



September 27, 2022

281-464-3150

Tuesday-27

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

Wednesday-28

- 3p Board Mtg
- Mistletoe Market
- Set up

Thursday-29

- Mistletoe Market
- Set up

Friday-30

- Mistletoe Market
- Set up

Saturday-1

- Mistletoe Market

Sunday-2

Clubhouse Closed

Monday-3

- 8:30a Water Aerobics
- 11a Fitness
- 1p Shanghai
- 1p Poker
- 2p Cardio Line Dancing
- 6p Water Aerobics
- 7p Choir

Wristbands are on sale for \$3.00 until September 30th (Noon)
at the BellaVita front desk.

(Wristbands will be \$5.00 the day of the event)



Golf carts needed for Mistletoe Market

October 1, 2022



Golf Carts needed to transport people from their cars to entrance from 8am-4pm

We will have two hour shifts

Contact Janet Del Sardo at 281-795-0435

Bar-B-Q Sale

Mistletoe Market

SATURDAY, October 1st
11:30am to 2:00pm

Brisket Sandwich
Chips
Drink
Cookie

\$12.00

Sponsored by the Men's Club

The Wildflowers of Texas Are Blooming!

Here's your chance to bring these beautiful flowers into your home!

This special quilt will be raffled off to one lucky winner at the upcoming BellaVita Christmas Bazaar! The quilt was a team effort! It was pieced by Norma Barton, machine quilted by Marcia Brenner, and bound and labeled by Joan Cummings and Ronnie Stimson!



Raffle tickets will be available at the Mistletoe Market in October and at many of the upcoming BellaVita club activities, such as the Belles, TEC, and Veterans club meetings.

Ticket prices are as follows: 12 tickets for \$10.00, 6 tickets for \$5.00, and single tickets for \$1.00!

Funds raised through the raffle support our yearly activities, such as Quilts of Valor for our veterans, stuffed animals for children in the local hospitals, etc.!

Can't win without a ticket – you very well might win!

Treasure Box Pre-Sale

**A big thank you to all residents who have contributed to the Treasure Box!
(Benefiting the Military Moms and Wives of Brazoria County/Our Troops and Veterans)
We have closed our garages to donations.**

Now it is time to visit the Pre-sale for all those "Treasures" your neighbors contributed. We always have a bunch of residents capturing rare finds! Many find Christmas gifts, decorations and gift exchange items for friends and neighbors. Jewelry, purses, home décor, kitchen and garden décor are also prevalent. We also have some men's and children's "stuff."

In order to get "First Dibs" on all the goodies and avoid the rush of the crowd, come on down to the Pre-Sale:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30,

10:30 – 12:30

Thank You!

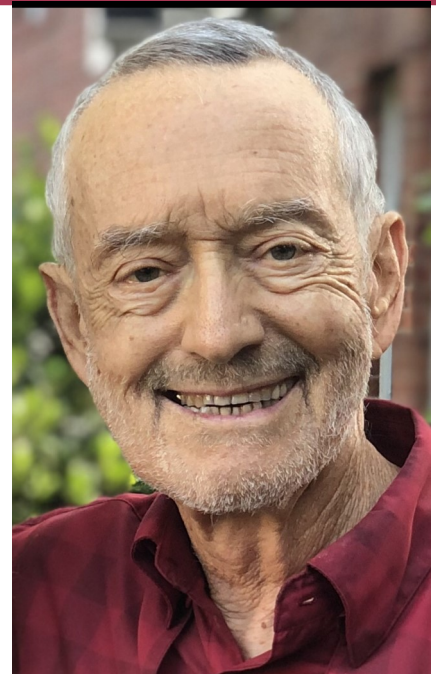
Celebration of Life for Lawrence A. Baker

October 10, 2022

12:30pm—2:30pm

In the BellaVita Ballroom

Please make sure to sign up at the front
desk by October 6th.



Lawrence “Lonny” Baker, 78, of Pearland, passed away on September 21st, 2022, of leukemia.

Lonny was born in New York City on July 31st, 1944. He graduated from Brooklyn Technical High School and continued on to receive Bachelor’s and Master's degrees in Mechanical Engineering from Pratt Institute.

Lonny was happily married to Phyllis Baker for 55 years. They met at a fraternity party, later married, and raised a loving family in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and Tampa Bay, Florida. They eventually moved to Pearland, Texas in order to be closer to family.

