#### Tuesday-23

10a Bible Study

I la Chair Exercise

Ip Duplicate Bridge

Ip Shanghai

6p Poker Night

**6p** Water Aerobics

6:30p Hands & Foot

#### Wednesday-24

\_8:30p Water Aerobics

10a Fitness

Ip Sewing Group Ip Canasta

Ip Hands & Foot

3p Board Meeting

6:30p Tx Hold'em Poker

#### Thursday-25

10a Walk Aerobics

Lla Chair Exercise

Ip Duplicate Bridge

Ip Poker

Ip Asian Mahjong

6p Int. Line Dancing

6p Water Aerobics

6:30p Mexican Train

#### Friday-26

8:30a Water Aerobics

10a Fitness

Ip Rummikub

2p Art Group

3p Beg Line Dancing

6:30p Shanghai

#### Saturday-27

9a Walking in the woods

**Bereavement** 

#### Sunday-28

**Clubhouse Closed** 

#### Monday-29

Clubhouse Closed



REMEMBER & HONOR

May 23, 2023





A medieval castle deep in the heart of Texas

Wednesday, June 28th in Bellville, TX

<u>Sign-up</u> is Wednesday, June 21st, 10am @ Clubhouse



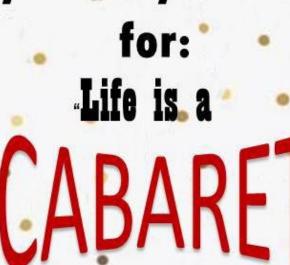
We will be leaving BellaVita at 7:30am on June 28th. Lunch will be at The Castle, a box lunch with your choice of a Ham & Cheese or Turkey sandwich with chips, water or ice tea and a cookie.

Afterwards we'll go into town and do a little shopping!

Come see what Mr. Newman has built in this small town!

Sign up Wednesday, June 21st at 10am.
If you are not able to be at the sign-up, but would like to go.
Please call: Patsy @ 281-744-0830
Cost is \$25





June

SAT

24

2023

7:00-10:00 pm

Tickets available May 22 @ the clubhouse & Sue Steik

\$18

Pixel Memories will be taking pictures of your optional roaring 1920's attire!

Drinks & Charcuterie boards

provided



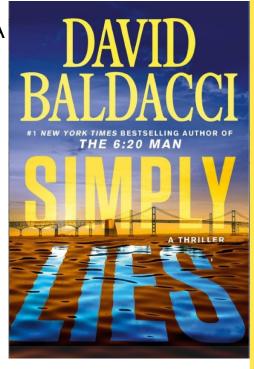
The June selection for the Bella Vita book group will be *Simply Lies*, the latest thriller by David Baldacci. A single mother is not only a murder suspect, she is also on the run from a vengeful ex and the mob. Join us for the discussion of this fast-paced mystery on Thursday, June 8, in the Annex.

We've also picked the book for July since its a long one--*Great Circle* is a fictionalized biography of one of the first female pilots, Marian Graves, who attempted to circumnavigate the globe.

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This fascinating history brings to life the story of a woman determined to learn to fly against all odds. The best-seller will be discussed at the July meeting. Join us!

**Gerry Bartlett** 



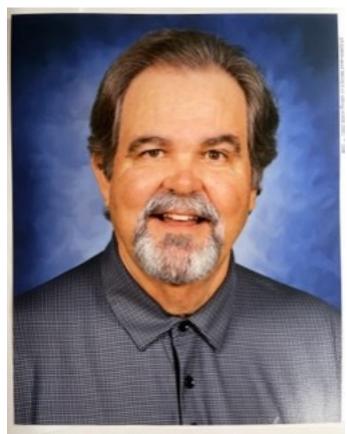
The Awards Committee would like to announce

## Q2 2023 Volunteer of the Quarter, Joe Biard.

The Volunteer of the Quarter is a program to publicly recognize the efforts of an individual for BV community service.

Joe and Sue Biard moved to Bellavita in 2015, from South Shore Harbor. Their children moved on and they were looking to downsize and get involved in a good community. Before coming to Bellavita, Sue and Joe lived in 18 different places as Joe's work took them many places. They happened to visit Bellavita on the day of the Bella View (showcase of BV activities and clubs) and were able to see all the various activities that our great community has to offer.

