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The Villas Newsletter

The Newsletter by and for the residents of the Villas at Apple Creek

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The new look of the Villas at Apple Creek Board of Directors meeting during the "Safer at Home" restrictions.

Top Left: Sue Trams, Gary Krueger, Mike Bauer, Jim Knapstein,(project mgr.) Anita Jensen (president), Jim Gaerthofner (treasurer), Jeff McLaughlin (Pfefferle Management) & Dorothy Nelson, secretary

What will the future bring for the Villas?

Radical changes have touched all of us. Life at the Villas is not the same as it used to be. Virtual on-line board meetings, social distanced birthday wishes, clubhouse closure, social groups grinding to screeching halt, neighbors greeting each other from across the street (no closer!), groceries needing to be delivered, wiping down the mail and other boxes delivered to our homes...business is definitely NOT "as usual". And we are not sure if things will ever be "as usual". I think we all realize that our "normal" will take on a whole new look. We will adjust and make things work. For our safety, we all need to work together to make the best of our new world.

May is National Bike Month

May	1	May Day
May	9	National Moscato Day
May	15	National Chocolate Chip Day
May	28	National Hamburger Day
May	31	National Smile Day

Unfortunately, we are in that "older, with pre-existing conditions" group and once the state and city reopens we will still remain in that group. Even if we have followed every rule and suggestion given to us for health and safety, we probably will still need to follow all the rules we have been under for the last 6-8 weeks just to remain healthy! We are still as susceptible as we have been since the beginning. We will need to continue the wipe-it-down, covered-face, six-foot-distancing life well into the future. At least until a reliable vaccine has been developed and administered.

So for now, we will just have to continue our safer at home lives and make the best of the situation. But, here's a thought to ponder...what if Happy Hour were to be outside, on the clubhouse lawn, with BYOEYO? Yes, "Bring Your Own (food/drink/chair) and Eat Your Own" while maintaining at least a six foot separation. Well, it's just a thought. Whatever our future brings, we must be cognizant of all of our neighbors and continue to maintain each other's health.

THE WORLD HAS FLIPPED UPSIDE DOWN. OLD FOLKS ARE SNEAKING OUT OF THE HOUSE AND THEIR KIDS ARE YELLING AT THEM TO STAY INDOORS!

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Villas Website
www.acvillas.com

Condo NEWS

Pfefferle MANAGEMENT
YOUR PROPERTY. OUR RESPONSIBILITY.

Jeff McLaughlin, our Condo Manager, will have regular office hours at Pfefferle Management for the present time. Jeff will resume clubhouse onsite hours when the clubhouse reopens.

You can reach Jeff during regular office hours at:

Phone: 920.560.5035

jmclaughlin@pfefferle.biz

Maintenance problems? or other issues?

The maintenance report procedures are in effect. Go to ACVillas.com and click on the maintenance tab at the top of any page and fill out the form.

Board Meeting*
Wednesday, July 29, 2020
4:00PM

Coronavirus Updates

The Clubhouse will remain CLOSED until further notice!

*Due to the clubhouse closure and social distancing, it is unknown at this time as to the nature of the next board meeting (in-person or on-line?). The Board of Directors did meet on April 29, 2020, with a virtual online meeting. Minutes of this meeting are posted on the website. Thank you.

Need Help during "Safer at Home" Restrictions?

It is best to have family to assist you during this crisis, but if you can't, and are in need of help, please contact a board member and we will attempt to find assistance for access to needed items such as groceries or medications.

If you are calling a board member...

Remember if a board member does not answer, please leave a message and your call will returned as soon as possible.

Remember...

All pets, when outdoors, shall be maintained on a leash not more than eight (8) feet in length. Pets shall be supervised by a responsible individual at all times. Such individuals shall be responsible for the immediate clean-up of all pet litter.

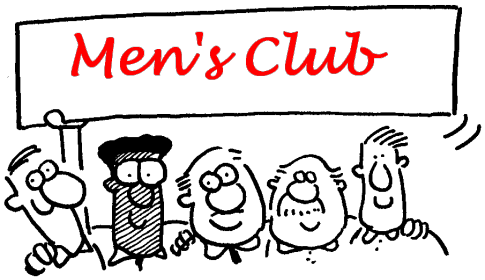
Contractor File

Don't forget to check out the Contractor File in the library if you need recommendations for projects and help around the house. The file has many recommended contractors along with a few contractors to avoid. If you have had any contractors that you would recommend, take a moment and list them in the file. Thanks!

