

# February 13, 2024

## Tuesday-13

10a Astros Sign Up

10a Bible Study

1p Duplicate Bridge

1p Shanghai

6p Poker Night

6:30p Hand & Foot

## Wednesday-14

Dining Out Sign Up

10a Fitness

12:45p Bunco

1p Canasta

1p Hand & foot

1p Sewing Group

6:30p Shanghai

7p TEC MTG

## Thursday-15

10a Walk Aerobics

11a Chair Aerobics

1p Asian Mahjong

1p Bridge

1p Poker

6p Mexican Train

7p Meet the Candidates

## Friday-16

10a Fitness

1p Rummy Q

2p Art Group

2p Mardi Gras Set up

3p Beg. Line Dance

6:30p Shanghai

## Saturday-17

7p Mardi Gras Dance



## Sunday-18

Clubhouse Closed

## Monday - 19

11a Fitness

1p Poker

1p Shanghai

2p Cardio Line Dancing

Dining Out

TEC &  
Men's Club

**Mardi  
Gras  
dance**

February 17, 2024  
7-10 pm  
Tickets \$20  
available  
@ front desk  
Resident:  
1/22 - 2/10  
Non-resident:  
2/12 - 2/16

**Dinner & drinks**

# LETS GETAWAY!

Tickets Still Available!

Contact Pasty Womack to Secure your seat for the game!

281-744-0830



Wednesday, June 5th @ 1pm

Section 255

Price \$56.00

(Cost may increase)

Pick up time will be at 10:15am from the Clubhouse. We will stop and have lunch at Treebeards before the game.

Join you for a day full of fun, friends and adventure!

## Attention BellaVita!

Next Tuesday, February 20th The Ballroom, Gym and Library will be closed due to carpet cleaning. These facilities will be available again on Wednesday, February 21st. We are sorry for this inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

-BellaVita Staff



## Board of Directors Election News

(submitted by Elections Committee)



This week homeowners will have an opportunity to meet the people who have committed to running for a position on the Board of Directors.

**The "Meet the Candidates" forum is this Thursday, February 15, 7pm in the Ballroom.**

Three candidates are running for the two open positions. We are grateful for the service of Don Smith and Bernie Bouman whose terms have expired.

Each candidate will have up to 5 minutes to present formally to the homeowners in attendance. Following this section, the candidates will leave the stage and "mix and mingle" among the homeowners. Bring your questions/concerns and engage one on one with those running for the open board positions. This is a chance to become a more informed voter.

**Light refreshments will be served.**

**Ballots will be mailed the week of February 20 and will be due in the Clubhouse by 5pm on Wednesday, March 18. If ballots are mailed, they must arrive by this deadline.**



# DINING OUT



**CARRABBA'S**  
ITALIAN GRILL®

*Recipes from Around Our Family Table*

Hey everyone, due to the extreme weather the BellaVita Diners had to cancel Dining out in January.

**We will be dining at Carrabba's Italian Grill on Monday,  
February 19th at 6:00 P.M.**

*You can find the restaurant at 502 West Bay Area BLVD.*

**Sign up for this outing will be available at the front desk on  
February 14th.**

If you sign up and are unable to attend, please contact Jo Farris to cancel your reservation. 281-619-0245 or 281-464-2969.

We hope to see you there!

**Good Food Good Friends Happy People**



# BellaVita Travel Group

Wednesday, February  
21st at 7 pm in the Ballroom



Hey there BellaVita!

You are invited to join our upcoming Travel Group meeting where our neighbors, Jay and Barb Williams, will be sharing their experiences from their travels to over 100 countries, particularly their adventures in Africa.

Jay is knowledgeable and passionate about travel, and his insights about Africa will surely be interesting.

We're sure it will be a great time, so don't miss it!

# St. Arnolds Brewery



*Wednesday, February 21st*

**Hey there BellaVita!**

**There is only 1 seat available!**

We're leaving from the clubhouse at 10:30 am on February 21st, We'll grab lunch at 11:30 am (make sure to bring payment for the meal), and then we'll start the tour of the brewery.

**Just a heads up, closed-toe shoes are a must for the tour.**

If you miss sign up, don't worry, just contact  
Patsy Womack at 281-744-0830

**Costs \$15.00!**

Join us and be a part of an exciting event! We hope to see you there!



