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**Volunteers writers needed:** Dates listed on page 5

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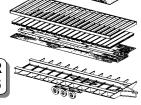


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## Volunteers writers needed for Holidays. Here are some possibilities:

#### **Date Holiday**

- 3 Repeat Day (I said "Repeat Day")
- 4 Hug Your Cat Day
- 5 World Environment Day
- 6 D Day, WWII
- 8 Best Friends Day
- 10 Iced Tea Day
- 13 National Weed Your Garden Day
- 14 Flag Day
- 15 National Nature Photography Day

#### **Date Holiday**

- 16 Father's Day third Sunday
- 18 Go Fishing Day
- 19 Juneteenth Day
- 20 National Bald Eagle Day
- 21 Summer Solstice
  - longest day of the year!, date varies
- 24 Swim a Lap Day
- 26 Forgiveness Day
- 29 Hug Holiday
- 30 Meteor Day

The first full week of June is National Gardening Week, as well as Fishing Week. Week 2 is Email week and the last full week is Lightening Safety Week.

#### The month of June is designated:

Aquarium Month

Candy Month

Dairy Month

Fight the Filthy Fly Month

Gay Pride Month

National Accordion Awareness Month

National Adopt a Cat Month

National Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Month

Rose Month

Turkey Lovers Month

<u>http://www.holidayinsights.com</u>, the source for this information, has links to describe each of these holidays, but the articles must be in your own words.

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#### **2018 Bay Ranch Services**

Library (winter) Jan Raabe Coach 228 605-730-0656 (Summer) Jeanne Hunter Coach 1314 432-9792

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

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**Trips & Cruises**, Harry Webber Coach 105 215-607-9061 Harry and his staff (Becky) have set up a Caribbean Cruise for March. Watch Facebook for updates.

#### Ambulance Fund, Evelyn Hale, coach 177, 403-6434

The Ambulance Fund is open to all residents for \$2.50 per person per year. Payment qualifies you 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.

Eds. Note: Evelyn Hale and her assistant, Jim Hale, will not be in the park for several weeks. These payments can be made to the Residents' Club Treasurer, Sharon Van Horn, Coach 1354, 828-318-5837.

Several people missed their Ambulance Fund payments in the last few months. As soon as you make your payment, your membership will resume <u>effective the date of your payment</u>.

#### **Ambulance Fund Payments Due in May 2018**

		Due
189	Goldstein, Linda	5/26/2019
246	Juncenski, Harold and Dorothy	5/19/2019



#### **OFFICIAL NOTICES**

#### **HOA**

The Homeowners' Association addresses issues with management and owners of Bay Ranch. If you have an issue you wish to address, put a note about it in the mailbox at the back of the clubhouse. Your name, coach number and phone number are helpful if you want a response.

#### **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.









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#### FMO Proposed Legislation for 2019: This affects you

The March/April 2019 issue of the FMO News includes a summary of the FMO's bills for 2019, amending Chapter 723, the Florida Statute that governs mobile home parks, owners, and residents. Even the summary is written in legalese, so this is a summary of the summary, written I hope in regular language.

The FMO is the Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida, Inc., an organization that advocates for us. From the summary, I understand that the FMO and Park Owners consulted about issues and tried to come up with mutually agreeable solutions. The summary also sometimes explained the reasoning for the solutions they finally came up with. The summary is available in the March/April 2019 newsletter at https://www.fmol.org/fmo-new-magazine. The bill text is located at https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2019/01023

One of the purposes of the proposed legislation is to provide tools for enforcing already existing requirements. For example:

Section 1: The Division now has the authority to identify deficiencies in a prospectus so they can exercise their power to reject a prospectus that is in violation of 723.

Section 3: Lays out a procedure for management to use when a homeowner is in violation of the rules. The summary says, "We all wanted Park Owners to enforce the rules. They said the only tool they had was eviction . . ." The intent is to help get the homeowner to comply with the rules before the eviction process begins.

Section 6: Creates very specific procedures for election of board member of local HOAs.

Another purpose of the proposed legislation is to establish required binding arbitration to resolve disputes about inspection of or copying HOA records (Sections 7 and 8) and about elections and recall of officers and directors (Section 8). The FMO's ultimate goal is to require binding arbitration for all disputes.

