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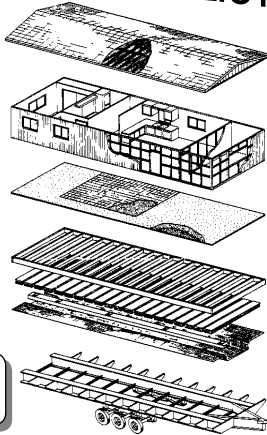
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Editors Notes



First, I think we should all thank Debbie Heil for all her wonderful work on our signs, they are so easy to read and see now that they are raised up on the fences by the exit and dumpsters. You now have no excuse to not know what is going on. So, try participating, so they know you want events to keep happening.

Thank you, Debbie!

Second, tis the season and time for giving thanks, so if you see one of our devoted Review delivers delivering to you, give them a thank you. Not always easy in this weather. Also give Cathy Seiders a big thank you also. For at least 5 years now she has taken delivery of the Review and farmed them out to her many helpers. So, thank you Cathy too.

Remember folks when you can be anything “BE KIND”

From all of us at the Review, “We wish you a Happy Healthy Holiday Merry Christmas.”

Managers Moment

Carol Alvey



MANAGER

For those who for some reason haven't received your lot rent increase here are the amounts:
Current rent: 677.00 a month New Lot rent will be 732.00
The late fee is still 50.00 for payments.

If you have a 3rd person or 4th you will need to add the 55.00 increase to what you are paying for your extra people.

Parking at the clubhouse continues to be an issue. Clubhouse parking is for residents and guests during scheduled activities. All day parking at the clubhouse is prohibited. Passes are available at the office for those who need to leave their card overnight.

Did you know there is a difference between “garbage” and “trash”? In a nutshell garbage is typically refused from the kitchen, bathroom such as food waste, paper products, organic waste, etc. “Trash” is such waste as tires, twigs, old furniture, etc. The approximate rate of decomposition on a paper towel is 4 weeks; an apple core is 2 months; leather and wool are 1-5 years, and a plastic bag is from 10-20 years. Understanding how trash and garbage is managed once it leaves your home may give you a better understanding of why it is important for us to put parameters in place regarding what is placed in the dumpsters. To effectively manage the trash and garbage, please adhere to the following:

Boxes **MUST** be broken down.

No bags whatsoever should be placed in the big roller dumpster. The dumpster is for yard waste only.

The large roller dumpster is not for bulky furniture or construction material...if it doesn't

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fit into a regular garbage can, it doesn't belong in the dumpster area. We must follow Pinellas County Waste Ordinances and are not responsible for taking your old mattresses, construction debris, etc. Therefore, you will need to arrange to have prohibited items hauled away or you can take it to the landfill which we believe costs approx. \$11 for a load The landfill is located at 3095 114th Ave. N. St Petersburg about 10 miles away. Their phone number is 727-464-7500. There are also several junk removal companies who may offer you money for your junk, appliances, furniture. One we have heard of is Tampa Bay Junk Pros at 727-404-5100.

Pet Policy

A few things I must point out so there are no questions about your responsibility as a pet owner. Keeping a pet on the property is a privilege and not a right and as such, the following rules must be adhered to, or we will have no choice but to ask you to remove the animal from the property. These rules apply whether the animal is a household pet, an Emotional, Support Animal or Service Animal.

1. All animals must be registered with the office, and we will need required documentation for any ESA or Service Animals.
2. Dogs are to be always on leashes and the handler must always maintain control of the animal, not letting it run up and jump on people or other animals.
3. Pet cats are supposed to be indoor cats only.
4. You must pick it up after your pet goes to the bathroom.
5. Excessive barking must be controlled so the pet does not bother the neighbors.

Ambulance Fund

Evelyn Hale, Coach 1364 727-403-6434



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.

