

OCTOBER 31, 2023

Tuesday-31

- 10a Bible Study
- 11a Chair Exercise
- 1p Duplicate Bridge
- 1p Shanghai
- 6p Poker Night
- 6:30p Hand & Foot

Wednesday-1

- 10a Fitness
- 1p Sewing Group
- 1p Canasta
- 1p Hand & Foot
- 3p Board Mtg
- 6:45p Bunco

Thursday-2

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

Friday-3

- 10a Fitness
- 1p Halloween Set Up
- 1p Rummikub
- 2p Art Group
- 6:30p Shanghai

Saturday-4

- 630p FISH FRY

Sunday-5

Clubhouse Closed

Monday-6

- 11a Fitness
- 1p Poker
- 1p Shanghai
- 7p Choir Practice



MISTLETOE MARKET

APPRECIATION

LUNCHEON

Friday, Nov. 3rd

12:00 pm

(doors open @ 11:30)

**Bella Vita
ballroom**



The Book Club

*The Book Club selection for November is
The Reading List by Sara Nisha Adams.*

*Join us for a discussion of this
heartwarming tale set in London when we
meet at the Annex on Thursday,
November 9, at 1:00 pm. New members
and visitors are always welcome!*



JOURNEY TO JOY

BELLAVITA WIDOW'S GROUP

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH AT NOON WE WILL BEGIN THE HOLIDAY
SEASON AT GOLFCREST COUNTRY CLUB.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO RSVP.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL MARJORIE
AT 832-640-6587.

WE WILL HOLD BEFORE OURSELVES THE PROMISE OF A RENEWED
AND JOYFUL LIFE.

A cartoon illustration of a yellow fish wearing a purple chef's hat and a red scarf. The fish is holding a silver knife in its right hand and a silver fork in its left hand. The fish has large, expressive eyes and a friendly smile. The background is a light yellow with a row of yellow circles at the top.

FISH FRY

PRESENTED BY THE MENS CLUB

A red oval sign with the word "MENU" in white, outlined in red, and a red border with white dots.

MENU

***FRIED CATFISH
WITH
FRENCH FRIES,
HOMEMADE
COLESLAW
AND
BEVERAGE.***




Great food!

Saturday, November

4th at 6:30pm.

**Tickets available at the
Clubhouse until November 3rd**

@ 6pm.

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**TICKETS
\$15.00**



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ANNUAL VETERANS DINNER

SPONSORED BY THE MENS CLUB

LIVE MUSIC BY TRACI COOPER

NOVEMBER 10TH

AT 6:30PM

**VETERANS AND SPOUSES, WIDOWS OF
VETERANS, AND MEMBERS OF THE FLAG
TEAMS ARE INVITED.**

**SIGN UP AVAILABLE AT THE
CLUBHOUSE.**

2023 BellaVita Cancer Walk

NOVEMBER 11, 2023 @ 9 A.M.

Support the Fighters

Walk with us or cheer for those who are walking!

To fight Brain Cancer

Honor the Taken

Remember Larry Lee Robbins

Our neighbor, Friend and Loved one.

Admire the Survivors

If you plan to participate, please pick up a Walker Registration Form or a Walker Sponsorship Form at the front desk.

All Donations should be made to MD Anderson

Join us as we work to conquer cancer



Wince King



November 18

7 – 10 pm

1st hr – Vegas Review

2nd hr - Elvis

50's/60's dress optional

**Famous Graceland
delicacies**

Elvis Trivia

50/50 split the pot

TEC & Men's Club EVENT

Tickets: \$20 available @ front desk

residents: 10/23 – 11/11

Non-residents: 11/13 – 11/17

Houston Zoo Lights



Join us for an exciting evening at the Houston Zoo!

NOVEMBER 21ST

We'll be departing from BellaVita at 4 pm and stopping by Cleburne Cafeteria to grab a bite to eat. Afterward, we'll be heading to the Zoo to enjoy the spectacular display of colorful lights and festive holiday music.

Sign up for this event will be at the clubhouse on October 31st @ 10am.

Please contact Patsy Womack at 281-744-0830 if you are unable to make it to sign up .

\$30.00/per person

Don't miss out on this fun-filled night!

(Please note that the food cost is not included in the ticket price, and individuals will be responsible for any purchases made at Cleburne Cafeteria.)

