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Greetings, friends and neighbors!

Weeds, Seeds & Needs

May has a funny way of teaching us little life lessons — especially if you've ever tried to keep a garden. One day everything looks neat and promising, and the next? Weeds pop up overnight, your seedlings are looking moody, and you're wondering why you ever thought you had a green thumb in the first place.

But there's something comforting about the process, too. The weeds remind us that not everything in life goes according to plan — and that's okay. We all have a few persistent weeds: small annoyances, habits we'd like to change, little messes that creep in when we're not looking. But the good news? Most of them can be handled with a bit of time, patience, and maybe a sturdy pair of gloves.

Then there are the seeds — the hopeful parts. These are the ideas and efforts we plant, often without knowing exactly what will take root. A new hobby. A kind word. A step toward better health or a long-postponed visit with someone special. Not everything we try will grow, but that doesn't mean it wasn't worth planting. May is the perfect time to start something new — or pick up where we left off.

And let's not forget our needs. The basics we so often push aside — fresh air, movement, connection, rest. A little quiet. A hearty laugh. We all have different needs, but this time of year seems to invite us to slow down just enough to notice them.

So here's to a month of noticing — the weeds we can pull, the seeds we can nurture, and the needs we can finally honor. You don't need a garden to appreciate the season. Just a little time, a little intention, and maybe a spot in the sun.

Happy May!

María Allan Editor



Around the Neighborhood!

We are very sad to report the passing of Jean Reynolds, who passed away from a stroke on April 4.She and her husband, Dick, have been residents of Harrisburg for many years and always came to all the activities whenever they were in town. She will be definitely be missed, and we extend our condolences to her dear husband and their families.

We also learned that George Gadd. who owned a house on Overlook passed away on April 13 at the age of 92. They have not been able to visit here very much in the last few years, but many will remember him. Our condolences to out to his family.







I need your eyes and ears. If you know of something noteworthy that our neighbors would find fun, interesting or uplifting, shoot me an email (marvelousmom2@yahoo.com). Bonus points if you have pictures!



Bob Banks on 27 Cottonwood had a tree stump on his property carved into this beautiful owl! If you're out walking, check it out.



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<u>May</u> Birthdays

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

1st - Sheridan Metcalf 2nd - Martyn Williams 4th - Myrna Townsend

6th – Wendy Blanton

10th - Chris Willardsen 10th - Jani McCullough

13th - Steve Hart

17th - Nina Spigner

18th - Maggie Johnson

22nd - Brett Fuhriman

26th - Donna Anderson

29th - Kathy Hart

Did we miss your birthday?
Please send a note to the editor (see front page) or the office so we can fix it for next year!

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!

(P.S. Dogs must be kept on a leash outdoors.)





Improvement committee hard at work.

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They Said It

"An optimist is someone who falls off the Empire State Building, and after 50 floors says, 'So far so good!" — *Anonymous*



"The nice part about being a pessimist is that you are constantly being either proven right or pleasantly surprised." —George Will



"The optimist proclaims that we live in the best of all possible worlds; and the pessimist fears this is true." — James Branch Cabell



"I'm not offended by blonde jokes because I know I'm not dumb...and I also know that I'm not blonde." —Dolly Parton



"We use 10% of our brains. Imagine how much we could accomplish if we used the other 60%." —Ellen DeGeneres



H.I.C. Chronicles

The Improvement Committee has been on hiatus for a bit with the weather being cold and sometimes wet. We helped Sam the sprinkler guy locate and repair the irrigation lines in Memorial Park to help us maintain the plants that were on the verge of dying. Sam provided us with a map of the new system so that we can maintain it more easily in the future and keep the wash beautiful.

In the meantime, we're gearing up to start working again as the weather improves. Watch the marquee on the front of the clubhouse for dates and times, usually once a week early in the morning before the heat hits. We love our volunteers and all are welcome to help! We work on areas that the grounds crew doesn't cover, like flower beds, the cemetery, and of course Memorial Park. It beautifies our area and helps prevent fire hazards.





Puzzle with a Prize!

Congratulations to the winner Jaylyn Otsen, April's winner of the \$20 certificate to Domino's Pizza.