In 2022 the Men's Club assumed the flag operation from the Veterans group. Joe took the command of this important project as Flag Team Chairman. This is a



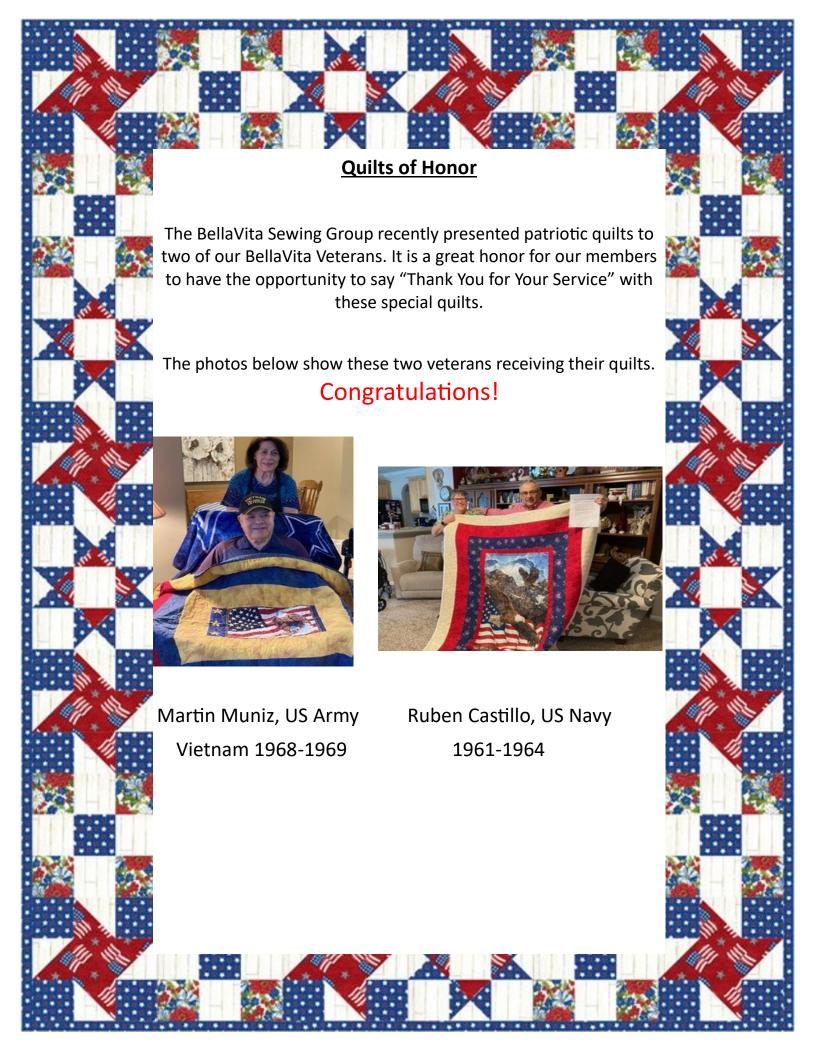
major undertaking with over 500 homes (approx. 80% of homes) including 750 flags, 6 flag teams and 6 times per year (all BV volunteers). As well as coordinating flag teams, Joe coordinates sending out flag applications and creating spreadsheets for flag teams, reviewing flags for replacement (approximately 300-400 per year) and he serves as a member on a flag team. There has been a push to get more residents to participate in purchasing flags and participating on the flag teams.

Joe retired after 48 years in Engineering Construction. He has brought his expertise to Bellavita by serving as a member on the HOA Facilities Committee for several years. In 2022, he took on a high priority assignment. He heads up the HOA House Painting and Door Refinishing reoccurring programs. This program rotation occurs every 9 years for house painting and every 2 years for door refinishing. However, this is an annual project as homes come due for painting and door refinishing. He has created spreadsheets for the work and setup communications with the homeowners and front desk to ensure BV homes are kept up to BV high standards.

Just to add a few more important volunteer activities, Joe is an active participant in the Men's Club helping cook, set up, take down, and prepare for many Bellavita events including the TEC, Belles, and New Year's Eve Committee. In his spare time, many would wonder when he has some; he enjoys hunting and his Saturday golf group. With Sue so involved in Bellavita also, as President of TEC, they seem to find some time for traveling. They are looking forward to traveling to Costa Rica with the Bellavita Travel group.

