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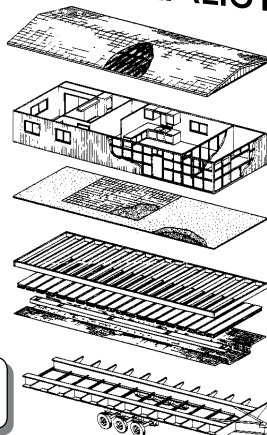
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**Ambulance Fund Payments Due in February 2016**

		Due Date
1331	BARR, Bob & Dorothy	16
184	FARRELL, John & Virginia	18
140	FRAZIER, Ethel	3
1395	HARWOOD, Neddy & Patty	1
1313	LAMARCA, Dominic & Leona	23
141	MACNEILL, George & Lynda	23

OFFICIAL NOTICES

BAY RANCH HOA ANNUAL MEETING

In accordance with F.S.S. 723, all residents of Bay Ranch Mobile Village are hereby notified 30 days prior to meeting. All are welcome to attend. Sunday, January 31, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. Within the Community Hall. Posted on 12-27-2015.

HOA

The Homeowners' Association meets as needed in the southwest corner of the clubhouse. The HOA 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 suggestion box near the piano in the clubhouse. Your name, coach number and phone number are helpful if you want a response.

FMA representative needed

Bay Ranch needs a new representative to the Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida (FMO). Our previous representative was Dolores Grimsted, who resigned effective October 12, 2015.

We REALLY need a volunteer!

For information on the FMO, please visit the website at www.fmo1.org or our own District 2 website at <http://fmodistricttwo.wix.com/fmo-d2vA>.

CLIFF'S NOTES

Raffle for One Month's Free Rent

Every year Bay Ranch Management has a "Free Rent Raffle" for one month's free rent. Tickets are \$5.00. Ticket sales started on December 30th at the Monday Morning Koffee Klatch, or call Rose Kalp at 507-8693. The drawing will be held at our Annual Pig Roast in March. Buy as many as you like, and Good Luck.



Car Towing

Cars parked on the sidewalk or grass after midnight are still being towed. The towing company comes in randomly, but since every household received a letter warning about this, no one should be surprised when it happens.

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FROM THE EDITOR

By Carol Raabe

Just a few days ago, as my neighbor Elda Hastings was riding her trike into her driveway, I asked if she had been setting up for some event, let's say the Christmas dinner. She said she had, and I responded, "How come I'm never asked to help do that?"

Elda paused (maybe trying to come up with a tactful way to answer), then said, "Maybe you need to volunteer." An AHA moment for me!

The last month has been absolutely FILLED with activities, and as I remember from previous years, our calendars will be crammed to overflowing (is that a mixed metaphor?) until at least the end of March. Imagine that Bay Ranch residents do all this stuff without paid staff.

Digression: I know the Ranch has paid staff, and we couldn't do what we do without them. They support our stuff, but they don't DO our stuff.

All of the "stuff" that fills our calendars is produced and directed by volunteers. We cannot thank y'all enough. So here are a few wise words about volunteers:

Volunteers are paid in six figures... S-M-I-L-E-S. ~Gayla LeMaire

We often take for granted the very things that most deserve our gratitude. ~Cynthia Ozick

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless. ~Sherry Anderson

It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference. ~Tom Brokaw

Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart. ~Elizabeth Andrew

Silent gratitude isn't much use to anyone. ~G.B. Stern

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Thanks to the many people who made Russ Trombly's Memorial Service such a success. The Club House was packed as the service opened with 2 songs, including "Take My Hand Precious Lord" by Paul Carriere. Ron Kowalski, a Bay Ranch resident and Episcopalian priest performed the funeral ritual and managed the details of the program. The choir, sitting on the stage to allow more seating space on the floor, sang 2 hymns after scripture during the service, and the "Irish Blessing" at the close. Jerry Olson, a chaplin for both the VFW and American Legion, performed military funeral honors and presented a folded American flag to Avis Trombly. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, Bay Ranch women served a lunch of sandwiches and sweets.