UPCOMING EVENTS ?

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Below is our usual list of upcoming events. The problem at hand is that we do not know when the upcoming events will resume. When issues with COVID-19 changes, we will inform everyone of the new schedules. Thank you for your understanding.



Tuesdays
9:00 AM
Clubhouse

Host Schedule (Donuts)

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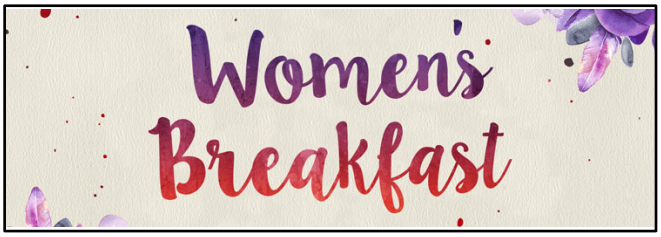
??? Breakfast Outing



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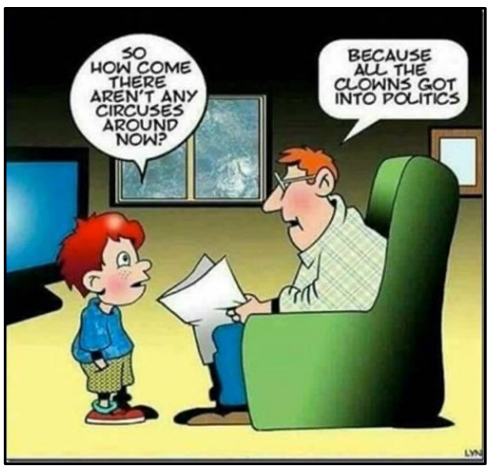

At the Clubhouse

5:30 Socializing
6:00 Dinner

Happy HOUR

Bring a SMILE, a dish to share and your own beverage to the Clubhouse.

Date ???

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Villas Social Committee
Mary Gloudemans, Chairperson
Reggie Angela

Updates to the **calendar** can be found at
http://www.acvillas.com/calendar.html
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To Golf or Not to Golf . . .
That is the question!

Pending directives from the Governor of Wisconsin

Organizational/Informational Meeting
Tuesday, May 26, 1:00pm
Clubhouse ???

Items to be thinking about

- Drive in pods or alone
- Lunch
- Pull carts or riding (if available)
- Riding alone or with someone
- Starting Date ? ? ?

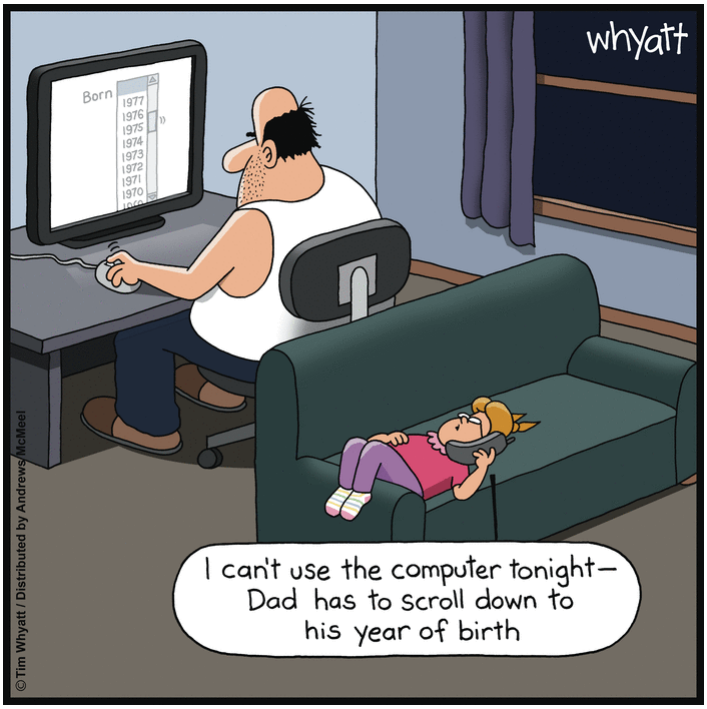
All interested golfers please plan to attend.
For more information contact:
Judy Tate (920)915-7097 heyofcr@gmail.com
Bonnie Lundquist (920)585-5608

Men Golfers!

