



An Active 55+ Community

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## July 2020

### Remember When: Slip 'n Slide

For instant summertime fun, just add water! That was the premise of the Slip 'n Slide, which toy company Wham-O rolled out in 1961. The instant backyard water slide was invented by Robert Carrier, who got the idea after watching his 10-year-old son and his friends doing belly flops on a driveway made slick by the water from a running hose. Wham-O loved Carrier's creation and boxed up a bright yellow 30-foot-long sheet of plastic that attached to a garden hose, selling over 30 million since its debut.

### Brainteaser

Question: What color is the top stripe of the U.S. flag, red or white?

Answer: Red.

### Wash, Dry and Moisturize

Frequent hand-washing is one of the best ways to prevent illness, but moisturizing your hands afterward is also important to your health. Hands that are dry, chapped or cracked indicate a damaged skin barrier, which provides less protection against germs. To help heal dry skin, health experts recommend applying a thick cream, balm or ointment with ingredients such as petrolatum, glycerin, mineral oil and ceramides.

### Quick Phone Cover

For quick protection from outdoor elements, place your smartphone in a zip-close plastic sandwich bag. It will shield the device from water, sand or dirt, and you'll still be able to see and use the phone's touch screen.

### VILLA CAPRI OFFICE STAFF

Manager ..... Kathryn Mitchell  
Assistant Manager ..... Albert Hall  
Maintenance ..... Bert Garcia

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday  
OPEN ..... 9:00 A.M - NOON  
closed for lunch ..... NOON - 1:00  
OPEN ..... 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.



### Be Like a Bee

It's important to drink enough water to stay hydrated in the summer heat. To help increase your intake, add flavor and sweetness to your water with a teaspoon of honey.

### Fireworks Float

Celebrate the Fourth of July with a seasonal spin on a root beer float. In a tall glass, add strawberry soda to two scoops of vanilla ice cream, then top with blue Pop Rocks candy. The candy pieces will crackle and pop, adding a blast of sweetness to the holiday.

### Brighten Your Space

If you'd like to brighten up a room, take advantage of nature and try this quick fix used by interior designers: Hang a mirror near a window so that sunlight will bounce and reflect throughout the space.



## Trivia Whiz

### In the Swim

When the temperatures rise, one way to cool off is to put on your bathing suit and go for a swim. Soak up some facts about this wardrobe staple.

Early styles of swimwear were extremely modest. Women wore ankle-length, long-sleeved bathing gowns. Men's suits covered their chests and legs.

The term "swimming suit" was first used in 1921 in magazine ads created by Jantzen, an Oregon swimsuit manufacturer.

In the 1930s, Olympic champion swimmer Johnny Weissmuller, who went on to acting fame as Tarzan, modeled one of the first brands of swim trunks.

On July 5, 1946, the bikini made quite a splash when it debuted in France. The two-piece design was very daring at the time.



### EMERGENCY INFORMATION

PLEASE NOTE: Villa Capri Mobile Home Park is located in PIMA COUNTY and **not** in the CITY of TUCSON!

The **PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT** services the park. If you have an emergency call **911** and state you are in PIMA COUNTY.

For **nonemergency** requests call: (520) 351-4900.



### ANIMAL SIGHTINGS IN THE PARK

The javelinas are still being seen around the park property, so be vigilant when out walking. There is always the chance of a stray coyote entering the park as well, but they are usually non-aggressive toward humans and will move on very quickly if they find no food source (overgrown garden areas, rabbits, mice, or other rodents). No one wants to encourage these unwanted animals to remain in our park, so it is important to keep your property weed and debris free.

Is it time for a thorough **SPRING CLEANING** on your property?



## Patriotic Movie Picks

Enjoy the Fourth of July with these movies that celebrate the red, white and blue.

*"Yankee Doodle Dandy" (1942).* This biographical musical stars James Cagney as Broadway entertainer George M. Cohan, who composed the celebrated tunes "You're a Grand Old Flag" and the World War I anthem "Over There."