A wonderful service it took a lot of people to pull off, and if I tried to name everyone, someone would be left out. But thank you to everyone who participated in Russ's memorial in any way. You know who you are. Carol Raabe

The Stormy Season

Just a suggestion for the Bay Ranch Review....perhaps an article on what we do and where we go should there be a tornado or hurricane evacuation. This past weekend there were tornados in a different area of Florida. and it sort of scared me that I do not know what we do, should this happen to us. I am sure many seasonal people here would benefit from such an article. Lynda MacNeill

Weather Emergency Management

By Carol Raabe

What do we do in case of a storm? We've been told El Niño means more storms, including tornadoes, like the ones we've had recently. Unfortunately, there's too much storm management information out there to print in one article. The main things we need to know are:

1. Every household needs a plan.
2. No one should stay in a mobile home during violent weather.

Pinellas County has a comprehensive Web site about managing a weather emergency at <http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/>. This screen print of the home page gives some idea of the content:



One thing you will probably find is a long brochure containing all of this information. Unfortunately, there was no evidence of a printed version of the brochure.

The skillful person will be able to access this information online and, with considerable time commitment, ferret out what s/he needs to know to develop a usable weather emergency management plan for the household. For people who have fewer

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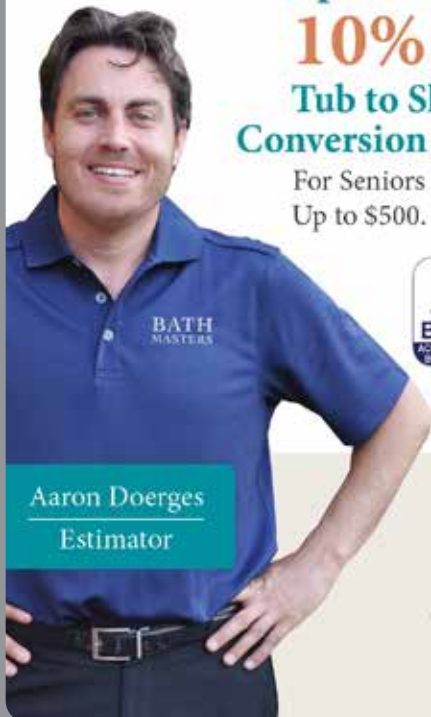
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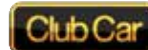
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Bay Ranch Memorial Service

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

7:00 p.m.

At the Clubhouse

The Bay Ranch Memorial Service is held annually to honor Bay Ranch residents who have died during the past year. The program includes songs by the choir and a presentation to the families, followed by cookies and coffee.

McMillen Family Concert

Jean Stonerock, Coach 1364, 269-501-0146

February 4th

7:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$5.00 each and can be purchased from Boyd Stonerock, Roger Heil, and Bill Drury.

Water will be available for 25 cents at intermission, and coffee, punch, and cookies will be served after the concert.

Come one, Come all to the Pancake Breakfast

Shuffleboard

Saturday, February 6, 2016

8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

At the Clubhouse

Menu: orange juice, pancakes, eggs, ham or sausage, toast coffee and tea.

Please bring your place setting and cup.

\$ 4.00



“Big Game” 50 Party

Sunday, February 7

Gametime: 6:30

Big Game 50 will be shown on at least 2 big screen tvs.

Bring your own beverage (beer and cocktails are approved by management), potluck snacks and hors d’oeuvres to share.



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Variety Show (formerly the Talent Show)

Jan Raabe, Coach 228, 605-730-09 and Charlotte Augustine, Coach 1413, 831-3567

Saturday, February 27, 2016

7 p.m.

At the Clubhouse

Tickets are FREE.

Sign up in the clubhouse and start preparing your act now!

St. Patricks Day Dance and Show

Shuffleboard

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Wednesday, March 16, 2016 (mark your calendars)

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Shoes are provided, along with helpful free instructions. Signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

The Horseshoe Club Fundraising included collecting aluminum cans. Please drop off soda and beer cans at Boyd's coach or call Boyd or Jean for pickup.

