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# Greetings, friends and neighbors!

I hope this message finds you basking in the warmth of springtime sunshine just like I am. There's something undeniably uplifting about the arrival of sunshine and warmth after the long winter months, especially here in southern Utah. It's as if nature itself is celebrating, painting the landscape with vibrant greens and splashes of colorful blooms reaching eagerly for the sun's embrace. Sure, there's some spring cleaning to be done—those pesky weeds always seem to find their way back, don't they?—but the reward of witnessing nature's rejuvenation makes it all worthwhile.

As we embrace the beauty of this season, let's not forget the special occasions that grace us this month. Mother's Day is a time to honor and cherish the remarkable women in our lives who have nurtured and shaped us. It's a day to express our gratitude and love for all they do.

Memorial Day follows, a solemn yet significant day to honor the brave souls who made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation. Let's take a moment to reflect on their courage and selflessness, and to pay tribute to their memory.

And for many, this month also marks the end of the school year—a time of excitement and anticipation as young people (and perhaps some relieved teachers too!) eagerly await the freedom of summer break. It's a time for celebration, reflection, and looking ahead to new adventures.

So, as we soak up the sunshine and embrace the joys of this season, let's cherish the moments, celebrate the milestones, and continue to find gratitude in the simple pleasures of life.

María Allan Editor

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Spring and summer have finally arrived, along with the pollen and the annual dropping of seed pods on Cottonwood. We have so much fun cleaning it up.



# News from the Board By Chuck McDowell

When I wrote the first article for the April newsletter, I mentioned that time flies. Boy was I correct on that. I was totally floored when Maria mentioned that another month had flown by and it was time for another article from the Board.

So here we go again. First a few facts about Memorial Day and then a couple reminders to those that are owners or otherwise residing in Harrisburg.

May is an interesting month and has several commemorations associated with it that touch all of us here in Harrisburg. For our Hispanic brothers and sisters there is Cinco de Mayo which is a notable occasion and of course for all of us Memorial Day falls on the last Monday of May each year.

This year Memorial Day falls on Monday, May 27th. This is a Federal Holiday, of course, and was originally designated to honor those that had fallen in battle for this country. Many of us have expanded that meaning to include family and friends. My family uses that day to visit and place flowers on the graves of our father and mother amongst other friends and relatives.

Not long after Memorial Day we have the annual commemoration of the D-Day Invasion of Europe during World War II in which our troops landed on the beaches of Normandy, France. That commemoration falls on June 6<sup>th</sup>. One of those notable beaches was labelled UTAH beach, by the way. Horrible loss of life is an understatement when reviewing the events of that day and the troops that sacrificed their lives. If you need a reminder, please watch "Saving Private Ryan" one more time. This year commemorates 80 years since that invasion took place.

It took us minute to get organized, but the final results are as follows: Chuck McDowell – President; John Gansereit - Vice President; Kenny Allred - Treasurer; Laura Schmitt - Secretary; Carole Pendleton - Board Member; Virginia Bell - Board Member; Mat Frampton - Board Member.

We have met in Closed Session twice since the Annual General Meeting and talked about a number of sensitive matters.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Pool & Spa are now open but children must be supervised by an adult at all times. No small children are allowed in the spa. No pets allowed in the pool or spa area.

Because these matters are sensitive we will not speak to all of them here, but one item needs to be reviewed with you as owners openly:

#### **DOGS**

Harrisburg Estates is a pet friendly environment. Owners are required to:

- Keep your pets under control at all times!
- That means keep (dogs especially) on a leash when off your property / Lot.
- Pick up after your pet when it defecates! Free doggie bags available.

We say these things because there have been several troubling complaints registered with the Board as well as the ACC Committee recently.

NOTE TO ALL – Be a good, kind and considerate neighbor to all! Have a great May!

> Cheers, Chuck McDowell Harrisburg HEOA President



Friends having fun visiting and getting to know one another better at the ice cream social

#### Copycat Recipe: Outback Steakhouse Walkabout Soup

from melissajorealrecipes.com

#### Ingredients:

- 2 large sweet onions sliced (not too thinly, about 1/4 inch thick)
- 6 tbsp. of butter divided
- 2 cubes of chicken bouillon
- 1/4 tsp of Tony's Creole seasoning (adds a little kick)
- 4 tbsp. of flour
- 1.5 cups cups of milk
- 2 cups of chicken broth
- 8 oz. of Velveeta cheese cubed up
- 1 cup of freshly grated cheddar cheese plus a little more for garnish
- Salt and plenty of cracked black pepper to taste



