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8:30am - 5:00pm
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8:30am - 7:00pm
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Closed

Manager's Column

With winter weather and snow in the forecast we want to remind all members and update the new members on a few items:

- 1.) When parking your vehicles pull back about 6 inches from the sidewalk. Our sidewalk plows need the extra room to maneuver. We strive to keep the main sidewalks clean however sometimes your cars hang over the walkway and the plow can catch your car grill or license plate.
- 2.) All the members need to pay special attention the hoses attached to the spigot. If the hoses remain attached they can cause freezing in the pipes. If the pipes break and your hose is attached you will be responsible for any and all damage as a result.
- 3.) Garbage has been left outside the dumpsters. If the individual taking the garbage out can't reach the top of the dumpster with the garbage, someone else should be designated to take it out and dispose of it. In the future we will search the bags for the identity of the person responsible and that member will be fined.

Office Manager's Column

Here I am again looking at a blank computer screen wondering what to write! If you will all indulge me a bit I have a recipe for you all. I have a terrible time rolling out and cutting out sugar cookies. Here is an easy recipe for stir & drop sugar cookies. It sure beats rolling and cutting after all, the kids don't seem to notice what the cookie looks like just want to get it to their mouth as fast as they can.

Stir & Drop Sugar Cookies

Ingredients

- 2 eggs
 - 2/3 cup of oil
 - 2 teaspoons of vanilla
 - 1 teaspoon of grated lemon rind
 - 3/4 cup of sugar
 - 2 cups flour
 - 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Beat eggs and stir in oil, vanilla and lemon. Blend in sugar and beat until thick. Add dry ingredients. Drop 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Flatten with a glass dipped in oil and sugar. Bake at 400 degrees for 8-10 minutes. Enjoy!

Oh, Christmas Tree!

If you had a live Christmas tree as a holiday decoration in your home, please be sure to abide by the Cooperatives policy for removing the trees from your home by January 4, 2008 in order to reduce any potential fire hazards which the drying tree may present. Any questions regarding this removal policy not addressed in your handbook may be referred to the management office for clarification.

Happy New Year!

As the new year begins we are reminded of things we cherish most, good times, warm hearts, family and friends. To all our members, Happy New Year, and we wish you a wonderful year in 2008!



Frozen. Fun.



Words in Words

You can sometimes make words using the letters in a larger word. For example, from the word "tube" you can make "be," "bet," "but," and "tub." Now onto a harder one: how many words can you make from the words "New Year?" (Hint: we found 43.)

Answers:
 An, anew, any, are, awe, ear, eam, era, ere, ewe,
 eye, nary, nay, near, new, newer, ran, raw, ray,
 renew, rye, wan, wane, war, ware, warn, wary, way,
 we, wean, wear, weary, wee, were, wren, wry, yam,
 yawn, yea, year, yearn, yen, yew.

Martin Luther King Jr. Remembered

"The ultimate measure of a person is not where they stand in moments of comfort and convenience, but where they stand at times of challenge and controversy."

- *Martin Luther King Jr.* January 21st is Martin Luther King Jr. Day (observed), a day to honor this man who was so instrumental in the fight for civil rights.

Let's Work Together!

Thank you for your prompt cooperation in moving your cars when the staff needs to plow the parking areas. The whole community benefits when we work together. Thanks!

Outdoor Reminder

Please do not put out birdfeeders, seed or food items on your balcony or porch to feed the birds during the winter months. Although we all love our fine feathered friends, these items also attract squirrels, mice and other small animals who may not be so pleasant to have around. Thanks for your cooperation.

Watch for Children

Drivers, please be alert to children playing on snow piles along side the roadway. Although we have instructed parents to keep their children off these snow piles, kids will be kids! Extra caution on your part could help prevent an accident. If you notice children playing or sliding near the road, please call the office.

This Month in History

- 1735 - Paul Revere was born in Boston, Massachusetts.
- 1848 - Gold was first discovered in California by James W. Marshal while he was building a sawmill near Coloma, California.
- 1870 - Construction began on the Brooklyn Bridge.
- 1908 - The ball was first dropped at Times Square in New York City.
- 1924 - The first Winter Olympics were held in Chamonix in the French Alps.
- 1936 - Billboard Magazine published the first list of bestselling pop records.
- 1973 - The animated Saturday morning TV series, "Schoolhouse Rock," premiered on ABC.

Tongue Twisters

Try your hand, . . . er . . . your tongue, at these tricky tongue twisters! No fair only saying them once. You'll need to repeat them each five times to really test your skills!

