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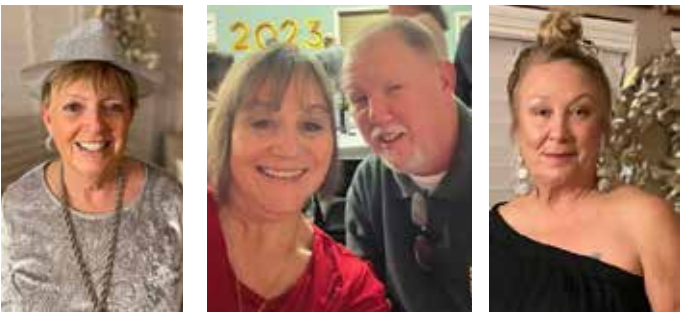
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## BRINGING IN 2023!

Oh, what a Night. Our residents really know how to do it right: a 16' table laden with delicious food; a band with a variety of music for all ages; appearance by Father Time; a champagne toast provided by Betty & George Shaver; beautiful prizes, and, best of all - when the clock struck midnight - over 100 residents were there to wish everyone a HAPPY NEW YEAR! Thanks to Paula Davies and her band of volunteers for a fabulous celebration.



## PLANTATION OAKS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (PORA)

*By Gary Watkins-President*



As we are in a new year, 2023, I would like to reflect on all the events, meetings, and happenings PORA sponsored in 2022. I commend our social committee and our cooks for all the work they put in to make these things happen. A lot of us have no idea of the time and work put into an event

by our committees and fellow residents. I learned that when I joined the cooks' team a few years back: planning; tickets; selling tickets; going shopping; decorating; the event itself, and then the cleanup. Whether it's the cooks making us a wonderful meal or the social club putting on events, or maybe the cooks and social club together, it takes a lot of time and work. We buy our tickets, show up for the event, enjoy the event and then go home not realizing the dedication and time put in by residents on these committees and residents that volunteer to help. A common factor in all the events and happenings at the clubhouse is that the clubhouse needs to be left in the same clean condition as before the events. So as the event comes to an end, and everyone is leaving, please realize volunteers are still there cleaning up. Again, I thank all the volunteers that make our events the success they are. We have already had an outstanding New Years' Eve at the clubhouse, and I am looking forward to all the great events to come in 2023. Be a part of them and volunteer when you can.

We also can't forget the time and effort that your PORA board of directors put in. Believe me, it's not just the four meetings a year. I look forward to the new make up of the board with the addition of three new members with all of us working together for PORA. In closing, I hope everyone has a great year and I know that here, at Plantation Oaks, it will be another great year with great events. Just a reminder, PORA dues are twenty dollars this year and are due now. Also, if you are not a PORA member, then what are you waiting for? Join us. See you around.

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# MY SWEET VALENTINE

By Jeanie Scionti



My dear husband, you always read my submissions to "The POP," this one is for you.

It's time to celebrate Valentine's Day! Let's take a drive along A1A with a stop at the Bings Landing County Park. We can have lunch at Captain's BBQ while viewing the pleasant Inter-Coastal Waterway.

The ambiance is so pretty facing the river. There is always activity going on at Bings, with people launching and retrieving their boats. I keep hinting to you, dear, that I want a pontoon so we can float down the Inter-Coastal and then glide into the boating dock and dine at Captain's BBQ. I know how you love the smoked ribs at that restaurant. You would have to go a long way to find better. True Southern barbeque - right there in the park!

"Why, my darling, are you drooling?"

Afterwards, we can take a nice walk around the grounds and visit the archaeological dig of the "Mala Compra Plantation.

The day is still young and now, my sweet, we can drive just one minute up the road to Paul Baliker's Gallery, a stone's throw away from the park! You once bought me a beautiful wooden bowl from his art gallery, and we even chatted with Mr. Baliker. He is really a very personable fellow. We talked about how he became an artist and his age. I still don't remember why we got on that subject.

I have always admired seeing a few of Baliker's works throughout Flagler County, especially his Panther, the



bronze sculpture at the east entrance to Linear Park on Palm Coast Parkway.

As you well know, Paul Baliker is a well-known and talented sculptor who works magic with wood and bronze. His life-size and monumental sculptures have been selected for Art in Public Places programs in Florida and elsewhere.

While we are there, my darling, let's look at some sculptures that you might want to purchase for your dear and loving wife!

"Well, hubby, what do you think of my plan?"

"What a great idea! Forget waiting for Valentine's Day; let's go now...I'm hungry!"

"While at the "Gallery," do you think, my 'Sweet Valentine, you can afford to buy me Baliker's life-size sculpture of *The Fisherman*? It would look great on our lawn." "Absolutely, my love." "Hmm..."



