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## DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC, THE BAY RANCH CLUBHOUSE IS CLOSED AND ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED. THE MANAGER STILL ANSWERS HER PHONE.

## **2020 Bay Ranch Services**

## he Library is closed during the pandemic.

Library (winter) Jan Raabe Coach 228 605-730-0656 Mike Conway Coach 226 238-3897 (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.

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

The Travel Bulletin Board in the clubhouse showcases 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

Continue to pay your Ambulance fund membership during the pandemic.

Jim Hale's new email justmejim42@outlook.com

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 May 2020**

246	Harold and Dorothy Juncenski	5/20/2020
1060	Cliff and Rose Wicks	5/20/2020

# Emergency Rescue

## **OFFICIAL NOTICES**

## **RESIDENTS' CLUB**

DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC, RESIDENTS' CLUB ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELED.

## **JUST SAY'IN** By Jeanne Hunter

Hello, shut-ins! I don't know about you, but I don't want one more rich and famous celebrity to smile and tell me we're in this together. I wander through my quiet mobile, wondering what day it is and I'm pretty sure I'm alone. Let's be honest, we're in this apart. That's the whole point, isn't it?

Some good news. By the time you read this, you may have already or will soon receive your \$1,200 stimulus check. It will come the same way you get your social security. So watch for the direct deposit in your bank. Of course if you earned over \$75,000 you get a little less and at \$99,000, you don't get anything......Sorry, I had to stop typing. I was laughing so hard the tears were rolling. I'm going to hazard a guess that none of us at the Ranch have to worry about earning too much to qualify. Sorry, Canadian friends, this one's not for you.

Just watched the Bay Ranch Easter Parade go by my house. What a hoot! You can't keep the partiers down here at the Ranch. Yes, they stayed 6 feet apart. That's good. The virus may only travel 6 feet, but the joy they brought to everyone travelled through the whole park.

Thought I'd throw in a cat report. I've had Pip four months now. My nose has adjusted to cat smells and training is almost complete. Hmm, let me rephrase – Pip has had me for four months and yes, I am almost completely trained. I have learned to get up when he tells me it's time and put food in his bowl, even if it's not empty. This rule must not be broken. One morning I stayed in bed. I had one of those pop up laundry baskets in my bedroom, the kind that's netting on the sides. When I got up the holes were so big, clothes were falling out them. So, Lesson One, get up when Pip says it's time.

Remember the jigsaw puzzle? The two thousand piece puzzle? I don't have to pick up pieces from the floor anymore. Pip tired of knocking pieces on the floor so he deposited a couple hairballs on it. In the trash it went. Lesson Two, no more jigsaw puzzles in his space (basically, the whole house).

My dog sheds. I've yet to figure out how a 10 pound chihuahua can shed 5 pounds of hair each week, but the cat goes to a whole new level. He drops large tufts of hair around the house. They're so big I was ready to buy mouse traps before I realized they weren't moving and checked closer. I considered squirting Elmer's glue all over the floor. Figured by the end of the month, I could have wall to wall carpeting. Bought a cat brush instead. Lesson Three, brush on demand, at least once a day.

I bought a really cool cat condo with cubbies and a high perch and scratching poles. For a week he lay on the perch. He's NEVER touched the scratching poles. Why bother when there's so much furniture to destroy? Lesson Four, he likes new sleeping quarters every week. I can throw the cat condo out now, it's used. As long as Amazon keeps me in boxes, we're okay. I just need a new one or new spot every week. I even broke a box up and flattened it to take to the trash and he slept on that for a week; it was new.







Pip is more affectionate now. When I'm sitting, he comes over and jumps up and grabs on with his claws. This is not pleasant. They are like pointy razor blades. So I pet him, brush him, feed him, anything to gain my freedom. Someone suggested I clip his nails. Remembering what it's like putting a cat in a carrier, how they can move in four directions at once, like magic there's a head where there was a tail, and this is faster than I move when someone says chocolate? I doubt the success of this idea. The claws stay. Now he even bites me. I'm told these are love bites. Hmm, sure, that's what Dracula told all his girls. Lesson Five, training complete, just do whatever he wants, smile and make no sudden moves.