Other issues addressed in the proposed legislation are: allowing park owners to request written verification that a prospective owner has received the lot rental agreement; requiring disclosure of factors that affect increases in lot rent, specifying requirements for certain types of notifications; and requiring retention of HMO records for 5 years (reduced from 7).

#### **RESIDENTS' CLUB**

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

Ranchers come to Florida to have fun, or they live at Bay Ranch all year to enjoy the ambiance Florida has to offer. The Residents' Club does all it can, given we are all volunteers, to make that happen. As the name suggests, the organization is for residents, full and part time. It is the hub of our social network.

Most days, the Monday Morning Meeting is a casual get together where we drink coffee and eat donuts that we buy there or bring from home, talk to friends and neighbors and learn about activities and events in the park during the next week or month. Sometimes we have speakers on topics of interest to seniors or coach owners. The meeting part itself can be pretty



repetitive but the company is great.

The first Monday of the month is a business meeting, where we hear what the elected Board of Directors have been considering and how much money we have. It's usually short and sweet. The Board of Directors does not meet in the summer.

Please join us.

#### **Residents' Club Minutes**

Bay Ranch Monthly Business Meeting

April 1, 2019

President Jean Hunter called meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Betty Ann Quish led us in National Anthem and Canadian Anthem. Prayer offered by Sharon Hammond.

Sec.Sharon Allen Hammond read Board meeting minutes for information only.

Treasurer report by Sharon VanHorn gave an overview of the funds.

No Old Business

**New Business:** 

Question asked about the New Years Eve Dance of 2020. Board just thinking ahead to see if can get a good band.

Announcements

No New Residents or visitors:

Birthdays and anniversary:

LHF report by Vicki Pittman: Annual pizza party was a success with about 50 ladies attending. April will be posted on the board.

Swimnastics will start May 7th weather permitting

Sunshine report Avis needs our prayers.

Trips and Cruises: Becky says keep an eye on the board or all Advantage for summer trips. Also looking for a cruise in Jan. of next year.

Review Carol Raabe: everything due by the 14th.

Kitchen this month: Kathy Trombini with Paul Lawrence helping with set up

Golf: Bill Kovacs finished for season

Ladies Golf Jan Kovacs -finished for season

Horseshoes: finished for the season but will still take cans.

Shuffleboard: meeting

Friendly- finished

Sunshine finished

In park with Jim Jones at 1pm

Hoss Collar- Sat 1pm

Shuffleboard Dance with Double Density was good. Everyone seemed to enjoy the music. Thanks to all who came and all the people that helped to put on the dance.

Stein Studs with Adam. Would like to start playing Hand & Foot at 6 pmm on 2nd Thurs



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Dances: Gin Lupton April 6th dance with Denise. Tickets \$5 at the door. BYOB.

Gin also announced that Weds. is senior day for the Rays Baseball \$15 for 2nd level on 1st & 3rd baseline.. If interest Gin can get tickets.

Bingo with Cindy & Greg. 66 attended: Jackpot and 2 hot balls still available.

Chorus Betty Ann Quish is quiet for now.

Line dancing. with Elda and Carol finished for the season.

Card Bingo with Debbie and Roger Heil 1st Wed. of each month. please sign up.

Flag disposal is provided by John Pope Coach 256.

Cliff Wicks offering help if residents have questions about anything and is always open for lunch or dinner.

50/50 won by Larry Hammond for \$25.50

I would like to take this opportunity to correct the spelling of Carole Carmadella's name. I don't think I ever get it right. She was so special and is missed by many who knew her. So my deepest apology for that. This year the award was presented to Jan and Carol Raabe. Congratulations.

The next board meeting is Aug.26, 2019 and Business meeting Sept. 9, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hammond

Secretary

#### **JUST SAY'IN**

By Jeanne Hunter

y daughter brought me a surprise yesterday. Oh boy, sez I, two sheets of Scooby Doo stickers (it takes so little to please me). Laughing, she tells me they are stamps (which I had mentioned I needed). She was laughing because when my son-in-law saw them, he said kids are going to think those are stickers! My grandson, Quinn, just smiled at me. In my defense, the printing is really little on them.