Bings Landing and Baliker's Gallery are 16 min (11.3 mi) via A1A N from Flagler Beach. Both are located on the west side of A1A. The gallery is one minute from the park.



POP readers, I think you will really enjoy visiting both these places.



**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY  
FEBRUARY 14, 2023**

# THE LAKE

By Joanne Kegel



If you've ever been to New England, you may have been to or heard of Lake Winnepesaukee in New Hampshire, fondly called "The Lake". Located at the foothills of the White Mountains in the Lakes Region, the scenery is beautiful and the water pristine.

I went to the Lake every summer to Meredith since I was a kid. An uncle owned a cottage with direct waterfront access on two sides with a dock on a peninsula called Spindle Point. He always had a Chris Craft boat and the cousins all learned to water ski. I was also able to get up for a spin, sometimes. We even went to church by boat! Every town has a quaint downtown area with free public dockage.

The Lake is the third largest Lake in New England. It is nearly 21 miles long, from 1 to 9 miles wide, covering 71 square miles, with a maximum depth of 180 feet. There are 258 islands.



The Lake is in a year-round vacation area, with swimming and boating in the summer, leaf peeping in the fall and snow skiing in the winter. In summer, there is a cruise boat called "The Mount Washington", named after the tallest mountain in the Northeast.



"The Mount" would go by my uncle's cottage every day and blow the horn.

The M/S Mount Washington is a first-class vintage 230-foot excursion ship offering daily scenic cruises as well as sunset and dinner dance cruises. It has 2 banquet rooms with inside and upper deck bars. We have taken many cruises across the lake to Wolfeboro, an artsy, quaint port of call, from Weirs Beach in Laconia, where you can get off the boat to shop or have lunch and get back on to return to the Weirs dock.

Weirs Beach is a public beach with a boardwalk, ice cream and caramel corn shops, penny arcades, and a marina. A lot has changed as the shops now sell mostly souvenirs and arcades are now video arcades. But the charm of old Victorian houses is still there, with new condos mixed in. Meredith is built up now with gorgeous (and expensive) hotels. There is even a big hotel where my church used to be, called "Church Landing". You'll find good food, a tiki bar, and an old mill factory with a waterfall called "Mills Falls". They kept the original building and made country store style shops inside attached to another hotel. The old wooden floors still creek and that's where our favorite Italian pizza place is.

"Up the road a piece" is Squam Lake where "On Golden Pond" was filmed. It is still a quiet and beautiful place. The lakes are 2 hours from Boston, where I grew up.

When I met Dave in CT years later, I learned that he too grew up going there. In fact, his parents were living there and had boat on Lake Winnisquam. We started going up for winter or summer vacations together. We both knew the area so well and found our favorite restaurants and pubs. And it's near Loudon raceway!

Relatives have long since passed, but our memories of The Lake will never leave us. We will try to visit again when we vacation in CT in summer.





# “HOW I MET MY HUSBAND”

By Dana Matlock



Christmas but Judy told her Wally was getting her a ring. Judy worked with a man whose cousin owned a



Through the years, blind dates have offered a way to meet someone you just wouldn't meet in your usual social circle. This was never truer than in the case of **Judy and Wally Brady**. Judy had graduated from Highland Park Junior College / Chrysler Corporation education program and was living at home with her parents in Detroit, Michigan. Wally was a young single man living at home with his parents and working at a manufacturing company in Hicksville, New York.

In late December 1958, Judy's friend, Carol, asked Judy to go with her to New York City to visit her boyfriend, John. He had recently moved to New York and began a job with Sperry Gyroscope. Judy and Carol then flew to New York to visit John, who had registered them in a hotel. John's friend at work was Richard Marczyk, a cousin of Wally. There was some problem convincing Wally to join them as it was his bowling night, but eventually he did agree. So, Richard and girlfriend Mary, John and Carol and Judy and Wally went to Radio City Music Hall for the Christmas program and dinner. During the evening Mary asked Carol and Judy to come to their wedding on January 31. Doing so meant a second date for Judy and Wally. Since Judy had a brand-new car, they decided to drive to New Jersey for the wedding. Again, John reserved the hotel room which was at the same place as the wedding reception. All attended the wedding and reception as Wally and John were ushers and part of the wedding party. About a month after the wedding, Judy received a letter and flowers from Wally for Valentine's Day. Wally then visited Judy and family for Memorial Day weekend, especially since May 31 is Wally's birthday. In July, Wally drove to Detroit for a week and then took Judy back to Long Island for a week. A visit to New York City included the Latin Quarter and China Town. There were many trips to movies, and one was located right next to a jewelry store. Very interesting for Judy, but not so for Wally's mom. She was hoping he would buy her a new car for



Judy and Wally at the "Latin Quarter" Nightclub in NYC, July 1960. Lou Walters (yes, Barbara Walter's father) opened the *Times Square* location in 1942.

jewelry store in Detroit. At this time Wally told Judy to pick out whatever she wanted. On his visit to Detroit for Christmas, Judy picked him up at the airport and they went directly to the jewelry store. Judy did not take any time. The jeweler had Judy try on the ring and Wally said, "it looks like we are engaged". Judy was very pleased that Wally had brought enough cash. They went home with the engagement ring and the wedding bands.

