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Merry Christmas



From the Manager's Desk - Susan Fatzie



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December is a special time of year filled with twinkling lights, holiday traditions, family gatherings, and the excitement of a new year just around the corner. But amid all the hustle and bustle, it's important to remember that the greatest gifts we can give aren't found under a Christmas tree. They come from the heart.

A simple smile, a kind word, a helping hand, or taking a few moments to check on a neighbor can mean more than we may ever realize. For some, the holidays are a joyful time filled with celebration. For others, they can bring feelings of loneliness, memories of loved ones who are no longer here, or challenges that aren't always visible to those around them.

That's what makes kindness so important.

Here at Camelot Lakes, we have something truly special: a community filled with people who have the opportunity to make a difference in one another's lives every day. Whether it's inviting someone new to join an activity, lending a hand, sharing a laugh, or simply asking someone how they're doing, these small gestures help make our community feel like home.

As we celebrate this holiday season, let's make an extra effort to look beyond ourselves. Reach out to someone you haven't seen in a while. Welcome a new neighbor. Include someone who might otherwise spend the holidays alone.

As we close out another year at Camelot Lakes, let's remember that our greatest community asset isn't our beautiful surroundings, our amenities, or even our activities. It's the people who live here and the kindness we show one another.

May we carry that spirit throughout the holidays and into the new year.

Wishing everyone a Christmas filled with love, laughter, friendship, and the greatest gift of all — kindness.

Susan Fatzie
Camelot Lakes Village

From the Lifestyle Desk with Renee



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Do you have ideas for fun events, or want to lead out on an activity?

Contact the Lifestyle Department. Let's chat!

I'm here to help create the experiences you enjoy.

Merry Christmas,

I hope that you are enjoying this Holidary Season as much as I am. To start the month of December off there is a giving tree set up in the clubhouse just waiting to be loaded with socks for less fortunate individuals who appreaceate your thoughfulness all year long.

We have so many options that are sure to keep the holiday spirit alive. Each event has been thoughtfully planned to ensure everyone has a joyfull time. Whether you're singing out your favorite holiday tunes at karaoke, strategizing your next move at cards, dominoes, simply enjoying the festive decorations during the Christmas Crawl, or participating in the Golf Cart Parade, there's something for everyone.

Our movie night will be spent watching an old favorite, The Christmas Story.... Don't shoot your eye out! The White Elephant Party promises fun surprises, while the Christmas Gala Casino Night and New Years Eve Parties will add a touch of glamour to our celebrations.

Don't forget to bring your best cookies for the cookie exchange. We even have a Christmas Eve service scheduled with Paster Gene that will be held in our clubhouse. Everyone is welcome. And finally, we will have a special Christmas Day Breakfast for you. What a nice treat that will be!

Let's make this holiday season unforgettable, filled with laughter, joy, and togetherness.

The fun won't stop in December because in January we will have our 2nd annual Dog Show. There will be no pressure to perform for our sweet fur babies, just a fun time to show off their personalities and adding entertaining costumes to make it extra memerable. There is also a Hawaiian Tropical Party on the calendar. Be preparted it could turn into a blizzard, even here in sunny Florida!

Looking forward to celebrating this special time of year with every one of you! Stop in for your tickets so that you don't miss out on anything.

Happy Holidays!

Remember to appreciate each day, as every day is a gift!

