December 2009 Merry Christmas ~ Happy Hanukkah

WINTER WORD SEARCH

The words can be forwards or backwards, vertical, horizontal, or diagonal. Circle each letter separately, but keep in mind that letters may be used in more than one word. When the winter word search puzzle is complete, read the remaining letters of the word search puzzle left to right, top to bottom, to learn an interesting fact about winter.

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IN THE PARK NEWS

Thank you!

I would like to thank all those "Kearney Lodge Home Owners" who responded to our request for monetary donations to the Food Program. It doesn't have to be a large amount, as those "Little Bits" soon become large enough to put a smile of the faces of many who might be in need of a boost along life's path! All of us, at one time or another, might need that hand of friendship to keep us smiling.

Thanks again. Dee, your food chairman – 858-569-1983. Keep up the good work!

(Editor's NOTE: Your donations can be put in the mail slot on the east side of Unit #300 (the back street on the west side of the park.)

会は合い合い合い合い合い合い New Faces?

If you are new in the park or have a new neighbor, we'd like to hear about it. If you have had a birth or death or any other event that you would like to share with the community, please give me a call and we will print it here, in the newsletter. Call any time: 858-525-2282 - Ellen

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Potluck Bingo

Beginning in January 2010, Friday Night Bingo will have a Potluck Dinner before the games on the last Friday of each month. Bring a covered dish to share and join US at 6:15 p.m. in the Main Recreation Room.

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This holiday season may more difficult to plan. There are decorations to hang, gifts to buy, travel expenses, and entertaining when the economy is not so good. Before buying the first gift ... Stop. Think. Budget. Plan so you don't go into debt.

If monthly and unusual expenses have you panicked, don't buy electronics or expensive jewelry and high-end toys. And do not think about suspending your contributions to your retirement. Make a list and set a budget for each person. If you go over budget on one gift, you will need to make it up on another gift. Micro budgets can keep you on track.

Retailers expect this season to make up for a slow year, and the competition should be in your favor. Check newspaper ads and Web sites for sales and coupons. Search for "online coupons" or "holiday coupons" to find discounts for just about everything

Comparison shop - the Internet is very useful in this task, too. There will be many good deals on the newest trends and favorite standbys. You may be quite rewarded by patience. Talk with family and friends. They may want toforget gift giving and do something everyone can enjoy. Or combine with

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others, to give to a charitable cause – many are wondering if they are going to have food and a place to live. Something homemade is always thoughtful, too.

The true spirit of the holidays is family, friends, and sharing great times. Remember the pack-aging a child preferred to the actual gift, or an expensive scarf you gave someone that is still in the box on a shelf? Do you remember the many gifts you received over the years? Ah, but the memories – they will last forever...



WINTER

Winter is the season in which people try to keep the house as warm as it was in the summer, when they complained about the heat.

~Author Unknown

In seed time learn, in harvest teach, in winter enjoy. ~William Blake

To shorten winter, borrow some money due in spring. ~W.J. Vogel



FROM THE BINGO POTLUCK
COMMITTEE

~ MARCIE - MARY-JO - ELLEN ~

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<u>MOST</u> companies still offer policies that replace your older home with another <u>OLDER HOME</u> if yours is destroyed. The problem with this is, <u>MOST PARKS</u> require you to bring a new home back into the park under these circumstances.

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Christmas Is

Christmas Day is celebrated on December 25th of each year. It is the day on which Christians commemorate the birth of Jesus Christ. Christmas

means "Christ's Mass" – derived from the English term "Christes masse".

There are many different customs and traditions around the world. American customs come from many places.

Santa Claus has a Dutch origin. He was developed from St. Nicholas who was a real person. St. Nicholas was the patron saint of school boys. He brought gifts to the children. The idea that Santa Claus comes down the chimney originated in Norway, where children hang Christmas stockings on the fireplace mantel.

Christmas trees have pagan origins. When pagans became Christian, they used evergreens (a sacred tree) for the holiday by decorating them with nuts and candles. They sang Christmas carols as they danced around the Christmas tree.

Christmas colors are red and green. Today, traditional Christmas activities include caroling, making and giving gifts, sending cards to family and friends, and enjoying festive dinners and parties.