- Can you can a can as a canner can can a can?
- Clean clams crammed in clean cans.
- Six sleek swans swam swiftly southwards.
- Four furious friends fought for the phone.
- He threw three free throws.
- Real rock wall, real rock wall, real rock wall
- Silly sheep weep and sleep.
- The two-twenty-two train tore through the tunnel.
- Real weird rear wheels.
- Plain bun, plum bun.
- Brad's big black bath brush broke.
- Crisp crusts crackle crunchily.
- Shoes and socks shock my shy sister.
- Tie twine to three tree twigs.
- Double bubble gum bubbles double.
- She sees cheese.



Ring In The New.

Answers:
 1. Michelle Kwan 2. Eighth 3. The axel 4. Sonja Henie 5. Brian Botano 6. Theresa Weld
 7. A back flip, landing on one foot 8. The Frozen Warning in 1917 9. The Kiss and Cry.



Green Chile Stew with Pork

- 3 pounds boneless pork loin, cubed
- 3 tablespoons peanut oil
- 3 potatoes, diced
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 stalks celery, chopped
- 2 tomatoes, chopped
- 7 green chile peppers, chopped
- 4 cloves crushed garlic
- 4 cups chicken broth
- salt to taste

In a large skillet over medium high heat, brown the pork in the oil in 2 or 3 batches. Place the meat in 3 to 4-quart heavy pot and add the potatoes, onion, celery, tomatoes, chilies, and garlic. Add about 1 cup of the chicken broth or water to the skillet the pork was cooked in, stirring over high heat and scraping up the browned bits on the bottom of the pan. Bring to a boil. Add this to the pot, along with enough additional water or broth to barely cover the ingredients. Cover and simmer until the stew is thick and the meat is very tender, about 1-1/2 hours. Add salt to taste before serving. Makes 8 servings.

Skating on Thin Ice

See how much you know about this artistic sport with this trivia quiz.

1. Who is considered the most decorated female figure skater?
2. At the 1994 Olympics, Nancy Kerrigan won a silver medal. In what place did her nemesis, Tonya Harding, finish?
3. What is considered to be the most difficult jump in figure skating: the axel, the lutz, or the salchow?
4. Which female figure skater is the only one to ever win three Olympic gold medals?
5. Which male figure skater is the only one to be featured alone on the cover of Sports Illustrated?
6. In 1920, who was the first woman to perform a jump in an Olympic competition?
7. Surya Bonaly is the only person ever to perform which move successfully in an Olympic competition?
8. What was the first ice skating movie ever made?
9. What is the area called where skaters go to sit with their coaches and hear their scores?

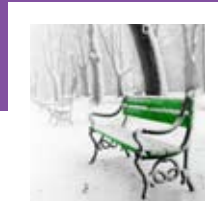
Helpful Hints

Ever get halfway through a crossword puzzle, only to find that you are hopelessly stuck? Sometimes, all you need is a hint. Next time you are stumped, go to <http://dictionary.reference.com/crossword>. Here you will find a free tool that allows you to enter the crossword clue, the letters you've already solved, and the number of letters in the answer. You'll get a list of suggestions to try, helping you to finally finish that crossword.

Winter. Ice.



Refresh. Chill.



- Book Blitz Month
- Celebration of Life Month
- Coffee Gourmet International Month
- Dried Plum Month
- Family Fit Lifestyle Month
- Financial Wellness Month
- Get Organized Month
- International Creativity Month
- International Quality of Life Month
- International Wayfinding Month
- International Wealth Month
- National Be On-Purpose Month
- National Clean Up Your Computer Month
- National Glaucoma Awareness Month
- National Hot Tea Month
- National Mailorder Gardening Month
- National Mentoring Month
- National Personal Self-Defense Awareness Month
- National Poverty in America Awareness Month
- National Skating Month
- Oatmeal Month
- Resolve to Eat Breakfast Month

Resolve. Future.



After Hours Drop Slot

If you missed us during normal business hours, we have a drop slot by the office for your convenience. Deposit your carrying charges, keys, or other deliveries in the slot for our attention the next business day. If what you need to deposit won't fit in the drop slot, please make arrangements to get it to us during normal business hours. Do not leave anything outside the office door. Thanks!

sun	mon	tue	wed	thr	fri	sat
2008 january		1 Carrying Charge Due Thank You!	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 Carrying Charge Late	12
13	14 Special Meeting for Membership Regarding Refinancing 7pm	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Martin Luther Board Meeting	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

2008 february					1 Carrying Charge Due Thank You!		2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
10	11 Carrying Charge Late	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	
17	18 Presidents' Day Board Meeting	19	20	21	22	23	
24	25	26	27	28	29		

"Here's to the bright New Year, and a fond farewell to the old; here's to the things that are yet to come, and to the memories that we hold."

- Anonymous

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