*"The Longest Day" (1962).* With an all-star international cast that includes John Wayne, Richard Burton and Sean Connery, this drama follows the 1944 D-Day invasion from multiple points of view.

*"Glory" (1989).* Denzel Washington and Morgan Freeman star in this Civil War drama about one of the first African American regiments in the Union Army.

*"Independence Day" (1996).* An invasion by space aliens, a Fourth of July mission, and a rousing speech about saving mankind make this action movie a favorite decades after it premiered.

*"Miracle" (2004).* This feel-good film is the inspiring true story of the U.S. men's hockey team win over the Soviet Union at the 1980 Winter Olympics. Kurt Russell plays U.S. coach Herb Brooks.

*"Hidden Figures" (2016).* Based on true events, this film follows the lives of three female African American mathematicians who work at NASA during the 1960s space race. The trio overcomes obstacles and helps in the mission to make John Glenn the first American to orbit the Earth.

## Ketchup on Some French Fry History

"Do you want fries with that?" It's a question that many folks answer with an enthusiastic "Yes!" In the U.S., french fries are so popular that the average person eats about 30 pounds of them each year.

Despite their name, it's difficult to determine the exact origin of french fries. Potatoes, native to South America, arrived in Europe in the mid-1500s, and Spain, France and Belgium all claim to be the place where the vegetable was first served cut up and fried in oil. Belgium's national pride for fries is so strong that the city of Bruges is home to the Frietmuseum, which bills itself as "the first and only museum dedicated to potato fries."

U.S. President Thomas Jefferson, who spent time in France as an ambassador, is credited with introducing french fries to America when he requested that a White House dinner in 1802 include "potatoes served in the French manner." By that time, street carts selling deep-fried foods were common in France, and chefs there had also popularized the julienne technique, the cutting of food into long, thin strips. Both of these preparation methods likely led to the name french fried potatoes, which was eventually shortened to fries.

Whether as a side dish or snack, hot and crispy fries are now offered in a variety of options, including crinkle-cut, shoestring, waffle, curly and steak fries.



## NOTES

### A Figure of Speech

*Phrase:* Close only counts in horseshoes.

*Meaning:* There is no benefit to almost reaching a goal.

*Origin:* When playing horseshoes, it's possible to win the lawn game by only earning points for landing the horseshoe close to the stake, rather than directly on the stake. This is typically not the case in other sports or contests. Though it appeared in print as early as 1914, the phrase was made popular by baseball legend Frank Robinson, who was quoted as saying, "Close don't count in baseball. Close only counts in horseshoes and hand grenades," in a July 1973 interview with Time magazine.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July			1 <small>Rent Due</small>	2	3 <small>Office Closed in Observance of Independence Day! Emergency Phone Number: 602-615-7763</small>	4 <b>Independence Day</b>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 	

# “This Month In History” JULY

**1922:** Johnny Weissmuller breaks a world record. The future Olympic champion and Hollywood actor was the first person to swim 100 meters in under one minute.

**1938:** On the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, President Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicates the Eternal Light Peace Memorial at the Civil War site in Pennsylvania. An eternal flame burns atop the monument’s 47-foot-tall stone tower.

**1957:** Jack Paar debuts as host of TV’s “Tonight” show.

**1969:** Apollo 11 astronaut Neil Armstrong takes “one giant leap for mankind,” becoming the first man to walk on the moon.

**1972:** “Lean on Me” by Bill Withers is the No. 1 song on the music charts.

**1985:** After three months of consumer complaints about New Coke, the Coca-Cola Co. announces it is bringing back the soft drink’s original formula.

**1991:** Major League Baseball approves adding two new teams, the Florida Marlins and the Colorado Rockies.

**2003:** The last classic-style Volkswagen Beetle rolls off the production line.

**2012:** The 30th Summer Olympics open in London.

**2018:** In Thailand, 12 boys and their soccer coach are rescued after being trapped in a cave flooded by monsoon rains. The 18-day mission riveted the world.