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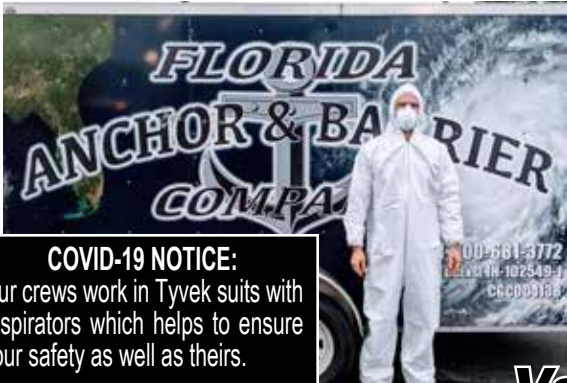


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JUST SAYIN'

Jeanne Hunter

The English language is so weird that it's amazing we communicate as well as we do. For instance, English is the only language where you drive on parkways, but you park in driveways. When you transport something by car, it's called a shipment. However, when you transport something by ship, it's called cargo. And weirdest of all, the word queue is just a Q followed by four silent letters.

School is so different now from when we went. Remember when you just went to your neighborhood school with all your friends? Some kids went to public school, and some went to parochial school. That was it. And we went to one school, kindergarten through 8th grade followed by high school. We had clicks, but mostly all got along.

Well, my youngest grandson is in 8th grade and goes next door to Plato Academy Largo, a charter school. We're very lucky he goes there. It's small, about 400 kids, teachers and staffers know all the kids and the kids are taught to be polite and respectful. That's not true in most Pinellas middle schools. I don't understand why. There are good and bad grade schools and high schools, but the public middle schools it's common to see fights in the hallways and disruptions in classrooms. And so many are being bullied mercilessly.

But I just want to talk about what is available now in the schools. In my high school in the golden oldie's days, our electives were home economics for the girls and shop class for the boys. That was it. Before we talk about classes you must apply for the school you would like to attend unless you choose to attend the school you are zoned for. You can apply for a fundamental or magnet school or a charter school. Or there are private schools. We have a private high school in Pinellas with a tuition of \$26,000. Really!!

Fundamental schools are very strict and stick to a solid, basic curriculum. Magnet schools specialize in specific areas of study; examples are agriscience, architecture, journalism automotive, business management, culinary arts, nursing (can graduate with LPN degree), engineering and information technology. That's just some of the choices, between fundamental and magnet schools, there are 86 choices! Apply for more than one because they hold lottery drawings for kids to get in. Then you get a book like a college catalog of classes to set your schedule. I think I preferred the days of home economics or shop.

Morning tails: I'm almost fully awake. Lucy (Warrior Princess Chihuahua) senses a change in my breathing. She knows it's almost time. She crawls across my back and moves into position. My eyelids flutter slightly as I peak and see a little black nose inches from mine. She comes even closer, ears at half mast, anticipating what is to come. I open my eyes and smile. In a leap of exuberance, she

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is on top of me, tail wagging madly, showering me with kisses, hardly able to contain her excitement enough to avoid an attack of zoomies. As I begin the petting ritual, she looks me in the eyes adoringly. I say, “Looks like we’ve been given another day.” Thank you, God, for making dogs for us!

Christmas Pageant



The Annual Bay Ranch Christmas Pageant will be held December 6th in the Club-house at 7pm. Everyone is welcome. Hopefully Santa and Mrs. Claus will make an appearance. Chorus practice is on Wednesdays at 9 am in the clubhouse. New members are always welcome.

As we are getting ready for the pageant, we would like each of you to submit to us what you remember about Christmas as a child. It may be a gift received or given or just a memory. Please send this to Jim Hale @justmejim@outlook.com or to Becky @beckywebber61@gmail.com Thank you in advance for your contributions.

After the concert we will be having a social time with refreshments. Please bring some Christmas cookies or treats to share. We will also be taking up non-perishable food items to donate to the church, so please bring a can of goods or box of something to share. If interested, please contact Becky Webber Chorus Director at Lot 105.