Renee Kinley, Activity Coordinator



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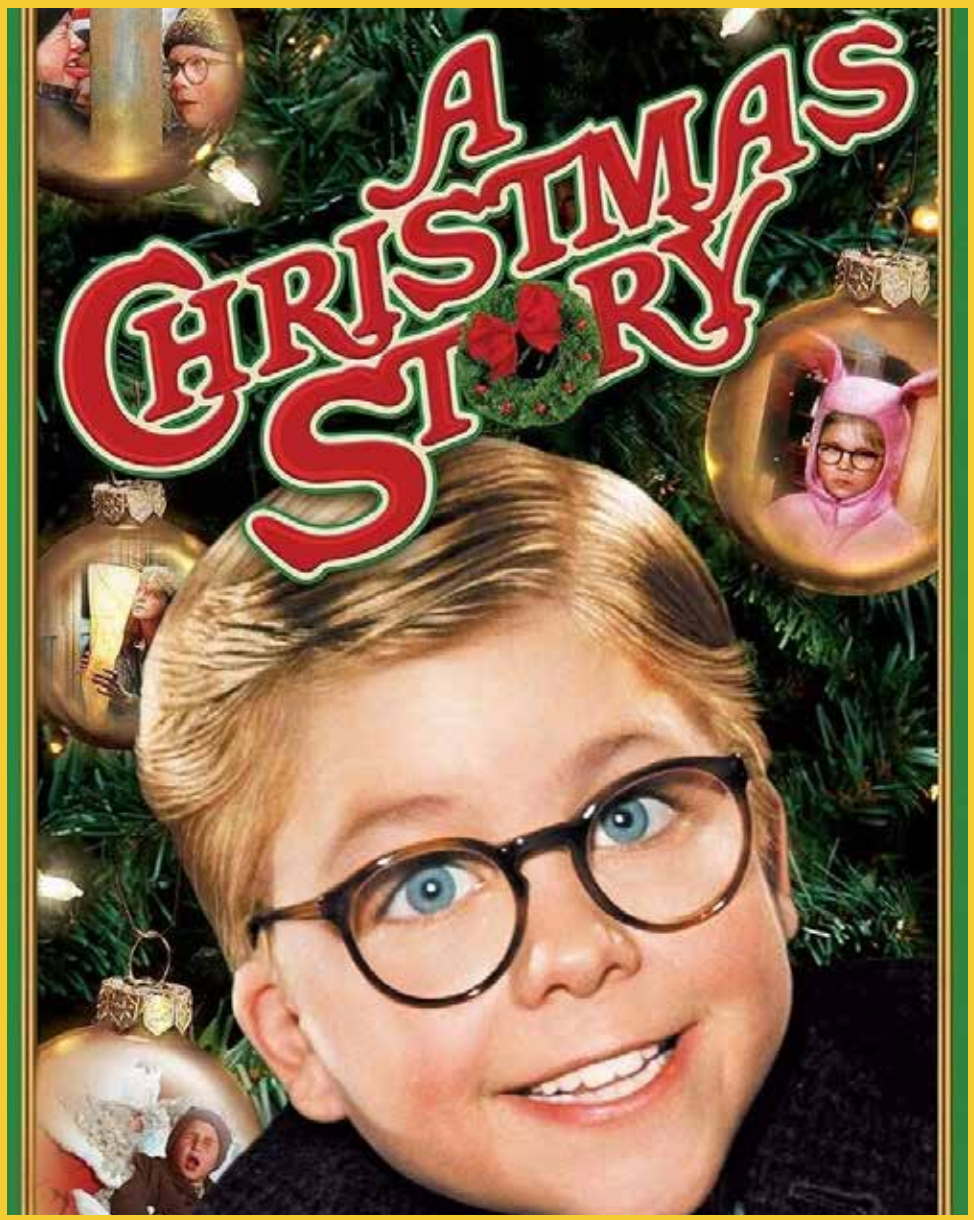
MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday,

December 17 @ 6:00P.M.

In the Clubhouse



The Christmas story is proof that the best holiday memories usually come wrapped in a little bit of chaos and a lot of love.

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Count yourself in!