Lonny had a fruitful career as a licensed Professional Engineer, working for over 37 years. In retirement, he enjoyed sailing, traveling, doting upon his beloved grandchildren, and bragging about his children. Among many other adventures, he helmed his yacht from Florida to Grenada, just North of Venezuela, a trip of four months each way.

Lonny is survived by his wife, Phyllis, his grandchildren, Heather Touby, Jack Touby, Zachary Baker and Max Baker, his brother, Robert Baker, and his daughter, Keri Touby and her husband, Mark Touby, his son Adam Baker and his wife Honorable Judge Jennifer Baker. Lonny is preceded in death by his mother, Lillian Baker, his father Abraham Baker, and his brother, Norman Baker.

May his memory be a blessing.



Neighborhood Night Out



**October
4th**

**6:30PM
-
8:30PM**



Sponsored by the HOA and Men's Club
BellaVita parking lot for some
Grilled Hamburgers and fixin's with
water or soda

Reminder
Bring your own tables, chairs, and snacks

**Live Music
Claudia & Steve**



GETAWAY TRIP

It's time to GetAway!

Wednesday, October 12th at 9am the bus will be leaving BellaVita.

We will be taking a tour of the **Houston TranStar Building**.

The cost is \$20 which includes everything except lunch.

Patsy Womack will sign you up Friday, October 7th at 10am in the Clubhouse.

This was recommended as a very interesting place to tour.

Lunch will be at El Tiempo Cantina on Washington Avenue.

Come along and enjoy visiting with your friends and maybe meet someone that is new to the neighborhood.



What We Do

Houston TranStar is a unique partnership of representatives from the City of Houston, Harris County, METRO and TxDOT who share resources and exchange information under one roof to keep motorists informed, roadways clear and lives safe in the fourth most populated city in the United States.

Established in 1993, the Houston TranStar brand is globally recognized for managing southeast Texas' transportation system and functioning as the primary coordination site for state, county and local agencies when responding to incidents and emergencies.

We mitigate congestion on area roadways using cutting-edge technologies, assist and consult neighboring jurisdictions with traffic management services and offer guidance to various agencies throughout the country, as well as to delegations across the globe, on important transportation and emergency management topics.

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

October 15, 2022

8AM - 1PM



Last day to purchase
a permit at the
Clubhouse will be
October 11 at 3pm

MUST HAVE A PERMIT

MAY PURCHASE PERMIT AT CITY OF PEARLAND OR BELLAVITA
CLUBHOUSE

\$20

ONLY ONE SIGN MAY BE PLACED IN HOMEOWNER YARD

ADDITIONAL SIGNS MAY BE PLACED OUTSIDE OF BELLAVITA

A stylized orange pumpkin face with white cutouts for eyes, a nose, and a smiling mouth. The text is centered within the white areas.

HALLOWEEN DANCE

Sponsored by TEC

SATURDAY | 29 OCT | 6:30 TO 10PM

Cost is \$15.00 per person

BRING A SNACK OR HORS D'OEUVRE TO SHARE WITH YOUR TABLE!



BYOB - WINE AND SOFT DRINKS PROVIDED

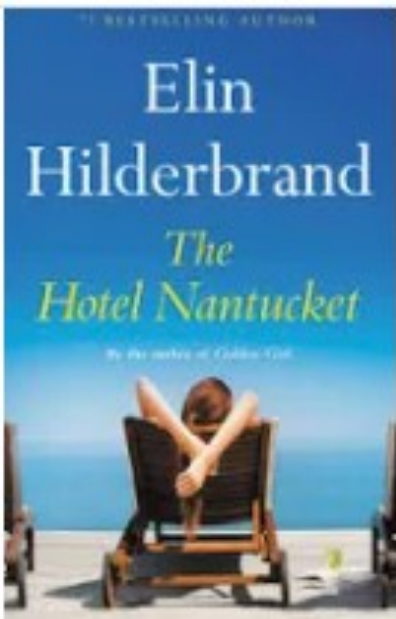


LISTEN TO THE MUSIC OF THE 60'S AND 70'S BY THE GREEN BROTHERS BAND



MONEY PRIZES FOR THE BEST ORIGINAL, SCARIEST, AND GROUP COSTUME

BE THERE OR BE "SCARED"



The Book Club will meet Thursday, October 13, to discuss *The Hotel Nantucket* by Elin Hilderbrand. This New York Times bestseller has been a summer hit and has mystery, romance and great atmosphere. It tells how a hotel built in the Gilded Age is brought back to life. Better yet, the hardcover is on sale for half price right now on Amazon. Join us in the Annex at 1:00 pm for a lively discussion.