If you are interested in joining a group of 14 men who like to golf, this may be for you. We are looking for someone that will commit to golf 90% of the time, that's all... just 90%.

We golf on Wednesdays and start around 9:45am to 10am. We travel to courses that are approximately one hour from the Villas. At the end of the season we will have a jamboree which includes your significant other.

If you are interested, contact Jim Knapstein 920-915-2769.



Previous Events

...At the Villas

Neighbors Reggie Anglea, Carole Van Zeeland, Mary Gloudemans & Cathy Mcpartlin keeping their six feet of separation.

Snow Bird Social Distancing

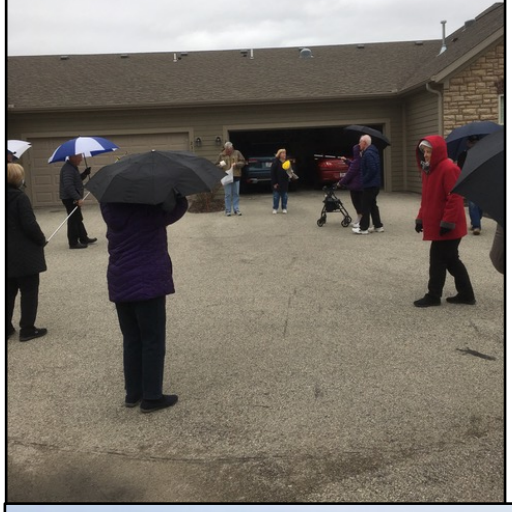
Jodie Altobelli and Susan Kirkhan were still at their winter home in Naplein, Florida when this was taken. They were doing their best to help slow/stop the spread of the virus. They miss socializing but Jodie has found a way to practice good social distancing while chatting with neighbors out for walks.

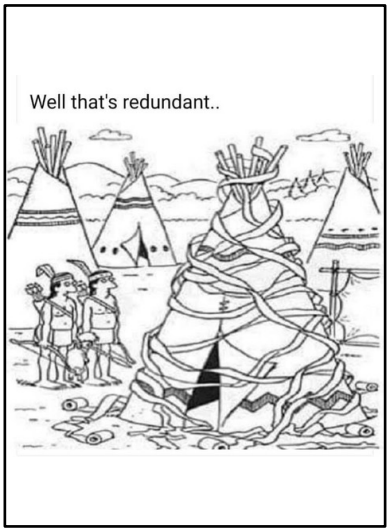
Bonnie Clow's social distancing birthday party!

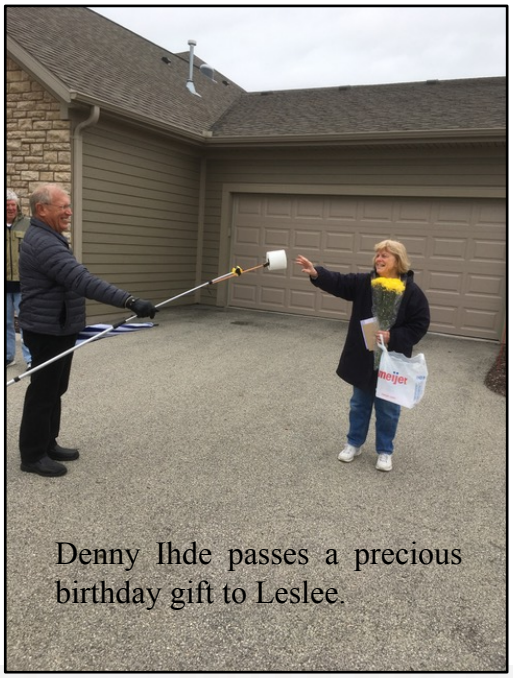
More distant socializing! "We're doing our part!", says Daryl, Wendy and Helen.

Virg Egglestone gets a birthday wish from neighbors!