In June 1960, Wally came to Detroit to participate with Judy in Carol's wedding party. During that week he and Judy met with pastor Schaffer to make the arrangements for their wedding to be held September 17, 1960. Wally was nervous about what would be expected of him since he had been raised catholic and knew some of the catholic requirements but not Lutheran requirements. Pastor Schaffer told him, "You only have to love Judy" - and that he did. The Brady's moved to Plantation Oaks in January 2000 and Wally passed away in 2003. His Celebration of Life was held in St. Mark by the Sea, Lutheran Church in Palm Coast.



MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC 1959



## TAKE A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

By Joe Cortese



A few months back I wrote an article “Beauty and the Beast” about our beautiful community and some of the creatures that live here (besides us), yet I was totally unprepared for a chance meeting with one of our state’s almost mythical critters, a “Florida panther”.

It was early December 22 and Glenda and I (with a few neighbors) were riding around looking at the Christmas lights when, on Galemont Drive, a panther ran from between some houses directly in front of the van. The other occupants in the van were deep in conversation and I was the only one looking forward, thus no one else saw this cat. Though he was running very fast, I got a good look and that is why I refer to this kitty-cat as a “He”. The next day I did some online research (as follows) and confirmed his sex and how incredibly rare it is to see a “Florida panther”, but mostly I was interested in his eating habits, particularly if they ate Italian food.

Florida panther adults are dark buff, tawny, or a rust color and the male are relatively large weighing 100-160 pounds and the females 65-100 pounds. I believe the one I saw was at least 100 pounds (however when he first ran in front of me, I would have told you he weighed 3 tons and was the size of a T-Rex) which is why I believe this cat was a male. Panthers have long tails unlike the short bobtail of a bobcat and strongly resemble female African lions. Historically there are a few newspaper articles that date back more than a century of panther attacks on humans, although now wildlife experts agree that in modern times, there have been no verified panther attacks on a person in Florida” (Italian or otherwise). There ARE, however, many verified attacks on pets and farm animals which is not surprising since a panther’s main diet consist of deer, wild hogs, birds, and raccoon. So goat, sheep, calves, dogs and cats are also on the fast-food menu. The Florida panther’s status is listed as endangered. There are just over 200 left in the wild. They are mostly found in southern Florida swampland, making this sighting very rare, but this wasn’t the only sighting.

A week earlier while walking our fur babies at night, I saw deep yellow/amber eyes watching me from the preserve area next to my home. Whatever was there did not run or blink, so I cut the walk short. A few days after my sighting Glenda saw a buck chasing a panther out of the woods along the banks of the lake. We googled this and sure enough deer will chase a panther off that's trying to sneak up on them.

So, after years of wandering around the Everglades National Park and the Big Cypress National Preserve, I finally get to see a Florida panther and I can check that off my list. Been there, done that and don’t want to do that again!



### FAMOUS QUOTABLE “LOVE” QUOTES

*Submitted by Jo Kegel.*

*Some as seen in Readers Digest*

“It wasn’t love at first sight. It took a full five minutes.” –*Lucille Ball*

“Love is being stupid together.” –*Paul Valery*

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

“Never go to bed mad. Stay up and fight.”  
–*Phyllis Diller*

“Love is a two-way street constantly under construction.” –*Carroll Bryant*

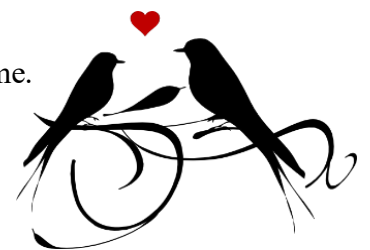
“Love is something sent from heaven to worry the hell out of you.” –*Dolly Parton*

“By all means marry; if you get a good wife, you’ll be happy. If you get a bad one, you’ll become a philosopher.” –*Socrates*

“You can’t blame gravity for falling in love.”  
–*Albert Einstein*

“I love you because the entire universe conspired to help me find you.” –*Paulo Coelho-The Alchemist*

“Grow old along with me.  
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–*Robert Browning*





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# TRIVIA

## CHALLENGE

By Rich Bencal



February greetings to all in Plantation Oaks. We are getting closer and closer to spring time as the daylight gets longer and we can enjoy the outdoors even more. I have thoroughly researched and prepared 10 trivia questions to challenge you. Think hard

and good luck. As always, the answers will appear on another page in the POP.