The solution to the April puzzle was: 1 – LaFemme; 2 – Dandelion; 3 – Red Dirt; 4 – Pool; 5 – Leash; 6 – Red Rock; 7 – Banana; 8A – Black Diamond; 8D – Blue Clay; 9 – Rush 10 – Steamroller; 11 – County Fair.

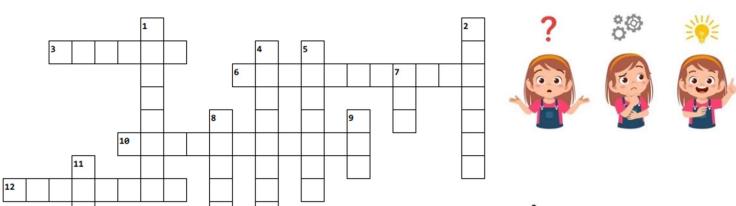
There were 5 entries this time! so your odds of winning are still good! This month's prize is a \$20 gift card to **Freddy's Frozen Custard** (you can use it with your Dixie Direct card if your have one!). The theme this month is "The Merry Month of May." Fill in the words that relate to the month of May.

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<u>The rules & fine print</u>: Drop your entry in the yellow contest box inside the clubhouse. Be sure to include your <u>name</u>, <u>Harrisburg address</u>, <u>phone number</u> and the solution to the puzzle on your entry. 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 at least 5 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 (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 6 months (unless nobody else enters—which is very possible). You can't win if you

Merry Month of May!





Jo Macari was this month's winner! Congratulations!

Across

- 3. She's celebrated on the 2nd Sunday.
- Bird that drinks nectar.
- 10. Celebrate this day with tacos! (3 wds)
- Sport played on a diamond.

Down

- Remember fallen soldiers on _____ Day.
- 2. Small insect with black dots.
- 4. What a caterpillar becomes.
- 5. May birthstone.
- 7. Buzzing pollinator.
- 8. Star Wars Day is on May _____.
- **9.** Place where you might grow flowers on the porch.
- **11.** You'll plant these to grow veggies and flowers.

Things to Do: Hurricane Farmers Market

It's time again for the Hurricane Farmer's Market! Enjoy fresh fruits and veggies, delicious baked goods, and handmade creations from talented farmers, bakers, and crafters. Bring your family and friends and enjoy the food and the atmosphere.

The Hurricane Farmers Market runs every Saturday from March through November, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. 63 South 100 West in Hurricane.







The quickest commercial flight in the world is in Scotland.





In 2010, a man in England was arrested for recording his neighbor's noisy dogs and replaying the noise at full volume over the neighbor's fence.





There were active volcanoes on the moon when dinosaurs were alive.



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In 1909, Vancouver revealed its first Auto Ambulance. On the day of the test drive, it ran over and killed a wealthy man from Austin, Texax. Ironically, this man was the first person the ambulance picked up.





Sudan has more pyramids than any country in the world.









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The Second Saturday in May is National Windmill Day

May 10 is National Windmill Day, a national day in the Netherlands (also called Holland). Holland is home to thousands of windmills, where they have helped reclaim the land from the sea, pumping countless amounts of water over dikes, and back into the sea. Windmills are also essential for industry, most notably flour mills. Increasing numbers of windmills are now being installed in Holland, Europe, the United States, and many other countries for a new purpose..... to provide clean, carbonless energy for a power-hungry world.

The Netherlands has about 1,200 windmills remaining in their country. Only about 300 windmills are operational and have been designated as national monuments. On National Windmill Day, over 950 windmills in Holland open their doors to visitors, providing them with an up-close look at the inner workings of windmills.

The objective of this day is expanded to now include electricity-generating windmills. Recognizing their importance to produce "green" energy, we encourage you to use this day to support windmill research and to promote the development and installation of electrical power-generating windmills in your community.

Happy National Windmill Day.



The Dwarf Bearclaw Poppy: Our Local Rarity



If you've ever wandered the desert landscapes around St. George, you may have walked right past one of Utah's rarest plants—the Dwarf Bearclaw Poppy—without even knowing it. This tiny wildflower only grows in a few specific spots in Washington County, and you won't find it anywhere else in the world. Its silvery-green leaves look a bit like little bear claws (hence the name), and when it blooms, it shows off bright white flowers with sunny yellow centers.