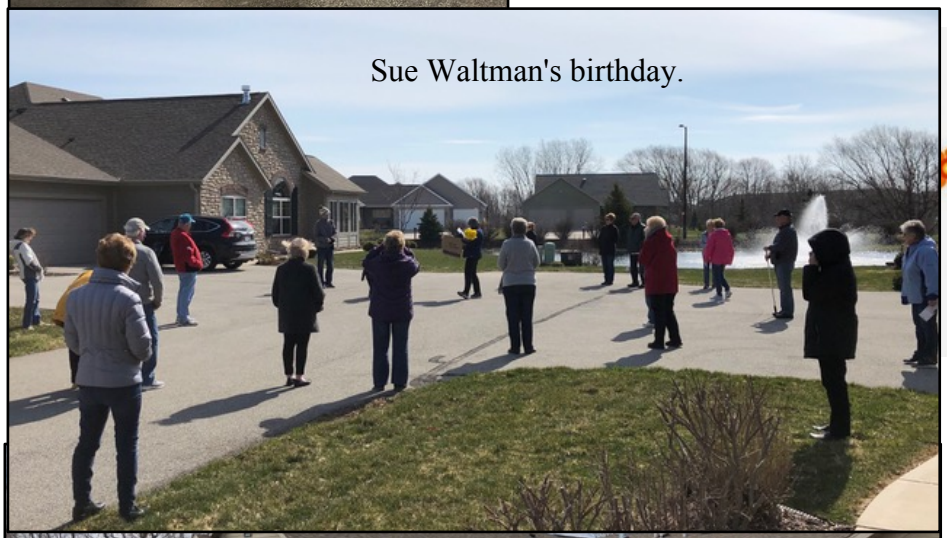
The neighbors stopped to wish Leslee Harvey distant birthday wishes.







Denny Ihde passes a precious birthday gift to Leslee.



Sue Waltman's birthday.

And Greg Tate aged another year!

These brave souls endured the wind and rain to celebrate Pat Wortz's birthday.

Contributers: Denny Ihde, Jean Hakes, Gary Krueger

It appears that we may have a few more ducks in the area (or someone didn't find all their Easter Eggs).

Just west of the Lightning Drive walking/biking path is a Great Horned Owl nest where these two "little" guys are staying "safer at home". By the time this is published, they may be too big for the nest.

Expectant Robin

Early April, Denny Ihde caught this little weasel taking a shortcut across his lawn.

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Calendar Reservation Procedures

THE OFFICIAL CALENDAR can be viewed at www.acvillas.com under "Calendar".

All condo events and private reservations are listed on the Official Calendar.

To reserve your "**private party**" events, you must contact Jeff McLaughlin of Pfefferle's office (920-560-5035) or (jmclaughlin@pfefferle.biz). A "Clubhouse Reservation Form" (along with a rental fee of $75 and a refundable deposit of $175) is required. The form is conveniently located on the website under "Condo Info" or click HERE to download the form. If necessary. Pfefferle Management can also mail you a form.

To reserve "**condo related events**", please contact Gary Krueger 731-2728 or

Photo Directory

Please send us your picture!

We need your pictures! Please consider sending in your picture for the Photo Directory. Help us make this a complete booklet. It's a great way to get acquainted with your community neighbors. You can do it!

GaryProfGizmo@Gmail.com

Villas ~~Ongoing~~ Gatherings

- Game Day - Every Monday 12:30 PM - Clubhouse
- Sheepshead - Every Monday 1:00 PM - Clubhouse
- Men's Club - Every Tuesday 9:00 AM - Clubhouse
- Bunco - Every 3rd Tuesday 6:30 PM - Clubhouse
- Women's Group - Every Wednesday 9:00 AM - Clubhouse
- Happy Hour - Every 2nd & 4th Thursday 5:30 PM - Clubhouse

Password for the Clubhouse WiFi

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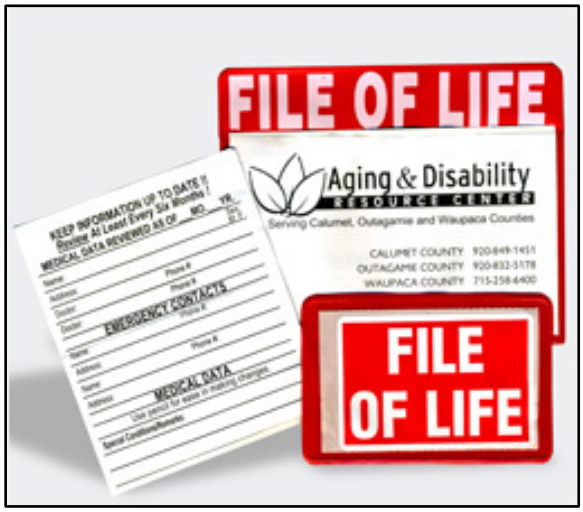
Sample Photo Directory Page



As a reminder to those homeowners that chose to participate in the "File of Life" project, you can, with all this idle time on your hands, update your file information. It would be good to go over medications, emergency contacts, and any other pertinent information that would be helpful to emergency personel. (In pencil)

If you do not have a kit, you can obtain a FILE OF LIFE kit.

