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As a small business owner, the best compliment I receive is a referral. Identifying who needs a referral can be a bit tricky. I created a story to help my clients recognize who might need my services.

When you dine out with friends you may notice someone who keeps saying "huh" or "what". This indicates they can't hear well in a noisy setting and tends to be a first indicator of a hearing loss.

Research has indicated that on average people take seven years to seek help for their hearing loss. Maybe if enough people ask, they might get the help sooner.

Over the years I have had referrals of new clients who tell me they were out to dinner with friends who recommended they come see me. And now, I have my referral suggestion taken to a whole new level.

A lovely lady, with a great heart, was out to dinner with friends. She heard a gentleman sitting at another table saying "huh" and "what" a lot. After a while she turned around, interrupted him and suggested he come and see me.

The happy ending is he did come in. His wife had been begging him to get his hearing checked for years, but it took a stranger's suggestion to convince him.

The gentleman's visit to my office revealed that he had a more severe hearing loss than he initially thought. With the help of hearing aids, he can now hear better, and his wife is happier when they go out to dinner.

If you notice someone saying "Huh" or "What" often, suggest they might need to come see me. By taking this simple step, you can help them improve their quality of life and build a stronger relationship with their loved ones.



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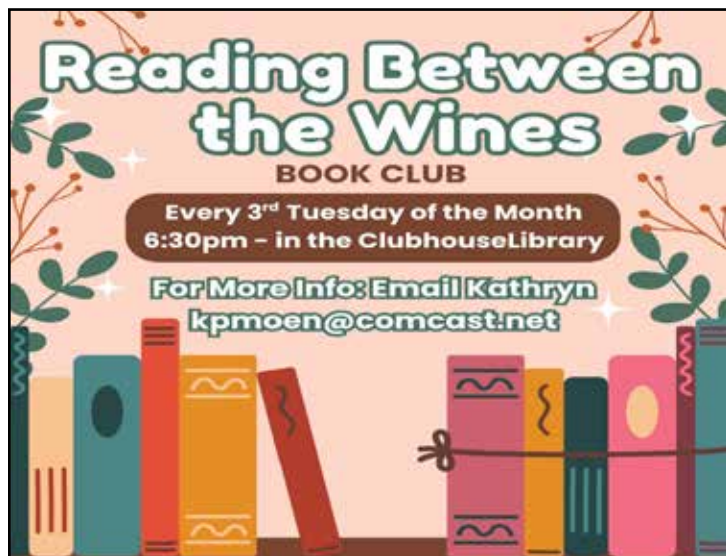
**I'D RATHER
BE PLAYING
HAND KNEE
AND FOOT**

**Hand, Knee, & Foot ~ Fridays
@ 10am ~ Craft Room**



**HAND
AND
FOOT**
CARD GAME

**EVERY TUESDAY - 1 P.M.
CRAFT ROOM**



**Reading Between
the Wines**
BOOK CLUB

Every 3rd Tuesday of the Month
6:30pm - in the ClubhouseLibrary

For More Info: Email Kathryn
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GRAN PARADISO

**TENNIS
SCHEDULE**

Monday - 8:00am to 10:00 am
Tuesday - 8:30am to 10:30am
Wednesday - Optional Lunch Schedule
Thursday - 8:30am to 10:30am
Friday - 8:30am to 10:30am
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EVERY MONDAY & THURSDAY
1:00 P.M.**



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TRAIN**

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IN THE CRAFT ROOM**

Wednesday Night Euchre at Gran Paradiso



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- May 14th & 28th
- June 11th & 25th
- July 9th & 23rd
- August 13th & 27th
- September 10th & 24th
- October 8th & 22nd
- November 12th & 26th
- December 10th

Tournament is open to couples or individuals
• We will be switching partners after every game

No need to RSVP
simply show up in the GP Craft Room
before 6:30 and enjoy the evening

Questions?
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grega3291@gmail.com