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SIGN IN
AT EVERY EVENT/ACTIVITY
so that we and our lead ambassadors can keep track of attendance.
Look for the sign-up sheet and pass it around.
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Christmas Golfcart Parade and Potluck



Sunday December 20th

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I always appreciate that residents are reading my column and giving me suggestions for restaurants. This month's choice comes from a recommendation from Bernie and Leslie. It is called "Five Nine Grill and Tavern". Located in a strip mall in Osprey, it is easy to miss but you'll be sorry if you do. It is the second location of this restaurant, the first being in Bradenton. It is a cute place, part sports bar, part gastropub. It has an eclectic menu, leaning on American classics such as burgers, but is also has unusual items such as poutine and osso buco. I had a burger called the Wake-n-Bake which had cheese, bacon, hash browns (yes, that's right) and a perfect fried egg on top. So messy, so delicious. There are specials and special cocktails for each day of the week. I hear the meatloaf is terrific. The whole menu is so enticing with Southern classics, steaks, seafood, interesting starters, wings and so may more offerings. As usual, I had a hard time narrowing down my choice. Some day I am going to order one of everything because to narrow down a choice fills me with anxiety. We also had the best server named Adrienne Sivits. If you go there, ask to sit in her section. She was fun, attentive, and just a joy to be around. The only downside to this place is that they don't take reservations. We only had to wait about 10 minutes on a Friday night which was acceptable. So, keep those recommendations coming when you see me.

BY JOANN SENGPIEL

Five Nine Grill and Tavern
1092 S Tamiami Trail
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A NOTE FROM THE HOA PRESIDENT:

For Halloween this year I was going to wear a costume that said "I live in a perfect Utopian community with no problems!" I checked with Amazon (we know they have everything) but amazingly, they didn't have my costume.?! Then I realized there is no such thing as a perfect place. That is why we have an HOA. It allows us to have a voice in our community. But we are only as effective as our membership. If you are already a member, consider getting more involved. If you are not a member, remember there is strength in numbers. Either way, Camelot Lakes Village is not a Utopia, but it is home.





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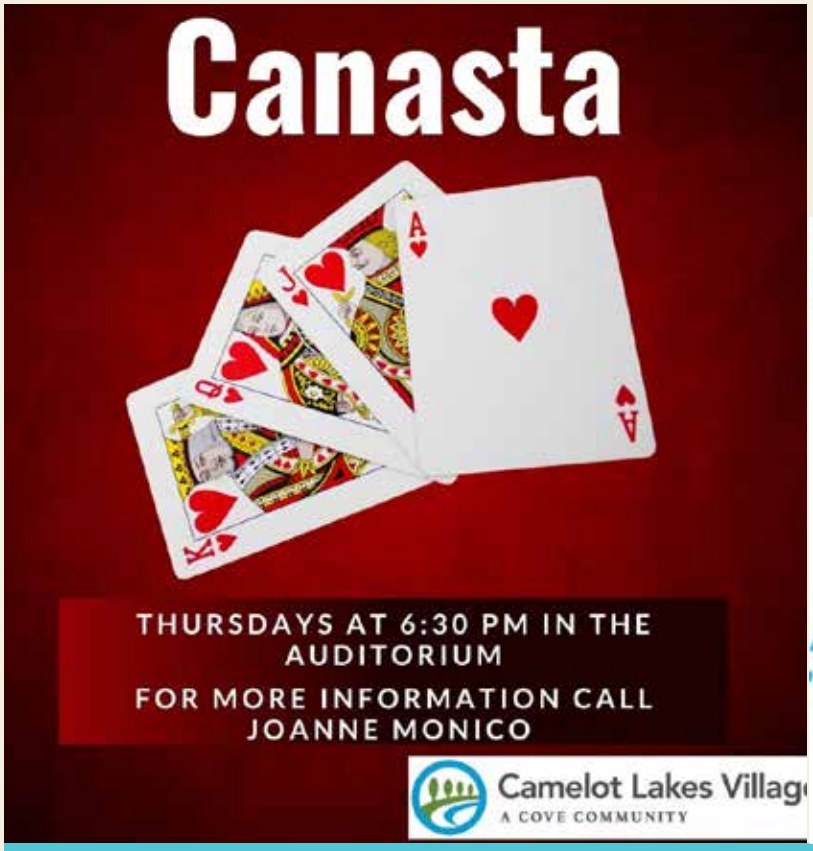