Last month I got brave and wrote about events that hadn't happened yet, but were scheduled before the review would come out. Won't do that again. At least two of the things never happened due to illness and other circumstances.

So I went to see a therapist and his advice was to write letters to people I hate and then burn them. Did that, now I don't know what to do with the letters!

My electric bill in March was a mess. It was triple previous months' and more than I pay in summer with a/c gobbling up kilowatts. So I'm reading this in an official notice from Duke Electric that my bill is due. The last thing on the message says, "If you have any questions, please contact us by clicking here."

I clicked on the link and sent them a message. A few minutes later, my email tells me it

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won't deliver the message because "access denied due to sender's poor reputation." I'm just a little surprised that even Yahoo mail doesn't trust Duke Energy.

Now the adventure begins, going to the website to find an actual telephone contact. It is possible to speak to a live person! Here is the shortened version of the conversation.

Me: Bill can't be right. My last bill read 32,000. This one started with zero. It's not my meter.

The Guy: Go outside and read your meter. Me: It's raining, but okay. I read 33,324.

The Guy: What is the serial number on meter?

Me: It's still raining, but okay. I give him serial number.

The Guy: ..... nope, that meter isn't connected to an address.

Me: (beginning to get annoyed) oh, you are right. I have hidden a secret meter in my yard with a new reading? Can you come find it?

Next I moved up to a supervisor. After 15 minutes, she said they would investigate and *if* there was an error, they would fix it.

So, here's the real story: my meter was turned off one day when another meter was being installed at a different address in the park and both were turned back on. So I got bills for the other person's meter, they got no bill and my real meter went nowhere.

I took the whole mess to BR office and they also called Duke (I was beyond speaking civilly to them). Within a few days I got a new bill and all is well.

THE HEALTHY EATING and cooking class has been rescheduled to 6 Tuesdays in August and September, and the nutritionist from the extension center will give us a presentation at Koffee Klatsch in July.

Want to feel younger? Forget all the vitamins, just hang out with a kid. I took 8-year-old Quinn with me to a Coinstar machine at Winn Dixie to cash in all the change I saved through the year. If you cash in for money, they charge 11.9% of your total—ouch!! However, you can get the full amount back in a gift receipt for Amazon or Home Depot, Starbucks or a few others. That's a good deal.

In we go with a container of change I can barely carry, and Quinn dumps the money in the tray and then the fun begins. It makes lots of noise, and Quinn had to keep scooping more coins in, and the machine shows a running total. By the time it hit \$100, we were both hooting and hollering so much I expected them to throw us out. If I had done this alone, it would have been a humdrum trip to the grocery store. With Quinn, it was an exciting adventure. The world really is brighter through a kid's eyes.

A few signs of old age: Your friends compliment you on your alligator shoes, and you're barefoot. A member of the opposite sex catches your fancy and your pacemaker opens the garage door. Going bra-less pulls all the wrinkles out of your face.



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#### NOTES FROM THE BAY RANCH OFFICE

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

While garbage remains a troublesome topic in our park, we have another disposal problem: sewage. A number of tenants have had problems with drains and toilets backing up. Frank's plumbing has said these back-ups are caused by putting grease, paper towels, and cloth-like materials down the drains. 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: those so-called flushable personal cleansing cloths are really **NOT FLUSHABLE**. 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 and tampons (is this an allowable word in a community of seniors?).

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.

\* Please, put ALL garbage in the dumpsters, even big and heavy items like furniture.

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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 The following information remains in force:

**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). <u>Please read and follow them.</u> Failure to follow rules is grounds for eviction, and management has shown that it is willing to evict.

No cars may be parked on the street at night. Failure to follow this rule may lead to the offending car being towed, resulting in fines. [Ed. Note: I can verify this. EVEN IF you run out to the street before they hook up your car to tow, you will get the fine.]

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.

**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.

**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.

#### 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.

Sometimes an automobile will leak oil onto our new, nice looking pavement, creating an eyesore. If you notice a leak by your house, call the office to have it cleaned up. Let's keep these streets looking nice!



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All Residents: Rules commonly broken:

- 1. Parking on grass or sidewalk, overnight on street, and/or every day. The Office must authorize overnight parking at the Clubhouse.
- 2. If you have someone living with you, make sure you have registered in the office.
- 3. 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.

