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RENEE'S REMINDERS

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In an effort to maintain a five-star reputation, the owners of Homestead Run and the Business Office will be publishing a series of reminders and modifications to standard lease, rules, and regulations. This column will be called Renee's Reminders, and Renee means business!

 I hope I'm not jinxing this, but things have been fairly quiet. Speeders are still speeding. (Speed bumps are still pending.) Delinquents are still delinquent. Sewer bills are still not being paid. Evictions are still being processed. Residents are still reluctant to make arrangements and talk to us, although there has been an increase of unregistered occupants. Don't worry! We'll find ya!

 I wonder what the houses look like for those people that throw garbage out their windows. I see water bottles and soda cans in the street. We see paper, tissues, paper cups, and unwanted mail left in the game room. While we do have a Maintenance and Grounds Crew, they are not here to clean up after certain people. We ain't your mother! I never could understand why people would do this or allow this. This is where you live! It's as if someone is in your living room just trashing it. This doesn't apply to everybody, but some of you really need to start taking pride in where you live. If your family was coming to visit, would you be embarrassed by your neighbor and how they keep their lots? We have to start thinking of others.

 And speaking of, a kindly resident – someone who hasn't hit the lottery, hit in Atlantic City, or inherited a million dollars, was generous enough to donate a small amount of money to be applied to someone's account that has been struggling but trying their best to get caught up. There's still hope for us all.



Lessons from Gloria

When I was a younger version of myself, I wore different hats. I went through a period of my life when I worked for an elder care company that provided companionship to seniors. Whenever the month of March rolls around, I always think of my first client. I was with her five days a week, several hours per day. We'd talk about her past. We'd go for walks around her community. I'd make her lunch. We'd listen to music. She was a wealth of knowledge and always had stories to share. I wasn't blessed enough to have grandparents around me growing up, and in many ways, Gloria became my surrogate grandparent. Her kids adored me, and I adored them. To say I was attached was an understatement!

Gloria was born in the month of March, and we lost her in the month of March. She didn't quite make 85 years on this earth, but she's someone who continues to inspire me. She's been gone for more than 15 years, but I can remember her telling me of her life with a quiet passion. In her 80's, she recovered from a stroke before I'd met her, and she was happy to have found her words again. She loved to sit with me and tell me what made her who she was, what helped to mold her family.

Her entire world changed when her husband passed at a young age, and she rerouted her life path at one of the most difficult times in her life. I admired her strength, the undeniable perseverance she had in the face of tragedy. She went from working at Johnson & Johnson for most of her life to deciding, at almost 40 years old, that she wanted to be a teacher. Without fear, raising her children on her own, she started a new chapter of her life and braved the halls of a high school to

teach teenagers how to learn Spanish. She did that for more than twenty years, and she did it with a light, open heart.

This month, I was going to write about spring. I was going to write about the new growth that's inevitably coming, about opening your windows and letting the fresh air in. I was going to talk about spring cleaning and dusting ourselves off in the process, but instead, I've decided to tell you about my friend, Gloria. I think there's a lot to be said for someone with that strength of character. I think there's inspiration there. We're never too old to turn a new page, and rebirth comes in so many different ways. I'll never forget the way Gloria loved to dance. She was a mover and a shaker, and she refused to let life keep her down.

This spring, I hope you're able to turn a new page, Homestead. Despite the odds, no matter the adversity you may be facing, I hope you find the strength to keep going with a heart that's full and open, the way Gloria's was. I hope you'll live in the now without apology. Gloria knew of my aspirations to be a writer. I hope she's looking down with a smile, appreciating that I've been able to share a piece of my (semi) open heart with you.



Until next time,

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FROZEN AVOCADO LIME COCONUT PIE

Submitted by: Renee Stanzione



INGREDIENTS

- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil, plus more for the pan
- 10 whole graham crackers
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 3 tablespoons unrefined coconut oil, melted
- 2 ripe avocados, peeled and pitted
- 1 15-ounce can sweetened cream of coconut
- 1 tablespoon grated lime zest, plus 1/3 cup fresh lime juice (from about 6 limes)
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/2 cups frozen coconut whipped topping (from one 9-ounce container), thawed, plus more for serving

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat the oven to 350°. Coat the bottom and sides of a 9-inch pie plate with vegetable oil. Pulse the graham crackers and sugar in a food processor until finely ground. Add the vegetable oil and coconut oil and pulse until the mixture looks like wet sand. Press the mixture into the bottom and up the sides of the prepared pie plate. Bake until set, 12 to 15 minutes. Transfer to a rack; let cool completely.
2. Clean out the food processor. Add the avocados, cream of coconut, lime zest and juice and salt and puree until smooth. Pour the mixture into a large bowl and fold in the whipped topping until combined. Spoon the filling into the crust and smooth the top. Freeze until firm, about 6 hours. Serve with more whipped topping.



