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Thursday: 1:30-10:00pm
Friday/Saturday: OFF

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THIS & THAT

WHO THINKS THESE THINGS UP?

So while trying to locate the date for **Administrative Professionals Day** so I could acknowledge Lisa, our clubhouse manager, for her service to our community, I came across some other lesser-known highlights celebrated this month.

Here's an admirable one which was declared by U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Tommy G. Thompson in 2004: **National Walk to Work Day** (April 2). With obesity and sedentary lifestyles growing at an alarming rate, National Walk to Work Day was initiated to draw attention to the need to get out to exercise and get in shape. While I doubt that many in KV will take this challenge due to the additional threat of crossing 19, which would be an even greater danger to one's health, maybe Michelle Obama's "Get Moving" can at least motivate us to take a 30-minute walk around KV, offering an alternate suggestion to meet the the goals of walk to work day.

How about: **Plan Your Epitaph Day!** Doesn't this seem a bit morbid, and who would create such a day anyway? Most don't want to think about it, let alone plan it. However, when you stop to think about the alternative, maybe it's best if you do it. One never knows what a relative or friend may put on your tombstone once you're gone. Or, worse still, what if they don't say anything? While we're young, we think this is a long ways away. As we age and get wiser, more of us consider getting directly involved with our epitaph, as well as all of the details of our demise. So, if you need a little nudge to plan your epitaph, let April 6th be the day.

Here's a fun day to celebrate: **Big Wind Day**. (No need to evacuate the room, blame the dog, or or propose a contest.) Big Wind Day commemorates the highest wind speed ever recorded on the planet. Can you guess where? No, not here during hurricane season. On April 12, 1934, the staff of the Mount Washington Observatory recorded the highest surface wind ever measured anywhere on earth. This big wind was officially recorded at 231 miles per hour. Imagine the difficulties of even making a recording under those conditions back then! Will this record ever be broken? I'm sure someone has been assigned to carry on this important task. Be sure to celebrate the second Sunday of April with a bang... perhaps with balloons or whoopee cushions.

Make no mistake... **Rubber Eraser Day** celebrates the invention of erasers. April 15th is designated to recognize and appreciate the value of that little plug (as manufacturers

call them) that sits atop our pencils. When we make a mistake, they are the big "cover-up" for our booboo or faux pax. Just imagine how messy our documents would be without them! The first erasers were made of rubber. Today, they are made of rubber or vinyl. In Great Britain, they are formally called "rubbers". Joseph Priestley discovered the eraser in 1770, using pieces of rubber imported from Brazil. Then in 1858, Hyman Lipman of Philadelphia, Pa., patented the pencil with an eraser at the end. Wisdom holds, to err is human, an eraser is divine! Little did these guys anticipate the invention of the computer and its oft-used delete button.

Pretzel Day also falls during this month. How do you like your pretzel? Thick or thin? Straight or twisted? Crisp and crunchy, or soft? Salted, unsalted, mustard flavored, perhaps? There's no shortage of types of pretzels. (Editor's note: if you haven't yet found the one you like best, I suggest the Utz pretzels sold at Sams. They're made with sour-dough and are crunchy, salty, and stay fresh in their container... all of which explains why I had to go get a handful while writing this piece.) Pretzels are believed to be the world's oldest snack and date back to 610 AD in Southern France. Monks baked thin strips of dough into the shape of a child's arms folded in prayer. Add a little salt, and Voila! ...the pretzel industry was born. Head for Sams before April 26th so you're ready to mark the day!

Some other days you might want to note (or not) this month: **No Homework Day**-kids will love this one, **Go for Broke Day**-get that lottery ticket!, **Ex-Spouse Day** (!?!), **Cheeseball Day**, **Dyngas Day** (Polish holiday), **National Garlic Day** (be prepared with breath mints)...the list goes on.

My apologies for digressing from my original search; I did find the date for **Administrative Professional Day**: April 22nd. Stop by the clubhouse office and thank Lisa for all she does to facilitate business, plan events, and enrich our community life. Bring her a card or flowers, or maybe some cheeseballs or pretzels.....celebrate her expertise as well as the frivolity of the month. *tp

SINGLES SOCIAL GROUP

Singles Social Group will be meeting on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 4pm at the Villas clubhouse.