Check mobile for cleaning, trim, awnings, driveway and/or painting.

#### FROM THE EDITOR

By Carol Raabe

an and I want you all to know how deeply honored we are to be this year's recipients of the Carole Carmadella award. It's no secret that we love it at Bay Ranch because we love the people and the positive let's-do-it spirit. We do what we like, and honestly, there are truly lots of people here who are willing things that we can't (like work the kitchen for the Monday Morning Meetings—who can get up that early?) or decorate the stage, or clean the shuffleboard courts, or work the dessert tables that accompany other activities, or . . . you get the idea. The camaradarie of Bay Ranch wouldn't be the same without everyone's efforts.

Jeanne Hunter, our Residents' Club president, announced the award with these words, to the tune of "Ghost Busters:"

Haven't got a clue? Need to check the Review? Who you gonna call...the Raabes!

No piano for chorus? That might just bore us.

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Thanks to all.



Jan and Carol Raabe accepting the Carole Carmadella award for 2019.

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#### **LETTERS**

aer Bay Ranchers,
I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for all the love and support you have all shown to George and I. It has been a very difficult winter and this ugly disease seems to have picked up speed. The "in park" shufflers and the horse team, thank you for all your patience. George loved being part of the team and almost made it to the end of the season. I cannot even begin to mention names as it takes a village and you have all helped. Whether it be



taking George for a few hours or giving me a hug when I needed it or a shoulder to cry on.

You probably have all heard by now that we will not be back next winter. It is time to stay home and get the professional help I need. Whether it be home care or long term care, what ever help I can get as I can no longer do this alone. I love our Florida home and Bay Ranch family and I will be back, I just don't know when.

Thank you again, love Lynda Mac Neill

#### **BOB'S CORNER**

Bob Lupton

Well I never got around to last month's article as I was on a cruise. Harry and Becky Webber outdo themselves each year, and this cruise was no exception. We sailed out of Port Canaveral and our ports were Aruba, Curacao and Grand Turk.

In Aruba a few of us boarded a pirate ship and partied for hours with an open bar and great dancing music. Queen Patty spent most of this venture at the very bow of the ship as her squire Neddy supplied her with rum punch for the duration of our short voyage. I decided to join some of my shipmates and swing out on a rope and plunge into the water. Everyone danced and drank and danced and drank some more. Needless to say, this was the most memorable part of our cruise and we were only at the first port.

Curacao was the most beautiful port I have ever visited. The buildings were colorful, the people very friendly and the ocean view was fantastic.

Our last port, Grand Turk, was very historic as this is where our first Gemini astronauts landed in their space capsules. I wish I had spent more time ashore there, but I suddenly started feeling ill. I returned to the ship, and for the remainder of the cruise I was feeling pretty much under the weather.

Well, at least I got to enjoy six days of my eight day cruise.

It has been a month since we came off that cruise, and most of the time I have been fighting

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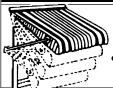




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this illness. I finally started feeling a lot better today.

Because of illness, I did miss last month's Karaoke, and believe me, I really look forward to those nights. I am sorry the people that are headed home for the Summer missed that last karaoke, but I plan on continuing to hold these events all summer and into the next year.

Speaking of our snowbirds going home, this is really a sad time for me and a lot of us here holding down the fort. We will miss you guys, and I will try and put a link every month to the Review on the Neighbors site on Facebook.

Wow it seems like everyone just got here and now you are all leaving. The days really fly by. I can remember just over 14 years ago when I came to this park a young 58 year old man, and now I am a young 72 year old man.

And every year it seems we lose a few more of our Bay ranch family. We will all miss Avis, who sadly passed away last week. But she is with Russ now and we can take solace in knowing that.

Just over a week ago they awarded the Carole Carmadella award to two really deserving people, Jan and Carol Raabe. Even though I missed that ceremony being sick, it did make me smile.

Speaking of smiles, here are a couple jokes I hope will cause you to smile also.

Four men, well along in years, had played golf as a foursome every Sunday morning, until one of them passed away. The other three asked the club pro if he could find them a compatible gentleman to fill out the foursome again.

"No problem," answered the pro.