QUOTES

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can.

~ John Wesley

Nothing is ever lost by courtesy. It is the cheapest of pleasures, costs nothing, and conveys much.
~ Erastus Wiman

Hanukkah Is ~
Hanukkah is the
Jewish Feast of
Lights or Feast of
Dedication. The
Hebrew word Hanukkah means dedication. Hanukkah is also written Hannuka



or Chanukah. The holiday begins on the eve of the 25th day of the Hebrew Month of Kislev and lasts eight days. Hanukkah usually falls in the month of December, but occasionally can start in November.

The books of the Maccabees tell the story of Hanukkah which occurred in 165 B.C. After three years of struggle, the Jews in Judea defeated the Syrian tyrant Antiochus. The Jewish people held festivities in the Temple of Jerusalem, and rededicated it to God. After removing all Syrian idols from the Temple, the Jews found only one small cruse of oil which to light their holy lamps. Miraculously, the cruse provided oil for eight days. Judas Maccabaeus, the Jewish leader, then proclaimed a festival to be observed by Jews.

During Hanukkah, gifts are exchanged and contributions are made to the poor. Each evening, one additional candle is lit on the Hanukkah menorah (candelabra). By the last evening, eight lighted candles stand together.



QUOTES

Reflect upon your present blessings, of which every man has many – Not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some.

~ Charles Dickens (1812-1870) English Novelist

Good friendships are fragile things and require as much care as any other fragile and precious thing. ~ Randolph S. Bourne (1886-1918) American Writer

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QUOTES ~ The trouble with Socialism is, sooner or later you run out of other people's money. ~ Margaret Thatcher

When you subsidize poverty and failure, you get more of both. ~ James Dale Davidson, National Taxpayers Union

The more corrupt the state, the more it legislates. ~ Tacitus

A Liberal is a person who will give away everything he doesn't own. ~ Unknown

In my many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, two is a law firm and three or more is a congress.

~ John Adams

We could certainly slow the aging process down if it had to work its way through Congress. ~ Will Rogers

Let everyone sweep in front of his own door and the whole world will be clean.

~ Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

The only sure bulwark of continuing liberty is a government strong enough to protect the interests of the people, and a people strong enough and well enough informed to maintain its sovereign control over the government.

~ Franklin Delano Roosevelt



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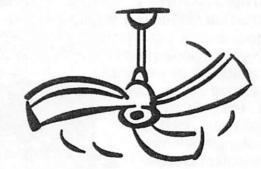
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speod sitting out for them.

cially if we leave food sitting out for them. (I do for my cats, inside. – editor)

Raccoons can get belligerent and aggressive if they have been getting food on a regular basis from near your home, and that supply is gone.



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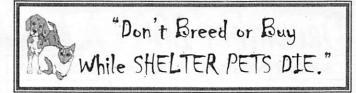
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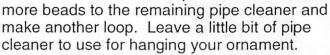
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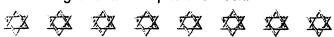
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CHOCOLATE COIN COOKIES

Wrap these cookies in metallic foils to make Hanukkah gelt. (Makes about 3 dozen.)

Directions: In an electric mixer bowl, cream butter and brown sugar until light and fluffy, about 3 minutes. Add egg; mix until well combined. In a large bowl, whisk together cocoa powder, flour, salt, and orange zest, if using. Add flour mixture to egg mixture; continue mixing until the ingredients are just combined, scraping down sides of the bowl. Put dough on a piece of plastic wrap; flatten into a disk. Wrap, and chill at least 1 hour or over-night. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper. Place granulated sugar in a small bowl. On a lightly floured work surface, roll out dough to a ¼ -inch thickness. Using a 2-inch-round cutter, cut out cookies. Carefully press each cookie into granulated sugar. Transfer cookies to sheets, spaced ½ inch apart. Bake until cookies are firm, about

12 minutes. Cool on a wire rack. Wrap in foil. Store in an airtight container up to one week.



NOTES:There was no Kearney Lodge Home Owner's Association Meeting on Thursday, November 12, 2009. The next meeting will be on Thursday, January 14, 2010.

SPAWAR "Jackets for Veterans"

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Hanukkah

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