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 FMO..... VOLUNTEER NEEDED :

Eds. Note: The HMO election will take place at the annual meeting on February 19 7:00 p.m. Sign up in the clubhouse to be a candidate. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

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Eds. Note: Elections for Residents' Club Board of Directors will have taken place by the time this edition is released. Check the clubhouse for elections results, or the February Edition of The Bay Ranch Review.

Bay Ranch Review

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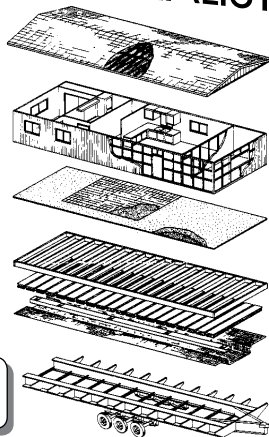


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Books in the library are donated by Bay Ranchers. The Library is especially looking for large print books and magazines. All donations are accepted. We always have more books than we can shelf. Extras are donated to AMVETS and the Largo Library book sales.

Trips & Cruises, Harry Webber Coach 105 215-607-9061

Harry and his staff (Becky) have established a Travel Bulletin Board in the clubhouse to showcase the many travel opportunities available. They have also set up a Caribbean Cruise for March. Watch Facebook for updates.

Ambulance Fund, Evelyn Hale, Coach 1364 403-6434

The Ambulance Fund is open to all residents for \$2.50 per person per year. Payment qualifies members for 1 emergency transport per person per year. The fund pays the balance of the bill, up to \$75, after Medicare and insurance. Membership period is stated on your card. There are no grace days.

Ambulance Fund Payments Due in Jan 2020

320	Hanright, Ronald & Shirley	1/23/2020
228	Jones, Jim & Ione	1/15/2020
228	Raabe, Jan & Carol	1/28/2020
1368	Howe, Lauretta	1/29/2020
139	Hicks, Kathlyn	1/8/2020
155	Trombly, Chris	1/26/2020
177	Hale, Jim & Evelyn	1/7/2020



OFFICIAL NOTICES

HOA

The priority for the Bay Ranch Home Owners Association (HOA) is to hold elections for the HOA Board for the first time in 6 years. In keeping with the By-Laws of the Association, **the election will take place at the annual meeting on the third Wednesday in February, February 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse.**

Jeanne Hunter (432-9792), Jean Rose (536-5738) and Carol Raabe (605-730-0476) make up the Nominations Committee for elections. The Nominating Committee will solicit candidate for directors. **Please consider volunteering or agreeing to run, if you are asked.**

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The February **Bay Ranch Review** will contain official information about the election, each nominee for director and experience and relevant capabilities. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor during the annual meeting. The new Board of Directors will take office immediately following the election.

Voting may be in person or by proxy. The form naming the person voting and his/her proxy will be included with the notice introducing the nominees (in the February **Bay Ranch Review**). The proxy must bring the form, signed by the voter and the proxy, to annual meeting in order to vote. Proxies are counted toward establishing a quorum.

Dee Murphy and Jeanne Hunter are current members of the Board. Malcolm Dean, former President, and Wayne Perkins were recalled by vote of the HOA. James Shelton resigned to Dean. Murphy and Hunter solicited Jack Lees, Patty Harwood and Carol Raabe to serve in the interim to help plan and carry out the election.

FMO

If you like to stay in the know about policies and events that affect your mobile home ownership, membership in the FMO is the way to go. If you like the idea of sharing what you learn, become the Bay Ranch representative to the Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida (FMO).

Eds. Note: this position has been empty for some time. Contact with the FMO is important because they keep up on laws and regulations that affect mobile home owners and mobile home parks.

RESIDENTS' CLUB

Come to the Monday Morning Residents' Club Meeting every Monday at 9 a.m.



Residents' Club Minutes

Bay Ranch Monthly Business Meeting

Dec.2, 2019

Meeting called to order by Pres. Jeanne Hunter. Pledge of allegiance was recited. Betty Ann Quish led us in singing "The Star Spangled Banner" and "O Canada". Prayer was offered by Sharon Hammond.

Board meeting minutes read for information.

Treasurer report not available.

Old business: Nothing was discussed

New business: Nothing to discuss

New resident Marian Evans; Bea McCarthy is back.

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Trips and cruises are looking for a date for the dinner theater. Date to be announced. Price is \$40.00 which includes dinner, play and tip. Check the board for more trips.