Joe has done an incredible job in all his volunteer efforts. Thank you Joe Biard for all your hard work. Please congratulate Joe on his outstanding contributions and recognition as Volunteer of the Quarter.

Sandra Bornstein, Awards Committee Chair



#### **Joseph's Warriors**

The BellaVita Sewing Group selected a very special project for the month of May – Joseph's Warriors! We were introduced to Joseph's Warriors through one of our members, Sandra Haydon. The project was started in memory of Sandra's grandson, Joseph. Joseph passed away from cancer when he was 8 years old.

Sandra and her daughter began making pillowcases for hospitalized children in his memory. Friends began to help. The sewing group members began to help as we could. Fabrics Etc. offered to donate the material required, and the project has continued to grow!

We dedicated this month to finish as many pillowcases and small quilts as possible. The bright colors and children's fabric will surely bring a smile to a child's face and knowing that others care about them will mean so much. The photo below shows sewing group members working on the pillowcases.





# Pearland Animal Shelter



The Belles will be sponsoring a collection for Pearland Animal Shelter during the month of May and June. Our BellaVita residents have always been very generous for this worthy cause and we hope this year will be no exception.

They especially need:	Also need:	
Kitten and Puppy food	Leashes	Towels
Dog and Cat food	Dog collars	Dog beds
The cheap non-clumping clay cat litter	Animal shampoo	Dog & Cat treats
The cheap non-clamping day car litter	Aluminum Food Bowls	Toys

There will be collection boxes by the front desk and a list of items that the Animal Shelter would really appreciate. The Animal Shelter may also have Bunnies, Birds and other species at any given time.

Monetary donations are also appreciated, please make checks payable to:

"The BellaVita Belles" and write Pearland Animal Shelter in the memo section of the check. At the end of the collection, the Belles will write a check for all of the monetary donations to the Animal Shelter. We will deliver all of the donations to the Animal Shelter in July.

We are also planning to have a photo competition that you can submit pictures of your pets, for a small fee. We will add the information for this in the next Newsletter.

We thank you for your participation and look forward to giving our local Animal Shelter a helping hand, as we have done for the past several years. Every donation is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact:

#### Genie Dunnage 281-481-3289 or Cindy Simmons 281-484-9900



## **ATTENTION**

**NO PETS** 



## INSIDE CLUBHOUSE OR POOL AREA

Thank You

# CHILDREN'S POOL HOURS



- All Holidays from 1-6pm
- Tuesday & Thursday 3 6 PM
- Children must have visitor wrist bands (see front desk)

- Saturday & Sunday 1 6p.m.
- Children in Diapers must wear swimming diapers

Please note: Floats are not permitted in the pool per BellaVita Rules and Regulations, Section15; L. However, flotation noodles are permitted. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED BY ADULT

## **Pool Rules**

- All BV Homeowners/Residents or other authorized user must observe pool signage of rules and hours of operations. Pool gates must remain locked always no propping open of the gate. Scheduled pool classes have priority during reserved times.
- No lifeguard on duty. SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK!
- Emergency phone is in the pool area over by the drinking fountain. When emergency phone is activated, its connects directly to 911 Emergency Operator
- Visitors and children using pool and/or pool area must be accompanied by a BV Homeowner/Resident using the pool and/or area. No more than 10 visitors per household unless approved from Clubhouse Manager. At least one adult per 3 children under the age of 12 is required.
- Showers are recommended before entering the pool.
- No glass items permitted in the pool or spa area. BV Homeowners/Residents and guest are required to clean up their area when finished.
- No diving, jumping, running or horse playing is permitted. No climbing, sitting or jumping from any water feature in the pool areas is allowed.
- All BV Homeowners/Residents or guest who do not follow the rules may be subject to loss of pool area privileges.
- If feces are found in the pool, any resident should. 1) Advise everyone in the pool that the water is contaminated, and the pool must be vacated. 2) Notify staff if available 3) If not available put closed sign on pool and call manager.
- Flotation devices are not permitted at anytime. Flotation noodles are acceptable.
- No reserving of chairs or lounges. One chair or lounge per person
- Proper bathing attire only. No cutoff or frayed attire permitted.
- During a thunderstorm the pool will be closed.
- No pets in pool or deck area.



#### HUSBANDS AND WIVES

Husband and I both have a cold. Only difference is I'm cleaning the kitchen and he's dying.