#### **Instructions:**

- 1. Heat up a pot over medium heat and add 3 Tbsp. of butter. Toss in the sliced onions and crumble the chicken bouillon cubes over them while you sauté. Sprinkle in the Creole seasoning. Sauté the onions just until they turn translucent and soft--don't brown them!
- 2. Now, add 3 more Tbsp. of butter to the pot and slowly whisk in the flour. Keep whisking continuously until the mixture forms a smooth paste.
- 3. Gradually pour in the milk while whisking continuously to avoid any lumps. Once the milk is fully incorporated, add the chicken broth and stir the mixture with a spoon.
- 4. Lower the heat to medium-low before adding the cheeses. Start with the freshly shredded cheddar, stirring until it melts and becomes creamy, then add the Velveeta cheese. Continue stirring until the Velveeta cheese is fully melted and the soup reaches a velvety consistency.
- 5. Season the soup with salt and plenty of cracked black pepper to suit your taste buds. Feel free to add a bit more Creole seasoning if you want an extra punch.

#### NOTES:

To achieve that perfectly creamy and cheesy texture, ensure that you add the cheeses on medium-low heat. High heat may cause the cheese to become stringy and separate from the soup. If you prefer a thinner consistency, you can adjust by adding a bit more milk or chicken broth. Garnish each serving of Walkabout Soup with a sprinkle of freshly shredded cheddar cheese.

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The Bargaindales table brought in \$65.50 for the month of April!!

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

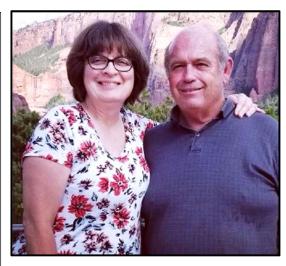
For those of you who are new, The Bargaindales table is located in the southeast corner of the clubhouse, near the pool table. This is where residents can donate items in good condition that are no longer being used. You can also purchase anything on the table that you want to have for a price that you 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.



Around the Neighborhood!

The ACC has informed multiple residents about the presence of excessive weeds. We understand that certain individuals may encounter difficulties in managing their weed situation and might be interested in hiring assistance. If you're interested in earning extra income, please leave your name at the office. We'll try to connect you with someone who is willing to pay for your services.

We're excited to welcome **Terry Logue** to the neighborhood. He has purchased **9 Mountain View**, and plans to spend winters with us. Terry is from Casper, WY, is a retired school teacher, having spent 27 years in public schools and 12 years at a university. Terry has 3 grandchildren, and is interested in photography, rock hounding, geology, and science education. He loves the views from here (don't we all?).



Melanie Kimball was our winner this month! Congratulations!

## **Puzzle with a Prize!**

Congratulations to last month's winner!!! **Melanie Kimball** of 35 Cottonwood won the \$20 gift certificate to the Red Barn. We only had 2 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 hard this time (sorry about that):

1 – Cuba; 2 - Eiffel Tower; 3 – Supermarket; 4 – Laundromat; 5 – Angkor Wat; 6 – Tunnel; 7 – Iran; 8 – Boxing ring; 9 – Mount Rushmore; 10 – Finland; 11 – Micronesia; 12 – Hairdresser – How many did you get right?

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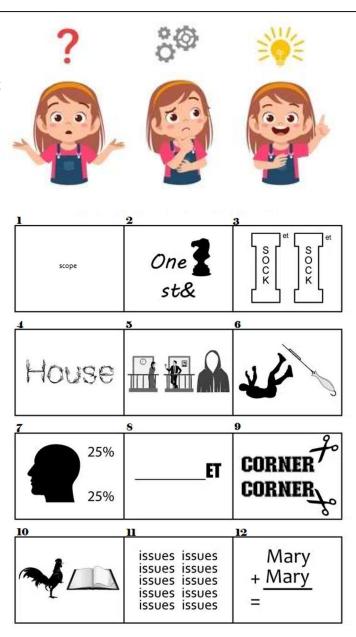
Here's another! Identify the word or phrase depicted in each of the rebus pictures on the right – this one should be easier. Example:

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This month's prize is a \$20 gift card to Dairy Queen.

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 5/18. 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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#### They Said It

"If dogs could talk, it would take a lot of fun out of owning one." — Andrew A. Rooney

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"If you think dogs can't count, try putting three dog biscuits in your pocket and then giving Fido only two of them." —*Phil Pastoret* 

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"The cat could very well be man's best friend but would never stoop to admitting it." —*Doug Larson* 

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"Cats are smarter than dogs. You can't get eight cats to pull a sled through snow." —Jeff Valdez

"In order to maintain a well-balanced perspective, the person who has a dog to worship him should also have a cat to ignore him." —Peterborough Examiner, Canada



# **Activity Committee Report**

Welcome to May. The warm summer months are finally here. The pool opened on April 17, and several people have already started to enjoy it.