Also, see the Special Events section for information on the McMillan Family Concert in February.



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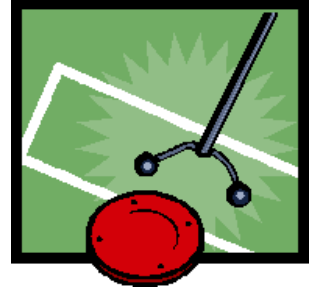
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Friendlies, Ed Zygmunt. Coach 1345, 524-3158

By invitation. Following the Monday Morning Meeting

Sunshine, Emil Wan, Coach 243, 523-8788

By invitation



Hoss Collar, Paul Puerling, Coach 170, 533-9324

Open to all. \$1.00 each time 1:00 p.m. Saturday.

Hoss Collar is a fun opportunity to shuffle in 3-person teams. Team members are selected by drawing at the beginning of the event. The object is to score as many points as possible, and the winning team shares a monetary prize.

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Margaret Conway, Coach 113, 536-9137

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Cookie Drury, Coach 135, 530-0693

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Bill & Joan Seiders, Coach 123, 532-8409

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Bid Euchre

Wayne Jones, Coach 224, 535-2393

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Emile Wan, Coach 1358, 230-1991

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Richard Yaskolka, Coach 1329, 953-7339

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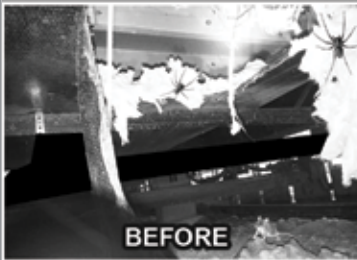
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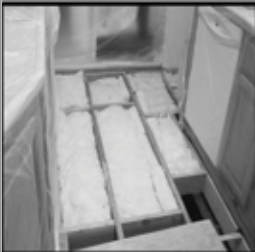
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By Wayne Redshaw

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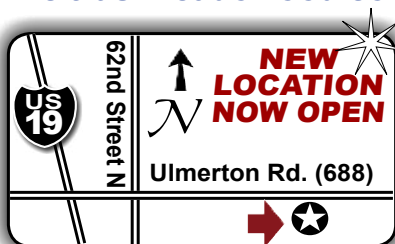
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"So I said okay and invited them. But when I got to him I never said a word and he never answered so I walked off. My parents kidded me all afternoon that I was afraid but that he might show up."

Ruth to this day said she can't explain the back of Lloyd's neck but it caught her eye that Sunday morning in church. "There was something about the back of his neck. I haven't figured out what yet all these years."

All these years represents 72 plus as on January 7th Lloyd and Ruth celebrated their 72nd Wedding Anniversary.

When asked what is the secret to longevity Ruth replied, "Having a lot of faith, hope and trust. Those are the three main things. Our faith in God really helped us a lot."

Lloyd added, "I agree 100 percent. I am the master of this house and whatever my wife says shall be done." He went on to say another main reason is they met in church and both are regular church goers. "That has had a lot to do with it. I do not worry about anything and I never get mad. I look at the brighter side and that keeps me happy. I have thought about it several times where we disagreed with something and all of a sudden I said to heck with it."

The courtship of Lloyd, now 94, and Ruth, three years younger, was only three weeks and after making all the arrangements they were married with a large church wedding less than four weeks later. Their first year of marriage was a little hectic and with Lloyd being in the military police, his Company was moved around quite a bit. In fact in a six month span they moved nine times.

Being an M.P., Lloyd did not leave the States for World War II. However, when the Korean War broke out, his outfit went to Texas to train recruits. As one group shipped out, another took their place. Lloyd was one of two officers in his unit that was assigned to go Korea; and while he didn't see action, he was close to it. He earned a bronze star in Korea for taking a gun away from a soldier who was acting up.

In the meantime Ruth along with their two children--Bob born Sept. 5th, 1946; and Louise, May 1st 1949—lived with her parents for about a year while Lloyd was in Korea.

Lloyd and Ruth say the greatest gifts they have are their family. Besides two children, they have been blessed with five granddaughters, 13 great-grandchildren and three great, great grandchildren.