December Happenings



2nd Is the Flea Market Come on down and see what treasures are waiting for you. There will also be a bake sale, so come and enjoy the goodies or even donate some of your baking delights. Hotdogs and water will be for sale also.

6th The Christmas pageant at 7PM

16th Adam will be leading us in Karaoke, starting @630.

17th Will be the Memorial Service/Tree Lighting: @ 6:30. Bring an ornament to remember a loved one or a friend to put on our tree. Christmas tree. We will have cookies goodies and punch following the tree lighting. We look forward to sharing this event with all of you.

18th At 9am just before our Residents Club meeting, we will have Summer Mahr here to give us a fire safety presentation from the Largo Fire Rescue.

25th Christmas dinner starting at 1pm for Happy Hour, eating at 2pm. Meat will be provided, and the rest of the meal is potluck. Sign up in the club house by the 18th please.

And we are not done yet!!!!

31st New Years Eve Party and Dance: 8-12, tickets will be \$15.00 each or 2 for \$25.

Includes: DJ Rick, door prizes, light dinner, and dessert and of course what is an event without a 50/50? Ending with a Champagne toast. So, plan now and mark your calendars for the year ending/year beginning good time.



Resident Club

Sadly, at the meeting on November 6th, Kathy Trombini submitted her resignation as Club President effective January 1, 2024. While sad to see her step down, we are glad she will remain on the board as a director.

Sharon Van Horn was then nominated to fill the vacancy in January, voting was done, and she will take over on January 1st. To fill the treasurer's position Cathy Griffin was nominated on, voted, and approved. This should enable a very smooth transition with no disruptions. Thank you, Kathy, for the last year, you put in a lot of hours and hard work.

Clubs and Activities

Bid Euchre

This will be held on Fridays at 1:15 at the clubhouse.



Bingo

Cindy Devinney 550-7377



We start selling at 5pm. We stop selling at 6pm and Bingo starts at 6:30.
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Please sign up in the clubhouse and bring 12 quarters.

Chair Exercises

Sharon Van Horn 828-318-5837

Now that the weather is cooler, we are moving back into the club house for chair exercises. As we get older, we have some challenges, but still want to work on mobility and balance. Here is the place for you.

All you need is sneakers, water bottle and hand weights if you have them.

We still meet on Tuesday and Thursday at 9AM.

Choir



I am looking forward to the music season for the Bay Ranch Chorus. Practices will begin in November with the Christmas Concert on Wednesday December 6th at 7pm in the clubhouse. The theme this year is Christmas traditions and treasured memories.

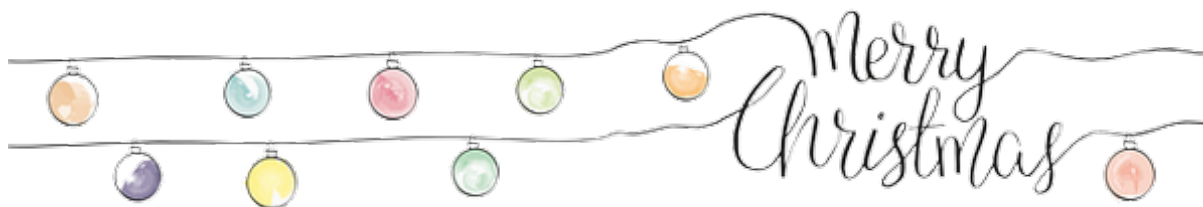
After many years our accompanist decided to retire so... I am looking for that one special person who can assume the duties of playing the piano for us. Please email me for details if you or you know someone who might be able to help us out.

New members of the Chorus are always welcome.

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CORN HOLE

Dawn Fear-Walters



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Great news: There will be a food truck on the first Tuesday of every month. The food truck is open to everyone. Don't play cornhole? Still come down and get some great tasting food.

CRAFTS

Crafts are held whenever anyone has a project to share, we can get together and do.

If you have a great idea, let us know, we have plenty of Ranchers waiting and willing to learn.

