



February 14, 2023

281-464-3150

Meet the Candidates - Thursday, February 23, 7pm

Tuesday-14

Valentines Day

- 10a Bible Study
- 11a Chair Exercise
- 1p Duplicate Bridge
- 1p Shanghai
- 6p Poker Night

Wednesday-15

10a Getaway Sign-up (Boat Tour)

- 10a Fitness
- 1p Sewing Group
- 1p Canasta
- 6:30p Travel Group
- 6:30p Tx Hold'em
Poker

Thursday-16

- 10a Walk Aerobics
- 11a Chair Exercise
- 1p Asian Mahjong
- 1p Duplicate Bridge
- 1p Poker
- 6p Int Line Dancing
- 6:30p Mexican Train

Friday-17

- 10a Fitness
- 1p Rummy Q
- 2p Art Group
- 3p Beg. Line Dancing
- 6:30p Shanghai

Saturday-18

7pm Country Western Dance

Sunday-19

Clubhouse Closed

Monday-20

Presidents Day

- 11a Fitness
- 1p Shanghai
- 1p Poker
- 2p Cardio Line Dancing
- 6p Dining Out



Board of Directors Election News

(submitted by Elections Committee)

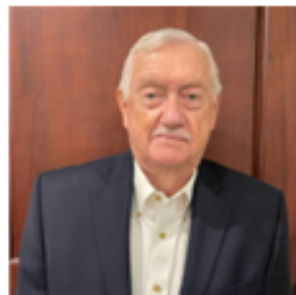
**There will be an election for the
BellaVita Board of Directors.**

Homeowners should receive the second mailing this week containing information on the candidates – Fred Fargo, Dallas Smith, and Mary Walker along with notices of the candidate forums and the annual meeting.

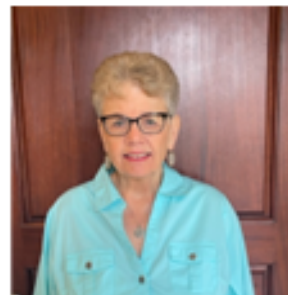
Information with photos is also available on the bulletin board in the clubhouse.

Review this information, participate in meeting the candidates, and vote for your representatives.

Fred Fargo



Mary Walker



Dallas Smith





**Do Ya Feel Lucky?
Well, do ya?**

TEC presents:

KICK YOUR HEELS OFF

-----*and put your*-----

DANCIN' BOOTS ON!

**Bitter Creek
Revival
Band**

*Saturday,
February 18th
7-10:00 pm*

Tickets: \$15

*Snacks
provided*



Getaway Trip!
Tuesday, February 28th

M/V SAM HOUSTON

BOAT TOUR



PORT HOUSTON
THE INTERNATIONAL PORT OF TEXAS

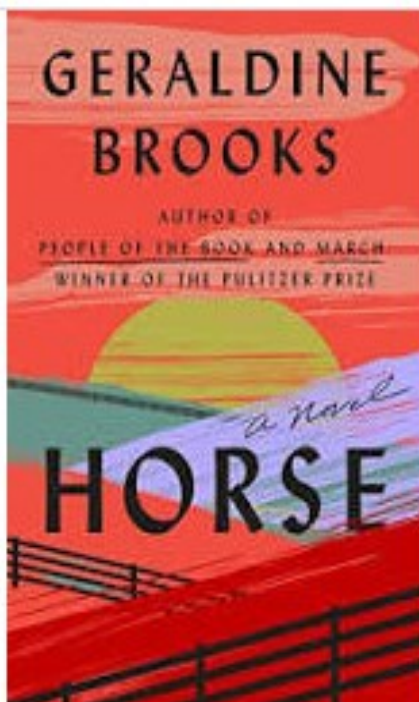


Come and see the changes of the Houston Port and then have a nice lunch at the Monument Inn.

The bus will pick us up at 8:45am.

The cost of the trip is: \$10.00, and you are responsible for the cost of your lunch.

Sign up and payment for trip is Wednesday, February 15th at 10:00am at the Clubhouse



The March book group selection is:

Horse by Pulitzer Prize winning author Geraldine Brooks.