FOR YOUR INFO

The contract with our current printing company, Design Graphics, ends this month. The HOA Board is currently searching for a replacement. If you have any suggestions, please call Lisa at the clubhouse (943-0295)



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PEACEFUL CO-EXISTING IN PARADISE

By Georgie Watson Boehlen

“What did you find?” I asked my little Cavalier Spaniel, Annie. “Why it’s a small flower growing right here by our downspout. Annie looked at me expectantly, very proud of her discovery, and probably hoping for a treat. As I examined it more closely, I saw it looked something like an Impatiens but it a bit taller. The flower itself was a pinkish-purple color, that is one of my favorites. I think it is a Bougainvillea. While inspecting our find, I felt a tug on my other leash and looked to see Molly, my aging sightless Springer Spaniel, nose deep in the same type of flower at the other corner of the house. Molly obviously enjoyed the smell of the plant, as she drilled into it with her nose. I was amazed to find that both these plants had seeded themselves in locations where I had tried to grow grass or other shrubs to no avail. The soil is quite sandy. The sun beats down on the area, creating oven producing heat from both the cement block house and its corresponding cement drive. The only saving grace is that the in ground sprinklers are nearby. However, those sprinklers only spray once a week. “Well,” I said to my doggy companions, “I don’t think they will last very long. Let’s go inside and get treats.” Both sets of ears pricked up, and even my blind Molly raced through the garage and into the laundry room, where said treats reside.

As the weeks went by, these small, little plants bloomed and spread and became quite lovely, foundation flowers, with their impressionistic color and petite stems. My friend was lamenting over the sad state of her Bougainvilleas which had few flowers and looked rather sickly. “You should see mine!” I said triumphantly. “They seeded themselves. They exist only on the weekly water and I have done nothing to encourage their growth,” I bragged. “Perhaps you’re killing them with kindness,” I added. Feeling so full of my botanical knowledge, I decided I would write a column on Bougainvilleas and how well they grew in Paradise. But first I had a trip with my other friends which combined my two favorites...St. Petersburg and antiquing.

Brocante’s Vintage Market is a large, rather exclusive antique shop. It is open only one weekend a month...the

first complete Saturday and Sunday of each month. Many antiques and collectibles are packed into its 15,000 square foot building. Even though we arrived only an hour after it opened, there was a crush of people and parking available only across the street about a block. After we had poked around to our hearts content and laden with our own little treasures, we drove to Mazza’s for a mile high sandwich. We plunged into an equally crowded store filled with the perfume of exotic spices, wonderful cheeses, and Italian specialties. The shelves were overfilled with olives, Italian meats, and imported canned goods. The bakery was as stuffed as its Cannelloni’s, with Neopolians, Italian Eclairs, almond cookies, and crusty breads. We ate la fresco on their covered patio with the choice of select coffees, wines, beer, and sodas. On the way back to our car, we passed a beautiful, thorny bush with small exquisite purple flowers. “Oh wow”, I said. “What plant is this?” “A Bourgaivillae” came the reply from my horticultural friend. I examined the shrub (about 6 feet high), its small poky thorns, and its extreme bushiness. Although the flowers were almost the same shape as those wild at my home; my plants were nowhere near this tall, had noticeably different leaves, and NO THORNS. Obviously, my licensure as a botanical expert was going to be very brief! After viewing dozens of small flowers on line, we finally posted its picture on Facebook. Here is a picture. Dear readers, “Do you know what this is? (georgie@boehlen.com) Results will be posted next month.