"But, you have to understand," one of the guys, named George, explained, "that Moe, who died, was like our eyes. We're all getting some cataracts, and have trouble seeing the ball. Moe's eyesight was perfect, and he was our spotter."

The pro promised to see what he could do, and, when the others returned the following Sunday, he introduced them to a truly ancient looking gentleman, named Gary.

"How old are you?" George asked.

"I'm ninety-four," Gary responded.

"Fabulous," said George. "But how's your eyesight?"

At this, Gary blew up. "Don't insult my eyes," he yelled. "I may be old, but

I've got 20-20 vision. I have eyes like an eagle. Don't insult me!"

"Okay, okay," the others said. "Let's play golf."

George was first on the tee, and he hit a long, low drive, that faded significantly after about 200 yards. He turned to Gary. "Did you see where it went?" he asked the ancient one.

"Did I see where it went? I told you not to insult my eyesight. Of course, I saw where it went. I've got eyes like an eagle!" Gary yelled.

"Okay, I'm sorry," said George. "Where did it go?"

Gary dropped his head, and muttered, "I forgot."



And this

A young couple was on their way to get married when they were involved in a fatal car accident. It was really bad, like something from a Quentin Tarantino movie.

At any rate, they soon found themselves standing in front of the pearly gates of heaven staring at St. Peter himself. Upset but wanting to make the best of a bad situation, the woman asked St. Peter if they can get married in Heaven, since they couldn't before they died.

"Wow," he said, "that's the first time in all of eternity anyone has ever asked me that. I'll go check!"

So, for what seemed like an eternity, St. Peter was gone. Innumerable amounts of people were backing up the line at the gates of heaven. He was gone for so long, the young couple began having doubts as to whether they really wanted to be with each other for all of eternity.

Just when they were about to give up hope, St. Peter finally returned. "Good news! Looks like we can make this happen!" he said with an exhausted smile.

"Great!" replied the young man, "but before we go through with it, we were wondering... what if it doesn't work out? Can we get a divorce in heaven?"

"Holy Cow!" gasped St. Peter. "It took me four months to find a priest up here. Do you have any idea how long it would take to find a lawyer?"

Until next time

Love you all ,Bob

#### ODDS AND ENDS

by Wayne Redshaw

ONGRATULATIONS are most certainly in order to Jan and Carol Raabe on being named the 2018 recipients of the Bay Ranch V.I.P. of the year Carole Carmadella Award. It was well deserved as both have made great contributions to Bay Ranch, not only in 2018 but in past years since they arrived on the scene.

Jan has done a super job in organizing the library and keeping it in order. I have heard some residents say "it's the best ever." And Jan certainly came to the rescue of the Chorus when they were without a pianist. He bailed them out and did a splendid job.

Carol has done an excellent job as serving as editor of the Review. She has done her best and I commend her. I can vouch for that having served over 50 years in daily newspapers, magazines and news agencies as a reporter, editor and publisher. She doesn't get the credit she deserves.

Both have also played major roles in the success of the annual Variety Show. They are the second husband and wife team to win the award. Just last year Bob and Gin Lupton were the recipients. In 2014. Ron Griffin, Bob Peterson and Jack Lees were the first ever multiple winners of the award. The award was first presented in 2007 and the inaugural winner was Cathy Eigenmann.

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HATS OFF to Harry and Becky Webber on putting together another successful eight-day Southern Caribbean Cruise March 8th to 16th with visits to Aruba, Curacao and Grand Turk. All three venues were great and I especially enjoyed the side trip eight of us took in Aruba for a two-hour cruise aboard a pirate ship. That was setup by Gin Lupton, and it was a blast! And what a spectacular sunset that evening. All three ports of call on the cruise were exceptional, too, as I hadn't stepped foot on any of these islands in the past.

It was the third consecutive cruise Louise Parker and I have gone on organized by Harry and Becky, and like the past two, this one was top shelf in every respect from the time we boarded the bus at the Bay Ranch clubhouse until we returned. Harry and Becky seem to have it down to a science when it comes to organizing these cruises.

The entertainment on the ship (Carnival Sunshine), especially the Motown Production and the Piano Bar were excellent. I also enjoyed visiting some of the bars, particularly the the Skybox Sports Bar, as I was able to get all the NHL nightly scores, and the Red Frog Pub, where the staff made you feel welcome.