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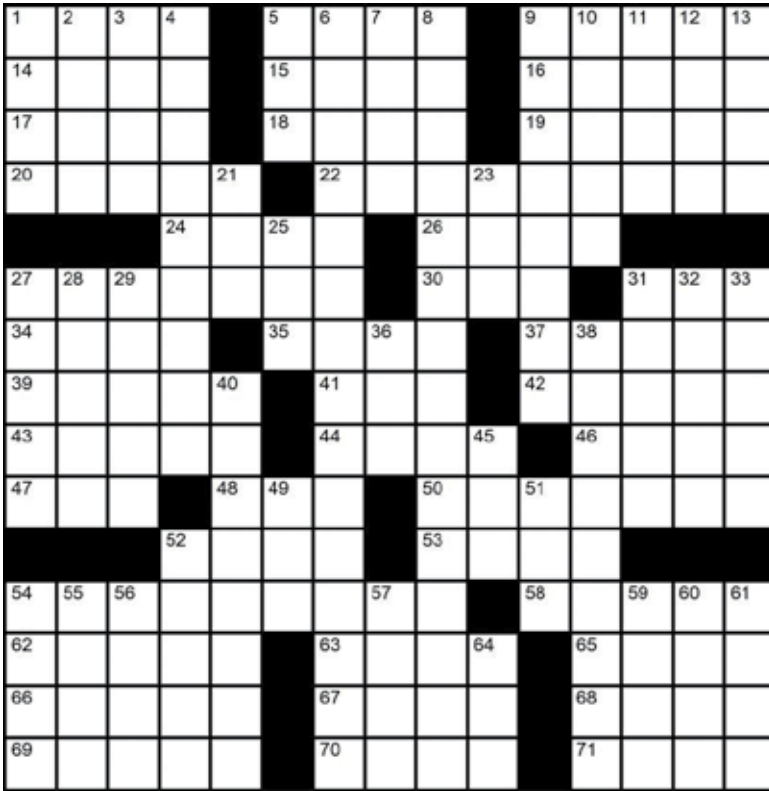
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- 5 Crash investigation org.
- 9 Crude and rude
- 14 Fair-hiring group
- 15 “--- Fly, Don’t Bother Me”
- 16 Tower of ---, a mathematical game
- 17 Baghdad’s --- City
- 18 Parched
- 19 Something extra
- 20 Lag behind
- 22 Zeus, Apollo, Aphrodite etc.
- 24 --- Brummell
- 26 She landed in Oz, too
- 27 Unemotional person
- 30 Palindromic farm inhabitant
- 31 Big wheel
- 34 Cloy
- 35 Chopped fish used as bait
- 37 Wampum
- 39 Sovereign
- 41 Ask for a loan
- 42 Long tales
- 43 Comment to the audience
- 44 Observe
- 46 Fabric fuzz
- 47 Supportive kind of man
- 48 One on the other side
- 50 Low vibrating drumbeats

- 52 Move from a milk-only diet
- 53 Getting on
- 54 Kind of crook
- 58 Defeat
- 62 Humiliate
- 63 Toe woe
- 65 Airplane a k a Zero
- 66 Auto body type
- 67 Fabulous race-loser
- 68 “New World” Symphony key
- 69 Big name in hotels
- 70 Prehistoric predator
- 71 They guard Queens against knaves

DOWN

- 1 “--- bon!”
- 2 Dread
- 3 Closing bars
- 4 Made doodles
- 5 Code crackers’ org.
- 6 Drunken Thor, he hung tight from dusk ‘til dawn
- 7 Earth
- 8 98.6F or 37C
- 9 Branches
- 10 Crystal set
- 11 “. . . a bushel --- peck”
- 12 Before long
- 13 Deadly septet
- 21 Shelter
- 23 “One Man Went To ---, ...”
- 25 Curve
- 27 Start of an intercession
- 28 Bring about
- 29 Former immigration island
- 31 Period of watchfulness
- 32 Cockamamie
- 33 Blog comments
- 36 Middle East federation
- 38 Common donut order
- 40 Something alluded to
- 45 Really liked
- 49 Stable staple
- 51 “The --- , the Proud, the Marines”
- 52 Came to
- 54 The Man in Black
- 55 Comply
- 56 “Diddly,” in Durango
- 57 Rise rapidly
- 59 “Ratatouille” chef
- 60 Pass over
- 61 Mind the bar
- 64 Cowpoke’s nickname

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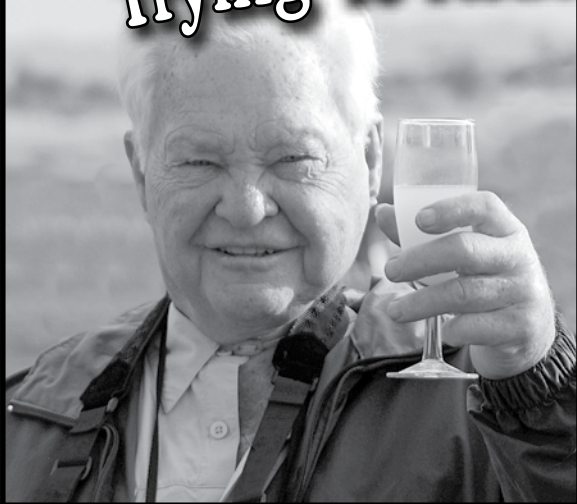


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