### QUESTIONS:

1. Who is the only athlete to play on a championship team in both the NBA and MLB?
2. What are the names of the two tunnels under the Hudson River that connect New Jersey and New York?
3. What is the name of the dog in the Beetle Bailey comic strip?
4. What teen idol of the 50's and 60's had hits such as "Turn Me Loose" and "Like a Tiger"?
5. In what city was the first underground subway?
6. What type of men's hat is named after a city in Morocco?
7. Who was the first US President to live in the White House?
8. Which US President earned the Congressional Medal of Honor?
9. What was the number of the PT boat commanded by President John F. Kennedy during WWII?
10. What is the name of the dog in the comic strip "Blondie"?

### I KNOW WHEN I'M THIRSTY!

Submitted by Dana Matlock



*Are you sure about that? The truth is, as you get older it is common for your sense of thirst to diminish. So, if you're over 60, and think you're drinking less water than you used to, it's probably not your imagination.*

Humans can only survive a few days without water, so it makes sense that thirst is a basic survival instinct; everyone gets thirsty. But the ability to sense thirst decreases as people age making it

important for people over 60 to hydrate even if you don't feel thirsty.

### How do we lose our sense of thirst?

Let's begin with an example of how thirst works to help explain the process. Typically, as you eat a bunch of salty snacks, you think to yourself, "I'm so thirsty! I need something to drink right now!" The reason that happens is that the salty snacks raise your blood sodium concentration too much, and your hypothalamus (located in your brain) puts out a strong feeling of thirst. So, what happens? You drink something. Easy.

However, as we age, the message from our brain that's supposed to notify us when we're thirsty loses strength, and we don't get the message resulting in dehydration.

### Why does dehydration matter for older people?

Dehydration can cause serious complications like urinary tract infections, kidney stones, and kidney failure. It can also be responsible for an extremely serious, and sometimes life-threatening complication, low blood volume (hypovolemic shock) which can cause a drop in blood pressure and a drop in the amount of oxygen in your body.

### Signs of dehydration include

- Little or no urination
- dark or amber-colored urine
- Dry skin that stays tented or folded when pinched
- Irritability, dizziness, or confusion
- Low blood pressure
- Rapid breathing and heartbeat
- Weak pulse
- Cold hands and feet
- Constipation
- Dry Mouth
- Sunken eyes
- Difficulty walking



### How can you increase hydration?

Drinking plain water all the time can get a little boring. Luckily, there are lots of new and improved options, starting with some cool, reusable bottles. Some of those bottles can infuse natural flavors into the water inside, and even keep their contents cold or warm for hours. A couple of other ideas you may want to try:

- Broth and soup provide both hydration and nutrition.
- Place water bottles in multiple locations around the home.
- Include foods with high water content such as cucumbers, oranges, or watermelon.

So, "Let's get drinking!"

## WELCOME COMMITTEE

By Bob Matlock



Activity in the realm of home sales in Plantation Oaks in 2022 was much quieter than it was in 2020 and 2021. That's okay because the quality of people moving here was maintained even though the quantity was not. Last year at this time I reported 57

homes had been sold in 2021 with a total of 93 new residents moving in. In 2022 I have been advised that there were 29 homes sold with 41 newcomers moving in. 12 of those sales were to couples and 17 were to single people. Our population continues to be dynamic with people from varied employment experiences and other backgrounds moving in. The new faces participating at indoor and outdoor activities are quite noticeable. Welcome! We feel especially thankful and blessed for those who have volunteered to serve the community with their experience, time and energy on our many and varied committees. Thank you all.

*Note. Please know that I am not always advised about new residents. If you were new resident(s) in 2021 or 2022 and I have not talked to you about a Welcome to the Community session, please call me in the next few weeks at 386-439-3443 to make an appointment. Sometimes new residents don't respond to my attempts to contact them. If this is your situation, I will make a final attempt to call you in the next few weeks. If there is no contact and you do not return my call, then I will consider that you are not interested. Thank you. BOB*

**GROUND  
HOG  
DAY**



**February 2, 2023. Will there be 6 more weeks of winter or an early spring?**

## FEDERATION OF MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS (FMO)

By James Pursley, Plantation Oaks FMO Rep



Happy New Year to everyone. Hope everyone was safe and had a bunch of fun. Who all has made resolutions and kept them? Enough for that subject!

We will talk about how good the FMO is shortly but for now I want to talk about the Arts. I guess that includes

Live Play Productions.