About the only thing negative on the cruise I found was the service in the Sunset Restaurant. It seemed the table we sat at, and Becky and Harry were at the same table; we were always the last to be served. As a result, the main item was usually cold and the desert, especially if it was ice cream had melted. I was extremely disappointed in the dinners, including the nightly selection on the menu. It didn't compare to past cruise experiences.

Now Harry and Becky have put together not one but two cruise packages for 2020. The first one is a 5 Night Western Caribbean Cruise set for January 11th to 16th out of Tampa with stops in Grand Cayman and Cozumel. The second is a 10 Night Southern Caribbean Cruise March 13th to 23rd out of Ft. Lauderdale. This one has five ports call including: St. Thomas, Antigua, Dominica, St. Kitts and St. Maarten.

Other words, Harry and Becky have put together one package for those who tend to like to go on shorter trips and the second for a longer cruise. They have also taken cost factors into account. Both are also aboard Royal Caribbean ships which I have thoroughly enjoyed in the past. Their service is superior compared to Carnival.

TURN SIGNALS: With this winter marking 10 consecutive years that I have been coming to Florida, I have come to the conclusion that when it comes to purchasing a new or used vehicle, turn signals must be an option. After all, in driving on Ulmerton, Belcher or Starkey or U.S. 19, 4, 75, 275 or whatever, I have noticed a majority of the drivers changing lanes or turning off seldom or never use their turn signals. They just change or turn, even cut across the solid line without signaling. And the ratio seems to be higher now than 10 years ago. Therefore, I presume turn signals are an option when it comes to purchasing a vehicle in the State of Florida.

CAT PATROL: Brent Kammerer reports one more stray cat was trapped in the past month. That means the total count to date is 18 since Brent and his wife Lorrie started to put out traps. There are still some out there but these cats are getting wiser. If you see one, please let Brent

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know. Also, please don't leave food out for them. That only encourages them to stick around.

FINAL ONE: This is my final Odds & Ends column for the season. Thank you to those who came up to me and commented. I introduced Odds & Ends just a few months ago, and it has been well received. It will resume in the fall when I return to Bay Ranch along with the profile column.

Cheers to everyone and have a safe and enjoyable summer.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

d. Note: Watch the Bulletin Board outside the Clubhouse for new and changed events.

#### **2018-19 RESIDENT CLUB SPORTS ACTIVITIES**

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

October or November through March. Activities during the hiatus are usually impromptu, so watch the white board at the clubhouse for notifications.

#### **Fishing**

Jim Hale, Coach 177, 403-6434

Fishing is a new activity proposed for next winter, October 1 to March 31. This activity will be open to all. Options for fishing include:

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Shore Fishing is also a possibility. It requires a license.

Sign up in the club house if you are potentially interested.

#### Horseshoes

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

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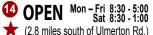
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#### Line Dance

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Ended. This activity is free and teaches steps for beginners, as well as being good exercise and fun for the more experienced. Line Dance usually restarts in November.

#### Men's Golf

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

Ended. The men are golf Fridays at 7:00 a.m. They carpool to the golf course, leaving around 6:30 am. Men's golf usually starts in November.



#### Shuffleboard

Sharon Allen, President, Coach 1342, 532-4071

Ended. Shuffleboard usually starts up in October.



Anyone who wants to shuffle and pays their \$4 per season (check in the Fall; this amount may now be \$25) 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.

#### Winter Exercise/Summer Swimnastics

Vickie Pittman, coach 1326, 317-443-4961

Swimnastics is a summer activity usually on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Swimnastics will start up on May 1, weather permitting.

#### Women's Golf

Jan Kovacs, Coach 1351, 286-6752

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#### Bingo

Cindy Devinney, Coach 1065

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Open to all. 6:45 p.m. Friday; purchase cards, etc., from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. The Clubhouse opens to Bay Ranch residents at 1 pm and to others at 3 pm to reserve seats.

#### Card Bingo

Debbie and Roger Heil, Coach 104, 423-1264

Card Bingo is held all year long.