Bunco

**1st Thursday of
Every Month
6:30pm Craft Room
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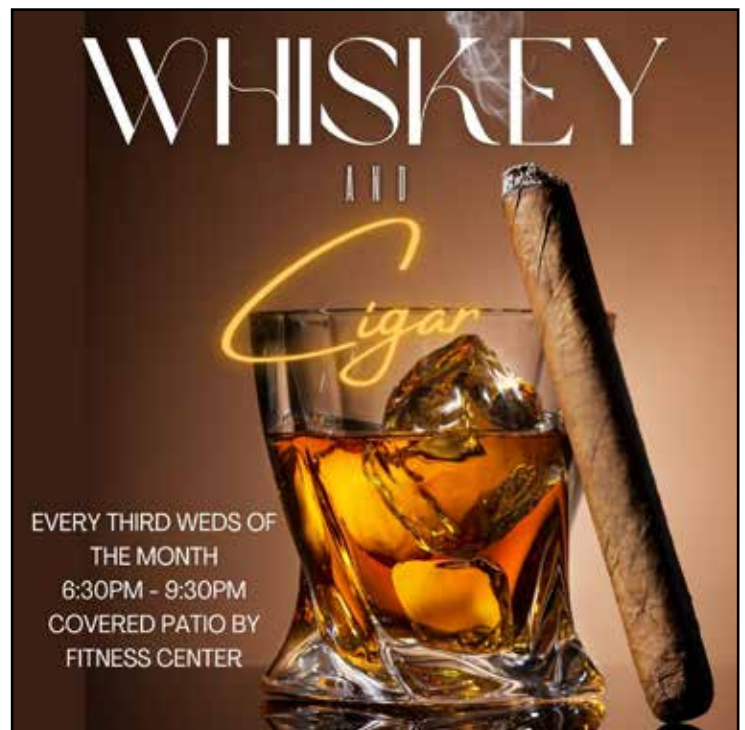
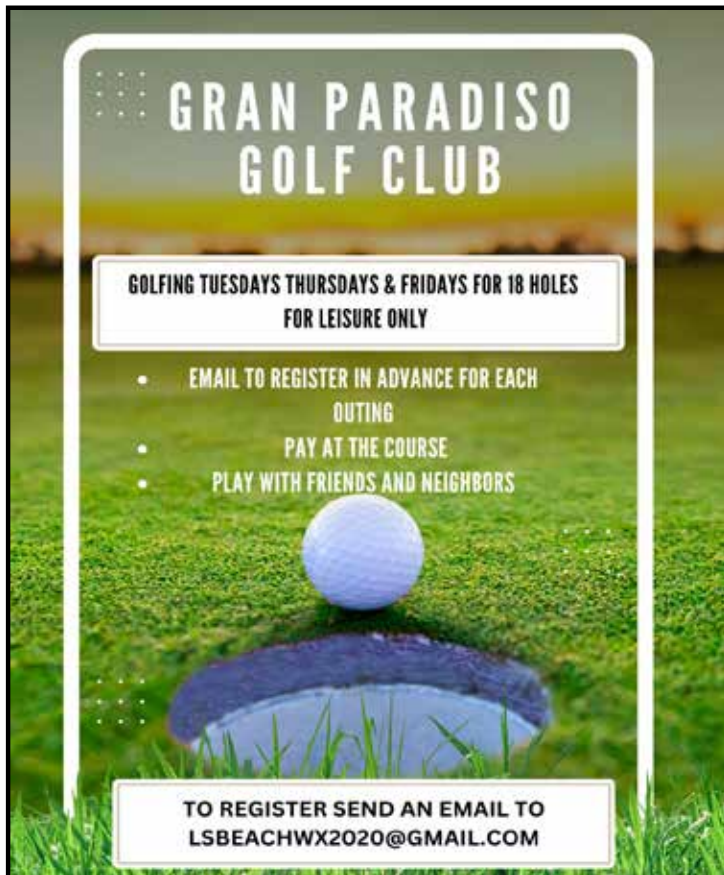
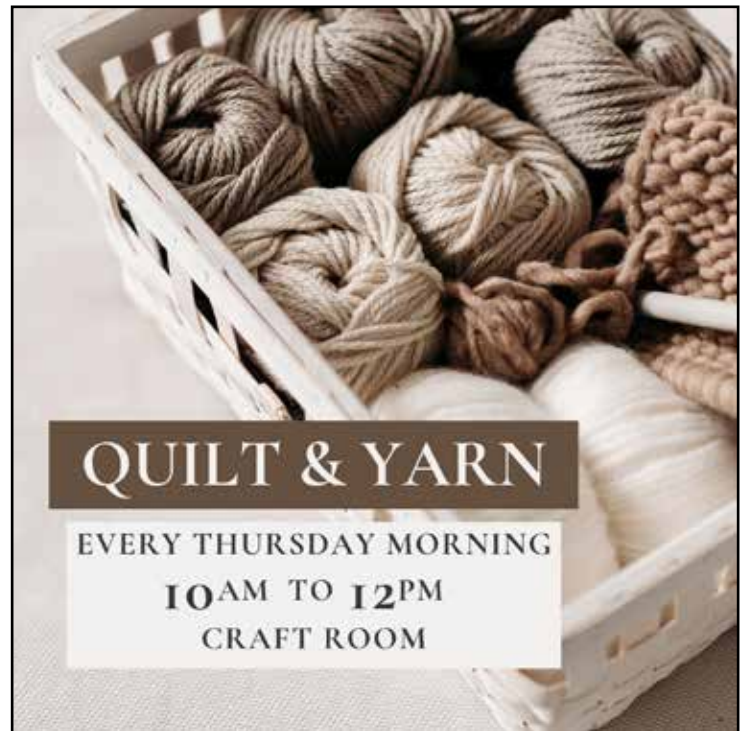
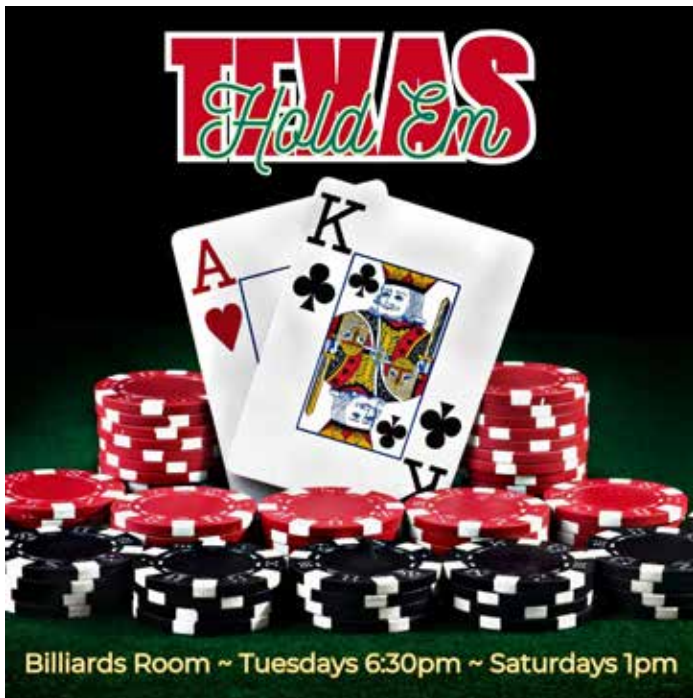