Kitchen worker was Richard Haslam.

Bingo had 46 in attendance. Big money still available. The table runner woven by Millie Zygmunt is being raffled. Dec. a bonanza games will start.

Steve Walker Dance to start off the Christmas season sponsored by the Shuffleboard Club is Dec.5th. 7 to 9 pm BYOB. Tickets available for \$6 but will also be available at the door for \$7.00.

Thanksgiving dinner was a success. Gin Lipton thanked her staff for all the work behind the scenes. 80 attended and 29 take out provided also. Christmas dinner will be over seen by Jan and Carol Raabe so please volunteer to help.

Dances to come:

NYE-Denise

Jan. 18th. Inland Ave.

Feb. 22nd Rock Candy

Mar. 21st. to be announced

Craft for Dec. 9th at 1pm will be making tiered snowmen. Check out bulletin board for needed supplies. Come out and have some fun.

Stein Studs meet at Willards off Starkey each Fri. at 2pm. Last week the pumpkin beer was really good.

Card Bingo 1st. Wed. each month. Bring 12 quarters and have some fun..

There will be a cookie exchange at the Clubhouse December 19th at 7pm. Bring 24 cookies and there will be games and prizes and lots of fun.

The Christmas pageant will be Dec. 11th at 7pm. Program is free but everyone is asked to bring some canned goods for the needy. Santa will be there and if you are a baker, finger food would be appreciated.

Golfers are still putting along. Fri. is the day and all golfers are welcome

Horseshoes are practicing and games start in Jan.

Shuffleboard

Friendly-practice after the Mon meetings

Sunshine- Tues. 10am

In Park- Mon. 1pm come out and learn the game.

Hoss collar- Sat. 1pm

There will be a tree lighting ceremony and caroling at the clubhouse at 6:30 p.m. on Sun., December 15th.

Jon Pope at coach 256 will take the worn and tattered flags.

50/50 for \$31.50 won by Larry Hammond and the picture won by Sharon Hammond.
PLEASE CHECK THE BULLITIN BOARD FOR ALL ACTIVITIES. DATES
TIMES AND THE PEOPLE TO CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Allen, Secretary

NOTES FROM THE BAY RANCH OFFICE



Rules: The Park has rules that everyone received and reviewed when they bought or rented their coach. They are also printed annually in the Directory (September issue of Bay Ranch Review). Please read and follow them. Failure to follow rules is grounds for eviction, and management has shown that it is willing to evict.



Rules commonly broken:

1. Parking on grass or sidewalk, overnight on street, and/or every day.
2. Parking overnight at the Clubhouse without Office authorization.
3. Failing to register at the office all persons living living with you.
4. Piling garbage in front of garbage bins. When you throw garbage, throw it to the back so when you open the door, it doesn't fall out and there is space.
5. Failure to maintain, paint and/or clean mobile home, trim, awnings, planter and driveway.



Rent increases of \$20 a month go into effect January 1, 2020. Rent that is now \$572 a month will be \$592 a month in 2020; rent that is now \$580 will be \$600 a month. No other fees related to rent will change.



Sewage remains an intractable problem. Drains continue to back up because grease, vinyl/rubber gloves, paper towels and other inappropriate items are flushed. **Bay Ranch will not pay to unclog sewers when the clog is caused by inappropriate items put down the sewer.** The tenant will have to pay for this problem.

Eds. Note: It is inappropriate to flush anything other than toilet paper, and doing so causes costly sewer clogs. If the park pays, we will we all, ultimately, through rent increases.

Also, those so-called flushable personal cleansing cloths are really **NOT FLUSHABLE.**

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They do not disintegrate in the sewer system, and they WILL clog the sewer someplace in the system. Lots of people like to use these cloths in the bathroom, but PLEASE do not put them in the toilet. Limit what goes into the toilet to toilet paper. Eds. Note: My housemates and I had to hire a plumber when our own drain system clogged due to dishwasher detergent that was not well dissolved. We had virtual rocks of detergent blocking the drain. Our solution (after paying the plumber): liquid detergent.



Those metal electric service boxes behind each mobile home belong to Duke Energy. Please do not service or pay to service them yourself.

Call Duke Energy or Carol Alvey (see her cell phone number at the front of the Review) if your electric needs service. Why? Well, in a couple of instances, residents have submitted bills for about \$4,500 for service. If the repair is the park's responsibility, we have an electrician who will do the work for \$1,500. It just makes economic sense.