I would highly recommend going to see some of the plays in the area. You don't have to drive very far. Being from Atlanta I enjoyed going to the area plays when I was younger. Then I moved to the mountains, and we had some plays but nothing like the big city. Carol and I had the pleasure of going to the Flagler Auditorium the other night and we saw, "Always Patsy Cline". It was great! One thing about it, there are several other playhouses in the area, so we are very fortunate to have such good entertainment close to us. To go to one of these plays is so different than going to see a movie. It just gives you the feeling of a night on Broadway - after the play is over, going out hailing a taxi and telling the cabby to take me and my lady to the finest dance hall, and dance and have some cocktails. I never experienced that. I went to a matinee, (cheaper) and then to Waffle House, then to a local liquor store and bought my lady the finest - as long as it did not cost over \$4.99. Then to the abandoned shopping center where we gathered and danced to several car radios. Just to say, I'm not getting kickbacks from the theaters but a fun night out. Small world, we happen to sit next to some fellow Plantation Oaks FMO members. Can't get better than that!

Talking about the FMO members, isn't it nice knowing that the FMO has your back when it comes to representing us homeowners that own homes on leased land. All this for \$25.00 per year and \$65.00 for 3 years. To join this great organization, get in touch with me. James Pursley, Park Representative, 386-986-9632 or [jpinvest129@gmail.com](mailto:jpinvest129@gmail.com). To join and be able to pay with a credit card go to [fmo.org](http://fmo.org). We, the homeowners, need the FMO, Federation of Manufactured Homeowners. They represent us in Tallahassee when needed. I could go on and on. I just can't say enough, but for what it costs it will be the best money you ever spent. Until next month, James





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## THE FIRST SUPER BOWL

Submitted by Dana Matlock



Though the NFL officially formed in 1920, the Super Bowl wasn't played until more than 40 years later.

In 1960, a group of businessmen who wanted to own football franchises, but were denied by the NFL, launched an alternative league, known as the

American Football League (AFL).

For several years, the NFL and AFL were rivals, competing for fans, players, and support. Then, in 1966, owners negotiated an agreement to merge the leagues by 1970.

The first Super Bowl, which featured the AFL (Kansas City Chiefs) and NFL champion (Green Bay Packers), was played on January 15, 1967. The game was originally called the "AFL-NFL World Championship Game." Later, Chiefs owner Lamar Hunt proposed using the term "Super Bowl" to refer to the championship game.



Football great & TV commentator Frank Gifford.  
(Credit: Getty Images)

After the leagues merged, the NFL split into two conferences: the American Football Conference (AFC) and the National Football Conference (NFC). The champions of each play in the Super Bowl.

In Super Bowl I, the NFL champion Green Bay Packers defeated the AFL champion Kansas City Chiefs, 35-10, on January 15, 1967, at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. Although ticket prices averaged \$12, the game was not a sellout—the only non-sellout in the game's history. The game drew 61,000 fans and was televised by CBS and NBC.

**Super Bowl 2023** will be held Feb. 12, 2023, The Super Bowl 57 will be held in Glendale, Arizona, at the State Farm Stadium, with the average ticket selling for \$8,650 and \$23,795 for the best seats.



## LUNCH....AND THEN IT'S WINTER

Submitted by John Mercurio



Part 2

### CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

- Today is the oldest that you have ever been – yet the youngest you will ever be – so enjoy this day while it lasts
- Your kids are becoming you... but your grandchildren are perfect!
- Going out is good... Coming home is better!
- You forget names... But it's OK because other people forgot they even knew you!!!
- You realize you're never going to be really good at anything... especially golf.
- The things you used to care to do, you no longer care to do, but you really do care that you don't care to do them anymore.
- You sleep better on a lounge chair with the TV blaring than in bed. It's called "pre-sleep".
- You miss the days when everything worked with just an "ON" and "OFF" switch.
- You tend to use more 4 letter words... "What?" "When?"
- Now that you can afford expensive jewelry, it's not safe to wear it anywhere.
- You notice everything they sell in stores is "sleeveless"!!!
- What used to be freckles are now liver spots.
- Everybody whispers.
- You have 3 sizes of clothes in your closet... 2 of which you will never wear.

But Old is good in some things:

- Old Songs,
- Old Movies, and best of all,
- OLD FRIENDS!!

*It's not what you gather, but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived.*



February 21, 2023



## FEBRUARY IS CELEBRATION OF CHOCOLATE MONTH

By Chef Kevin Gallagher, MS, CEC



Valentine's Day is **the 14<sup>th</sup> of February**, and it seems that everyone associates this day with chocolate. It's no wonder that February is dedicated as the National Celebration of Chocolate Month!

One of my favorite desserts is chess pie. It is so easy to make and there

are many variations you can make... from buttermilk, lemon, nut, and, of course, chocolate!