The French's have been coming to Bay Ranch dating back to 1971 and purchased their current coach in the mid 80's, making them the longest standing residents in the park. They normally go north about four months in the summer to stay with their daughter, then return.

At one time Lloyd was active in the park. He served on the Residents' Association board, including one year as president plus one year in charge of all dances. For years he was



Lloyd and Ruth French. Photo by Wayne Redshaw



active in shuffleboard, playing at all three levels over the years and has many awards to show for it. He was also a member of the choir for many years and sang with the church choir.

Ruth wasn't as active but did sing with the choir for many years. She also participated in line dancing and weaving.

They have also done extensive traveling starting in 1970 when they went to London, England for a long weekend. It was only the beginning. They have visited several countries in Europe plus stops in Hawaii twice, New Zealand, Australia, Fiji, Bermuda, Canada, Alaska and the Caribbean. They have gone to Disney World almost every year since it opened in 1971. "We've watched it grow," said Ruth. "We didn't go on any rides but we met our daughter and took in the attractions. There were 11 in our party but the staff catered to us." Add all the cruises, as many as three in one year, the French's certainly can be ranked as World Travelers.

They are a charming couple and a perfect match. Congratulations, Lloyd and Ruth, on your 72nd anniversary.

A Love Poem: I Can't Remember

By Bill Drury to Cookie

Dear Cookie,
Just a line to say I'm living
 that I'm not among the dead.
Though I'm getting more forgetful
 and mixed up in the head.
I got used to my arthritis,
 to my dentures I'm resigned.
I can manage my bifocals
 but God I miss my mind.
For sometimes I can't remember
 when I stand at the foot of the stairs,
If I must go up for something
 or have just come down from there.
And before the fridge so often
 my poor mind is filled with doubt.
Have I just put food away, or
 have I come to take some out.
And there are times when it is dark
 with my night cap on my head,
I don't know if I'm retiring, or
 just getting out of bed.
So, if it's my turn to write you
 there's no need for getting sore,
I may think that I have written
 and don't want to be a bore.
So, remember that I love you
 and wish that you were near,





But now it's nearly mail time
 so must say goodbye dear.
 There I stand beside the mail box
 with a face so very red
 Instead of mailing you my letter
 I had opened it instead.
 Love, Bill

Birthdays and Anniversaries

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February Wedding Anniversaries

2	Bob and Pat Kriesel
10	Donald and Linda Coburn
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	Donald and Patricia Ferguson
19	Frank and Anne Simone
21	Jan and Carol Raabe



We Remember Russ Trombly

By Bob Lupton

Ed. Note: Bob delivered 2 eulogies for Russ, on one Facebook and one at Russ's Memorial. This version combines those 2, with Bob's permission.

The best thing about living in a 55 plus community like Bay Ranch is the camaraderie you have with the people around you. The worst thing is the fact that every year we lose more and more friends. Recently we lost a cornerstone of our community. I cannot express the sadness I feel for losing a great friend and at the same time I am so happy for Russ now that he is free of the pain that has plagued him in recent years.

When I moved to Bay Ranch I did not know a soul. I had never met Russ but I opened a copy of The Review in my mailbox and found an article written by him. Something must have really ticked him off and he let the world know about it. Yes, my first impression of Russ kind of scared me. Gin even commented, "Wow. I wouldn't want to cross that man."

Then we met him. The first thing that I noticed when I saw him was that ear to ear smile. He was so welcoming. It was like we were old friends who had returned from some far off land. He loved the camaraderie of the Monday coffee klatches. When I started the Sunset club, he quickly became an ardent supporter. I am so happy that I gave him something to really look forward to. Gin and I really loved that little guy as well as his lovely wife Avis.

Russ and Avis had a beautiful marriage that lasted almost 70 years. He was a great father and grandfather and a pillar of our community. He was a proud veteran of World War 2, and we are so grateful for his service. We will miss his "Random Thoughts" each month in The Review. And his signature sign off of, "Luv u guys"-- well, back at you, my friend. Back at you.