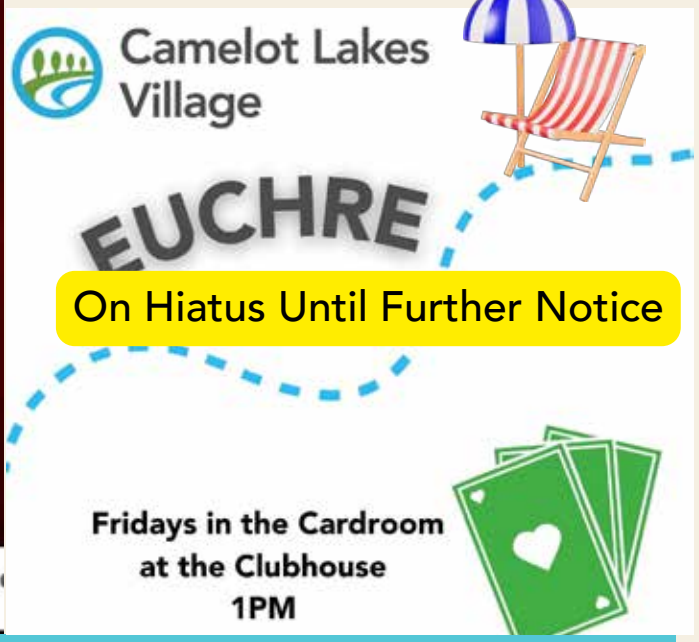

Weekly Activities Schedule

Mondays
7:30 Golf (O) Every week @ sunrise at Serenoa Golf Course
8:30 Working off the Pounds (C)
9:45 -10:15 Approx. Metro PT (C)
10:15- 10:45 Approx. Senior Shape Fitness (Chair Yoga) (C)
9:00 Ladies Bocce (F)
12:42 Ladies' Golf (O) 2nd & 4th Mondays @ Village Green (9 holes)
1:00 Mahjong (A)
6:30 Cribbage (C)

Tuesdays
10:00 Line Dancing (A)
10:00 Water Aerobics (LP)
1:00 Mexican Train Dominoes (C)
6:00 Poker (A)
6:30 Bingo (C)

Wednesdays
8:30 Working off the Pounds (C)
9:45 -10:15 Approx. Metro PT (C)
10:15- 10:45 Approx. Senior Shape Fitness (Chair Yoga) (C)
10:00-2:00 Camelot Quilters(M)
1:00 Pinochle (C)
6:30 Ladies' Pickleball (F) - On Hiatus
7:00 Sevens Cards & Dice (C)

Thursdays
9:00 Ceramics (C)
10:00 Line Dancing (A)
10:00 Water Aerobics (LP)
1:00 Hand & Foot & Elbow (A)
6:00 Texas Hold 'Em (A)
6:30 Canasta (A)
6:30 Shuffleboard (F)

Fridays
8:30 Working off the Pounds (C)
9:45 -10:15 Approx. Metro PT (C)
10:15- 10:45 Approx. Senior Shape Fitness (Chair Yoga) (C)
10:00 Camelot Quilters (M)
1:00 Euchre (C)- On Hiatus
1:00 Bridge (C)

Saturdays
10:00 Active Agers (C) (1st, 3rd, & 5th Sat.)
10:00 Water Aerobics LP

Sundays
10 AM Worship Service (C)
2:00 Regular/Standard Canasta (A)

Locations:
(C) Clubhouse
(M) Meeting Room
(A) Auditorium
(O) Off Property
(F) Athletic Field
(L) Library
(LP) Large Pool