Chess pie was brought from England originally and was found in New England as well as Virginia but is more associated with deep south cuisine. It has some similarities to English lemon curd pie. It is likely derived from recipes for cheese-less cheesecake that appeared in cookbooks as early as the 17th century, such as in Martha Washington's "Booke of Cookery" and the English "A True Gentlewoman's Delight" (1653). A recipe explicitly called "Chess Pie" appeared in the 1877 cookbook by Estelle Woods Wilcox, *Buckeye Cookery*.

Below is my version of the chocolate chess pie. Chocolate and orange really go together well, so I paired my pie with an orange-flavored whipped cream. Of course, if you want to be a purist, omit the orange flavor and stick with vanilla! It will still be delish!

### Chocolate Chess Pie

Servings: 8

#### Ingredients

2 large eggs, lightly beaten

1 teaspoon vanilla

¼ cup butter, melted

1½ cups sugar

4 tablespoons cocoa

1 can evaporated milk, (5.33 ounce can)

1 pie shell, unbaked

1 cup whipping cream

2 tablespoons confectioner's sugar

1 tablespoon Grand Marnier, (or Cointreau) (optional)

1 tablespoon semi-sweet chocolate, shaved

#### Instructions

1. Mix sugar and cocoa with a whisk in a bowl so there are no lumps in the cocoa. Add the beaten eggs and slowly whisk them in completely. Whisk in the evaporated milk and vanilla for two minutes longer until it no longer feels gritty and watery. Mixture will be very liquid... don't be alarmed!

2. Pour into unbaked pie shell.



3. Bake at 350 °F for 35-45 minutes until set in center. Cool completely.

4. Beat whipping cream and confectioner's sugar until soft peaks. Add Grand Marnier and whip until stiff peaks.

5. Spread over completely cooled pie to form second layer. Garnish with shaved chocolate. Refrigerate at least 1 hour before cutting.



## "CANDLE WITH CARE"

Submitted by Dana Matlock

1. Blow out all candles when you leave the room or go to bed. Avoid the use of candles in the bedroom and other areas where people may fall asleep.
2. Keep candles at least 1 foot (30 centimeters) away from anything that can burn.
3. Think about using flameless candles in your home. They look and smell like real candles.



### If you Do burn candles, make sure that you...

1. Use candle holders that are sturdy and won't tip over easily.
2. Put candle holders on a sturdy, uncluttered surface.
3. Light candles carefully. Keep your hair and any a) loose clothing away from the flame.
4. Don't burn a candle all the way down. Put it out before it gets too close to the holder or container.
5. Never use a candle if oxygen is used in the home.
6. Have flashlights and battery-powered lighting ready to use during a power outage. Never use candles.

**Never ever put water in a burning candle. The hot melted wax mixed with water will cause an explosion that can seriously injure you and damage your home.**

From 2015-2019 U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 7,400 home structure fires that were started by candles per year. These fires caused an annual average of 90 deaths, 670 injuries and \$291 million in direct property damage.

## PREDICTING THE FUTURE, PART 2

*Submitted by Keith Mowling*



### PART 2

*Continued from January 2023*

Many of us won't see the changes, but our kids and grandkids probably will.

21. In the USA, young lawyers already don't get jobs. Because of computers, you can get legal advice (so far for right now, the basic stuff) within seconds, with 90% accuracy – compared with 70% accuracy when done by humans. So, if you study law, stop immediately. There will be 90% fewer lawyers in the future, (what a thought!). Only omniscient specialists will remain.
22. Computer programs already help nurses diagnosing cancer, and the programs are 4 times more accurate than human nurses.
23. Facebook now has pattern recognition software that can recognize faces better than humans. In 2030, computers will become more intelligent than humans...COMPUTERS CAN BE UNPLUGGED ...OR SHOT!!!!
24. Autonomous cars: In 2018 the first self-driving cars are already here. In the next 2 years, the entire industry will start to be disrupted. You won't WANT to own a car anymore as you will call a car with your phone; it will show up at your location and drive you to your destination.
25. You will not need to park it. You will pay only for the driven distance, and you can be productive while driving. The very young children of today will never get a driver's license and will never own a car.
26. This will change our cities because we will need 90-95% fewer cars. We can transform former parking lots into green parks.
27. About 1.2 million people die each year in car accidents worldwide including distracted or drunk driving. We now have one accident every 60,000 miles. With autonomous driving that will drop to 1 accident in 6 million miles. That will save more than a million lives worldwide each year.
28. Some traditional car companies will doubtless go bankrupt. They will try the evolutionary approach and just build a better car, while tech companies (Tesla, Apple, Google) will do the revolutionary approach and build a computer on wheels.
29. Look at what Volvo is doing right now; no more internal combustion engines in their vehicles starting this year – with the 2019 models using all-electric or hybrid only, with the intent of phasing out the hybrid models.
30. Many engineers from Volkswagen and Audi are completely terrified of Tesla – and they should be. Look at all the companies offering all-electric vehicles. That was unheard of only a few years ago.
31. Insurance companies will have massive trouble because, without accidents, the costs will become cheaper. Their auto insurance business model will disappear.
32. Real estate will change. If you can work from home (or from literally anywhere), people will abandon their towers to move far away to more beautiful affordable locations.
33. Electric cars will become mainstream about 2030. Cities will be less noisy because all new cars will run on electricity.
34. Cities will have much cleaner air as well.
35. Electricity will become incredibly cheap and clean.
36. Solar production has been on an exponential curve for 30 years, but you can now see the burgeoning impact. And it's just getting ramped up
37. Fossil energy companies are desperately trying to limit access to the grid to prevent competition from home solar installations; but that simply cannot continue - technology will take care of that strategy.
38. Health: "Tricorder X" will be announced this year. There are companies which will build a medical device (called the Tricorder from Star Trek) that works with your phone – taking your retina scan, your blood sample, and you breathe into it. It then analyses 54 biomarkers that will identify nearly any disease. There are dozens of phone apps out right now for health.



