell bottoms, hippie outfit and come let loose!!

Here's to a fun New Year!
Cindy Bryant
Activity Committee Chairperson

Strange BUT TRUE

On December 31, 1899, Captain John Phillips was navigating the passenger-cargo ship SS Warrimoo when his crew informed him that they were approaching the equator.

Captain Phillips had his navigator double check their position, and then adjusted the course and speed of the Warrimoo so that at exactly 12 a.m., the ship lay astride the Equator at exactly the point where it crossed the International Date Line.

The forward part of the ship was in the Southern Hemisphere and in the middle of summer. The rear part of the ship was in the Northern Hemisphere and in the middle of winter. Half of the ship was on 31 December 1899, while the forward half skipped a day ahead and into 1 January 1900.

The ship was therefore not only in two different days, two different months, two different years, two different seasons and two different hemispheres but also in two different centuries all at the same time.

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The sun and moon appear to be the same size because of an astonishing coincidence: The moon is 400 times smaller in diameter, but 400 times closer.



Happy Birthday, Bea!

Just for Laughs

In America, using the metric system can get you in legal trouble. In fact, if you sneer at any other method of measuring liquids, you may be held in contempt of quart.



What do you call a line of men waiting to get haircuts? A barberqueue.



Who were the greenest Presidents in US history? The Bushes.



My hotel tried to charge me ten dollars extra for air conditioning.

That wasn't cool.



What do you call a beehive without an exit? Unbelievable. (Un-bee-leave-able)



New Year Word Search



DECEMBER

RESOLUTION

BALL

CALENDAR

MIDNIGHT

NEW YEAR

COUNTDOWN

CONFETTI

CELEBRATION

FAMILY

FRIENDS

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TOAST

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January 2024



Indoor Aerobics in the Clubhouse Mon., Wed., & Fri. @ 9:00 AM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Activity Committee Mtg. 10:00 AM Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1 	4 Pinochle 1:00 PM Texas Hold 'Em 6:30 PM 	5	6
7	8 Pool 5:30 PM 25¢ per game  Activity Committee Meeting 10:00 AM	9 Potluck Dinner & Bingo 5:30 PM 	10 Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1 	11 Pinochle 1:00 PM Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM 	12	13 Movie Night 6:30 PM "The Bucket List" 
14	15 Pool 5:30 PM 25¢ per game 	16	17 Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1 	18 Pinochle 1:00 PM Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM 	19	20 Potato Bar & Talent Show 5:30 PM 
21 Ice Cream Social 6:00 PM \$.75/scoop 	22 Pool 5:30 PM 25¢ per game 	23	24 Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1 	25 Pinochle 1:00 PM Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM 	26	27
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