Unfortunately, this desert beauty is in serious trouble. It's been listed as federally endangered since 1979, and for good reason—it only grows in a handful of locations, all within a short drive of St. George. Its survival is threatened by off-road vehicle use, mining, and the constant spread of development in the area.

So why should we care? Well, besides being rare and lovely, the Dwarf Bearclaw Poppy is an important part of our local ecosystem. It grows in gypsum-rich soil that's tough for most plants to handle, helping to keep that fragile desert environment in balance. Plus, it's something unique to our region—like a little piece of natural heritage we can still protect.

There's good news, though. Places like the White Dome Nature Preserve have been set aside to protect this poppy and its habitat. The Bureau of Land Management is also helping by restricting damaging activities in certain areas. And perhaps most importantly, local awareness is growing. The more people know about this flower, the better chance it has to survive.

So next time you're out exploring, keep an eye out for this rare little poppy. And if you get a chance to support local conservation efforts, know that you're helping something truly special stick around.







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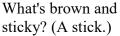


An intense game of Fast Track. Many games are available at the clubhouse. Come and play!





Just for Laughs



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There are two ducks in front of a duck, two ducks behind a duck, and a duck in the middle. How many ducks are there? (Three)

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My doctor told me I was going deaf. The news was hard for me to hear.

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A century ago, two brothers decided it was possible to fly. And as you can see, they were Wright.

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I'm reading a horror story in braille. Something bad is going to happen, I can just feel it.

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The Bargaindales table brought in \$143 for the month of April!! Thank you!

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 Activities Committee and the Improvement Committee to pay for all the fun activities we have and putting in new flowers, etc. Contact MaryAnn if you have any questions about donations.



News from the Board

Happy Spring!

Thank you to our Community for everything you all do. I personally love seeing the daily activity and living amongst such awesome people! Within our park, everyone is so delightful. Like a slice of heaven. I'm honestly impressed at the way we all have worked together to co-create harmony in our community we all love so much.

We truly have the best community here. Our first HOA monthly meeting was held in April. The meeting was productive, and served as a way to keep everyone updated and connected within the flow of our community. Here are the details:

The HOA would like to Welcome Curtis Koster to the board, who was sworn in by Kenny Allred and was agreed upon by all four of us. Curtis wasn't available to be sworn in at the Annual Meeting. Welcome Curtis!! We are grateful for your service here and are looking forward to having your service and expertise.

We would like to remind those of you who may be digging this Spring to make sure Blue Stakes is called and Steve Hart is notified before digging ANYWHERE. It was brought to our attention that there are so many wires and cables, pipes etc. The amount of voltage running through the electrical system is deadly. Our understanding is "that the lines aren't buried very deep in park home communities," so we are asked to call Steve Hart, contact the office for questions, and call Blue Stakes prior to digging. Fines will be issued if needed. Thank you kindly.

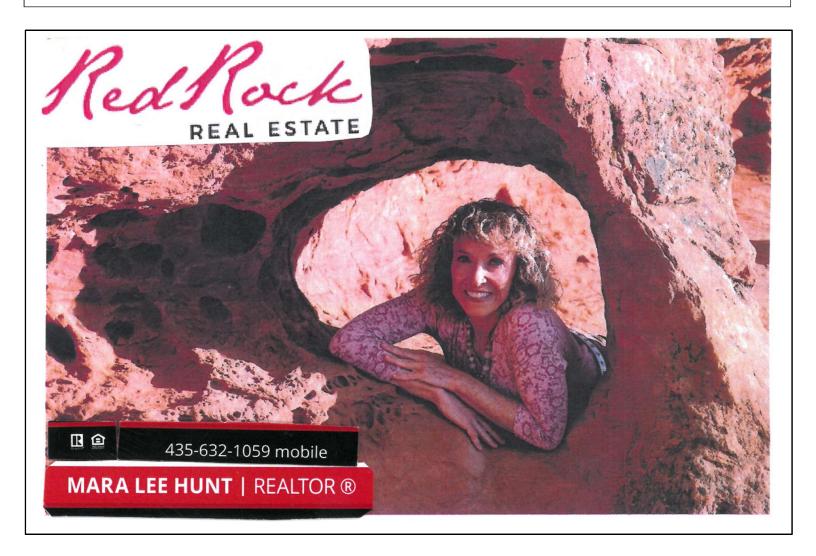
There was discussion of the pool and we would like to thank Luis for all he is doing to prepare for opening day! We are hoping that is sooner rather than later... we understand and agree there are some that would like the pool to beopen year around. However we are exploring what that would look like, as we would have to raise the monthly HOA fee. We are taking these things into consideration and will keep everyone updated.