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## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- |                  |                     |
|------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Vicki Hedrick  | 15 Patricia Dooley  |
| 2 David Nestor   | 16 Doris Ledrich    |
| 2 Paul Goeller   | 16 Andrea Duris     |
| 2 Frank Carl     | 18 Judy Dungan      |
| 3 Jon Campbell   | 19 Shirley Avery    |
| 3 Joan Haught    | 21 Linda Capuano    |
| 5 Margot Small   | 21 Barbara Granieri |
| 6 Art Bookwalter | 21 Pat Ladoux       |
| 7 Lynn Tull      | 22 Cynthia Bowen    |
| 7 Jeanie Thorne  | 23 Malcolm Fraser   |
| 8 Eileen Lemelin | 23 Jan Bancroft     |
| 9 Maureen O'Hara | 23 Carole Miller    |
| 10 Lydia Paterno | 23 Linda Theriault  |
| 11 Susan Boyer   | 25 Jeff Williams    |
| 12 Brenda Souza  | 27 Gary Paterno     |



## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Steve & Pat Hamer
- 10 Joe & Noreen Bartolotta
- 14 Kevin & Kathy Gallagher
- 14 Jerry & Carole Miller
- 14 Herb & Connie Schneider
- 18 Mike & Martha Duncan
- 24 Bill & Maude Streett



*We try hard to get it right. However, if we have missed your birthday or anniversary, have the dates wrong or name misspelled, please contact [dbmatlock@live.com](mailto:dbmatlock@live.com). Thank you!*



## MORE HOLIDAYS/EVENT

Daytona 500 – February 19

President's Day – February 20

George Washington's Birthday – February 22

## TRIVIA ANSWERS

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2. Lincoln and Holland
3. Otto
4. Fabian
5. Boston, Mass.
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## SOCIAL COMMITTEE

By Paula Davies, Social Committee Chair



Well, we sure had a lot of activity the last quarter of 2022. It was great fun and getting to meet so many people was amazing!!!

The social committee met on Monday, January 2, 2023, and we are getting off to a great start for more laughs and get togethers for this year.

### FEBRUARY

In February there will be no social committee meeting due to so many, including myself, will be on a cruise.



#### February 14, 2023

Meet & Greet. 10:00 AM  
Clubhouse. Betty Shaver

All are so welcome to attend and get to know your neighbors \.

#### February 17, 2023

Reg monthly Dinner @ 5:00 PM  
Clubhouse - Andrew Rinaldi  
Music to follow dinner.

#### March 17, 2023

Reg monthly Dinner @ 5:00 PM  
Clubhouse - Andrew Rinaldi  
Since its Saint Patrick's Day dinner will be Corned Beef and Cabbage

#### April 1, 2023

Talent Show  
Clubhouse - Deb Pate & Diane Williams

#### Other April Events:

- Westerner Dance - Patty Watkins & Terry Johnson
- Reg monthly dinner - Andrew Rinaldi
- Yard Sale.

Final details to all the actives will be in the next POP and on clubhouse bulletin boards.

We are looking forward to a fun and exciting 2023. If you would like to head an Event or have suggestions on something you would like to see, please let me know. We're happy to help all of you!!!



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### JUST FOR FUN



#### Introductions

The night before she was to attend a celebrity golf tournament, my friend Irene went to a party in honor of the event. Several of the famous athletes who were playing in the tournament were at the door greeting guests. Among them was Joe Montana, the pro football Hall of Fame quarterback and Super Bowl winner. Shaking my friend's hand, he said, "Hi! Joe Montana."