This bestselling novel is based on the true story of the fastest race horse in America. From the 1850s to today, this book features unforgettable characters and takes the reader on an emotional journey he/she won't soon forget.

We will meet Thursday, March 9, in the Annex, at 1 pm.

DINING OUT



MONUMENT INN RESTAURANT

On February 20, 2023 at 6:00pm BellaVita will be dining at Monument Inn located at: 4406 Independence Pkwy S. in LaPorte TX. 77571

Please sign up at the front desk Wednesday, February 15th.

If you need to cancel after signing up, please call Jo Farris, so someone else can go in your place.

Please don't call the Clubhouse to cancel.

We are limited to a group of 30, since that is the most the Inn will book in a group We will be seated at 2 tables of 15 each.

There will be a Waiting List as usual.

GOOD FOOD

GOOD TIMES

HAPPY PEOPLE

JO FARRIS

281-619-0245 OR 281-464-2969

FOREVER

BELLES

STYLE

SHOW

Saturday, March 4th, 1-3pm

**Tickets \$18 available @ the
clubhouse starting February
6th for yourself, family &
friends.**

**Lunch catered by Four
Friends Tea Room**



Join TEC & the Green Brothers band for a

SAINT
PATRICK'S
Celebration



March 17th 7-10 pm

Tickets \$15 available Feb. 20th at
front desk

Snacks & Margaritas provided

2 Books and a Bunny



2 Books and a Bunny

The Bellavita Belles are sponsoring an Easter project for the Pre-K students at Burnett Elementary. In cooperation with the school counselor at Burnett, each student will receive 2 books, crayons, a bunny and candy-filled Easter eggs. Any donations of gently used children's books, plastic eggs and candy would be appreciated. The school has 86 pre-school aged children enrolled. All donations over our goal will go to Christian Helping Hands in Pearland.

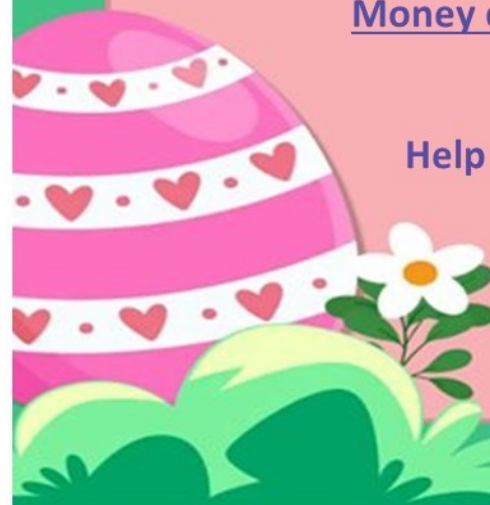
This organization is helping the recent tornado victims.

Money donations are also accepted and checks can be made payable to: BellaVita Belles.

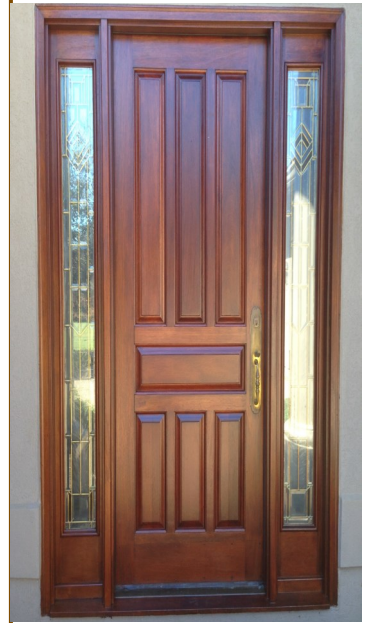
Help make 2 Books and a Bunny a success and bring a smile to a child's face this Easter.

If you need more information contact:

Maylene Moore 361-549-4939



Your HOA dues include having your front door maintained every 2 yrs. 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 have gone up from previous years as well. It is your responsibility to call and have it serviced every 2 years. Please call or come by the Clubhouse at 281-464-3150 before October and get on the schedule. The doors are serviced March through October.