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Charlotte Augustine, Coach 1413, 831-3567

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#### **Bid Euchre**

Wayne Jones, Coach 224, 559-1408

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#### **Euchre**

Joan Seiders, Coach 123, 532-8409

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Kathy Trombini, Coach 259, 221-7543

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#### 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.

#### **CLASSES, CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

Arts and Crafts Director, Sharon Hammond, Coach 1342, 532-4071

#### Ladies Havin' Fun

Vickie Pittman, Coach 1326, 317-443-4981

Membership is \$3.00, due in December. Activities all year long.

Bay Ranch women go out to lunch and play for prizes. Each month, they wear some shade of a specific color. Vickie always makes it fun.

#### **Swedish Weaving**

Nancy Peterson, Coach 279, 433-5056

Ended. Most people who attend work on a Swedish Weaving project (weaving Monk's Cloth with yarn). Some bring other handwork. Swedish Weaving will start up in November, but anyone with a question or problem can ask Nancy at any time during the year.

#### **OUR NEIGHBORS**

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)



#### **May Birthdays**

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

- Linda Briffett
   Carol Wallace
- William BrazeOlga CurtinRay Cossey
- 3 Margaret Collins
- 4 Albert Morrell Lois Seiler Lynda MacNeill
- 5 James Martin Wayne Jones
- 7 George MacNeill
- 12 Paul Bartman
- 14 Mary Rogers
- 15 Roger Coutu
- 18 Jack Hull
- 23 Marvin Hall
- 25 Geraldine Goldsborough
- 26 Maureen Roach
- 27 Alice Leach
- 29 John Schnut

#### **May Anniversaries**

- 2 Pete & Evy Caporaletti
- 3 Kip & Karen Hatheway
- 4 Richard & Ann Yaskolka
- 9 Robert & Janelle Ricker
- 10 Robert & Nancy Peterson Bruce & Barbara Sharp
- 20 Bob & Debbie Hoersting





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#### 2018-19 PHONE NUMBERS

The following phone numbers are new or different from those in the directory:

LUPTON, Gin, 570-262-2040

#### **BAY RANCH PROFILE:**

By Wayne Redshaw

ds. Note: Wayne writes this column during the winter season, but has run out of ideas. Discussion at the Monday Morning Meeting agreed that anyone of the active community is a good candidate. With that in mind, please let Wayne know of people you'd like to see profiled. If you know noteworthy things about these people, please share them with Wayne, too.

#### IN HONOR OF MEMORIAL DAY:

By Gerald (Jerry) Olson

onor Flight is a trip for veterans to visit memorials in Washington, D.C. I had the privilege to go on an Honor Flight in October 2018. Each veteran brings an escort. My son Allan was my escort. We went the afternoon before to spend the night at a National Guard base. There I met a 100-year-old World War II veteran.

Next morning we had a police escort to the airport, where we were met with people clapping and cheering. In D.C. we visited the WW2, Korean, and Vietnam memorials and the Arlington National Cemetery. I was asked to assist the 100-year-old veteran place the Michigan wreath on the grave of the Unknown Soldier. It is an honor I will never forget.

#### **GOOD TIMES AT BAY RANCH**

s 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 <a href="mailto:nelsonraabe@gmail.com">nelsonraabe@gmail.com</a> or message them to 605-730-0476.

Jean Stonerock was an honored guest and the Boyd Stonerock Memorial Horseshow Club banquet. Photo by Dot





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		All Weather Roofing
Ellen Benner	. \$10	Debbie's Cleaning
Larry Hoffman	. \$10	Aluminum Specialty Contractors, Inc.
John Tirone	\$10	Battleline Termite & Pest Control
		Mitchell Siding, Inc.
Florence Sullivan	. \$10	Imperial Electric Service of Pinellas
Dan Karpb	\$10	Appliance Specialty, Inc.
Gord Spafford	\$10	E & E Gliddon Air Conditioning, Inc.
Laureen May	\$10	Community Roofing of Florida
		Natures Resource Pest Control, Inc.
Delores Lange	\$10	Bill the Carpet Guy
Mike Hendrixson	. \$10	Dunedin Plumbing, Inc.
Judy Slagle	. \$10	Debbie's Salon
		O.E. Wilson Insurance
Joseph Caserotti	\$5	Discount Computer
Tom Roberts	\$5	Jones & Sons Plumbing, Inc.
Diane Corr	\$5	Bob's Mobile Home Wash
Sonny Neglia	\$5	Tarpon Pest Control
Robert Frig	\$5	1s Class Handyman Service
Irene Engel	\$5	Boss Electric Corp.
Carol Schaus	\$5	Doll Brothers Carpet & Upholstery
Mark Harrington	\$5	Flanagans Porch & Windows, Inc.
Gerald Burnard	\$5	Community Roofing of Florida
		Hellers Mobile Home Washing

