Las Palmas Grand Residents' Association

LPGRA Observer

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Residents' Association Meetings

CLUBHOUSE BALL ROOM

SEP 7, 2023, 9:30

OCT 5, 2023, 9:30

NOV 2, 2023, 9:30

To view minutes of meetings, go to **lpgra@org**.

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS

Peggy Marcone #418 President 585-752-8279

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ANNUAL ELECTION

The Fall brings new activities and new people to meet. One way to get to know folks in LPG is through participation in the LPG Residents Association (LPGRA) and the Board of Directors. The LPGRA mission is to enhance positive community living by providing an organized, positive approach for resident/management ΑII interaction. homeowners of Las Palmas Grand are members of the LPGRA. The General Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. - September's meeting will be held Sep 2 in the Ballroom and October's meeting on Oct 7th.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

We are looking for a few folks interested in seeking election at the Annual Meeting on November 02, 2023. **Two positions are open for election**. All homeowners are eligible and encouraged to participate. Please consider supporting YOUR Association by volunteering for election in November. The new Board members will take office

following the selection of Officers at the Board meeting on November Information about duties and responsibilities of Board Members and the Candidate Questionnaire can be found on the website www.lgpra.org. Absentee ballots will be available on the website sometime after October 5 and must be returned by 5:00 pm November 1st. No experience is necessary – desire just to support community/management relations. Please contact any Board Member if you have any questions or are interested in learning more about LPGRA. YOUR Association needs your participation and support. We are here for you year-round.

LPG Recycling News

We've come across a new recycling issue that should be easy to correct. <u>Please</u> separate the aluminum beverage cans from the clear plastic beverage bottles. Some people are saving them both in the same plastic bag and tossing it into a recycling barrel for Bob Williams and his crew to separate. This is a volunteer position, and it makes more work for them to do the separating.

Also, as a reminder we do NOT recycle glass. Bob and his crew are still getting "tin" cans, wine bottles, plastic clamshell take-out containers, soft drink cups, medicine bottles, and diet supplement bottles.

The LPGRA Recycling program only takes **CLEAR PLASTIC BEVERAGE BOTTLES** and **ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CANS.**

If you have any questions, please call Bob Williams at 559-269-3022.

GREEN WASTE CONTAINER

The green waste container located where the recycling cans are, is only for YARD WASTE. Recently a couch and other items were found in the container, and they had to be removed before the green waste container could be emptied. You, the homeowner, are responsible for getting rid of televisions, carpet, couches, and so forth, not LPG. Call the Office for information or to schedule a pickup of your unwanted items. You can also check into donating to charity if the items are still usable.

Hello folks, Larry Smith here, and I am looking for some help. Lee Huls and I are looking for volunteers from time to time to run the video cameras from the back of the ballroom. You may have seen us putting close up shots on the TV's during concerts and other events. No experience is required as training will be provided. This is a fun time, and it provides a nice service to the audience as they get a closer look at what is happening on stage.

If you are interested, you can call me at 1-801-628-2032 or email me at larrysmith1958@yahoo.com. If you email me, please put <u>Video Volunteer</u> in the subject line as I don't open emails with an empty subject line.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

I'm Not a Singer, But I Play One on my Album Quiz

Several actors decided to take a break from their chosen profession to record a music album. For this quiz, match the actor to the album they recorded.

Quiz estimated time to take: 3 mins.

- 1. Which comedic actor recorded the 1978 album "A Wild and Crazy Guy"?
- 2. Which Canadian actor recorded the spoken word album "The Transformed Man" in 1968?
- 3. Which action movie star recorded the 1987 album "The Return of Bruno"?
- 4. Which television actor recorded a 1989 album titled "Looking for Freedom"?
 - 5. Which popular comedic actor released the album "How Could It Be" in 1985?
 - 6. Which police show actor recorded the 1986 album "Heartbeat"?

- 7. Which spaghetti western actor released an album of "Cowboy Favorites" in 1963?
- 8. Which versatile actor recorded the 2005 album "Unpredictable"?
- 9. Which actor's alter ego, Elwood, recorded the 1978 album "Briefcase Full of Blues"?
- 10. Which actor recorded the 1967 album "Mr. Spock's Music from Outer Space"?