From the box to the mobile home is the resident's responsibility. Please make your own arrangements with an electrician if that area needs repair. The office can tell you if the repair is your responsibility.

**SEE SOMETHING
SAY SOMETHING
DO SOMETHING**

Homeless people are moving into the park. In one instance, an empty coach was left unlocked and homeless people had moved in. In several instances, people have been sleeping in the driveways/patios of empty homes. And others have been sleeping on the shuffleboard courts, sometimes using cushions from outside the clubhouse for mattresses.

Please watch out for your neighbor and neighborhood. If you see someone entering a home you know to be empty, or someone sitting or sleeping in that home's driveway/patio, or any other inappropriate behavior of this type, please call the Largo police. It is ok in this case to use 911 because you don't know what the danger is.



Cars left parked on the street after midnight will be towed. This is expensive and inconvenient. This is another opportunity to be a good neighbor: by reminding someone whose car is in the street after 10 pm. Eds. Note: I don't know what we will do this year, as Elda Hastings, who always reminded us when our car was on the street after 10, won't be here this year.



Cars parked on the street during the day should be staggered so emergency vehicles can pass by. Do not park on the grass or sidewalk.



You must register at the office if you have something parked in the field north of the clubhouse, or see Brent (maintenance).

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- * Please, put ALL garbage in the dumpsters, even big and heavy items like furniture.
- * DO NOT dump behind, beside or anywhere near the trash bins. Put the garbage in the bins.

*Put household trash in the smaller trash bins.

* Do not bring garbage to the bins on Monday morning. By that time, the bins are overflowing. Wait until Monday afternoon or later, when the bins are empty.

* Pick up for furniture, tree brush/limbs and other debris will be on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday only. Put out trash after 5:00 p.m, the day before.

*DO NOT DISPOSE OF TVS OR ELECTRONICS IN THE PARK. DO NOT PUT THEM IN OR BESIDE THE DUMPSTER. We get fined. Call pinellascounty.org/recycle to dispose of them.

*If you need help disposing of something, someone in the park may help you for a fee



Larger families and visitors: Reminder: that rent is based on one or two per household.

Each person above the two must pay an additional \$30 a month, including visitors who stay over 30 days. Please be proactive about this and pay the money without first being reminded.

The following information remains in force:



Fires: Test your smoke detectors to make sure they work. Recommended action: purchase a fire extinguisher if you don't have one and know how to work it. If a fire starts, spray it with the fire extinguisher immediately and GET OUT OF THE HOUSE. Fire destroys mobile homes very quickly..



Management requests that you turn off your water heater when the water is off, to prevent the element from burning out. Eds. Note: According to diy.stackexchange.com/questions/3766, this needs to be done because the element will burn out if the water heater becomes empty. Tankless heaters don't need this.

Other announcements:

The purified water dispenser at the clubhouse operates on its own schedule. After someone has filled containers, it may take the dispenser some time to regenerate enough water for more containers. There is a light on the dispenser that tells whether it is ready.

Some have questioned why the application fee is "so high." One reason is to help cover garbage fees, since new owners usually throw away most of the furniture and electronics.

Mr. Larson (the owner) calls the lawn service for lawn care on an as-needed basis. The park pays for lawn mowing, etc., once a month but the need sometimes goes unnoticed. If you notice the lawn needs trimming, please let the office know so they can call Mr. Larson.

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FROM THE EDITOR

By Carol Raabe

What a busy time this is! It would sure be easier if everything worked perfectly. Let's say no one missed an opportunity for communication, about water, about food trucks, about Thanksgiving Dinner. But of course, we all do miss those opportunities, and while most people forgive us, a few very verbally and publicly do not. So let me just say, for all of us who have made a mistake or two in the last month, we're sorry.

And let us move on. Let there be peace on earth. Or at least at Bay Ranch. Things just work better when we are nice to each other. And, yes. I'm from Minnesota.

One communication opportunity I missed last month has to do with the back gate. Management asked me to let you all know that fixing the back gate has become a kind of permanent problem. I'm not sure why, but some people actually drive into it! Probably not residents, of course, but others just driving through.

Some people try to climb it. As it gets more rickety, that becomes more of a problem.

And some people try to force it open with their hands.

So maybe what we need is a committee to watch for people who are damaging the back gate. I'm kidding, of course, but I do understand why repairs are sometimes longer in coming than we would hope.