Euchre

Joan Seiders, Coach 123, 532-8409

Euchre is on Tuesday at 6:30. Bring yourself and a dollar. Don't know how to play? Come on down and we will teach you.



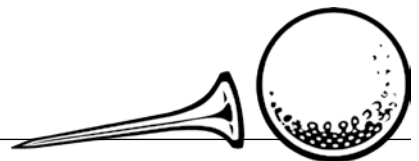
Food Pantry

The food pantry for December will be on the Time is 12 noon.

Golf

Golf has resumed with a tee off time of 10 am.

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Karaoke

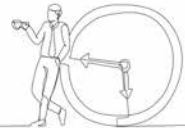
Adam Pirhofer 623-7808



Karaoke will be on the 16th of December. Bring your voice, beverages, and you down and join in the fun and entertainment. As usual subject to change.

If you can sing or not come out and join in the fun, there is no judging here. Want some free entertainment? Come on down to the clubhouse and enjoy the music and cheer on your fellow Rancher.

Koffee Klatch



8 a.m. Mondays in the Clubhouse. Come on down before the meeting and enjoy some coffee and donuts and good conversations with your neighbors.

Ladies Having Fun

Evelyn Hale 727-403-6434
Cindy Douglas 260-715-



Ladies will be holding their annual Christmas Party at the clubhouse on the 15th at 11:30 am. Everyone is to bring a gift to exchange up to \$20.00 So come on down wear your festive holiday attire and a Holly, jolly good time.



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<p>8pm New Years Eve Party</p> <p>31</p> <p>New Year's Eve</p>		

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Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> 9:30 Swedish Weaving 1:15 Bid Euchre 2:00 Stein Studs 6:30 Bingo	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> 8-1 Flea Market 1:00 Hoss Collar
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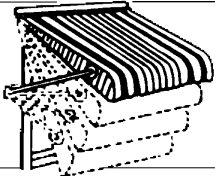
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This is the “official” meeting of/for Bay Ranch residents to hear about on-going and upcoming social events. This is strictly a club that is responsible for and sets up social functions only.

Shuffleboard



Sunshine will practice Tuesdays.

See the calendar for Sunshine schedule of league play and come support our Ranchers. Friendly will practice after the Monday morning meetings, Games will start this month.

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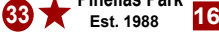
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Shuffleboard Coaches Corner



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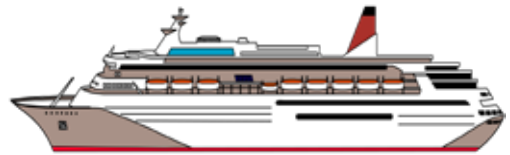
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By Cindy Devinney, Coach 1342, 550-7377



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| 1. Robert Ricker | 11. Richard Daily | 19. Joan Haslem |
| 3. Susie Haugen | Paige Andrews | 20. Bruce Sharp |
| 4. Debora Shirley | 13. Eileen DeFrancisco | 25. Dorothy Murphy-Smith |
| Makaela Ward | Carmen McClintoch | 26. Christine Cohen |
| Robert Spence | Patricia Warnett | 27. Casey Berning |
| 7. Kris Fick | Linda Pariano | 29. Carol Alvey |
| Cathy Seiders | Dave Andrews | 30. Richard Haley |
| 8. Marlene Scutti | 14. Kimberly Gilkey | 31. Carol Braga |
| 10. Thomas Dewey | 18. William Moore | Patricia Adair |

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Christmas Riddles

Where does a snowman usually keep his money?
Answer: A snow bank.

Where will you be able to find the nine reindeer?
Answer: It depends on where you left them.



It gets killed. It gets dressed. It gets trinkets, and everyone smiles, looking at its star. What is it?
Answer: Christmas tree.

He is a man during winters, but he might be a source of water during spring. Who is he?
Answer: A snowman.

You will buy me to eat, but you will never eat me. Not even during Christmas. What am I?
Answer: Cutlery.