Ladies, here's a housecleaning tip: Yesterday my husband thought he saw a cockroach in the kitchen. He sprayed everything down and cleaned thoroughly. Today I'm putting the cockroach in the bathroom.

## **NOTES FROM THE BAY RANCH OFFICE**

**OMPLAINTS AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOR MUST BE IN WRITING AND SIGNED**. Give the written compaint to the office or drop it in the mail slot in the office door. Verbal and unsigned complaints cannot be addressed.

## MANAGEMENT WILL ALSO ADDRESS COMPLAINTS ONLY IN WRITING.

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.

### **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 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.



Sewage remains an intractable problem. Drains continue to back up because grease, vinyl/rubber gloves, paper towels and other inappopriate 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 all will ultimately, through rent increases.

Also, 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. 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.** 

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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.

## 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. \

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You must register at the office if you have something



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parked in the field north of the clubnouse, or see Brent (maintenance).

\* 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 <u>div.</u> <u>stackexchange.com/questions/3766</u>, 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 stoves in the kitchen both work.

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!

Lost and Found Dog/Cat: If you have found a dog or cat, you can post on a site called <u>pawboost.com</u> or call Animal Service on Walsingham. If you call, Animal Services will come out, free of charge, to pick up an animal.

## **FROM THE EDITOR**

By Carol Raabe

what a month this has been! By next week at this time, we were planning to be "up North," but our trip is cancelled. Hubs says postponed. One thing I was really looking forward to was having a break from editing. After all, everything is closed down. What a shock to learn that we are an "essential service," and publishing will go on as normal. So looking for things to include or write about became a bigger part of the job. Thank goodness for the Easter golf cart parade, suggested I believe by Ruth Flesher Moore. It was a chance for all of us to get out and greet our neighbors. Can we have more of those? Get it? Moore. More. OK, that's lame. But stay with me here.

A survey was one way to general material. Thanks to the nearly 30 people who responded. If you are one of the many people who have been looking at it, you know that people are STILL responding. There is a story below about the results. I KNOW you can see the results yourself, but that's DATA. My report will be just barely STATISTICS. Such as they are.

One thing that scared me about the data was that some people have not really been outside since this thing started. Cabin fever is a real thing, and given that the need to socially distance is likely to continue for a few weeks, I encourage everyone to do whatever it takes to stay mentally healthy. Biking and walking are two acceptable activities and you'll get a chance to see people outside sitting or gardening or sweeping their driveways. A few people are shuffling (staying 6 feet apart isn't hard there). I must admit I define essential trips to the store more broadly than some people, while maintaining 6 feet social distance and wearing a mask (even though I believe "it's" just allergies). But hey, how could I finish my sourdough bread without more flour?

I was saddened to hear how some residents who have been complained about respond when Carol Alvey informs them. Unfortunately, none of us is perfect and I expect we could all be complained about at one time or another. You may remember that my housemates and I were cited because we had building supplies on our driveway. We deserved that citation. Sometimes, a complaint comes from a person who is pretty hard to please (maybe we could say that about

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I'm still looking for material for next month. If I get to go on and on like this, you could, too, so send in your thoughts, short or long. I'm also soliciting short stories, essays, narratives, poems, whatever. And please send me your ideas for surveys.

## **CORONAVIRUS SURVEY**

Do you wear a mask?	Yes—19 Total—36	No—12	Will Start—5
Do you keep 6 feet or more between you and people you are visiting with?	I try—13 Total 29	No—10	No visitors—6
Do you have groceries or medication delivered?	Yes to both4 No—15 Meds delivered and grocer Total29		Sometimes—7 ries picked up—3
Do you get outside for exercise or fresh air?	Yes, every da No or rarely-	•	Sometimes—5 Total 30

## **BOB'S CORNER**

By Bob Lupton

It has been a while since I wrote an article for the Review. I guess I can come up with a million excuses but the honest truth I was just burned out. I am not a writer by nature so it is with a lot of effort these words escape my mind and fingers. I will try to write a little more often but there will be periods of drought here and there.