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY February

*Come out and join us for cake to celebrate your special day!*

Feb 21st, 2024 @ 1:00 pm

Please RSVP with the front desk if you are able to attend.  
(You may bring a guest.)

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**MAGNOLIA**  
CAJUN COMFORT

**FOOD  
TRUCK**



## Bellavita Belles

Thursday, February 22, 2024 4:30 - 6:30PM

### STARTERS

Chicken & Sausage Gumbo - \$8

Boudin Balls - \$6

### ENTREES - \$14

Shrimp Po'boy

Pasta Mardi Gras

Red Beans & Rice w/ Andouille Sausage

Fried Catfish w/ Hush Puppies & Fries

Chicken Tenders w/ Fries

### DESSERT

Beignets - \$5

1807 Broadway Street  
Suite 113  
Pearland, TX 77581

346-229-4384  
[www.MagnoliaCajun.com](http://www.MagnoliaCajun.com)





# Basic Beginner Two-Step Country Western Dance Lessons



Are you interested in learning new dance moves or practicing the ones you already know?

If so, there's a great opportunity waiting for you!



Join us for the Beginner Country Western Dance Class  
on March 2nd and 9th at 1 pm in the Ballroom.

*1-hour lessons*

The first lesson progresses into the second, so try to attend both classes if you can!

Sign up for this class starts February 7th.

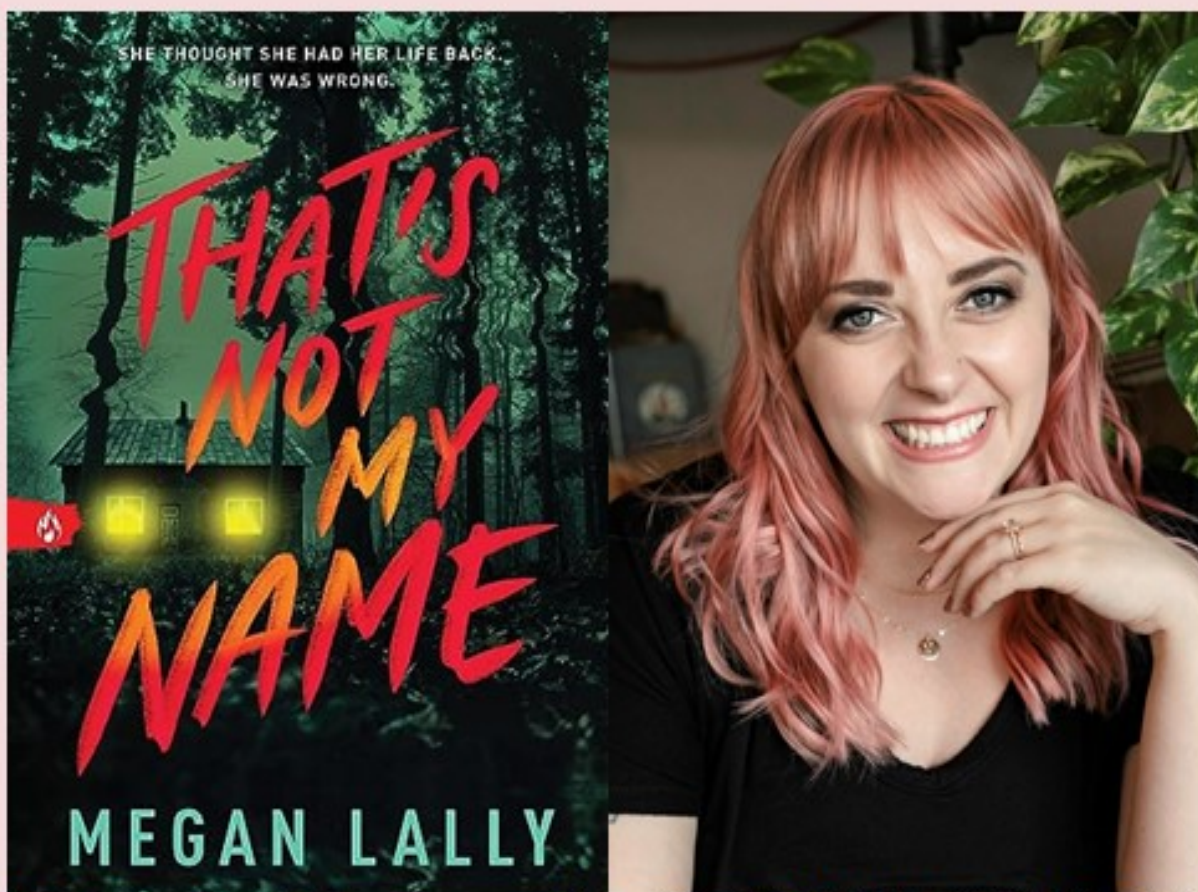
But hurry, spots are limited, and we don't want you to miss out on this awesome experience! Can't wait to see you there!