Gerry Bartlett
713-408-0984

Sponsored by:
The Belles Club



CHANGE THE DATE FOR THE BELLAVITA 2022 CANCER WALK

WALK WILL BE IN MEMORY OF JOHN RODRIGUEZ



SAT, NOVEMBER 12, 2022

FOR QUESTIONS AND/OR TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE ON THIS COMMITTEE,
PLEASE CONTACT:

**Jackie Robbins; phone: 630-888-8859; email Jackro49@aol.com
or
Debbie Dornaus; phone 309-256-4355; email Ddornaus@yahoo.com**

Preparedness Checklist:

- **Make An Evacuation Plan**

Find activated evacuation routes here:

Drivetexas.org

or by calling (800-452-9292) Call 211 to find out if you live In an evacuation zone.



Sign Up For Emergency Alerts:

- Make sure your device is enabled to receive Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA's)

Prepare An Emergency Supply Kit:

- Learn how to build an emergency kit here www.ready.gov/build-a-kit

- **Review Your Home Insurance Policy:**

Register with State Of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry @

Steer.tdem.texas.gov or by dialing **211** if you live in an evacuation zone and

- Have a disability or medical needs and do not have a car to use in an evacuation
- Have a disability or medical needs and do not have friends or family to help in an evacuation.

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, it connects directly to 911 Emergency Operator
- Visitors and children using pool and/or pool area must have wristbands—before entering. They 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.

Children's Pool Hours

Tuesday & Thursday 3-6pm
Saturday & Sunday 1-6pm

Children in diapers must wear swimming diapers

Please note: Floats are not permitted in the pool per BellaVita Rules and Regulations, Section 15: L. However, flotation noodles are permitted.

CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED BY BV RESIDENT
CHILDRENS HOURS MUST BE FOLLOWED



Q3 2022 Volunteer of the Quarter,

Larry Alvarez

The Awards Committee would like to announce **Q3 2022 Volunteer of the Quarter, Larry Alvarez**. The Volunteer of the Quarter is a program to publicly recognize the efforts of an individual for BV community service.

Larry and Carolyn moved to BellaVita in 2005. Larry is a native Houstonian. He and Carolyn raised their three sons in Pearland and are now the proud grandparents of 5 precious grandchildren. Larry is still working and employed at Siemens Energy.

While working full time, Larry has volunteered with the BellaVita TEC and Men's Club. His most notable volunteer efforts have been his first love of the development of the Harry Reed Audubon Trail in the BellaVita nature reserve. Before the reserve was dedicated to BellaVita, Larry was down there blazing the trail using only hand tools in 2008 after hurricane IKE. When someone would ask who was doing that work, his answer was "it must be Tom Sawyer". Also, Larry would reply when asked what was his interest in developing trails for everyone to enjoy? "I'm just an outdoorsy kind of guy." Since then, fallen trees have been removed and bridges built and maintained with Larry and a group of nature preserve lovers. After Larry's efforts, the group joined the HOA Grounds Committee. Then due to so much interest, the HOA Nature Reserve Committee was a spin off. Then Larry served as chairman for several years. Now he continues to serve on the Nature Reserve Committee.

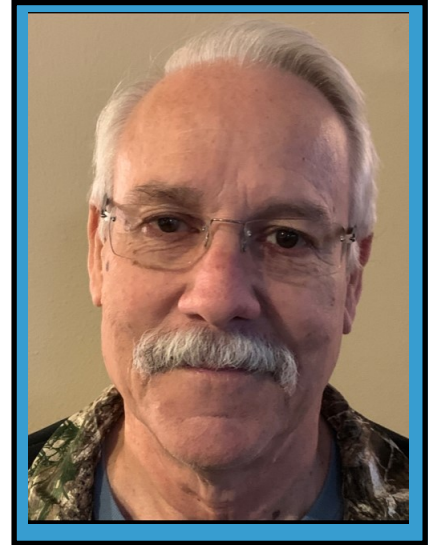
If you are wondering who is behind the camera in the nature reserve, it is Larry. He is the producer, director, cameraman, etc. who shares all the pictures on the fb Grapevine as well as photos posted in the clubhouse for everyone to enjoy. All residents are amazed at the wildlife that lives right in our neighborhood. Larry has had 8 cameras stolen from the nature preserve but he persistently purchases another so that the community can continue to view our nature reserve critters/characters in action. He even has one camera in the duck box.