Any ideas for keeping it repaired? A camera?

Hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and are on the cusp of celebrating the New Year.



From the Editor



BOB'S CORNER

By Bob Lupton

Hey, want to feel good about yourself? Do a good deed today. Whether it is over-tipping that waitress who is working three jobs in order to support her family or handing that person in front of you at the register that 50 or 60 cents they seem to be short for their order. If you are at the door to a restaurant and you happen to see someone getting out of their car and using a walker or a cane to cross the parking lot, wait an extra few minutes to hold the door for them.

These are just a few small gestures, but if everyone just took the time to be a little kinder it may start a movement. And before long more and more people will be working to make our world a better place. It just takes one person to start.

While I am on the subject there are a lot of things we can do in our own neighborhood.

Number one: we can be kinder to each other. Many of us still have our health but there are those that could really use a helping hand. Maybe offering a trip to the grocery store for those shut ins who can't make it to the store. Also get to know which of your neighbors may need assistance from time to time like during inclement weather or worse, Park evacuations. And of course check on their well being from time to time.

Welcome new residents to our park and invite them to join our activities

.And always remember it takes less effort to smile then to frown.

So remember to perform a random act of kindness every now and then. You will feel so much better and karma will reward you.

I have to mention that our January karaoke will be a week later then normal to allow for other scheduled activities. So mark your calendar for January 23rd for another fun night at the clubhouse.

And now I will give you a joke to help you start smiling:

A stingy old lawyer who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness was determined to prove wrong the old saying, "You can't take it with you." After much thought and consideration, the old ambulance chaser finally figured out how to take at least some of his money with him when he died.

He instructed his wife to go to the bank and withdraw enough money to fill two pillowcases. He then directed her to take the bags of money to the attic and leave them directly above his bed. His plan: When he passed away, he would reach out and grab the bags on his way to heaven. Several weeks after the funeral, the deceased lawyer's wife, up in the attic cleaning came upon the two forgotten pillow cases stuffed with cash.

"Oh, that old fool," she exclaimed. "I knew he should have had me put the money in the basement."

Till next time

Bob



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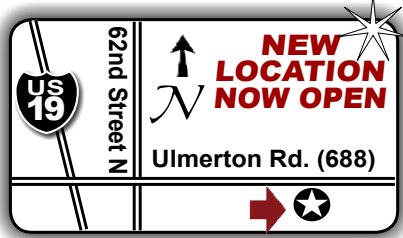
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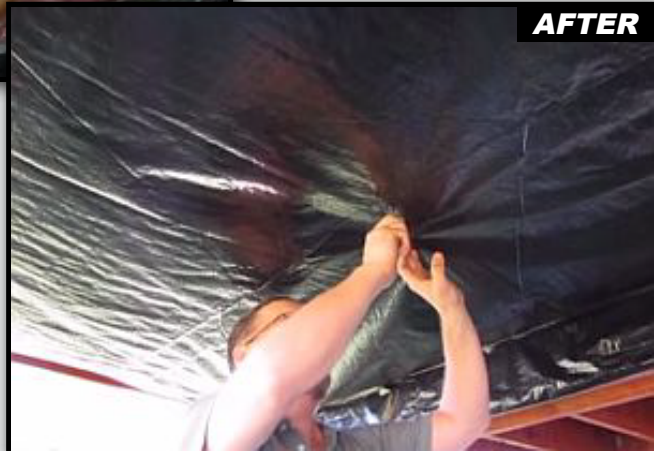
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ODDS AND ENDS

by Wayne Redshaw

WOW!!! I am referring to the beautiful job a company did in trimming the Palm Trees at Bay Ranch in early December. It was by far the best work many of us have seen on the trees in years at the park. It was top shelf in every respect from the guy in the bucket with the chainsaw doing the trimming to the guy on the ground cleaning up the debris and piling it to the crew that came afterwards to picking up of the branches. And so was their equipment. It was up to date and fascinating just to watch it operation.

It was by far a superior job compared to past rinky-dink or fly-by-night crews hired to trim the trees. Hats off to ownership and management for hiring this crew and just in time for the Christmas Holidays. This crew knew what they were doing.

Now, how about convincing the company that cuts the grass in the park to do a better job? I thought the last cutting in November showed a slight improvement compared to last season. However, there's still room for a lot of improvement. I believe the guy driving the mower thinks he's a race car driver trying to qualify for the Daytona 500 the way he races across the grass from coach to coach, street to street.