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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 BINGO 6:30 (C)	2 FL Health Glucose Monitor & Flu Shot 10-1 (C)	3	4	5 ACTIVE AGERS 10:00 (C) Mr. Gameshow Music Bingo 7:00 (C)
6 Your paragraph text	7 White Reigndeer Games 1:00 (C)	8 NEW RESIDENT ORIENTATION 4 P.M. BINGO 6:30 (C)	9 LADIES LUNCHEON 11:30 (O) VETERAN'S LUNCH Noon (A)	10 BIBLE STUDY 6:30 (C)	11	12 Christmas Casino Gala 5:00 (A)
13 Open Mic 2:00 (LP)	14 History Buff Book Club 5:30 (C)	15 BINGO 6:30 (C)	16	17 Movie Night The Christmas Story 6:00 (C)	18 CHRISTMAS CRAWL 5:00	19 ACTIVE AGERS 10:00 KARAOKE KONNECTION 6:30 (C)
20 Potluck & Golfcart Parade 5:15	21 Cookie Exchange Bring 2 doz 3:00 (C)	22 BINGO 6:30 (C)	23	24 Christmas Eve Service 6:00 (C)	25 Christmas Breakfast 9:30 (C) OFFICE CLOSED	26 GOOD TIME KARAOKE 6:30 (C)
27	28 BOOK CLUB 5:30	29 BINGO 6:30 (C)	30	31 New Years Eve Party 8:00 (C)		

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- January 8 Slider Society Food Truck
- January 10 Open Mic
- January 15 Hawaiian Tropics
- January 27 Dan Fugazzotto Wine Down or Not Wednesday
- January 30 2nd Annual Dog Show
- February 11 Lanturns on the Water
- February 20 HOA Garage Sale



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Wednesday



Friday



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Class held on both Wednesday and Fridays



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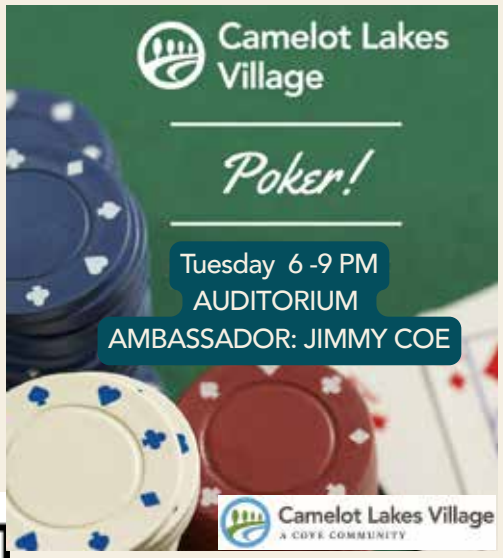
Tuesday





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Thursday







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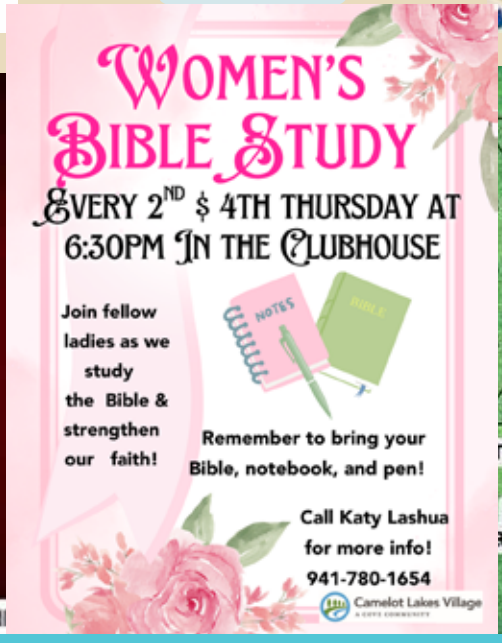