Goodbye friend. You will be sorely missed.



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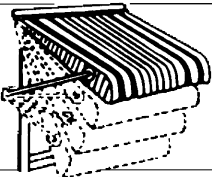


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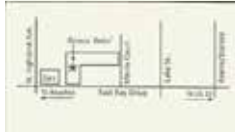
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LET'S EAT

The Bay Ranch Diner: Let's Eat German

By Kathy Lamontagne

Our Bay Ranch Diner searched out German eateries for this month. These restaurants all serve good German food, but expect to pay for it. Her selections are:



Big Game Bowl or Snack Bowl?

Submitted by Ione Jones

Now that the weather has cooled, my, the urge to bake and cook is stronger than ever. Fortunately, I expect to need a couple of appetizers for the Super Bowl potluck. Here are a few possibilities. Mary Lou Foos brought over some Freezer Cucumbers and Onions before Christmas, and my housemates say they were delicious. I always like those meatballs made with grape jelly, so here is a recipe for that. But I have to admit, the Broccoli Dip is one of my favorites.

If you have a favorite recipe you would like to share please give me a copy or send it to ijones@midstatesd.net.

Cocktail Meatballs

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| 1 lb ground beef | 1 tsp salt |
| ½ cup dry bread crumbs | 1/8 tsp pepper |
| 1/3 cup minced onion | ½ tsp worcestershire sauce |
| ¼ cup milk | ¼ cup shortening |
| 1 egg | 1 bottle (12 oz) chili or barbeque sauce |
| 1 tablespoon snipped parsley | 1 jar (10 oz) grape jelly |

Mix ground beef, bread crumbs, onion, milk, egg and next 4 ingredients. Gently shape into 1 inch balls. Melt shortening in a large skillet and brown meatballs. Remove meatballs from skillet; pour off any fat. Heat the sauce and jelly in the skillet, stirring constantly until jelly is melted. Add meatballs and stir until thoroughly coated. Simmer uncovered for 30 minutes or place in a slowcooker.



Freezer cucumbers and onions

From Mary Lou Foos

- 7 cups sliced pickles (cucumbers)
- 1 large sliced onion (more or less to taste)
- 1 cup green pepper sliced (optional)
- 1 can red pimento (optional)
- favorite vegetables

Combine

- 2 cups white sugar
- 3 teaspoons salt
- 1 cup white vinegar
- 1 teaspoon celery seed

Stir combined ingredients until the sugar is dissolved. Add the sliced ingredients and stir well. You can add any favorite vegetable. I blanch cauliflower and carrots for about 2 minutes in the microwave. Cool them in ice water before adding. Refrigerate for 5 days, stirring every day. After the 5th day put them in containers and freeze.