THE BACK GATE: On another subject, when is the back gate going to be fixed to eliminate strangers from roaming in the park or cars and trucks from cutting through? It's been over a month now and no action to get it repaired!

Before the gate was installed, there was Park Watch Patrol as residents, usually couples, took turns from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. driving their golf carts around looking for anything or anyone unusual and reporting it to a command post. It was all volunteer. Hopefully, we don't have to do that. Simply get it fixed. A majority of us have the device to open the gate.

GARBAGE ON MONDAYS: In just about every monthly issue of the Review under Notes From Bay Ranch Office residents are reminded not to bring any garbage to the bins on Monday mornings as the bins are usually overflowing. But on my way to a recent Monday Morning Meeting while on the prowl for a parking spot I noticed cars lined up by the bins to deposit their garbage. Can these individuals not read? That notice is posted monthly for a reason but there are some individuals who still can't get the message.

LETTER TO SANTA: I have had a few people come up and ask me why my annual Letter to Santa didn't appear in the December issue? Please don't blame editor Carol Raabe as it wasn't her fault. I simply didn't arrive at Bay Ranch as earlier in November to meet the printer's deadline as in past years.

A wind storm off Lake Erie Halloween Night with winds up to 90 MPH and waves 15 to 20 feet high resulted in some damage at my residence and property. Instead of leaving for Florida the next day which I normally do I stayed back to clean up. In addition to Santa's letter I also passed on writing Bay Ranch Profiles and this column.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Card Bingo

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New Years Eve

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Supervising Director, Paul Perling, Coach 170, 533-9324

Most resident activities begin their seasons in October or November and continue through March. Activities during the hiatus are usually impromptu, so watch the white board at the clubhouse for notifications.

Fishing

Jim Hale, Coach 1364, 804-2605



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Horseshoes

Rich Haslam, Coach 331, 492-6966 and Paul Lawrence, Coach 265.



Horseshoe practice is every Monday right after the Residents' Club Meeting, and games replace practice starting in January

Paul Lawrence continues to fundraise by collecting aluminum cans. Please drop off soda and beer cans at Paul Lawrence's, Coach 265.

Line Dance

Elda Hastings, Coach 210, 223-4512, and Carol Olson, Coach 230,

Line Dance usually restarts in November, but Elda will not be here this winter. Carol has arrived. Watch the bulletin board in the clubhouse for information on the resumption of this activity. Line Dance is free and teaches steps for beginners, as well as being good exercise and fun for the more experienced.

Men's Golf

William (Bill) Kovacs, Coach 1351, 286-6752



Men's golf started in November. The men are golf Fridays at 7:00 a.m. They carpool to the golf course, leaving around 6:30 am. Contact Bill to sign up and arrange a ride.

Shuffleboard

Sharon Allen, President, Coach 1342, 532-4071

The Shuffleboard season is in progress.

The Friendly team practices on Mondays right after the Residents' Club meeting and plays games on Thursdays.

The Sunshine Team practices on Wednesday, and 10 a.m. and games are on Fridays.

In Park Shuffling Activity practices on Mondays at 1:00 p.m.

Hoss Collar is at 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Anyone who wants to shuffle and pays their dues per season is encouraged to play in the In Park Shuffleboard league. This league is for fun and for those who want to move into the competitive Friendly and Sunshine leagues. Memberships in Friendly and Sunshine are by invitation only. Hoss Collar is a fun competition and event to work on your shuffleboard technique. It is open to all. Cost is \$1 and money prizes are awarded.

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Card Bingo

Debbie and Roger Heil, Coach 104, 423-1264

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Canasta

Charlotte Augustine, Coach 1413, 831-3567

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Euchre

Joan Seiders, Coach 123, 532-8409

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Game Night

Sponsor unknown at this time.

Plans are to hold Game Night on the second Wednesday of January and February at 7:00 p.m. Open to all. Check the bulletin board in the clubhouse for more information.

Poker

Richard Yaskolka, Coach 1329, 953-7339

\$4.00 5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m., Tuesday & Thursday; 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday. Seats are available Thursdays and Saturdays all year long. Please contact Richard if you want to join one or both of these games.

According to Joyce Budlong, a former Bay Ranch resident, poker could use more players, either men or women on Thursdays and Saturdays. Anyone can play.