I am an egg, but I'm meant to be drunk. What type of egg am I?
Answer: Eggnog.



Who will never be hungry during Christmas?
Answer: A stuffed turkey!

It has a body with crispy arms, white eyes, and funny feet. You might love to eat this too. What is it?
Answer: Gingerbread man.

You can take off its skin and still it won't cry, but you will be in a pool of tears while making a Christmas meal. What is it?
Answer: An onion.

You can hold me and shake me, but I'm easy to break. I have lots of snow, even though it's all fake! What am I?
Answer: A snowglobe.

If December 31st is the end of the year, then what is the end of Christmas?
Answer: The letter "S."

You can catch me easily, especially around Christmastime, but you can never throw me. What am I?
Answer: A cold.



When does Christmas come before Thanksgiving?

Answer: In the dictionary.

What Christmas carol is a fervent hope that you thoroughly enjoy your yuletide season?

Answer: We Wish You a Merry Christmas.



Why is Santa good at karate?

Answer: Because he has a black belt.

People hang this, but it is not a picture. It is green in color, but it is not a coat. It is a plant, but it is not mint. It is seen mostly in December, but it is not the Christmas tree. What is it?

Answer: Mistletoe.

Shiny and bright, these colorful strings light up the night. What are they?

Answer: Christmas lights.

What is a parent's favorite Christmas carol?

Answer: Silent Night!

It is red and white, it is moving in circles, and it is red and white again, and red and white. What is it?

Answer: Santa's clothes inside a washing machine.

When did Christmas and New Year's Day both fall on the same day?

Answer: They fall on the same day (of the week) every year!

How do Christmas bells tell you they want to stay in touch?

Answer: "Give me a ring!"

How do snow globes feel about Christmas?

Answer: It always leaves them a little shaken.

How did Frosty know he had dandruff?

Answer: The snowflakes.



What do you have after all the Christmas gifts have been opened?

Answer: A Christ-mess!

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Prep: 25 min. + chilling

Makes

24 servings

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6 tablespoons butter, melted

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened

1/4 cup sugar

2 tablespoons 2% milk

1 carton (12 ounces) frozen whipped topping, thawed, divided

3/4 cup crushed candy canes (about 7 regular size), divided

2 packages (3.3 ounces each) instant white chocolate pudding mix

2-3/4 cups cold 2% milk

Directions

1. Pulse cookies in a food processor until fine crumbs form. Add melted butter, pulse just until combined. Press onto bottom of a 13x9-in. dish. Refrigerate while preparing filling.
2. Beat cream cheese, sugar, and milk until smooth. Fold in 1 cup whipped top-ping and 1/2 cup crushed candies. Spread over crust.
3. Whisk pudding mix and milk for 2 minutes; spread over cream cheese layer. Spread with remaining whipped topping. Refrigerate, covered, 4 hours. Sprinkle with remaining candies just before serving.



Peanut Butter No Bake Cookies

1/2 cup peanut butter

1/2 Cup butter

2 cups sugar

1/2 cup cold milk

3 1/2 cups quick oats

1 TBSP vanilla

Add butter, sugar, and milk to the pot.

Bring to a boil for 1 minute while stirring.

Take off heat and stir in peanut butter, vanilla, and oats.

Spoon onto wax paper. Let cool.



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1. 3 billion Christmas cards are sent in the U.S. each year.
2. Christmas trees have been sold in the U.S. since 1850.
3. It takes about 15 years to grow the average Christmas tree.
4. Alabama was the first state to officially recognize Christmas in 1836. Oklahoma was the last, in 1907.
5. Santa Claus is based on a real person: St. Nikolas of Myra. He is the patron saint of banking, pawn broking, sailing, orphans and New York City.
6. President Teddy Roosevelt, an environmentalist, banned Christmas trees from the White House in 1901.
7. Approximately 35 million living Christmas trees are sold each year in the U.S.; more than 45 million are planted.
8. Holiday purchases account for one sixth of all yearly retail sales in the U.S.
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