Broccoli Dip

From Ione Jones

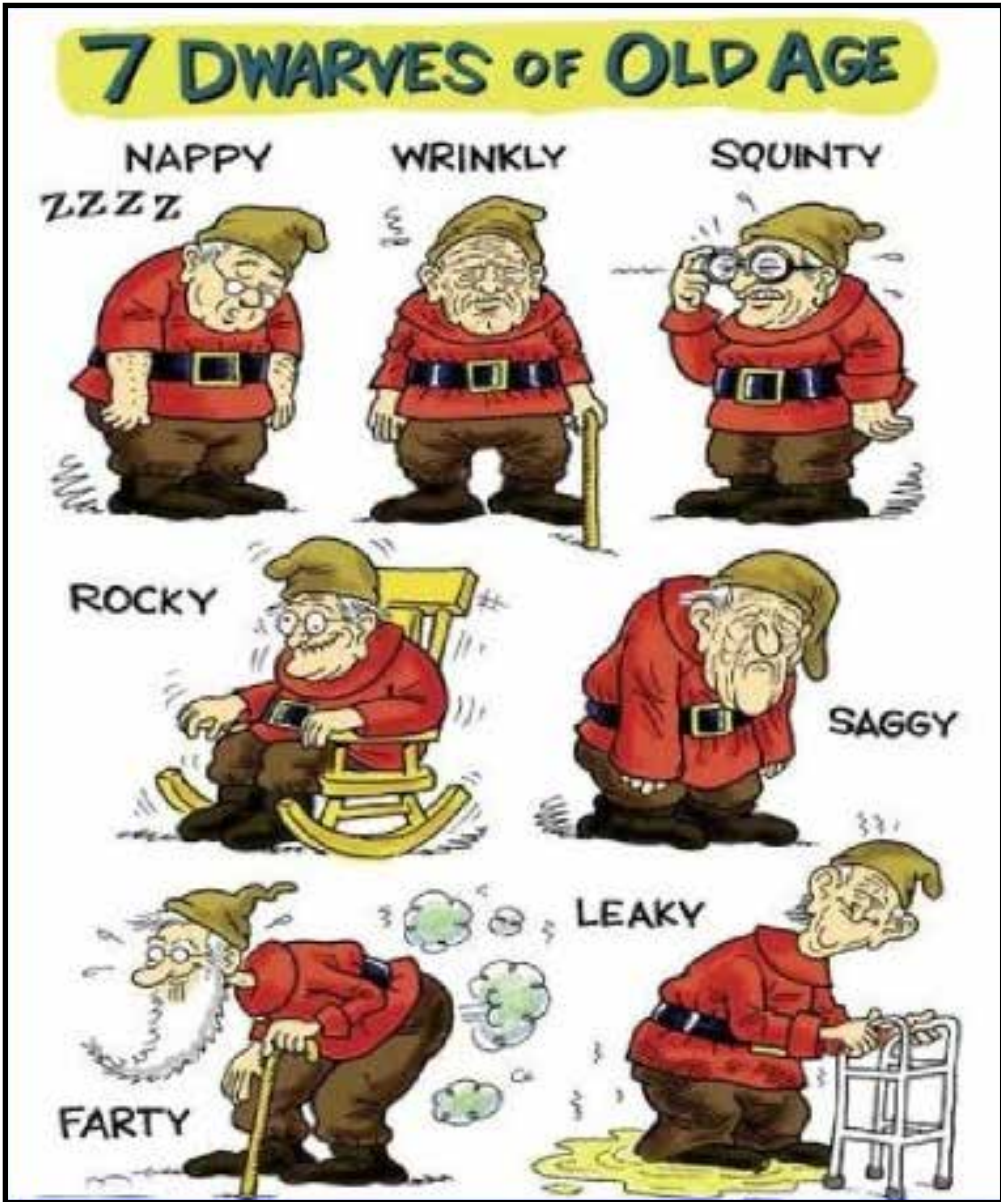
- 1 bunch broccoli chopped
- ¼ c onion
- 1-2 pkg veg soup mix
- 2 cups miracle whip
- 2 c sour cream
- 1 pkg cheddar cheese shredded

Chop the broccoli into small pieces. A food processor works well to do this. Mix together the miracle whip and sour cream and then add other ingredients except cheese. Chill and then add the cheese. I like to add garlic salt for added flavor.





A LAUGH OR TWO





THOUGHTS TO PONDER

Submitted by Linda Goldstein

Successful People

- Read every day
- Compliment
- Embrace change
- Forgive others
- Talk about ideas
- Continuously learn
- Accept responsibility for their failures
- Have a sense of gratitude
- Set goals and develop life plans

Unsuccessful People

- Watch tv every day
- Criticize
- Fear change
- Hold a grudge
- Talk about people
- Think they know it all
- Blame others for their failure
- Have a sense of entitlement
- React as life happens

MONTHLY QUESTION:

Many of us are in Florida to escape the cold and snow. Over and over, I have heard Bay Ranch residents say ` they don't miss it. The QUESTION OF THE MONTH for February is the same as it was for January: "What do you miss about winters up north?"

As usual, answer the January QUESTION OF THE MONTH and submit to the editor (Carol Raabe, nelsonraabe@gmail.com, Coach 228, 605-730-0476) by the 10th of the month . Your submission must be in your own words and may be edited (I'm a nice editor, I promise). Please try to keep it to 300 words or less.





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