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Betty Ann Quish, Coach 1400, 530-7603

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Crafts Workshop

Linda Ferrerra, 283, 469-499-6305

Crafts workshop will be held on the second Wednesday of January from crafts from 1:00 to 3:00. Contact Linda for more information..

Crochet Lessons

Beverly Bakley, Coach 1041, 609-247-1041.

Bev has suspended crochet lessons for now, since this is her busy season.

Ladies Havin' Fun

Linda Ferrara, Coach 283, 469-49 69-6305 and Jan Everham, Coach 1402, 623-7808

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Bay Ranch women go out to lunch and play for prizes. Each month, they wear some shade of a specific color. Linda and Jan always make it fun. January's lunch is on the 2nd Friday, January 10. Check with the sponsors or bulletin board in the clubhouse for the location of the event and the color for the month.

Stein Studs

Adam Pirhofer, Coach 1402, 623-7808/251-7985

Stein Studs meet at 2 pm each Fri. at Willard's off Starkey by Golden Bear.

Swedish Weaving

Nancy Peterson, Coach 279, 433-5056

Every Friday from 9:30 to 11:30, but time is flexible. Most people who attend work on a Swedish Weaving project (weaving Monk's Cloth with yarn). Some bring other handwork.

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Services Director, Cindy Devinney, Coach 1065, 550-7377

Birthdays and Anniversaries

By Cindy Devinney, Coach 1065, 550-7377

Please call Cindy with any changes

Did we miss your birthday? Your anniversary?

Note: Birthdays and Anniversaries continue to be very difficult to get correct, but in response to many requests, **The Bay Ranch Review** will continue to publish the list we have. If you want your birthday or anniversary listed in the **Review**, please give Cindy your information in writing (to ensure spelling and dates are correct)

January Birthdays

Editor's Note: please feel free to submit a eulogy for any resident or former resident of Bay Ranch

- 9 Jerry LaBean, Sr.
- 11 Elaine Czaplinsky
- 23 Cliff Wicks
- 24 Dave Bakley
- 25 Josee Bertrand



January Anniversaries

- 6 Robert & Janet Spence
- 7 Fred & Christine Cohen
- 18 Greg & Cindy Devinney
- John & Elaine Pope
- 27 Raymond & Jean Rose
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FOOD PANTRY

By Harry Webber

I spoke with Suncoast Haven of Rest Rescue Mission and got clarification on their visit to Bay Ranch on Wednesday, December 4 . They run the largest food bank in the area and are trying to encourage people in need to sign up to receive food, clothing, and furniture from their organization.

To receive these services, people must be Pinellas County residents and visit the Rescue Mission once to sign up for the year. After that, they can authorize another individual to pick up their monthly food box.

The Mission is not able to come to the park on a monthly basis. The December visit was a one-time effort to promote their services.

I hope the Bay Ranch Community will help support our neighbors who need transportation to the Mission to take advantage of this opportunity.

Contact:

Suncoast Haven of Rest Rescue Mission

1763 9th Avenue N.

St. Petersburg, Fl 33713

Tel: 727-545-8282

Email: mission@atlantic.net



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BAY RANCH PROFILE: Sharon Hammond

By Wayne Redshaw

For many, holding down just one executive position in one year is usually enough. It's normal for most individuals. However, for Sharon Allen Hammond that is not the case. Sharon is involved and in a big way.

She currently holds down two executive positions here at Bay Ranch-- secretary of the Residents' Club and President of Shuffleboard. In addition, Sharon serves as treasurer and secretary at her church.

"There's a lot of work being secretary, putting together minutes of every meeting, sending out notices but I like it," said Sharon.

She has been a resident at Bay Ranch for 19 years. Four months after arriving, she was asked if she would be interested in taking over secretary's position as the current secretary of the Residents' Club had quit. Sharon accepted. That was just the beginning as Sharon has worn many hats since serving on the Board of Directors for a couple years plus one term as Vice President.

Besides the Residents' Club positions, Sharon has been involved in many other activities at Bay Ranch over the years. She was in charge of the Review for three years. That's back when emails didn't prevail like today and it was strictly hard copy (everything had to be first typed, then delivered to the printer to be re-typed).

She has also been in charge of bingo but was quick to point out she was "never a caller." Sharon also handled the Sunshine Report for a number of years plus was in charge of Trips and Cruises. Then she took on the task of heading up the Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners as the person in charge quit at the last minute.