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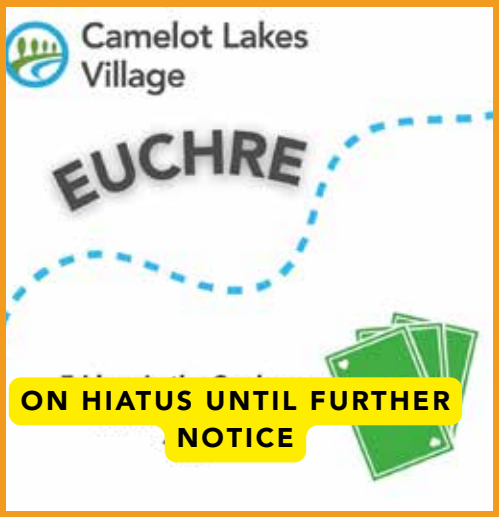

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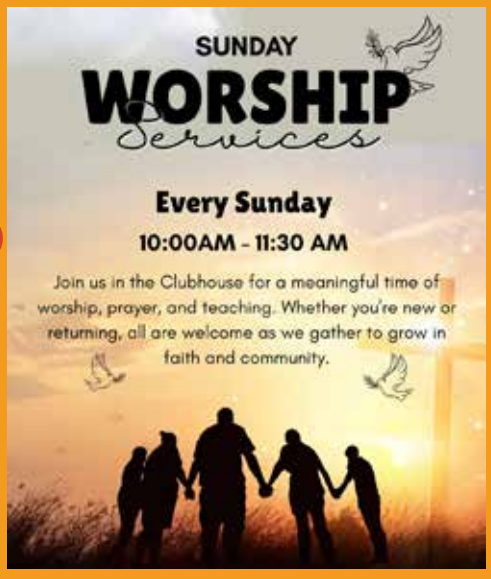

MONTHLY RECURRING LUNCHES



Notes from your Veterans Group at CLV

DECEMBER 9TH LUNCHEON AT 12:00 POOL DECK OF AUDITORIUM.

VETERANS LUNCHEONS TIME WILL BE THE 2ND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH STARTING JANUARY 11TH.

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SWAN UPDATE

RECENTLY THERE HAVE BEEN MANY QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS ABOUT OUR SWANS, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO SHARE SOME HELPFUL INFORMATION WITH OUR COMMUNITY.

VETERINARY CARE AND OUR LIMITSWE HAVE NOT YET FOUND A LOCAL VETERINARIAN WHO WILL TREAT OUR SWANS. IF YOU KNOW OF ONE, PLEASE SHARE THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION WITH THE SWAN COMMITTEE. WILD BIRD SANCTUARIES ARE ALSO UNABLE TO TAKE IN OUR SWANS, AS THEY ARE SEEN AS PETS BECAUSE THEY CANNOT FLY AND DEPEND ON US FOR THEIR CARE.

UNFORTUNATELY, THERE IS NO LOCAL FACILITY TO DETERMINE WHY A SWAN HAS DIED, AND THE COMMITTEE DOES NOT HAVE THE FUNDS FOR THIS SERVICE. A BLOOD TEST AND GENETIC TESTING ARE ALSO NECESSARY IN ORDER TO DETERMINE A SWAN'S SEX.

WHEN FRED WAS SICK, HE WAS TAKEN TO A VETERINARY GROUP IN BRANDON. ALTHOUGH THEY SUGGESTED A DIFFERENT COURSE, WE CHOSE TO GIVE HIM A CHANCE, AND HE RECEIVED FLUIDS AND CARE. THE SWAN COMMITTEE COVERED THE COST OF THE VETERINARY BILL WITH THE RESOURCES IT HAD AVAILABLE. WE BROUGHT HIM HOME, BUT UNFORTUNATELY, HE PASSED AWAY THE NEXT MORNING.

MANAGEMENT HAS PROVIDED THE FUNDS TO FEED OUR SWANS SINCE JOHNNY WAS GIVEN TO US BY CAMELOT EAST OVER 14 YEARS AGO. THE SWAN COMMITTEE WORKS WITH LIMITED RESOURCES, AND WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE COMMUNITY'S UNDERSTANDING.