That being said, at least I have not contacted that Corona Virus yet so that is a plus. By the time this is printed I hope this dreaded plague is gone and I really hope everyone at the Ranch is healthy.

Gin and I are planning on a Cruise in November on my birthday so I really hope the world is back to normal by then. But whatever happens I am not canceling that cruise.

Also I am really looking forward to the reopening of the St Pete Pier. The first few years we lived here this was our favorite weekend hangout, as we would chill out with a couple of brews and listen to some really good bands while we watched the boats and para sailors on the water and small

aircraft landing at the Albert Whitted airport. I really miss those times. I really can't wait to bring some of you that moved here after it was demolished. I hope this new Pier is as great as the old one.

Soon our Northern friends will be heading back to their other homes and things will again slow down. [Eds. Note: slower than now?] But I do plan on continuing our monthly karaoke. [Eds. Note: please advertise their location. We tried to go to the last one and couldn't find it.] We will have smaller crowds but they are lively crowds.

So everyone please stay safe and healthy and try not to go where there are large crowds. But, I am still going on that darn cruise in November.

Until next time

Love you guys [Eds Note: Love you, too, Bob] Bob

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

## DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC, THE BAY RANCH CLUBHOUSE IS CLOSED AND ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED.

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## **2019-20 RESIDENT CLUB SPORTS ACTIVITIES**

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

DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC, THE BAY RANCH CLUBHOUSE IS CLOSED AND ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED. 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

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

Charters. Prices below are for an 8 hour trip composed of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours out 20 to 30 miles,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours return trip, and 4-5 hours fishing. No license is

required. The charter will clean and bag your fish for a nominal fee. The arranged charter is \$125 per person.

In general, large charters can handle up to 150 people and cost from \$70 to \$90 per person. A small charter with 6 people costs \$130 per person.

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

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

Eds. Note: a small group went on a charter in January, caught lots of fish.

## Horseshoes

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

Torseshoe matches are every Thursday at 10 a.m

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

## Line Dance

Jean Clarke, 727-474-3659 and Carol Olson, Coach 230,

uesdays at 10 am. 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

en's golf started in November. The men 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

huffleboard will resume in October.



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### **Bingo** *Cindy Devinney, Coach 1065*

ingo is held all year long.

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.

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Debbie and Roger Heil, Coach 104, 423-1264

ard 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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## Women's Golf

Jan Kovacs, Coach 1351, 286-6752 ontact Jan in the fall if you want to play.

## **Euchre**

Joan Seiders, Coach 123, 532-8409 6:45 pm Tuesday. \$1. Sign up in the clubhouse.



## 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

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## Choir

Betty Ann Quish, Coach 1400, 530-7603

hoir activities are finished for the year.

**Crafts Workshop** Linda Ferrerra, 283, 469-499-6305

> rafts workshop will be held on the second Wednesday, March 11, from 1:00 to 3:00. Contact Linda for more information..

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## **Stein Studs**

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

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

## **Swedish Weaving**

Nancy Peterson, Coach 279, 433-5056

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## **OUR NEIGHBORS**

Services Director, Debbie Heil, Coach 104, 423-1264

## **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

- 1 Linda Briffett Carol Wallace
- 2 William Braze Olga Curtin Ray Cossey
- 3 Margaret Collins
- 4 Albert Morrell Lois Seiler Lynda MacNeill

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## **Our Friend, George**

J oyful! There is no better word in the English language to describe our late friend, George MacNeill. I have met many people in my 75 years on this planet, and I honestly can't think of any other human being I can say this about. The other word that I have heard people use to describe George was "sweet;" this certainly captured his essence, also.



In Minneapolis there is a statue of Mary Tyler Moore commemorating her TV show. The theme song for her show began, "She can turn the world on with her smile!" This was George. I can remember my stress level going down whenever I would be in his company. His joy in living was absolute. He never lost that child-like love of life and being in the moment.

Fridays, for several years, was our unofficial "bike club". Our bike rides with friend Jules were, by and large, fairly repetitive, except when Jules led us down the wrong bike path! George would be amused by this, but never upset or crabby about it. It was just part of life! And he never got tired of Jules' rendition of "Little Red Riding Hood", which became kind of our theme song!