Don't forget to check our Facebook page for updates!! Thank you Janice for doing such a great job maintaining our social media Facebook Page!!

Let's keep up the good work, friends! Together our community SHINES on solid rock.

Keep Shining Harrisburg

Natalie Rose Smith, Treasurer



Activities Committee Report

Hope you are all enjoying the great weather we've been having. Doesn't it feel great to get outside and enjoy our warm weather?

At the end of March, our movie night featured "Footloose," a classic fun movie. Makes you want to stand up and move your feet!

In April we had a potluck dinner that was yummy and fun. With our snowbirds beginning to pack up and move to cooler climes, attendance is dropping, but we hope that those of you who remain or visit throughout the summer will come to some of our activities and have fun with us! Because of some health issues, we've missed seeing a lot of our "regulars"!

Here's what's coming up in the next few weeks:

- April 26 at 6:30 PM Movie night: "Top Gun" with Tom Cruise!
- May 11 Happy Mother's Day! --- Our gift this year will be free ice cream for mothers at the ice cream social. Yes, it's a week later than Mother's Day, but that just makes this sweet day last longer for our honored moms.
- May 13 at 5:30 PM Our monthly potluck and bingo night. Come enjoy some great food and have fun at bingo! We're going to be adding some extra prizes to the "pot," so you won't want to miss it. (P.S. If you're opposed to eating potluck for whatever reason, just bring your own food or just come for Bingo you're always welcome!)
- May 18 at 6:00 PM Ice cream social. Only 75 cents per scoop, including toppings. We have lots of flavors and good fun.
- May 31 at 6:30 PM Movie Night: "Hidden Figures," an award-winning movie and true story of three African-American women who worked as mathematicians at NASA during the Space Race, helping to launch astronaut John Glenn into orbit. Rated PG. Movie snacks are provided.

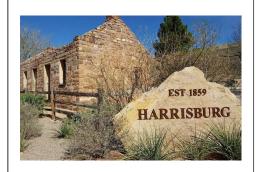
Looking forward, we've got some fun activities planned, including a BBQ this summer, a potato bar later on, and some entertainment, which will be announced later. Because of your generosity at our fundraiser, we will be able to provide some activities at no cost to you. Stay tuned and plan to join in!



Harrisburg is on Facebook

Be sure to join the official Harrisburg Facebook page for up-to-the-minute updates, information, and connection. Go to Facebook and search for

"The Official Harrisburg Estates Utah FB Page."







Crabby Road 9-25-10

I don't want to say I'm old and worn out, but I make sure I'm nowhere near the curb on trash day.



The Improvement Committee volunteers hours of work to keep our park beauful, and they have fun doing it! Volunteers are welcome!

Strawberry Spinach Salad

from AllRecipes.com

Dressing:

½ cup white sugar

½ cup olive oil

1/4 cup distilled white vinegar

2 tablespoons sesame seeds

1 tablespoon poppy seeds

1 tablespoon minced onion

½ teaspoon paprika

1/4 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce

Salad:

1 quart strawberries - cleaned, hulled and sliced

10 ounces fresh spinach - rinsed, dried and torn into bite-sized pieces

½ cup almonds, blanched and slivered

Directions

- 1. To make the dressing: Whisk sugar, oil, vinegar, sesame seeds, poppy seeds, onion, paprika, and Worcestershire sauce together in a medium bowl until well combined. Cover the dressing and chill it in the refrigerator for 1 hour.
- 2. To make the spinach salad: Combine sliced strawberries, torn spinach leaves, and almonds in a large bowl.
- 3. Pour dressing over salad; toss to coat.
- 4. Refrigerate for 10 to 15 minutes before serving.

Serves 4





May 2025



Pool Aerobics 9:00 AM Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays

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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!				Pinochle 1:00 PM Texas Hold 'Em 5:30 PM	2	3
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25	Pool 5:30 PM 8 MEMORIAL DAY	27	Hand & Foot 1:00 PM	29	30	31 Movie Night 6:30 PM "Hidden Figures"