# BellaVita Book Club

The March selection for the book club is *That's Not My Name* by Megan Lally. A teenage girl disappears and her boyfriend is the prime suspect. This debut novel is full of twists and turns. Come join us on Thursday, March 14, at 1:00 pm in the Annex to discuss this exciting mystery and help us pick the book for April.

Gerry Bartlett





# BellaVita Sewing Group



## Hammocks For Cats

For the second year, the BellaVita Sewing Group took on a project for the *Three Little Pitties Rescue*! This group's mission is to transport cats without current homes - to areas of the country where there is a shortage of cats and a long list of people who would like to adopt a cat that needs a family!

For example, many are transported to the Pacific Northwest or the Northeast. The cats are not transported until the new family has selected their cat and committed to adopting it!

The BellaVita Sewing Group helped by making "cat hammocks" so the animals can travel across country in comfort! Last year, 824 cats were transported to their new homes using the hammocks we made.

We took on the task, created an assembly line, and finished 57 hammocks in approximately two hours! Hope the cats enjoy the hammocks as much as we enjoyed making them!



# Rose Award Nomination



Its time to consider a nomination for the ROSE Award 2023 that will be presented at the annual homeowners meeting in March 2024. ROSE is an acronym for Recognition Of Serving Extraordinarily. The ROSE is the highest form of recognition given by the BellaVita HOA to an individual for an idea/solution/project that directly benefits the entire BellaVita community and/or community life. These efforts are viewed as being "above and beyond" the normal service of homeowners. The following are past recipients of the ROSE Award:

Don Jensen, 2014

Ron Lauve, 2015

Charles Parham and Gene Riddell, 2016

Fritz Ring and Ruth Southard, 2017

Diane Nicolas, 2018

Linda Kuhn, 2019

No Award 2020

Lark Billick 2021

Daniel Koons 2022

By **February 23, 2024**, Homeowners may submit nominations to the Clubhouse. ROSE Award information and nomination forms are available on the BV website under the Awards Committee tab or pick up forms at the front desk. Thank you for your participation in this volunteer recognition program.

Sandra Bornstein, Awards Comm. Chair





## Janet O'Connor,

The Awards Committee would like to announce **Q4 2023 Volunteer of the Quarter, Janet O'Connor**. The Volunteer of the Quarter is a program to publicly recognize the efforts of an individual for BV community service.

Janet and Rick O'Connor moved to Bellavita in 2019. They were so impressed with the appearance of the neighborhood. Everything looked so maintained. After Janet retired from the Dickinson ISD, they moved to Lake Livingston where they lived for 15 yrs. Moving to Bellavita, placed them closer to their son and daughter who live in the Clear Lake area with their families, including 4 grandsons.

Due to Janet's interest in gardening and wanting to be a part of maintaining the beauty of Bellavita, she became a member of the HOA Grounds committee. In 2023, after a winter freeze and then summer drought, Janet stepped up to Chair the HOA Grounds Committee. No challenge was too large, as she worked with her committee to start the restoration and new planting of plants, shrubs, and flowers to bring the grounds of Bellavita back to life.

Janet along with the committee has surveyed the areas around the clubhouse and lake including replanting many of the dying shrubs. One can find Janet during the day working at the entrance of Bellavita, in the flower beds in front of the clubhouse, around the annex or transplanting something that would do better in another location. Janet's attention to detail has brought attention to the life expectancy of plants approx. 20 yrs. She has identified plants that are reaching their lifespan and adding new fresher plants. Janet takes her responsibilities very seriously. She took it upon herself to read the 30+ pages of the Rusticscapes contract and found that many items in the contract were not being completed. Due to her research, Janet has developed a strong partnership with the management of Rusticscapes and Urban Forestry.

Janet is a true asset to the Grounds Committee and Bellavita. She always adds a little extra care. Janet takes pride in the Bellavita grounds as if they were her own yard. As well as gardening, she likes crafts and cooking. Works with the Flag teams, also. Janet has done an incredible job in all her volunteer efforts. Thank you Janet O'Connor for all your hard work. Please congratulate Janet on her outstanding contributions and recognition as Volunteer of the Quarter.