William Shatner

Jamie Foxx

Eddie Murphy

Bruce Willis

Lenard Nimoy

Don Johnson

Dan Aykroyd

Clint Eastwood

David Hasselhoff

Steve Martin

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Embarrassing Moments - there's no escaping them. But at least you're not alone in racking up those mortifying memories. Embarrassing stories are just another part of life! As proof, read on...

- 1. Swiping, waiting and having your debit card come up declined is one of the most stomach-churning moments you'll ever experience. When this happens it's a lose-lose scenario because if you don't have the money in the bank, you're now exposed and even if it's your account that's malfunctioning, defending yourself and appearing bamboozled will still be greeted by funny, judgmental looks.
- 2. Pushing doors that are built to be pulled and vice versa. It enrages me that I have a 50/50 shot, yet I consistently guess wrong.
- 3. Slipping and falling in rain. I don't have an official statistic, but this has to occur like, 94% of the time at store entryways. Seriously, next time it rains, kick your feet up and enjoy the show because at least one person will take a tumble. I've done it myself, take a step, slip, suddenly you're staring at the sky for a moment, then splat you greet the pavement.
- 4. Being out and unexpectedly having your flip-flop/sandal break. This is probably karma for laughing at the folks who stumbled in the rain, so just deal with it. Besides, it's nothing a little super glue can't solve.

- 5. Making awkward eye contact with someone as they enter a foul-smelling bathroom, because you know they think you're responsible, whether you really are or not.
- 6. Silent room stomach growls. You know how your stomach is. It always waits until the quiet part of the movie, the silence at the table or any moment of stillness to let its rumbling roar be heard at an opportune time.
- 7. Confusing a person for something they aren't. E.g., thinking that someone's wife is their daughter, or mistaking a beer belly for pregnancy.
- 8. Falling on a treadmill. If this hasn't happened to you, feel blessed. Not only is this terrifying, but it's equally painful on your body and ego. One second you're running, the next you look down and you're further back than anticipated. The machine's speed is too fast for your steps and suddenly you're slammed against a hot, moving conveyor belt that swoops you off of it like a humiliating ride on Aladdin's magic carpet mixed with a mechanical bull.
- 9. Talking to yourself on the road and realizing that the people in the car next to you are staring, terrified of and amused by the nutcase next to them. (A good save is to make your phone visible and pretend to be utilizing the speakerphone.)

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Church Means Quiet

"When I was like 7 I sneezed in church and it made me fart at the same time. It was during a silent prayer part and *EVERYONE* in the church started laughing.

Anonymous

Know Your Car

A few years back my parents stopped at a rest stop so Mom could use the facilities. A minute later another woman got in and didn't notice until Dad said, "Look, I can only take you as far as Chicago." Her husband was cracking up in the other silver Toyota Camry in the next spot.

Anonymous

Grocery Store Cart Racing

We were once followed by an oddball in the grocery store. I was frightened so I started to speed up. So did he. Ended up with him literally chasing me up and down each and every aisle. Eventually he caught up and then said, "Could I have my cart back?"

Anonymous

Know Who is Wearing the Pants

When I was like 8 I wore those shoes with the wheels on them. We were in Sears and I grabbed my dad's back jeans pocket to pull me along. Turned around to see my dad running after me. I grabbed some random man's butt pockets and when he turned around, he looked scared.

Anonymous

Facebook!!

While in the hospital after a serious car accident, I decided I should let my family and friends know what happened to me. After being heavily medicated with morphine, my intentions were to let everyone know that I fractured my "sternum". However, my mind under the circumstance was way out there. Therefore, I notified the world via Facebook that I fractured my "scrotum". We all know I don't have one of those.

Submitted by Donna Mueller

Cap Guns in Church

I took my brand-new cap gun to church just to show it to a friend. The children sat in the first row of the church with the nun that was responsible for us at the end of the row. When I was showing my new cap gun to a friend, when the whole church was very quiet, my friend pushed the trigger and BANG the cap-gun sounded and echoed through the church. I couldn't hide the fact that it was my gun as the telltale smoke was rising from the gun up into the air where everyone could see it. The nun immediately removed me from the row and delivered me to my DAD! Being 8 years old, I knew what was in store even before I reached my dad.