MONTH AT A GLANCE:

1ST TUES. OF THE MONTH

Pool Closed Maintenance
6:00 AM - 2:00 PM

WATER AEROBICS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
11:00 AM

PICKLE BALL 9:30 AM

Monday, Thursday, Saturday

BLUE BAG PICKUP

2nd & 4th Wed. of the month

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

1st and 3rd Saturday
of the Month

VILLAS BOD MEETING

4th Monday of the Month
7:00 PM

MASTER BOD MEETING

3rd Thurs. of Month • 6:30 PM

NO STREET PARKING

11:00 PM - 5:00 AM



THE BRILLIANCE OF THE SEAS - ROYAL CARRIBEAN CRUISE

It was Monday morning, February 9th, a sunny and warm day, and 17 seniors were waiting for the bus in Miazga's driveway. This was the day the Rock and Roll Cruise was set to begin. Once the bus arrived, our luggage was loaded and away we went. The rain decided to escort us all the way to the ship, but it didn't alter our excitement for what was awaiting us.

Boarding was fast and easy. Once on board, the individuals headed for the Windjammer Cafe or the bar, while others just sat and relaxed. Luggage arrived at the staterooms, got unpacked and stowed away. The rooms were all great with lots of storage space.

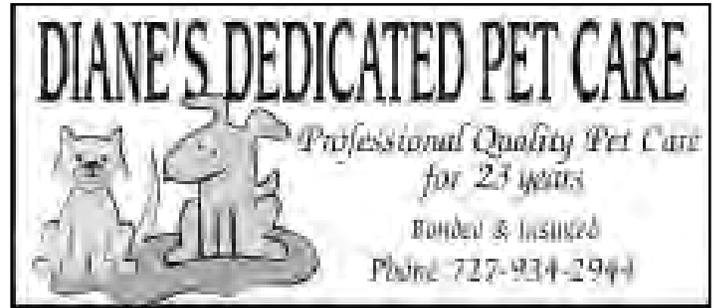
Dinner was in the main dining room - casual dress. Afterward we met our cruise directors, Jackie and Ross for our special passes.

Strolling through the shops was a pleasant pastime. Prices were a little high...we knew to wait for the sales at the end of the trip. Some visited the casino, punching buttons and hoping for a jackpot.

The water was a little turbulent and the captain had to re-route our ship to Costa de Maya on Wednesday and Cozumel Thursday. No disappointment; we just "rolled" with it. The choices for evening entertainment were varied; Karaoke was a blast! Jersey Boys entertaining, and the casino noisily exciting.

Tuesday was spent at sea - everyone went their own way - exploring the casino and cafe. Food, food, food - that's what it's all about!

One woman decided to take a walk around the main pool with her cane, which was bedecked with a green bow. She turned and tripped over a lounge chair and met the deck floor with her face! A nearby passenger saw her fall and came to help, as also did a dozen crew members. The victim's glasses cut into the skin above her eye, which immediately bled, swelled shut, and turned blue. To add to this sad scene, her arm also was paining her. Down to the medical facility they wheeled her. Her roommate was just coming along so she followed them to the physician's location. They put ice on the eye and took xrays of the arm. A small fracture was found in her arm so they casted it. Pat was lucky to have Sue for her roommate since now she needed a lot of help (which is not what she likes!)



It was prom night for guests that night and the women were dressed in gowns and tiaras and the men in suits and ties. The selection for dinner was very nice, but after eating, Pat retired to her room via wheelchair. Sue helped her get comfortable and went with the group to the prom party. It featured a great band with nice music to dance to. Everyone enjoyed the evening.

The ship docked at Casa de Maya on Wednesday. Many went ashore to see what interesting items there were for purchase. Barter-barter was the name of the game. In the center of town was a pool, beach chairs, and a bar. The water was cool, the sun hot; a perfect combination. Even Pat ventured onto the shore with Sue by her side. So many nice people stopped to talk and offer assistance.

That evening there was a show of dancers and singers which was enjoyable; from there passengers scattered to the bars, casino, or bed.

Thursday the ship docked in Cozumel. There was a great beach where a number of people decided to visit. Others were content to stay on board to relax, read a book, or eat - of course. That evening was a dress-up event for a Rock n Roll party. Poodle skirts, rolled up jeans, bright shirts and great music.

On Friday as we headed back home the air cooled, and some passengers wrapped up in towels and sat on the deck to breathe in the fresh air. Others roamed the shops for last-minute bargains - gold by the inch, purses and watches galore. One last trip to the casino, but no great winners.