Sandra Bornstein, Awards Committee Chair



## THE SUPER BOWL

On Sunday, the San Francisco 49ers lost to the Kansas City Chiefs. The winner took home the silver!

No... I'm not inferring that the winner will get a second-place prize. I'm referring to the Lombardi Trophy. It's made of silver.

So, what is that thing worth anyway?

Not as much as you might think despite being formed out of a precious metal.

Each Lombardi Trophy (There are many out there) is valued at about \$10,000, according to The Sporting News, although it costs around \$50,000 to produce.



As I mentioned, the trophy is formed out of silver, but it isn't pure silver like an American Silver Eagle coin. The Lombardi is fabricated out of sterling silver.

Sterling is an alloy of silver containing 92.5 percent by weight of silver and 7.5 percent by weight of other metals (alloy), usually copper.

The Lombardi Trophy measures 20.75 inches high and weighs seven pounds. That means given the current price of silver at \$22.58 per ounce (73 cents per gram) the metal melt value of the trophy would be around \$2,318.

Interestingly, the football on top of the Lombardi trophy is the same size as a regulation NFL football.

As I already mentioned, there are quite a few Lombardies out there. Tiffany & Co. produces a new Super Bowl trophy each year. Also, players and coaches can order their own replicas.

Winning a Lombardi would certainly be cool, but if you want to win a more valuable trophy and a lot more silver, you should take up ice hockey.

The Stanley Cup has an estimated value of \$600,000. The cup itself is pure silver and the base is made of sterling. The Stanley Cup weighs in at 34.5 pounds.

And how can you win the most valuable trophy in sports?  
Play soccer.

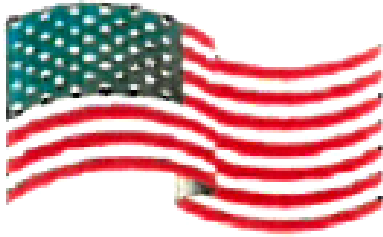
The FIFA World Cup trophy is formed from solid 18-karat gold with a weight of over 11 pounds. The melt value of the gold itself comes in at well over \$100,000, but the estimated value of the trophy is over \$20 million.

# Valentine's Day

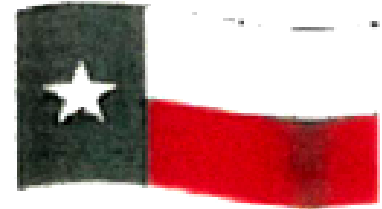


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**Flags of BellaVita  
2024 Enrollment**



**Flags of BellaVita will fly for the NATIONAL FLAG HOLIDAYS**

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Enrollment Fees:**

\$25.00 for the first US Flag

\$15.00 each additional flag

Number of flags requested CURB:

US \_\_\_\_\_ TEXAS \_\_\_\_\_

Number of flags LAKE:

US \_\_\_\_\_ TEXAS \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\* ALL PAYMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY APRIL 15TH 2024 \***

**NOTE: Please make your check payable to BellaVita Men's Club**

Please leave your check and completed form by May 2024, at the Clubhouse or mail to:

**Flags of BellaVita  
1548 North Riviera Circle  
Pearland, Tx 77581**



**We could use your help.  
All BellaVita residents  
are invited to volunteer  
for the Flag Teams.**

I would like to know more about Volunteering for the Flag Teams.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_



**Duplicate Bridge is a partnership game played on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:00 PM**

**Interested players may reserve a spot by calling Lyle Ganucheau in advance.**

### Bridge Scores

January 23rd,

#### Howell Movement

1<sup>st</sup> Linda Aaron – Carolyn Beeson

2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Fargo – Nancy Hudson

3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Ellen Henry – Jean Foltz

January 25,

#### North/South

1<sup>st</sup> Sandy Pollard – Jean Foltz

2<sup>nd</sup> Russell Pryor – Ann Sharp

#### East/West

1<sup>st</sup> Carol Dyson – Mary Ellen Henry

2<sup>nd</sup> Joyce Garner – Lyle Ganucheau



### **Doors & Paint**

Your HOA dues include having your front door maintained every 2 yrs. as needed. This means the door will be lightly sanded and a coat of spar varnish will be applied. A new weather strip on the bottom of the door is included, if needed. This will help to protect your door. However, if you postpone or do not request having your door serviced and it requires having your door refinished, the HOA will only cover a portion of the cost to refinish and replace the weather strip. The HOA will pay a maximum of \$210.00 (the cost to the HOA for regular maintenance plus a 2nd coat of varnish). You will be responsible for the remaining cost of the door service. Please note if there is a homeowner cost, it will be more than previous years as well. It is your responsibility to call and have it serviced every 2 years.