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Kenneth Daves	\$5	Battleling Termite & Pest Control
Robert Mendes	\$5	Air Masters of Pinellas, Inc.
Jeanette Mullery	\$5	Bill The Carpet Guy
Leslie Bianchini	\$5	Ron Wyngarden MH Washing
James Ayers	\$5	Appliance Specialty, Inc.
Dan Corrigall	\$5	Jone & Sons Plumbing. Inc.
Linda Wolf	\$5	Royal Enterprise
Greg Waller	\$5	1st Class Handyman Service
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Teresa Blasik	\$5	Natures Resource Pest Control, Inc.
Darthea Hartgerink	\$5	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
Al Hartin	\$5	Bob's Mobile Home Wash
June Eldridge	\$5	Doll Brothers Carpet & Upholstery
David Buckley	\$5	ÅSC, Inc.
Gary Hammond	\$5	Community Roofing of Florida
Dan O'Brien	\$5	Discount Computer Repair
Mary Ann Lawson	\$5	Buggin out Pest Cotntrol
Rhonda Gillispie	\$5	Ron Wyngarden MH Washing
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		Royal Enterprise
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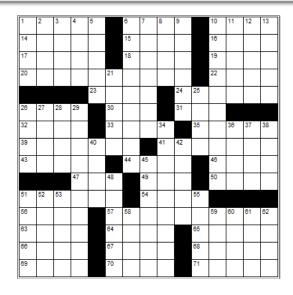




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#### ACROSS

- 1. Narrow fissures
- 6. Bawdy
- 10. Among
- 14. Tag
- 15. District
- 16. Disabled
- 17. Sheeplike
- 18. Fiber source
- 19. Rich soil
- 20. Composition board
- 22. Therefore
- 23. Flippant
- 24. A vast multitude
- 26. Dry riverbed
- 30. 3 in Roman numerals
- 31. Hearing organ
- 32. Distinctive flair
- 33. Foot covering
- 35. Odd-numbered page
- 39. French for "New"
- 41. Snuggled
- 43. Prohibit
- 44. Not barefoot
- 46. Anagram of "Note"
- 47. Get prone
- 49. Female sheep
- 50. Probabilities
- 51. Extreme cruelty
- 54. Charity
- 56. Feces
- 57. Administrative official
- 63. Bright thought
- 64. Dry
- 65. Objectives
- 66. Enumerate
- 67. Water chestnut
- 68. Girlfriend (Spanish)
- 69. Fail to win
- 70. A magician
- 71. Radiolocation

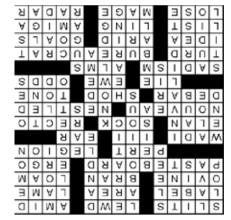


#### DOWN

- 1. Swill 2. Magma
- 3. Nile bird 21. African antelope
- 4. Canvas dwelling 25. Hearing organs
- 5. Slumber
- 6. Difficult
- 7. Fickle
- 8. Don
- 9. Caress
- 10. A moderately quick tempo
- 11. New Zealand native
- 12. Insect stage

- 13. An evil
- supernatural being
- 26. Make (one's way)
- 27. Found in some
- lotions
- 28. Apply 29. Annul
- 34. Information
- 36. Lummox
- 37. Care for
- 38. Poems
- 40. Twin sister of Ares

- 42. Swelling under the
- skin
- 45. Earshot
- 48. Preserve a dead body
- 51. Motionless
- 52. Sound
- 53. Put on clothes
- 55. Sweetener
- 58. Murres
- 59. Unwakable state
- 60. Police action
- 61. Aquatic plant
- 62. Russian emperor





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