- Nobody is more full of hope than a wife who places items on the stairs for her husband to carry up.
- When a woman says "What?", it's not because she didn't hear you. She's giving her husband a chance to change what you said.
- Husbands are the best people to share secrets with. They never tell anyone because they weren't even listening.
- Marriage is just a fancy word for adopting an over grown man child who can't take care of himself.
- What's four inches long and drives a woman crazy? A freakin' empty toilet roll.
- The next time your wife gets angry, drape a towel over her shoulders like a cape and say, "Now you're Super angry". Maybe she'll laugh. Maybe you'll die.
- Unload the clean and then reload the dishwasher. Then take a pic of it. Then walk the dog and take a pic of it. Then send me both pictures and I'll tell you where the remote is for the TV. Love, Wifey
- Men at 26 play football; men at 40 play tennis; men at 60 play golf. Have you noticed that every time you get older the ball gets smaller?
- Of course women don't work as hard as men..... They get it right the first time.
- Arguing with a woman is like getting arrested. Everything you say can and will be use against you.
- My husband says he's going to have an epic cremation. He said "just before I die, I'm going to swallow bag of popcorn kernels.

#### **SNAKE SEASON**

It's Snake season again! For the next 4-6 weeks we will start seeing snakes out in the open, in our yards, along the lake and along the clubhouse creek. Why is this happening? The snakes are waking up from winter hibernation, entering into mating season, looking for food and are looking for warm spots to sun. As reptiles they do not have the ability to control their internal temperature so they like to lay on warm rocks or concrete. After about 4-6 weeks, the ambient temperature will begin staying at or above 70 degrees and they will no longer need to sit out in the open to warm themselves.

The majority of the snakes that we will encounter will be non-venomous banded water snakes. The most common and infrequent venomous snakes in BV are: 1) the slender, colorful banded coral snake (they like leaf liter), 2) the tan and brown copperhead (they also like leaf liter), and 3) the dark, chubby water moccasin (will be in areas close to water). Water snakes can look similar to the water moccasin, but a water snake will have a long, tapered tail and vertical stripes on its lower mouth; whereas, a water moccasin has a short stubby tail and no vertical stripes on its mouth. Looking at the shape of the head is the least reliable way to determine if a snake is venomous.

If snakes are in your yard, they are seeking food and/or warmth. They don't just wander around. They use heat sensors in the nasal area to identify food sources, such as mice, rats, baby bunnies, baby opossums, frogs and even birds from time to time. They will also seek out warm spots, such as concrete or porches.

The best way to keep snakes out of your yard is to remove all food sources or things that attract food sources, such as bird seed and dog poop. Spraying your yard or porch with a nontoxic snake repellent (available at Home Depot) can help because some snakes have a very sensitive sense of smell. The best way to get a snake to leave your yard is to spray it with your water hose. Remember you can put yourself at risk of being bitten if you reach in to kill the snake because you are putting yourself within striking range.

This photo shows a good comparison of the heads of a water snake VS a water moccasin (aka cottonmouth).



#### Rusticscapes Landscape Report

Bellavita Community April 2023

Irrigation Report

April Received: 29 Completed 29

Aprils Review

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FUNCTION	AP R
TURF GRASS	- N
30" Push Mowing/Edging/Line Trimming/Clean-up	4
TURF GRASS FERTILIZATION, INSECT & WEED CONTROL	
Round One plus pre-emergent	
Round Two plus insecticide	- 8
Round Three plus fungicide	
Fire Ant Control & and as needed	
Herbicide Hard Services	1
SHRUBS, BEDS, GROUNDCOVERS	
Hand Weeding	4
Shrub Pruning (Tip Pruning only)	1
BED FERTILICATION	
Fertilization	
SITE SUPERVISOR	4
MULCH	
Brown Hardwood	

Seasonal Color Installed in Common areas

Started trimming- due to weather will finish trimming in by mid May

May Forecast

Next round of Fertilizer will be applied this month (Will include an insecticide)

#### **HAND & FOOT**

We are forming a new group to play Hand & Foot on Tuesday evening at 6:30PM and again on Wednesday at 1PM. Hand & Foot is more fun when you have an even number of players.



If you have questions, please call Linda Mulholand at 713-309-5998.