Saturday morning our group attempted to leave the ship, but there was one last glitch. The elevator on the terminal broke! It was a zoo, but finally they got it working so down to the bus and home again. I think everyone had a great time. So when's the next one? Stay tuned.

Written by Pat McPherson. (Thanks, Pat for sharing your adventure with our readers and choosing enthusiasm over ennui! You're a role model for us all.)



UPDATE: CUTBACKS

by Clyde Watson

Hello all,

I have been asked to update the community on the cutbacks being performed by Hale's Heavy Duty Bush Hogging. Mr. Hale started working last week. We chose to have him start in the area of Gulf Trace BLVD, in the Key Point neighborhood, because of its high visibility and the fact that it was dry enough for him to mow. He will, eventually, cut back all Master areas where the wood line abuts Key Vista Master maintained turf. This will take him several weeks to accomplish, as he is not able to work here full time, both because of health issues, and other work concerns. Priorities will be determined based on greatest need and accessibility.

Please do not interrupt Mr. Hale in his work. He has experience working here at Key Vista, and is doing his job according to Key Vista Master specs. He is not able to take direction from individual residents, and he cannot do more, or less, work based on their wishes. You may contact me, Clyde Watson, with any questions or concerns. My email address is: keyvistamaintenance@yahoo.com, or in case of an emergency, you may call 727 776-7390.

Thank you,

Clyde L. Watson

Key Vista Master Maintenance Supervisor

FAMILY REUNION

My five siblings, scattered from CA. to FLA., all headed to Florida last month for a family reunion. The weather was somewhat overcast and cool, but we didn't let it get the better of our several day get-together. One day - though it rained from the moment we boarded - we took a boat cruise aboard the Island Paradise Charter located on 19 next to the Magnuson Hotel. The boat had a roof and plastic "windows" so we managed to remain relatively dry for our excursion. "Captain Bob" took us out to a small island and cooked chicken and pulled pork, and served it with potato salad and delicious homemade coleslaw. The several dozen beers we had brought with us served as the perfect accompaniment to our "gourmet" meal. Caribbean music accompanied us on the trip as well as several dolphins whom I assumed were Jimmy Buffet fans as well. We returned via the Cotee River, and the captain gave us a guided tour and history of many of the beautiful homes along the route. Everyone seemed to enjoy the afternoon despite the dampness. (Actually my California relatives were thrilled to see rain!) If you've been looking to do something close-by and fun with a group, give Captain Bob (877-774-0589) a call. The boat accommodates about 25 people. *tp

HAPPENINGS IN THE VILLAS

Happy April Birthdays: April 4th Carla O'Brien, April 5th Renee Wachsman, April 27th Hazel Forster, April 29th Lucille Miazga.

The Villas would like to welcome Judy & Ray Pocevic from Milford, Ct. The cold winters sent them to Florida. They like to go bowling and play games and are willing to learn new ones. They have a daughter and a Yellow Headed Parrot who is 40 years old! Her name is Napoleon. Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

Pelican Block Captains Chris Vlach and Kathy Binette would like to thank all our faithful Pelican distributors: Shirley Flatley, Linda Butler, Jean D'Angelo, Pat Rogowski, Vivian Azzano, Edith Dusold, Tommy Miazga, Barbara Moore, Renee Washsman, and Jeannette Yeaw. You all do a wonderful job-rain or shine. Thank you!!!! Thank you!!!! (Editors note: My apologies for not including these volunteers in the last issue! tp)

Happy Birthday also to my sister-in-law and neighbor from the single family side of the street: Gail Conigliaro on April 24th.

NEIGHBORHOOD ITEMS FOR SALE

Maple tea cart in excellent condition. The item is on wheels and has sideboards that can be raised or lowered. \$99.00. Please call Judi at: 727-361-1061 or (c) 727-453-8277.



HEY FOLKS!

Access to the pool's back gate is now available. If you would like to use this entry, you will need to see Lisa to purchase a key for \$6.00. The fobs that are currently being used for the other gates and clubhouse WILL NOT WORK for the back gate.



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