LOOKING AHEAD: GEORGE, GRACIE, AND THE CYGNETS

THE SWAN COMMITTEE MET AND AGREED TO PUT ONE OF OUR BABY CYGNETS IN THE CLUBHOUSE POND WITH CAROLEE. WE NAMED THIS SWAN DOLLY AFTER DOLLY PARTON.

AS MATING SEASON APPROACHES, THE SWAN COMMITTEE HAS BEEN CAREFULLY EVALUATING THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION FOR THE WELL-BEING AND SAFETY OF GEORGE, GRACIE, AND THEIR TWO CYGNETS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT SWANS ARE NATURALLY TERRITORIAL, PARTICULARLY DURING MATING AND NESTING SEASON. WHILE SWAN PARENTS ARE VERY PROTECTIVE OF THEIR YOUNG, AS THE CYGNETS MATURE AND THE NEXT BREEDING SEASON APPROACHES, THE PARENTS MAY BECOME INCREASINGLY AGGRESSIVE TOWARD THEIR OFFSPRING, EVENTUALLY DRIVING THEM AWAY FROM THEIR TERRITORY. THIS IS NORMAL SWAN BEHAVIOR, BUT IT CAN CREATE A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS SITUATION FOR THE YOUNGER SWANS, ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY ARE UNABLE TO FLY TO ANOTHER LOCATION.

WITH THIS IN MIND, THE SWAN COMMITTEE RECOGNIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF DEVELOPING A PROACTIVE PLAN BEFORE MATING SEASON BEGINS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF ALL FOUR SWANS. WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE THAT THE SWAN COMMITTEE HAS ESTABLISHED A WONDERFUL PARTNERSHIP WITH THE GRACIE SWAN FOUNDATION ON LONGBOAT KEY, AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE CARE, PROTECTION, AND RESPONSIBLE MANAGEMENT OF SWANS.

THROUGH THIS PARTNERSHIP, ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO RELOCATE GEORGE AND GRACIE'S TWO CYGNETS TO A POND ON LONGBOAT KEY, WHERE THEY WILL BE CARED FOR BY THE GRACIE SWAN FOUNDATION. UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF DAVID NOVAK, WHO HAS MANY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE CARING FOR SWANS, THE CYGNETS WILL HAVE A NEW HOME WHERE THEIR NEEDS CAN BE PROPERLY MANAGED.

AN ADDITIONAL BENEFIT OF THIS PARTNERSHIP IS THE LONG-TERM SUPPORT IT COULD PROVIDE FOR OUR SWAN COMMUNITY. WE HOPE THAT, SHOULD WE LOSE ONE OF OUR SWANS IN THE FUTURE, THE FOUNDATION WILL BE ABLE TO HELP US MAINTAIN OUR SWAN POPULATION BY PROVIDING A REPLACEMENT SWAN FROM ITS OWN POPULATION.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT OUR RESIDENTS HAVE GROWN ATTACHED TO GEORGE, GRACIE, AND THEIR CYGNETS. PLEASE KNOW THAT THESE DECISIONS ARE MADE THOUGHTFULLY, WITH THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND BEST INTERESTS OF OUR SWANS AS OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY.

HELPING OUR SWANS.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING KEEP OUR SWANS HEALTHY BY NOT FEEDING THEM. THEY ARE ON A SPECIAL DIET, AND THE AMOUNT OF FOOD THEY EAT IS CAREFULLY MONITORED. OTHER FOOD COULD BE VERY HARMFUL TO THEIR HEALTH. WE ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR GIVING THEM THEIR DUE SPACE.OUR PONDS ARE DRAINAGE DITCHES, SO WE KINDLY ASK THAT PAINT, OIL, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES NOT BE PUT IN OUR STREET DRAINS, AS THEY POLLUTE OUR PONDS. THE WATER FOUNTAIN IS NOW WORKING, ALTHOUGH ALL IT DOES IS MOVE THE SURFACE WATER AROUND.