## Memorial Day

## Word Search

**AMERICAN** 

**ANTHEM** 

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DECORATION

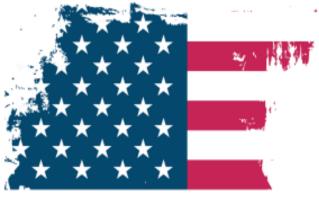
**FALLEN** 

**FLAGS** 

**FLOWERS** 

FREEDOM

GRAVE







HALF MAST

**HEROES** 

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**HONOR** 

MAY

MEMORIAL

**OBSERVANCE** 

**PATRIOTIC** 

REMEMBRANCE

SACRIFICE

SALUTE

SERVICE

SOLDIERS

TAPS

VETERANS

WAR

#### **Bridge Scores**

Tuesday, May 16,

#### North/South

1st Lee Molloy – Jim Combs 2nd Phyllis Chaney – Connie Harry

#### East/West

1st Nancy Hudson – Pam Halloran

2nd Carolyn Beeson – Gary Wood (Tie)

2nd David Dommert – Jean Foltz (Tie)

#### Thursday, May 18,

North/South

1st Linda Aaron – Connie Harry2nd Phyllis Chaney – Jean Foltz

#### East/West

1st Leonor Howton – Nancy Hudson

2nd Sandy Pollard – Joyce Wormser

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

Interested players may reserve a spot by calling Lyle



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 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.

### **Newsletter Information**

- Deadline for newsletter entries { articles is Monday at Noon, No Exceptions
- \* Please send entries & articles to Shannon and Carolina at Shannon.boogades@inframark.com & Carolina.garcia@inframark.com

Nature Reserve Walk in the Woods
Every Saturday

(weather permitting) at 9am

Meet at the Ameno Platform (no sign up required)

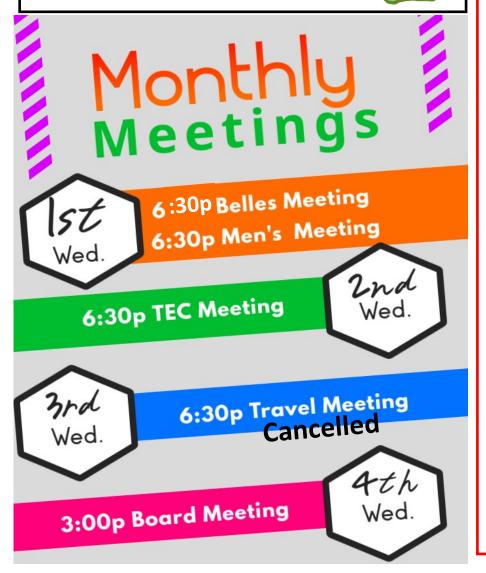
Wear walking boots/shoes (trails may be muddy)

Walking sticks are recommended as trails are uneven & rustic

Est walk time: 30 - 60 min

Questions: Call Cyndi Purtee @

713.594.5352



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 10 cents per sheet

- Long distance faxes -
- Sending local FaxesNO 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.

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



Mexican Train
Thursdays @ 6:30pm
in the Annex

#### 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.

Rummikub Fridays @ the Annex 1:00 PM Lots of fun! Good brain exercise! Come join us!

Walk Aerobics Thursdays and Saturday @ 10AM

#### **POKER**

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

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

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

Hands & Foot Tuesdays @ 6:30pm.
Please call Linda Mulholand
Must have partner



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

#### **DAY BUNCO**

Second Wednesday of every Month

At 12:45 @ the Clubhouse

\$5.00 to Play



Night Bunco is May 31st 2023 at 6:45p

Tuesdays at 1PM, FRIDAY AT 6:00 pm IN THE ANNEX.

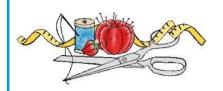
Singles and couples are welcome. There are no partners in

Shanghai. Please call Charlotte Goza 713-819-1881

to indicate your interest, and please let her know if you already know how to play.

Wednesday at 1pm in the annex





Sewing Group
Every Wednesday 1-3 pm
Join Us!
Sew - Crochet - Knit - Helping Hands





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Cable-Comcast-Transfer- 855-307-4896

Lawn Care—Rusticscapes - 832-620-6529

Street Light- Center point- 713-207-2222 Opt.5

Pearland Police Department Non Emergency-281-997-4100

Frontier- City of Pearland—281-652-1600

Stella Roberts-Recycle-281-489-2795

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