Submitted by Joe Marcone

Dad Joke

The elderly man was an eyewitness to the car shop crime scene. When the police asked him to tell them what happened, he told them what he'd seen. "The guy with the beer

belly grabbed a wrench from the toolbox!" "What happened next?" the detective asked. "Oh man, it was a gutwrenching moment."

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Quiz Answer Key and Fun Facts

1. Which comedic actor recorded the 1978 album "A Wild and Crazy Guy"?

Answer: Steve Martin

Steve Martin's 1978 album "A Wild and Crazy Guy" contained the novelty song "King Tut". Martin's 2009 album "The Crow: New Songs for the 5-String Banjo" won a Grammy Award for Best Bluegrass Album.

2. Which Canadian actor recorded the spoken word album "The Transformed Man" in 1968?

Answer: William Shatner

William Shatner released an album of spoken word music titled "The Transformed Man" in 1968. At the time, Shatner was starring as Captain James Tiberius Kirk in the "Star Trek" television series. Shatner recorded five studio albums between 1968 and 2013.

3. Which action movie star recorded the 1987 album "The Return of Bruno"?

Answer: Bruce Willis

In 1987, Bruce Willis recorded the album "The Return of Bruno" on the Motown label. The lead single from this album, "Respect Yourself", was a top ten hit in the United States and United Kingdom. Bruce Willis also recorded the album "If It Don't Kill You, It Just Makes You Stronger" in 1989.

4. Which television actor recorded a 1989 album titled "Looking for Freedom"?

Answer: David Hasselhoff

David Hasselhoff recorded the 1989 album "Looking for Freedom". The album became Platinum in three different European countries. The title track of the album was performed at the Berlin Wall on New Year's Eve 1989 as the structure was being torn down. Hasselhoff starred in the television series "Knight Rider" and "Baywatch".

5. Which popular comedic actor released the album "How Could It Be" in 1985?

Answer: Eddie Murphy

Eddie Murphy's hit single "Party All the Time" came from his 1985 album "How Could It Be". The album was produced produced by Rick James and Stevie Wonder. The album was certified as a Gold record in the United States.

6. Which police show actor recorded the 1986 album "Heartbeat"?

Answer: Don Johnson

Don Johnson recorded the 1986 album "Heartbeat" and the 1989 album "Let It Roll". Don Johnson also sang on the 1988 duet "Till I Loved You" with Barbra Streisand. Don Johnson starred in the police show dramas "Miami Vice" and "Nash Bridges".

7. Which spaghetti western actor released an album of "Cowboy Favorites" in 1963?

Answer: Clint Eastwood

The album "Rawhide's Clint Eastwood Sings Cowboy Favorites" was released in 1963. Eastwood's album was released on the Cameo Records label. In 1980, Clint Eastwood and Merle Haggard recorded a single titled "Bar Room Buddies". The single hit number one on the country chart in both Canada and the United States.

8. Which versatile actor recorded the 2005 album "Unpredictable"?

Answer: Jamie Foxx

Jamie Foxx recorded the acclaimed album "Unpredictable" in 2005. Foxx also recorded the album "Intuition" in 2008. Jamie Foxx

won an Academy Award in 2004 and a Grammy award in 2006.

9. Which actor's alter ego, Elwood, recorded the 1978 album "Briefcase Full of Blues"?

Answer: Dan Aykroyd

The Blues Brothers recorded the album "Briefcase Full of Blues" in 1978. Dan Aykroyd played the singer Elwood while singer "Joliet" Jake Blues was played by fellow actor John Belushi. The Blues Brothers also recorded the live 1980 album "Made in America". Dan Aykroyd recorded the 2003 album "Have Love Will Travel" with Jim Belushi.

Dan Aykroyd participated in the recording of 1985 charity single "We Are the World".

10. Which actor recorded the 1967 album "Mr. Spock's Music from Outer Space"?

Answer: **Leonard Nimoy**

Leonard Nimoy played Mr. Spock on the television series "Star Trek". Leonard Nimoy sang the 1967 album "Leonard Nimoy Presents Mr. Spock's Music from Outer Space" in the Mr. Spock character. Nimoy recorded five studio albums between 1967 and 1970.

What's the key to a structured retirement? A rigid nap schedule.