For a period time when there was no back gate in operation Sharon and her late husband (Dave) volunteered for patrol watch on a golf cart once a week from 11 p.m. until 3 a.m. They were to record who came in and report any unusual visitors or incidents to a command post.

In addition to her duties as shuffleboard president and secretary of the Residents' Club plus her church secretary and treasurer responsibilities, Sharon still finds time to sew, quilt, embroider and fish. "Thursday is fishing day. We belong to a boat club and we (husband Larry) go fishing. I have fished all my life," she noted. "I started fishing as a youngster with my parents."



Sharon Hammond has been an active Bay Ranch community member for almost 20 years. Photo by Wayne Redshaw.

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She sews a lot in the summer as a hobby and has produced a lot of different gifts for her grandchildren. "While Larry watches NASCAR on TV, I sew." She also sews for her church and belongs to a sewing guild that meets once a month and sews pillow cases for kids who battle cancer.

In her 19 years at Bay Ranch, Sharon has noticed a lot of changes. "The biggest change I would say is less volunteers. More and more people are wanting to sit out because they are getting tired. And the newcomers moving in are not interested or they are still working."

Sharon also said there has been a decline in the number of Shuffleboard players participating. "It started about three years ago. Some can't do it any more because of their health, newcomers are working and don't have the time. The average age of our two teams--Sunshine and friendly--was 82. And it not just with our Park but other nearby parks too. There's a decline."

Overall, Sharon Allan Hammond enjoys being involved at Bay Ranch. And she likes pulling off some practical jokes. "I like to make people smile and laugh," she said. "At one time the secretary read all the minutes, business and board meetings. Then I told them, I have a letter to read so I took it out of the envelope and read. It was my resignation. The whole room was in awe. I folded the letter and put it back in the envelope. Then as I turned to walk away I said April Fools."

Sharon pulled off a similar prank this year as April 1st fell on a Monday. This time around she teamed up with treasurer Sharon Van Horn. "When President Jean (Hunter) asked if there was any new business, I stood up and said, 'Yes. After great thought and consideration, I have decided to resign.' Sharon immediately stood up and said: 'I have to join her.'"

Surprisingly, I haven't noticed Sharon's name inscribed yet on the Bay Ranch V.I.P. of the Year Carole Carmadella Award for outstanding service to the various programs and activities in the park. This is by no means any knock on the previous winners, but she is certainly deserving of the honor with 19 years experience on various committees and executives Hopefully, the selection committee when they meet in the spring will give her some consideration as it's long overdue.



GOOD TIMES AT BAY RANCH

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I'm looking for pictures that aren't too dark and are in focus. It helps if they are of only a few people, and it's fun if the people are doing something, but these are not required. PLEASE SEND ME YOUR PICTURES if you don't want to put them on Facebook.

As usual, these pictures were downloaded from Facebook. If you take pictures of Bay Ranch events and don't put them on Facebook but want me to consider putting them in the Review, you can email them to nelsonraabe@gmail.com or message them to 605-730-0476.



Steve Walker performed for the Shuffler's December Christmas Dance. A good time was had by all. Photo by Sharon Hammond.



November Karaoke was a swinging night. Don't miss the next one in January. Photo by Bob Lupton.



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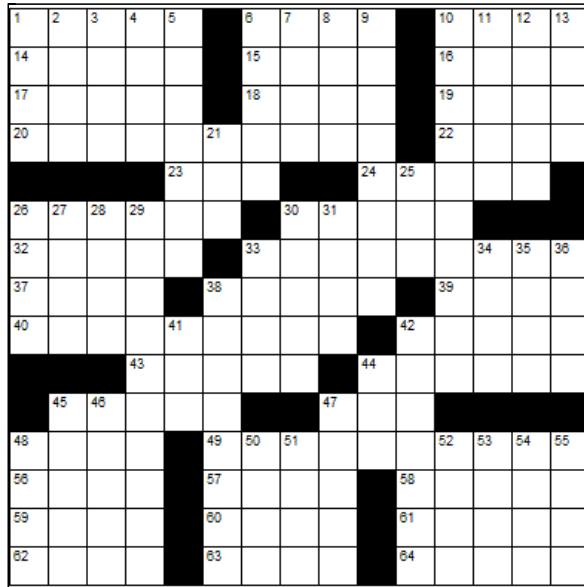
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January Crossword



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