THE CURRENT SWAN COMMITTEE INCLUDES REBBIE JEANTET, RIA PROWLING, LINDA WOODBURY, PEG OWEN, BERNIE CLARK, DAVID WILSON AND DON WISE.

THANK YOU, AS ALWAYS, FOR CARING ABOUT OUR SWANS AS MUCH AS WE DO.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: DON WISE



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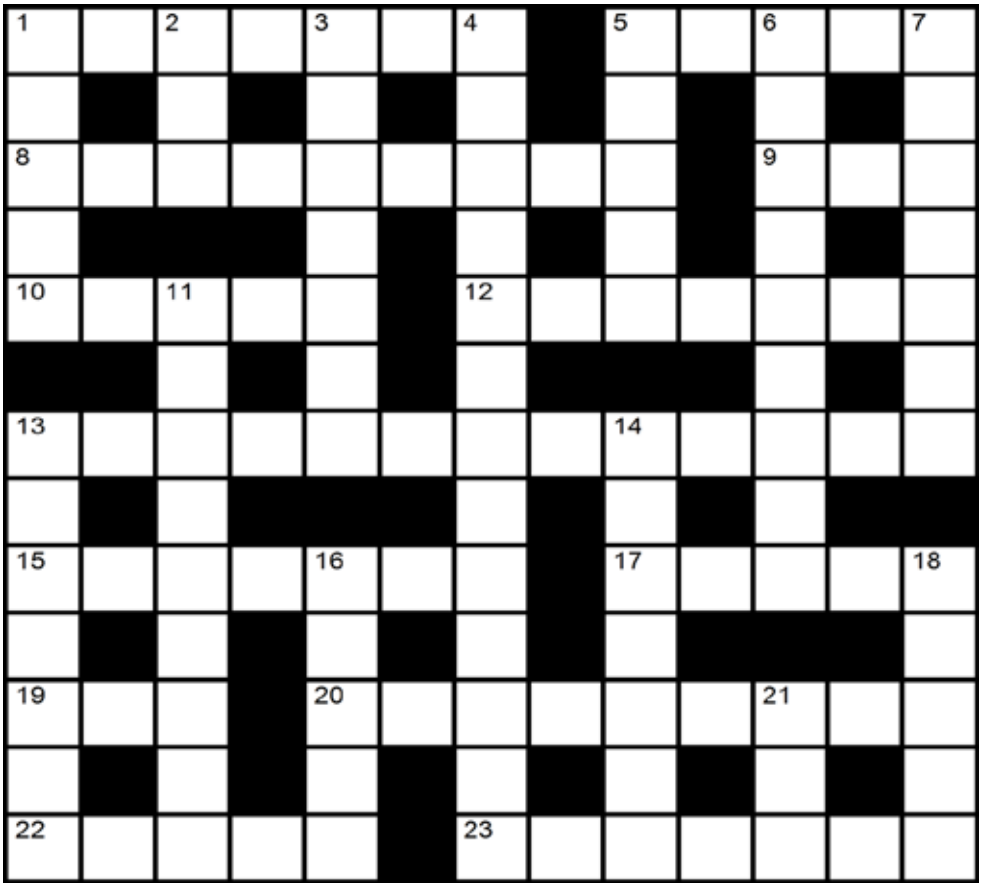

Puzzle compiled by Bianca Morèl

Clues:

Across

1 Leafy vegetable
5 Movie star
8 Pulled with a magnetic force
9 Chafe
10 Disreputable
12 Lights out
13 Shortened forms of words
15 Egotistical
17 Regal
19 Gallop
20 Height above sea level
22 Clothe
23 Relating to pants

Down

1 Category
2 Smidgen
3 Examine in great detail
4 Large institution
5 Extra
6 Tract of land
7 Thieves
11 Hospital vehicle
13 Guaranteed
14 Twister
16 Don't get any funny ___!
18 Like some eclipses
21 ___ show time!

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(solution on page 38)

SUDOKU

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SOLUTION

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