Since we were all in our 70's, we took hydration very seriously....especially Jules. This was usually accomplished at lunch in Safety Harbor or at Fat Cat Tavern, the latter where we were served by Michelle, George's favorite server. While we rehydrated, many stories were shared, including favorite sports memories. Even when George's disease began taking away more and more of his memory, he loved talking about the good old days, especially of the great Dodger teams of long ago.

The last year George spent down here was difficult for Lynda as George's illness affected him more and more, not just mentally but physically. Yet I have so many good memories of that last year that I will always be grateful for her sacrifices. There was the Christmas parade, where George and I decorated our bikes and zipped up and down the streets of our "town" like little kids! There was horseshoes and the kindness of our "competition" from the Aristocrat' team. There was shuffleboard...and George's athletic ability still manifested itself there! And, of course, there were the Friday bike rides and lunches.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention the dances! Wow! George's love of dancing was evident always. He often was one of the first ones on the floor, and he would dance with anyone! There are people here who still remember the New Year's Eve dance where George and I basically abandoned our wives and danced together for most of the latter part of the dance. Yes, alcohol was involved. Cliff was not impressed, and Bob Lupton still threatens to blackmail me with his recording of us! Thankfully, our wives were pretty tolerant and I got off with a stern warning.

It is a fact that as we become part of the Social Security/vulnerable adult group, we start to lose friends and family to any number of illnesses and disease. It is part of our existence. I am

no different, having lost dear friends and family over the last few years. George's passing was easier to accept for most of us because we knew that little of the George we loved remained in that once healthy body. I certainly feel the loss of him in many ways. But I will always be thankful I had the opportunity to have George in my life, and that I had the opportunity to call him a friend. His memory will live on in many, many people, as he touched the lives of everyone he met.

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## **SODA CANS**

on't throw your aluminum cans away. Take them to Coach 331. Richard Haslam has assumed the task of collecting aluminum cans for the Horseshoe Club and will have a place for them on his driveway. Thanks, Rich.

## **Ode to Mothers**

An early American 1900's poem, no apparent copyright Submitted by Jim Hale

When my prayers were poorly said;	Whose hair so gently she would part
Who tucked me in me widdle bed	And hold me tightly to her heart
And spanked me butt til it was red?	And sometimes squeeze me until I'd fart?
Me Mudder!	Me Mudder!
In the morning, when the lights would come	Who looked at me with eyebrows drooped
And in me crib me dribbled some;	And screamed and yelled til she had the croup
Who wiped me widdle tiny bun?	When in me Sunday pants I - pooped?
Me Mudder!	Me Mudder!
Who took me from me cozy cot	And at night when the bed did squeak
And placed me on me ice cold pot	And me raised me head to have a peek,
And made me pee-pee when me could not?	Who yelled at me to go to sleep?
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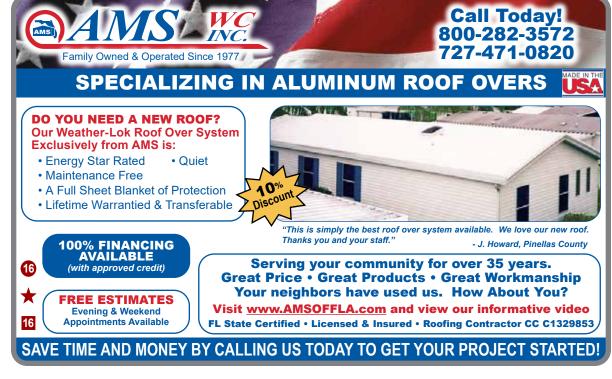
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## **NO SUNSCREEN FOR THE DEAD**

by Tim Dorsey

## A book review by Carol Raabe

ho has time to read? These days, anyone who wants to. Thanks to Bev Gray and Char Augustine, Jan and I were treated to a laugh-filled crime novel featuring Sergio A. Storms (get it?). [It was Jeanne Hunter's book.] Like at least 21 other novels featuring "the Sunshine State's most likeable psychopath" (Boston Globe), this book will take you on a tour of Florida sites you recognize, or at least recognize the name.