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IN THE BILLIARDS ROOM

**EVERY WEDNESDAY
NIGHT**

6:30PM



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Gran Paradiso - Lifestyle Bulletin



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RESET YOUR HEALTH REIGNITE YOUR LIFE

Have you done all that your doctors said to do, followed all the experts advice and still not feeling as good as you want to? With 20+ years in healthcare, join Stefania and Marko to learn how simple transforming your health could be!

Important topics covered: weight gain, low energy, brain fog, diabetes, anxiety, joint pain, hormonal imbalance, low libido, ADHD, chronic fatigue, insomnia, autoimmune conditions, and more!

**MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025
6 PM - CRAFT ROOM**

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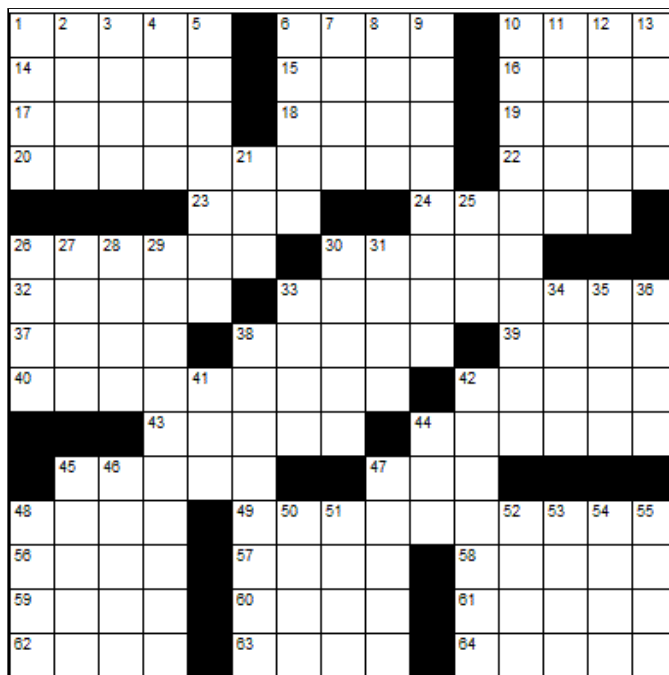
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August Crossword