- •Request a kit by calling the ADRC at 866-739-2372.
- •The kit will contain:
  - ◦a refrigerator form and magnetic case
  - ◦a wallet form and case and
  - ◦two notification stickers.
- •The kits are provided FREE of charge.

For more information click on the link below.

https://www.youradrcresource.org/services/file_life.php

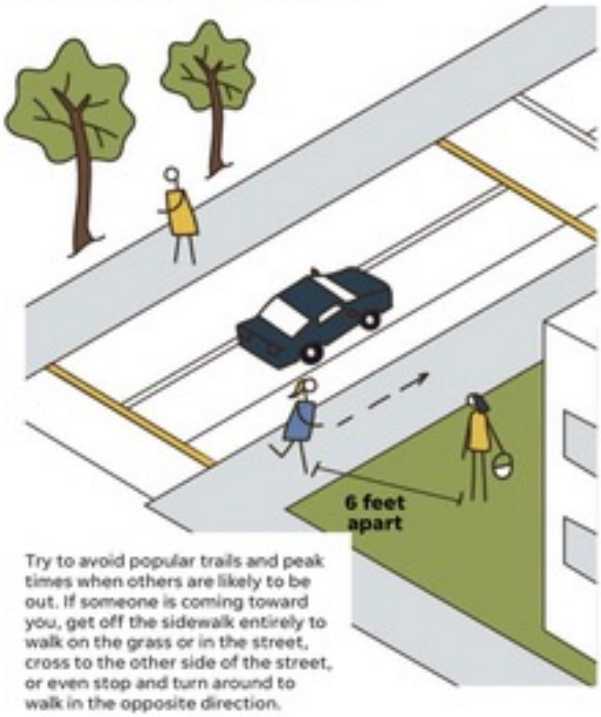
Can I still go for a walk?

With 42 states issuing stay-at-home orders, many Americans are wondering if it's still safe to go outside.

Here's a guide on how to safely get some fresh air amid the coronavirus pandemic:

VERONICA BRAVO AND N'DEA YANCEY-BRAGG/USA TODAY

How can I safely go for a walk?



Try to avoid popular trails and peak times when others are likely to be out. If someone is coming toward you, get off the sidewalk entirely to walk on the grass or in the street, cross to the other side of the street, or even stop and turn around to walk in the opposite direction.

Can I go for a walk under shelter-in-place or stay-at-home orders?

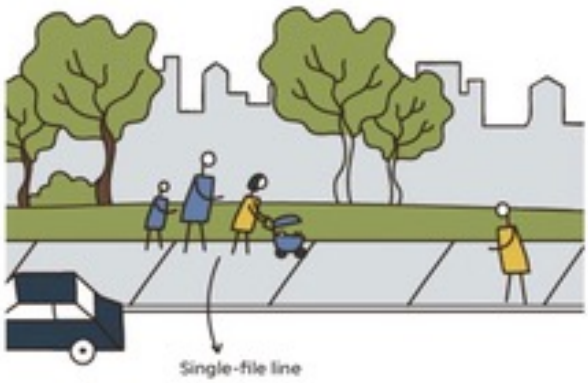
Yes, medical experts say, under certain circumstances. If you have symptoms including coughing, fever or shortness of breath, you should avoid going out for any reason.

People venturing outside should also be wearing masks in public places to help blunt the spread of the virus. That means staying at least 6 feet away from people who aren't in your immediate household.

It's also recommended you bring hand sanitizer in case you have to touch something while you're outside.