She didn't know Joe Montana from Joe Six-Pack, so in all sincerity she extended her hand and said, "Irene. Minnesota." -- Roger Lee

#### Praying for Overtime

My husband, a big-time sports fan, was watching a football game with our grandchildren. He had just turned 75 and was feeling a little wistful. "You know," he said to our grandson, Nick, "it's not easy getting old. I guess I'm in the fourth quarter now."

"Don't worry, Grandpa," Nick said cheerily. "Maybe you'll go into overtime."  
-- Evelyn Bredleau

#### Separation

As a Catholic, I'm partial to Notre Dame football. As a former Michigan resident, though, I also keep tabs on Michigan college teams. One Saturday afternoon, a neighbor dropped in while I was watching Notre Dame vs. Michigan State. "Which team do you want to win?" he asked.

"Gee, I don't know," I replied. "I'm kind of torn between Church and State." -- Robert Kozma



Check out the calendar of events on [ourpora.org](http://ourpora.org). There are lots of card games and other regular activities that you might enjoy.





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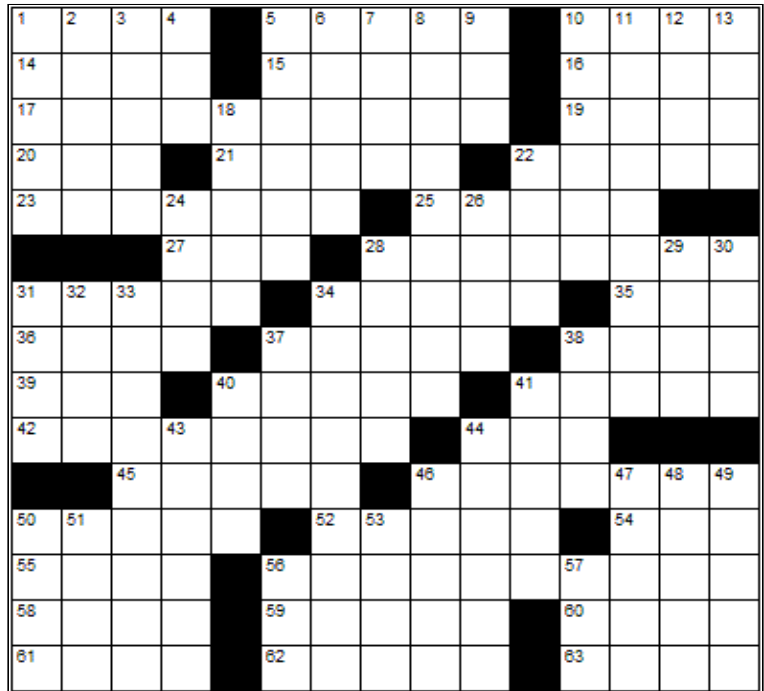
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# February Crossword

## ACROSS

1. Back of the neck
5. Plant louse
10. Pinnacle
14. Unidentified flying objects
15. Biblical possessive
16. Rude person
17. Amateurish
19. Be aware of
20. Chapter in history
21. Garbage
22. Satisfies
23. To provide maintenance
25. Elastic fabric
27. Antlered animal
28. Imploring
31. Utopian
34. Coming up
35. Zero
36. Formal dance
37. Geologic period
38. Heredity unit
39. Frozen water
40. Not back
41. Femme fatale
42. Aberrancy
44. Total
45. Type of viper
46. Scorn
50. Particles
52. Young
54. US spy agency
55. Murres
56. Savory (Br. spelling)
58. Advanced
59. Will
60. Marine mammal
61. Opera house box
62. Mud volcano
63. A Great Lake



## DOWN

- |                        |                      |                            |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Naked people        | 18. Ribbed fabric    | 40. Crazes                 |
| 2. Ardent              | 22. Cigarfish        | 41. Japanese dish          |
| 3. Frigid              | 24. Calf's meat      | 43. Envisage               |
| 4. East southeast      | 26. Yes (informal)   | 44. Agree out of court     |
| 5. Assault             | 28. Fake             | 46. Affaires d'honneur     |
| 6. Stage               | 29. One less than 10 | 47. More aloof             |
| 7. Suggestion          | 30. Secluded valley  | 48. Red Sea peninsula      |
| 8. Smarts              | 31. Footnote note    | 49. American symbol        |
| 9. D                   | 32. Minnow-like fish | 50. Ponder                 |
| 10. On a ship or train | 33. Raising          | 51. Black-and-white cookie |
| 11. Basket or bowl     | 34. Dubious writings | 53. Iridescent gem         |
| 12. Speck              | 37. Sea eagle        | 56. Donkey                 |
| 13. Anagram of "Rose"  | 38. Hobbling gait    | 57. South southeast        |



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