ACROSS

1. Retrieve
6. Not fat
10. A speech defect
14. Drama set to classical music
15. Overhaul
16. Bounce back
17. Adjust again
18. Weightlifters pump this
19. Found on rotary phones
20. Noticeable
22. Prefix meaning "Within"
23. Possessed
24. Durable fabric
26. Browbeat
30. Show embarrassment
32. Give or take
33. Supervised examinations
37. French for "Black"
38. Difficult
39. Achy
40. Excisions
42. Stop
43. Battle
44. Thousands of kilograms
45. Truth (archaic)
47. Aspiration
48. Storage site
49. Interchanged
56. Module
57. Walk in water
58. Parental brother
59. Roof overhang
60. Nitpicky to a fault



DOWN

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|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Car company | 21. Small amount | 41. Small songbird |
| 2. Type of sword | 25. Estimated (abbrev.) | 42. Use a calculator |
| 3. Exam | 26. Orchestra | 44. Poetic contraction |
| 4. Algonquian Indian | 27. Double-reed woodwind | 45. Red Sea peninsula |
| 5. Short-handled ax | 28. Earth | 46. Martini garnish |
| 6. Threesome | 29. Steady | 47. Bless with oil |
| 7. Parsley or sage | 30. Main impact | 48. Took to court |
| 8. False god | 31. Cuts lumber | 50. Hindu princess |
| 9. Paragon | 33. Winnie the ____ | 51. Jewish month |
| 10. Leather shorts | 34. Horse color | 52. Anagram of "Nose" |



JULY
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AUGUST 2025

SEPTEMBER
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Hand, Knee & Foot 10am Mexican Train 2:30pm Big Chef Food Truck 4pm-7pm	2 Texas Hold Em 1pm
3 Bridge 1:30pm	4 Mahjong 1pm	5 Fine Review 9:30am Hand & Knee 1pm Texas Hold Em 6:30pm	6 ARC 9:15am Samba 9:30am Bridge 1:30pm Poker 6:30pm	7 Quilt & Yarn 10am Mahjong 1pm Texas Hold 6:30pm Bunco 6:30pm	8 Hand, Knee & Foot 10am Mexican Train 2:30pm	9 Texas Hold Em 1pm
10 Bridge 1:30pm	11 Mahjong 1pm Republican Club 5:30pm	12 Hand & Knee 1pm Texas Hold Em 6:30pm	13 Samba 9:30am Bridge 1:30pm Poker 6:30pm Euchre 6:30pm	14 Quilt & Yarn 10am Mahjong 1pm Texas Hold 6:30pm	15 Hand, Knee & Foot 10am Mexican Train 2:30pm	16 Texas Hold Em 1pm
17 Bridge 1:30pm	18 Mahjong 1pm	19 Hand & Knee 1pm Book Club 6:30pm Texas Hold 6:30pm	20 ARC 9:15am Samba 9:30am Bridge 1:30pm Poker 6:30pm Whisk & Cig 6:30pm	21 Landscape 9:30am Mahjong 1pm Quilt & Yarn 1pm Texas Hold 6:30pm	22 Hand, Knee & Foot 10am Mexican Train 2:30pm	23 Texas Hold Em 1pm
24 Bridge 1:30pm	25 Infrastructure 9:30am Finance 1 pm Mahjong 1pm	26 Ponds & Preserve 9:30am Hand & Knee 1pm Texas Hold 6:30pm	27 Samba 9:30am Bridge 1:30pm Euchre 6:30pm Poker 6:30pm	28 Quilt & Yarn 10am AC&P 10am Mahjong 1pm BOD Meeting 5pm Texas Hold 6:30pm	29 Hand, Knee & Foot 10am Mexican Train 2:30pm	30 Texas Hold Em 1pm
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