For this reason alone, I recommend getting to know this author. Even I, who am not a laugh-out-loud reader (Jan is), laughed out loud.

The line, "No sunscreen for the dead," may be found somewhere in the book. I'm not sure. But a lot of characters do end up dead, sometimes in really macabre ways. Many of those deaths are in the interests of protecting the residents of a 55+ mobile home park in Sarasota. That may make the deaths seem like just desserts, but the humor is that the punishment is often greater than the crime.

Questions answered by "No Sunscreen for the Dead" (from the book cover):

When did the Cold War heat back up in the Sunshine State?

What secrets are revealed by the early-bird special?

How do the Amish figure?

Who is in the duck?

Why are they selling Viagra outside the bingo hall?

A fun read if you can enjoy black humor.

For a chronological list of Sergio A. Storms novels, go to <u>https://www.thriftbooks.com/</u> series/serge-a-storms-chronological-order/90693/

## COMMON HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS THAT CAN KILL THE CORONAVIRUS

*By Melissa Breyer, www.treehugger.com March 25, 2020* 

hese are strange times, and when times are strange, the internet does what it is so uniquely good at: It spreads a lot of misinformation.

Recently we've seen all kinds of far-fetched claims about how to kill the virus responsible for COVID-19 – some of them so dangerous that we're not even going to repeat them here. Suffice to say, people are panicking and hungry for ways to protect themselves. Fair enough. But we thought it would be prudent to take a look at some of the things proven to be effective for destroying the new coronavirus at home.

The Centers for Disease Control notes that current evidence suggests that the virus ....continued on page 36

may "remain viable for hours to days on surfaces made from a variety of materials." They add,

"Cleaning of visibly dirty surfaces followed by disinfection is a best practice measure for prevention of COVID-19 and other viral respiratory illnesses in households and community settings."

Fortunately, the Environmental Protection Agency tells us that coronaviruses are some of the easiest types of viruses to kill. "It has an envelope around it that allows it to merge with other cells to infect them," Stephen



Thomas, M.D., chief of infectious diseases and director of global health at Upstate Medical University in Syracuse, tells Consumer Reports. "If you disrupt that coating, the virus can't do its job."

The difference between cleaning and disinfecting.

- Cleaning is the removal of germs and dirt from a surface. It does not kill germs, but removing them depletes their numbers and thus lowers the risk of spreading infection.
- Disinfecting means using chemicals to kill germs on a surface. Unlike cleaning, disinfecting does not remove dirt or germs.

By cleaning first and then disinfecting, the risk of spreading infection can be lowered. Surfaces should be cleaned using detergent or soap and water – and allowed to dry for at least 10 minutes – prior to disinfecting.

General tips for cleaning and disinfecting households:

If anyone is coming in and out of the house, routine cleaning of frequently touched surfaces is warranted. These include tables, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, toilets, faucets, sinks, et cetera. The CDC recommends household cleaners and EPA-registered disinfectants that are appropriate for the surface. Be sure to read and follow instructions for safe and effective use, and pay heed to those instruction, for example, wearing gloves and making sure there is sufficient ventilation.

If your household is home to someone suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19, please see cleaning instructions included in the CDC's recommended precautions at <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/index.html?CDC\_AA\_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fhcp%2Fguidance-prevent-spread.html for household members, intimate partners, and caregivers.</u>

Products that can kill the coronavirus. Soap and water--Hand sanitizer could practically





be a new form of currency at this point, but do not overlook the wonders of good old soap. "It isn't possible to disinfect every surface you touch throughout your day," says Thomas. "The planet is covered with bacteria and viruses, and we're constantly in contact with these surfaces, so hand-washing is still your best defense against COVID-19."

Perry Santanachote writes in Consumer Reports that the action of scrubbing with soap and water can break that aforementioned protective envelope. "Scrub like you've got sticky stuff on the surface and you really need to get it off," says organic chemist Richard Sachleben.