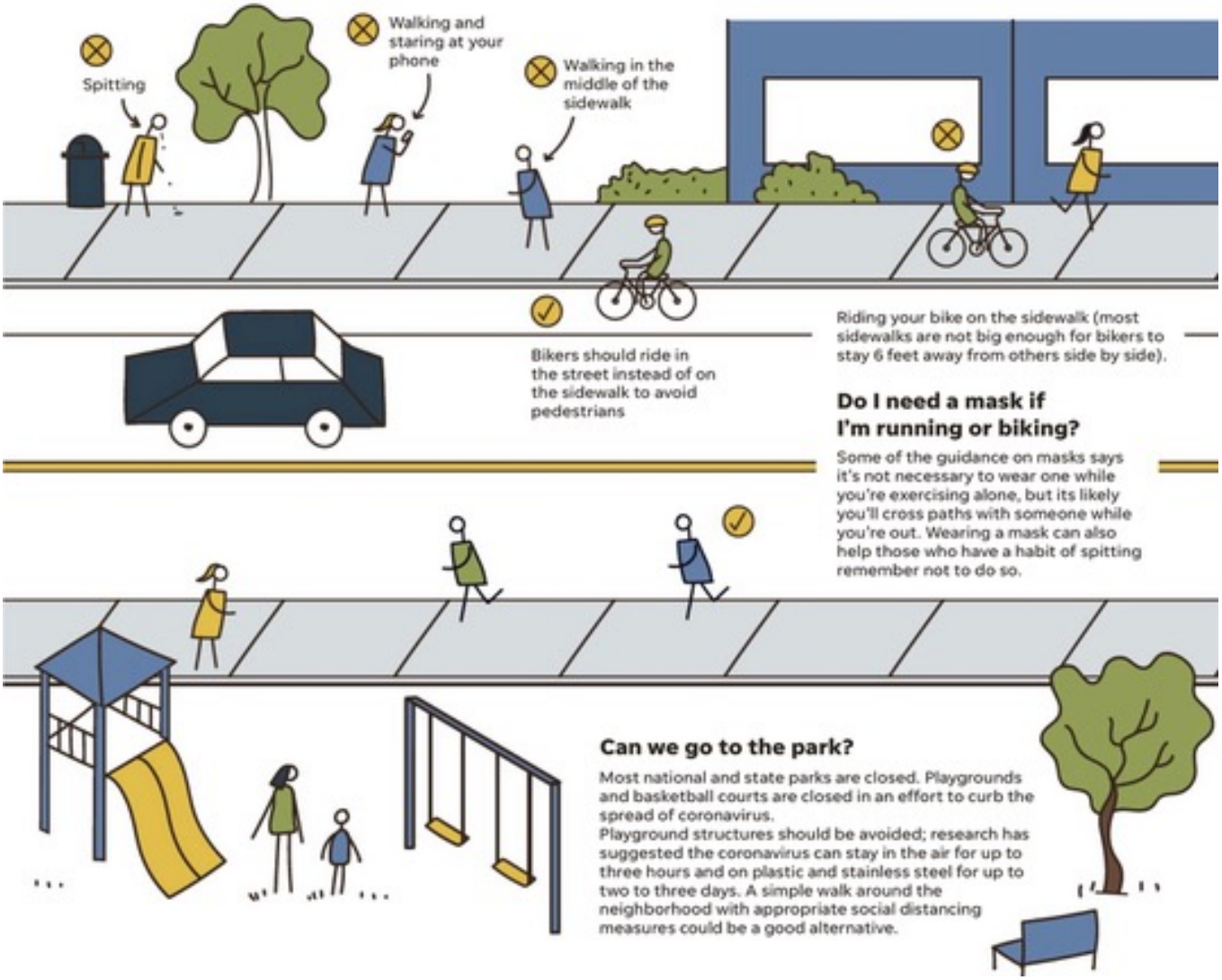
Family walks

When walking in a group (only people in your household), be ready to shift to single file quickly. Most paths are not wide enough to stay 6 feet away from a four-person group walking side by side.



What NOT to do:

Runners and bikers should avoid spitting on the sidewalk and near others while exercising. As always, bikers should ride in the street with the flow of traffic instead of on the sidewalk to give pedestrians ample space. People should avoid looking only at their phones and keep their eyes on their surroundings. Do not walk in the middle of the street to let others pass. Instead, find a safe alternative route.



Do I need a mask if I'm running or biking?

Some of the guidance on masks says it's not necessary to wear one while you're exercising alone, but its likely you'll cross paths with someone while you're out. Wearing a mask can also help those who have a habit of spitting remember not to do so.

Can we go to the park?

Most national and state parks are closed. Playgrounds and basketball courts are closed in an effort to curb the spread of coronavirus.
Playground structures should be avoided; research has suggested the coronavirus can stay in the air for up to three hours and on plastic and stainless steel for up to two to three days. A simple walk around the neighborhood with appropriate social distancing measures could be a good alternative.

"You have sprouts. It's something couch potatoes get after sitting for too long."