As well as Larry keeping an eye on our wildlife residents, he keeps an eye out for helping BV residents. Larry is generous with his time and efforts. He has a portable air conditioning unit that he lends out if someone is having A/C problems. He makes sure neighbors are taken care of during storms like Harvey or hot summer power outages. As a recipient of Larry's generosity, he helped my nephew after Harvey and when my dog got sprayed by a skunk!

Most recently, Larry came to the aid of BV residents and their family due to a sad life event. At a BV event, Larry bought \$200 of raffle tickets. It was a 50/50 split. The TEC announced that they were donating the club portion to the family. When Larry won the participant portion over \$500, Larry chose to donate his part to the family also. Larry and Carolyn are so caring and generous. When Larry is not working or maintaining the nature reserve, Larry's favorite thing to do is spending time with his family.

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

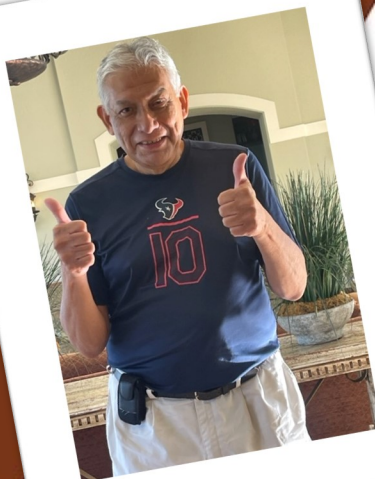
Sandra Bornstein, Awards Committee Chair



thank you!

FOOTBALL FRIDAY

Wear your football gear on Friday (High school, College, Nfl) and come see staff for a picture, or you can send your picture to Carolina.garcia@inframark.com to be placed on the wall.



Shopping Word Search

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pay

purchase

retail outlet

retailer

sales

shop assistant

shopping mall

spend

till

trolley

window shopping

FASCINATING FACTS #1



What popular expensive seafood was once the food for feeding the poor? Lobster. During the 18th century, lobsters were so plentiful that they were used as fertilizer and for feeding the poor.

What is Mako? Swordfish meat. The mako shark has the best tasting meat.

What is Mississippi's largest industry? Catfish: not cotton as you might think.

What is the world's favorite meat? Chicken. The modern chicken was domesticated over 4,000 years ago in S.E. Asia. The US broiler industry alone raises 5.9 Billion chickens a year.

Why do chickens have dark meat in their legs? Domestic turkeys don't fly much but their leg muscles get a pretty good workout.

What is a capon? A mail rooster that's been castrated when young making them full breasted, meaty and tender

Why is a frankfurter called a "hot dog"? Because it resembled a dachshund. Early 20th century vendors at the Polo Grounds would yell "get your red-hot dachshund sausages". It was soon changed to "hot dog".

Why do dairy cows give birth at least once per year? Unless they do so, they will not produce milk.

What is Spam? 100% pork and ham with no fillers. Hawaii is #1 consumer of spam. It is a delicacy in S. Korea. Nikita Krushchev once said, "Without Spam, we wouldn't have been able to feed our army."

What is the difference between lamb and mutton? Spring lamb is slaughtered at 6 months, lamb between 6 and 9 months, yearling lamb between 9 and 24 months and mutton when over 24 months. Very little mutton is eaten in the US.

How would you classify Peas, beans, squash, eggplant and tomatoes as fruits or vegetables? All fruits. Fruits are the sexually produced seed bearing ovary of a flowering plant.

Did you know tomatoes were once considered poisonous here in America? In 1820, one brave American publicly ate a tomato on the courtyard steps in Salem, N.J. disproving that belief. It is a fact that the tomato's leaves and stems are actually poisonous.

WHAT IS THE BELLA VITA LIBRARY ???

Possibly, **not** what you are thinking. **Read on.**

- It is **NOT** a “membership” thing. If you live in Bella Vita, you are **free to use it . . . for free**. It is open any time that the Clubhouse is open. (Until after DARK, when the Annex building - where it is located - is closed)
- You do **NOT** have to “join”. If you live in Bella Vita, the BV Library is yours to enjoy as you like.
- There is **NO** “check out and back in” procedure. It’s all honor system. You TAKE whatever you want, and you RETURN things whenever you wish.