Isopropyl alcohol--The CDC notes that alcohol solutions with at least 70 percent alcohol should be effective against coronavirus. Apply undiluted alcohol and let it sit on the surface for at least 30 seconds to disinfect. Note that it may discolor some plastic surfaces.

But NOT vodka--Despite what some are suggesting, an 80-proof product is only 40 percent ethyl alcohol, compared with the 70 percent required to kill the coronavirus.

And NOT distilled white vinegar--While vinegar may be a TreeHugger favorite, there is no evidence that it is effective in killing the coronavirus.

Hydrogen peroxide--Santanachote reports that as per the CDC, household hydrogen peroxide (3 percent) can kill rhinovirus (the dreaded virus that causes the common cold). "Rhinovirus is more difficult to destroy than coronaviruses, so hydrogen peroxide should be able to break down coronavirus in less time," he writes, recommending that it can be poured undiluted in a spray bottle and used from there; just be sure to let it sit on the surface for one minute before wiping. It should be OK on metal surfaces, but can discolor fabric.

"It's great for getting into hard-to-reach crevices," Sachleben says. "You can pour it on the area and you don't have to wipe it off because it essentially decomposes into oxygen and water."

Common commercial disinfectants. The CDS has a list of products at https://www.epa. gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2 EPA-approved to be effective against COVID-19. They have not specifically been tested against SARS-CoV-2, the cause of COVID-19, but they are expected to be effective based on demonstrated efficacy against harder-to-kill viruses.

Some of these look pretty intense and would be my last resort, but then again, I am not living in a household with someone who is infected. As always, use caution and follow the manufacturer's instructions for all cleaning and disinfection products.

Bleach--You may have a no-bleach household, like many of us TreeHuggers, but if there were a time to break the no-bleach rules, this might be it for some. The CDC notes that "unexpired household bleach will be effective against coronaviruses when properly diluted."

As per CDC instructions, make a bleach solution by mixing five tablespoons (1/3 cup) bleach per gallon of water or four teaspoons bleach per quart of water. Keep in mind:

• Follow manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation.

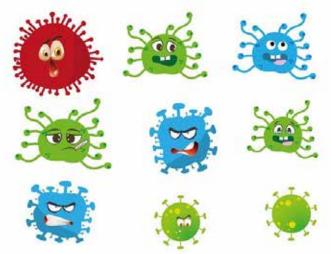
- Check to ensure the product is not past its expiration date.
- Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser.
- Do not keep the solution for longer than a day.

Precautions when using bleach--The federally funded clinical and educational center, Western States Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit at UC San Francisco, has a great information sheet on using bleach at <u>https://wspehsu.ucsf.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/</u> <u>FactSheet\_Bleach.pdf</u>. Among other things, they note:

- Bleach can irritate the skin and eyes.
- Exposure to bleach can make asthma worse in people who already have asthma.
- Mixing bleach with other chemicals containing ammonia, quaternary ammonium compounds (found in other disinfectants), vinegar or other acids can create a toxic gas.
- Bleach corrodes many metals. It should never be used on stainless steel, aluminum, copper, brass, marble, or granite.
- Bleach is neutralized by dirt and other organic material, so it isn't very effective when used on a surface that hasn't been cleaned.

A note on wearing gloves--And lastly, make sure you are following good glove protocol. The CDC recommends wearing disposable gloves when cleaning and disinfecting surfaces, and to discard them after each cleaning. But since disposable things break our TreeHugger hearts, we will also note that the CDC gives advice for reusable gloves, recommending that they "should be dedicated for cleaning and disinfection of surfaces for COVID-19 and should not be used for other purposes." And always remember to clean hands immediately after gloves are removed.

Also see: Laundry in a time of COVID-19 at <u>https://www.treehugger.com/cleaning-organizing/laundry-time-covid-19.html</u>





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## **GOOD TIMES AT BAY RANCH**

## Pictures

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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.



Many thanks to Ruth Flesher Moore for suggesting a golf cart Easter Parade. Lots of Bay Ranchers got on board, either with golf carts, 3-wheel bikes (hey, Flo!) or watching from a socially acceptable distance. Photos by Tracy Seiders and Bob Lupton.