**Please come by the Clubhouse or call at 281-464-3150 to be put on the list for 2024.**

**The doors are serviced March through September.**



## **NEWSLETTER INFORMATION**

Deadline for newsletter entries and articles is Monday at NOON.

**No Exceptions.**

Please send entries and articles to all clubhouse personnel.

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## CLUBHOUSE HOURS

*Sunday... Clubhouse Closed*

*Monday... 11a to 6p*

*Tuesday... 10a to 9p*

*Wednesday... 10a to 9p*

*Thursday... 10a to 9p*

*Friday... 10a to 9p*

*Saturday... 10a to 6p*

The BellaVita Front Desk staff will provide the following services for personal use for home owners.

- Copies- At this time there will be **NO** charge for 10 pages. After 10 pages, there will be a charge of 10 cents per sheet.
- Long distance faxes - NO International faxes
- Sending local Faxes
- Receiving Faxes
- Notary services are free for residents **by appointment only**. Please make an appointment at the front desk.
- Scanning to email
- Copy Services

The **Copy Center** copying guidelines for the BellaVita HOA Board, Board Committees/Clubs and Organization Officers are at no charge as follows:

- Maximum of 25 pages – immediate copying
- Maximum of 400 pages – 24 hour copying
- Over 400 pages – one week copying
- Any specialty services (stapling, binding, hole punching, etc.) are the responsibility of the requester.
- **All copies are black and white (no color ink) on white paper only.**
- All specialty papers are to be provide by the requester.

## Monthly Meetings

1st  
Wed.

6:15p Belles Meeting  
6:30p Men's Meeting

6:30p TEC Meeting

2nd  
Wed.

3rd  
Wed.

6:30p Travel Meeting

4th  
Wed.

3:00p Board Meeting

**Beg Line Dancing**  
Friday at 3pm  
**Intermediate Line Dance**  
Thursday 6 pm



Location: ballroom @ the clubhouse

**Cardio Line Dancing**  
Saturday @ 11am  
Monday @ 2pm

We meet: Monday @ 11AM, Wednesday @ 10AM and Friday @ 10AM in the ballroom.

See you there!

**FITNESS**

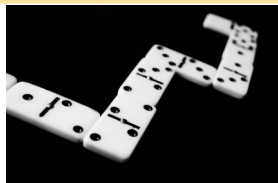


**Hand & Foot**

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm  
Wednesdays @ 1pm

in the Annex.

Please call Linda Mulholand



**Mexican Train**  
Thursdays @ 6pm  
in the Annex



**Art Group** meets Fri-  
days at 2:00pm in the  
Arts & Craft room

**MAH-JONG**

Thursdays at 1PM for Asian Mahjong  
in the Annex.

Rummikub

Fridays @ the Annex 1:00 PM

Lots of fun! Good brain exercise!

Come join us!

**DAY BUNCO**

Second Wednesday of every Month

At 12:45 in the Annex

\$5.00 to Play

Night Bunco

Jan 31st at 6:45p

in the Clubhouse



**Walk Aerobics**

Thursdays and Saturday @ 10AM—Ballroom

**Shanghai**

Monday & Tuesdays at 1PM and Wednesday & Friday  
at 6:30 pm IN THE ANNEX. Singles and couples are wel-  
come. There are no partners in Shanghai. Please call  
Charlotte Goza 713-819-1881 to indicate your interest,  
and let her know if you already know how to play.



**POKER**

Monday & Thursday  
at 1pm. Tuesdays at  
6pm.

Held in the Art Room

**Book Groups**



The Book Review Group  
meets the second Thursday  
of the month at 1:00 PM in  
the Annex.

**Need Canasta  
Players**

Wednesday at  
1pm  
in the annex



**Sewing Group**

Every Wednesday 1-3 pm in the Arts &  
Crafts Room. Join Us!

Sew - Crochet - Knit - Helping Hands





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