So . . . What kind of **books** are there?

Fiction - hard-back and paperbacks, **Biographies**, **History** – World, US, State , **Inspirational**, **Gardening**, **Pets** and **lots more . .**

But . . . It’s also **not just books**.

There are **MOVIES** and **MUSIC** and current **MAGAZINES** and **JIG SAW PUZZLES** and **MORE!**

And you’ll find (GRAND) **CHILDRENS things**, too!

So . . . **Come and check it out.**

You’ll be glad that you did.

Then, come again. Because there is something new at **YOUR Bella Vita Library almost every day!**

Oh! You have something to DONATE? SURE! Bring it on down.
If it can’t be used in the Bella Vita Library, it can be sold and the proceeds used for more books and things for your Bella Vita Library!
THANKS!

Looking for Canasta players...



Don’t know how to play don’t worry we will teach you... Any question contact Ann Valdez
Play starts at 1:00pm on Wednesday in the Annex



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.



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

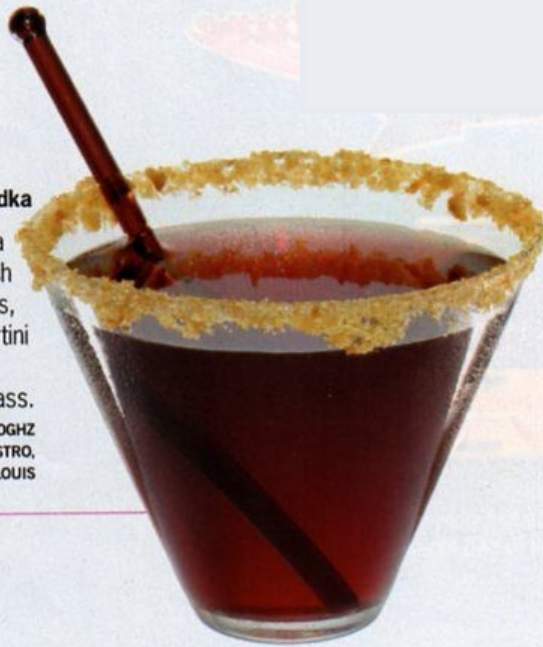
Drink of the week

Goober

1¼ oz. Chambord
1¼ oz. Frangelico
½ oz. Skyy grape vodka

Shake everything in a shaker with ice. Crush peanut-butter cookies, and rim a chilled martini glass with crumbs. Strain liquid into a glass.

SOURCE: VAN GOGHZ
MARTINI BAR AND BISTRO,
SAINT LOUIS



BRIDGE

Tuesday, September 20,

North/South

1st Carol Dyson – Mary Ellen Henry

2nd Jean Foltz – David Dommert

East/West

1st Linda Aaron – Bill Harry

2nd Connie Harry – Helen Franklin

Thursday, September 22,

North/South

1st Joyce Wormser – Joyce Garner

2nd Bill Harry – Lyle Ganucheau

East/West

1st Connie Harry – Theresa Devereaux

2nd Claire Zimmerman – Jean Foltz

Duplicate Bridge is played on and Thursdays afternoons. Players may sign up by calling Lyle Ganucheau in advance.

Party Bridge has been Cancelled.



PEARLAND, TX Q

Tue 9/27 Sunny 90° | 62° 0%

Wed 9/28 Sunny 89° | 61° 0%

Thu 9/29 Sunny 87° | 59° 0%

Weather

Fri 9/30 Sunny 88° | 60° 0%

Sat 10/1 Sunny 89° | 62° 0%

Sun 10/2 Sunny 90° | 64° 0%

Mon 10/3 Sunny 89° | 66° 0%



Business Hours

MONDAY	11AM to 10PM
TUESDAY	10AM to 10PM
WEDNESDAY	10AM to 10PM
THURSDAY	10AM to 10PM
FRIDAY	10AM to 10PM
SATURDAY	10AM to 6PM
SUNDAY	CLOSED

Telephone: 281-464-3150
 Fax: 1-281-464-3630

Monthly Meetings

1st
Wed.

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

2nd
Wed.

6:30p TEC Meeting

4th
Wed.

3:00p Board Meeting

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.



**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®



**Thursday @
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!

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.

**Walking Aerobics
Thursdays and Saturday
@ 10AM**



**Art Group is 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
October 26, 2022
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**



Monday, Wednesday & Friday @ 8:30am

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday @ 6pm





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281-997-4100