BellaVita Travel Group

The third Wednesday, February 15 at 6:30 pm

In the Ballroom

All BellaVita residents are invited to the inaugural meeting of the BellaVita Travel Group. At the first meeting we will explain how the group will work and ask you to complete an interest survey.

In order to get an estimate of how many will be attending, please sign up at the front desk.

For questions call Mary Anne Shuffler at
832-202-8002

Nature Reserve Walk in the Woods

Start date is Saturday 1/14/2023 @ 9 AM & every Saturday thereafter

(weather permitting)

Meet at the Ameno Platform (no sign up required)

Wear walking boots/shoes (trails may be muddy)

Walking sticks are recommended as trails are uneven & rustic

Est walk time: 30 - 60 min

Questions: Call Cyndi Purtee @ 713.594.5352



Rose Award

Nomination

It is time to consider a nomination for the ROSE Award 2022 that will be presented at the annual homeowners meeting in March 2023. 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(s) for an idea/solution/project and 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

By **February 24, 2023**, 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



Flags of BellaVita

National Flag Holidays Schedule 2023

Holiday	Flags Up	Flags Down
Presidents Day - 2/21	2/17 - 2/18	2/24 - 2/25
Memorial Day - 5/30	5/26 - 5/27	6/16 - 6/17
Flag Day - 6/14	5/26 - 5/27	6/16 - 6/17
July 4th - 7/4	6/30 - 7/1	7/7 - 7/8
Patriots Day - 9/11	9/8 - 9/9	9/15 - 9/16
Veteran's Day - 11/11	11/3 - 11/4	11/14 - 11/15

Flag Team Captains

Gene Reddell	1
Danny Koons	2
Gerry Leija	3
Alan Bryant	4
Brian Himel	5
Steve Andrews	common areas
Joe Biard	Committee Chair

Rusticscapes Landscape Report BellaVita Community January 2023

Irrigation Report

BellaVita Irrigation	Received	Completed	Pending
December	3	3	0

Januarys Review

Bi-weekly Schedule started – (Nov-March will be biweekly)

Started Mulching Common areas and front yards

Februarys Forecast

Mulch will Continue through March

Trimming Crapees

Reminders

Once freeze and cooler weather are behind us we will do a plant analysis

Comments



VALENTINE'S DAY

WORD SEARCH

T	Z	X	D	R	S	A	Y	F	Q	Q	F	D	D	A	K	N	E	B	K
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ADMIRER
BE MINE
CANDY
CARD

BOW AND
ARROW
CANDY
CARD
CHERUB

CHOCOLATES
CONVERSATION
HEARTS
CUPID
FEBRUARY

GIFTS
HEART
HUGS
KISSES
XOXO

LOVE LETTER
ROMANCE
ROSES
SWEETHEART
VALENTINE

VALENTINE TRIVIA



Bridge Scores

Tuesday, February 7,

North/South

1st Linda Aaron – Jim Combs

2nd Jean Foltz – Joyce Garner

East/West

1st Nancy Hudson – Carolyn
Beeson

2nd Wilbur Smith – Pam
Halloran

Thursday, February 9,

1st Claire Zimmerman – Jean
Foltz

2nd Gail McCullah – Ann Sharp

East/West

1st Joyce Wormser – Rhonda
Bryant

2nd Marion McKernon – Joyce
Garner

**Duplicate Bridge is a
partnership game played on
Tuesdays and Thursdays.**

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

Question: Before "X" stood for a kiss, what did it represent at the end of a letter?

Answer: The cross

Question: Cupid has what name in Greek mythology?

Answer: Eros

Question: In Roman mythology, Cupid is the son of whom?

Answer: Venus

Question: "Wearing your heart on your sleeve" has origins from honoring which Roman goddess? Answer: Juno

Question: In the Victorian era, mean-spirited Valentine's Day cards were called "____ Valentines."

Answer: Vinegar

Question: When was the oldest-known Valentine's Day message written?

Answer: 1415

Question: About how many roses are sent for Valentine's Day each year?