With the summer months, we don't usually have large crowds show up for activities, so we've decided to keep it simple. But if a great idea strikes, we'll announce it, so stay tuned.

In April we had a good turnout to the potluck dinner and bingo game. We've started playing four games instead of three, so the prizes are smaller but more spread out, and we get to prolong the fun for an extra round.

We watched "As Good As It Gets" with Jack Nicholson and Helen Hunt. We always have fun and there are some munchies to enjoy while we watch.

On the calendar for May – Mark your calendar and bring a neighbor!

- May 7 at 5:30 PM: Potluck Dinner and Bingo This is true pot luck. Bring a dish to share. It's always fun and exciting to see what we end up with, and it's always yummy and fun. Bingo game to follow--\$1 per card and the proceeds are divided and given to the winners of the night's four games.
- May 11 at 6:30 PM: Movie Night "A Night at the Museum" (Rated PG), a comedy starring Ben Stiller and several other big names. Looks like fun!
- May 19 at 6:00 PM: Ice Cream Social Only 75 cents a scoop, including toppings. Build your own sundae or banana split and spend an hour or so visiting.
- In addition there are weekly card and board games, and pool on Mondays. Check out the calendar on the back page and plan to join us.

# <u>Things to Do – Hurricane</u> Farmers Market

The Hurricane Farmers' Market is open again! Enjoy fresh fruits and veggies, delicious baked goodies and handmade creations from talented farmers, bakers, and crafters.

The Hurricane Farmers Market runs every Saturday from April through November, 9 am – 1 pm. Hurricane Recreation Center, 63 S 100 W, Hurricane

The area is ramping up with lots of other fun and interesting activities (including the Ironman). To find more things to do, go to GreaterZion.com/upcoming-events/ and scroll down to the calendar.





#### I.C. Chronicles

We started spring cleanup in Memorial Park. We've had four work parties so far--raked out the leaves, trimmed trees and shrubs, and will continue to work Memorial Park and common areas through the summer.

In the coming weeks, we'll take care of the weeding and the pond area when it dries out.

Come join us! We're out working every Thursday morning, weather permitting, and we welcome everyone. Bring a pair of gloves and join the fun









## **Just for Laughs**

If a pig loses its voice...does it become disgruntled?

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Wanna hear a joke about paper? Never mind. It's tearable.

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A panic-stricken man explained to his doctor, "You have to help me, I think I'm shrinking." "Now settle down," the doctor calmly told him. "You'll just have to learn to be a little patient."

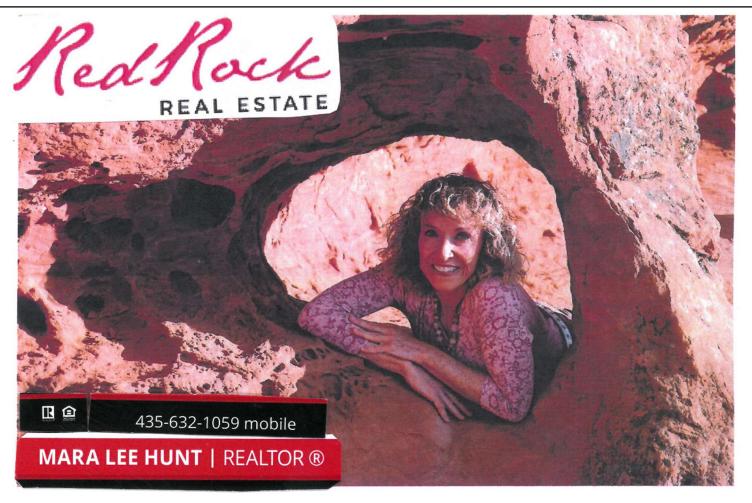
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What do you call a bundle of hay in a church? Christian Bale.

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A ship carrying red paint and a ship carrying blue paint collide in the middle of the ocean. Both crews were marooned.







# <u>May</u> Birthdays

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

1<sup>st</sup> - Sheridan Metcalf

2<sup>nd</sup> – Martyn Williams

4<sup>th</sup> - Corrinne Shepard

4<sup>th</sup> – Myrna Townsend

10<sup>th</sup> - Chris Willardsen

10<sup>th</sup> - Jani McCullough

13<sup>th</sup> - Steve Hart

17<sup>th</sup> - Nina Spigner

18<sup>th</sup> - Maggie Johnson

22<sup>nd</sup> - Brett Fuhriman

26<sup>th</sup> - Donna Anderson

29<sup>th</sup> - Kathy Hart

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

# Mother's Day Word Search

Children **Flowers** Caring Mother Kisses Family Dinner Friend Parent Travel Heart Home Shop Birth Love Meal Kind

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Mom

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## **Canyon Treefrogs**

The Canyon Treefrog, scientifically known as Hyla arenicolor, is a fascinating amphibian native to the rugged plateaus and canyons of the Southwest United States. Its presence graces the upper tributaries of the Virgin River and is particularly abundant along the north and east forks within the breathtaking expanse of Zion National Park.