Answer: 50 million

Question: Valentine's Day celebrations may be traced back to what Roman holiday traditionally celebrated on February 15? Answer: Lupercalia

Question: Who invented the first Valentine's Day candy box? Answer: Richard Cadbury

Question: On average, how many marriage proposals are there on every Valentine's Day? Answer: 220,000

Question: A single red rose surrounded by baby's breath is called what by florists? Answer: A signature rose

Question: Letters to Juliet are sent to what city every year? Answer: Verona, Italy

Question: What do yellow roses symbolize? Answer: Friendship

Question: How many heart-shaped boxes of chocolates are typically sold each Valentine's Day? Answer: 35 million

Question: Saint Valentine was said to be martyred in what year? Answer: 269

Question: When was February 14 first declared to be Valentine's Day? Answer: 1537

Question: How many people typically buy Valentines for their pets? Answer: 9 million

Question: What emperor called for St. Valentine's execution? Answer: Claudius II

Question: How much money do Americans spend on chocolate for Valentine's Day each year? Answer: \$1 billion

Question: About how many Valentine's Day cards are exchanged every year? Answer: 1 billion

Question: What fruit was once known as a "love apple" for its alleged aphrodisiac properties? Answer: Tomato

Question: What is the Guinness World Record for the longest marriage ever recorded? Answer: 86 years, 290 days

Question: Why was February 14th chosen as the date to celebrate Valentine's Day? Answer; It was a common belief in France and England that birds started their mating season on February 14th.

Question: What 8 countries celebrate Valentine's Day?

Answer: United States, Canada, Mexico, United Kingdom, France, Australia, Denmark, & Italy

Question: Which two U.S. states officially achieved statehood on Feb. 14?

Answer: Oregon in 1859 and Arizona in 1912

BellaVita Front Desk will provide the following Fax, Notary and Copy services for home owners. Due to Covid-19 there will be **NO** Charge at this time up to 10 pages after 10 pages there will be a charge of 10cents per sheet

- Long distance faxes -
- Sending local Faxes – NO International faxes
- Receiving Faxes
- Notary services are free **by appointment only**. Notary services are for residents only. Please make appointment at the front desk.
- Scanning to email
- Copy Services

The **Copy Center** copying guidelines for the BellaVita HOA Board, Board Committees and 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 on white paper only.**
- All specialty papers are to be provided by the requester.

Monthly Meetings

1st
Wed.

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

6:30p TEC Meeting

2nd
Wed.

4th
Wed.

3:00p Board Meeting

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



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

We meet: Monday @ 11AM, Wednesday @ 10AM
and Friday @ 10AM.
See you there!

FITNESS®

Walk Aerobics

**Thursdays and Saturday
@ 10AM**



**Mexican Train
Thursdays @ 6:30pm
in the Annex**



**Art Group meets Fridays at
2:00pm in the
Arts & Craft room**

ASIAN MAH-JONGG

Come and join us on Thursdays at 1PM in the
Annex.

Shanghai

Come and join us on Monday at 1pm in the Annex.

DAY BUNCO

Second Wednesday of every Month

At 12:45 @ the Clubhouse

\$5.00 to Play

Rummikub Fridays @ the
Annex 1:00 PM

**Lots of fun! Good brain
exercise!**

Come join us!



**Night Bunco is
February 22,
2023 at 6:45p**

POKER

**Monday &
Thursday at 1pm
in the Arts &
Craft Room**

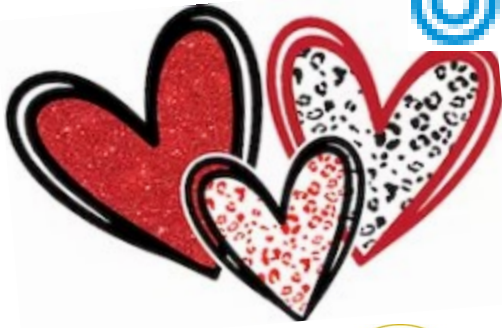
**Texas Hold'em Poker
Wednesday at 6pm in
the Arts & Craft Room**

Tuesdays at 1PM , FRIDAY AT 6:00 pm IN THE ANNEX.
Singles and couples are welcome. There are no partners in
Shanghai. Please call Charlotte Goza 713-819-1881
to indicate your interest, and please let her know if you
already know how to play.

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

**Wednesday at
1pm
in the annex**





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