These elusive creatures are true masters of adaptation, perfectly suited to their rocky, arid habitat. Their cryptic nature allows them to blend seamlessly into their surroundings, perching on rocks, cliffs, and ledges with an almost imperceptible presence. Their keen eyesight and agility enable them to swiftly snatch up small insects while remaining vigilant for potential threats. When danger looms, they deftly dive into nearby pools or crevices, vanishing from sight in the blink of an eye.

One of the most remarkable aspects of the Canyon Treefrog is its remarkable ability to change color, a trait that aids in its camouflage. Individuals may exhibit a spectrum of hues ranging from creamy whites to earthy browns, tans, or even vibrant reds, with irregular patterns and blotches mirroring the texture and coloration of their rocky habitat.

Despite their diminutive size (about 2 inches), Canyon Treefrogs play an important role in their ecosystem as both predator and prey. Their nocturnal habits allow them to avoid the scorching heat of the day, emerging under the cover of darkness to forage and mate. During the winter months, when temperatures plummet and water sources freeze over, these resilient amphibians enter a state of dormancy, seeking refuge in sheltered crevices or burrows until the warmth of spring beckons them once again.

As guardians of the canyonlands, the Canyon Treefrog embodies the resilience and adaptability of desert life, a testament to the intricate balance of nature in one of the world's most awe-inspiring landscapes.



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A blue whale's heartbeat can be heard over 2 miles away. And their hearts weigh almost 400 pounds!





There's a fruit that tastes like chocolate pudding. Native to Central and South America, the fruit is called black sapote and it tastes like a combination of sweet custard and chocolate.

## **May 11 is Hanging Flower Baskets**



This holiday is observed on the Saturday before Mother's Day

Tomorrow is Mother's Day. You don't have any idea what to get mom. We've got your solution. Get her some hanging flower baskets. This is exactly why today is Hanging Flower Baskets Day. On this day, you and many others are thronging to local garden stores. Those stores know you're coming so they have hanging flower baskets of all shapes, sizes, and colors. There's a planter filled with beautiful blooming flowers that Mom is certain to love. If you know Mom's favorite plants, you're in luck. If not, how do you select the perfect planter? Here's a suggestion: select the ones that are her favorite color.

Hanging Flower Baskets Day is perfectly placed the day before Mother's Day, but mid-Spring is also the peak time for planting outdoors. And the risk of frost is over in most areas of the country. So, millions of homeowners are decorating their homes with breathtaking displays of hanging flower baskets. Garden stores know this, too. When you arrive, you will have your choice of planters. The stores are fully stocked, making selection easy.

Did You Know? Hanging planters are used for other types of plants, too. Non-blooming, shade-loving ferns are perfect for shady areas. Hanging planters can also be used for some herbs and vegetables.

How to Participate in and Celebrate Hanging Flower Baskets Day—here are some ideas:

- Buy hanging flower baskets from your local garden store.
- Make them yourself using your favorite flowering plants.
- Hang them around the outside of your house.
- Hang them around your office or place of work.
- Place a basket of shade-loving plants off the branch of a tree.
- Put the around the outside of your garage. Armed with these ideas, we think you've got the hang of it.

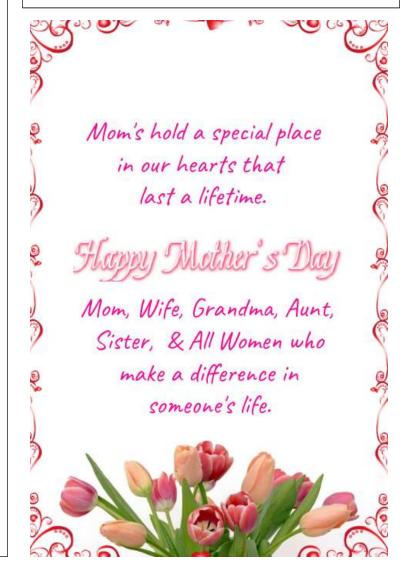
## **Friendly Reminder:**



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!







# May 2024



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

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
In addition, there is usually a card or board game going on weekdays at 1:00 or 1:30. Check the signup sheets in the clubhouse or just show up and join in!			Hand & Foot 1:00 PM/\$1	Pinochle 1:00 PM  Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM	3	4
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