Travel Group News



Have you seen our display rack in the Bella Vita Library? Check it out. Extra handouts and brochures from the meeting are there. And thank you Mickey Kinzer and library volunteers for allowing us to share space.

Now Booking:

PARIS EXPLORE - Sept 1-8, 2024. See the BV TRAVEL GROUP FB page for the brochure. Call Mary Anne at 832-202-8002 to sign up or for more information. [Paris Explorer Tour 2023 | Flexible Bookings | Trafalgar](#)

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, October 11, 2024. Brochures are in the library rack.
Call Mickey McDaniel Phone: (281) 489-1905 for more information.

Next Trip:

Natchitoches Road Trip Dec 8-10, 2023. All are welcome! We are carpooling and making hotel arrangements on our own. We will meet in the lobby of Chateau St Denis to attend the evening activities. Most of us are staying at the Chateau St. Denis, 751 2nd St, Natchitoches, LA...in the middle of festivities downtown.

You can also book online at [Hotels.com](#) - [Deals & Discounts for Hotel Reservations from Luxury Hotels to Budget Accommodations](#) Airbnb, B & Bs, VRBO, etc. are options too.

Here is a list (with links) of our itinerary.

- A. Go to this festival link and look near top for "Tickets" and click to purchase the armband online for the Riverbank festivities on Saturday, 9th. <https://www.natchitocheschristmas.com/>
- B. Look to top for "Schedule" to see the times for the home tours of your choice and click on that link for details of the homes to decide what tour(s) you like.
- C. After clicking the home tour link or going After clicking the home tour link or going to <https://natchitocheshf.com/shop>. Tours 5-8 pm on Friday, Dec 8 and on Saturday, Dec 9 at 9-12 and 1-4 pm.

Friday Dec 8:

Nothing is scheduled until the home tour option from 5-8. It is Gospel Night on the Riverbank Stage beginning at 6:00 pm so this will be a good morning for our road trip to arrive there for lunch and have free time for afternoon shopping and browsing.

Saturday Dec 9th:

10 AM throughout the day is Holiday Kids Fest on the Downtown Riverbank.

- A home Tour can be done from 1-4 if desired
- 4:30 Mike McKenzie Band at the Riverbank Stage
 - 5:00 is the Lighted Boat Parade
 - 7:00 Fireworks over Cane River Lake
- 7:15 Rockin' Doopsie music at the Riverbank Stage|

Sunday Dec 10:

check out of hotel and some plan to visit the Melrose Plantation Estate which is 15 minutes from town, [Melrose on the Cane](#)

Their tour times are at 10:15, 11:30, and 12:45. Their last tour is at 2:00 pm. The cost for seniors is \$13 and it takes about 45 minutes and begins in the gift shop (Bindery). They don't mention buying online or in advance, but I suggest calling them at 318-379-0055 to let them know when you plan to go. This does not need to be a group reservation-can be scheduled by each car group.

BV Point of Contact: Leslie Von Bergen 903-891-0990

BellaVita Residents

JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER...

Please remember to review the community Rules and Regulations thoroughly.

- Golf Carts or any other motorized vehicles are not to be driven on the walkway around the lake. The only exceptions to this are the cart installing or picking up flags, the Clubhouse maintenance cart, during sanctioned BellaVita events, and elder assistance scooters.
- No Vehicles are permitted in the reserve (motorized or otherwise) including but not limited to golf carts, bicycles, and/or motor bikes.

Your cooperation in maintaining a safe environment for everyone here at BellaVita is greatly appreciated. Thank you!



RUSTICSCAPES UPDATE

Will fertilize all of “Monday’s” houses on Monday and the rest of the neighborhood will be fertilized Thursday to accommodate watering schedules set by the City of Pearland.





Holiday TableScapes

Hosted by the Belles

Please mark your calendars for December 9th at 4 pm, as we invite you to join us in appreciating the beautiful holiday table displays created by your fellow Bella Vita residents.


If you're interested in showcasing your own creative flair, please contact Carolyn Alvarez at 281-543-1865 or Bonnie Billick at 281-650-6589.

This festive event is open to all Bella Vita family and friends! Mark your calendars now and don't miss out on the fun!



December 9th @ 4pm — 6pm

Tickets available at the Clubhouse
starting Nov 20th \$5.00.

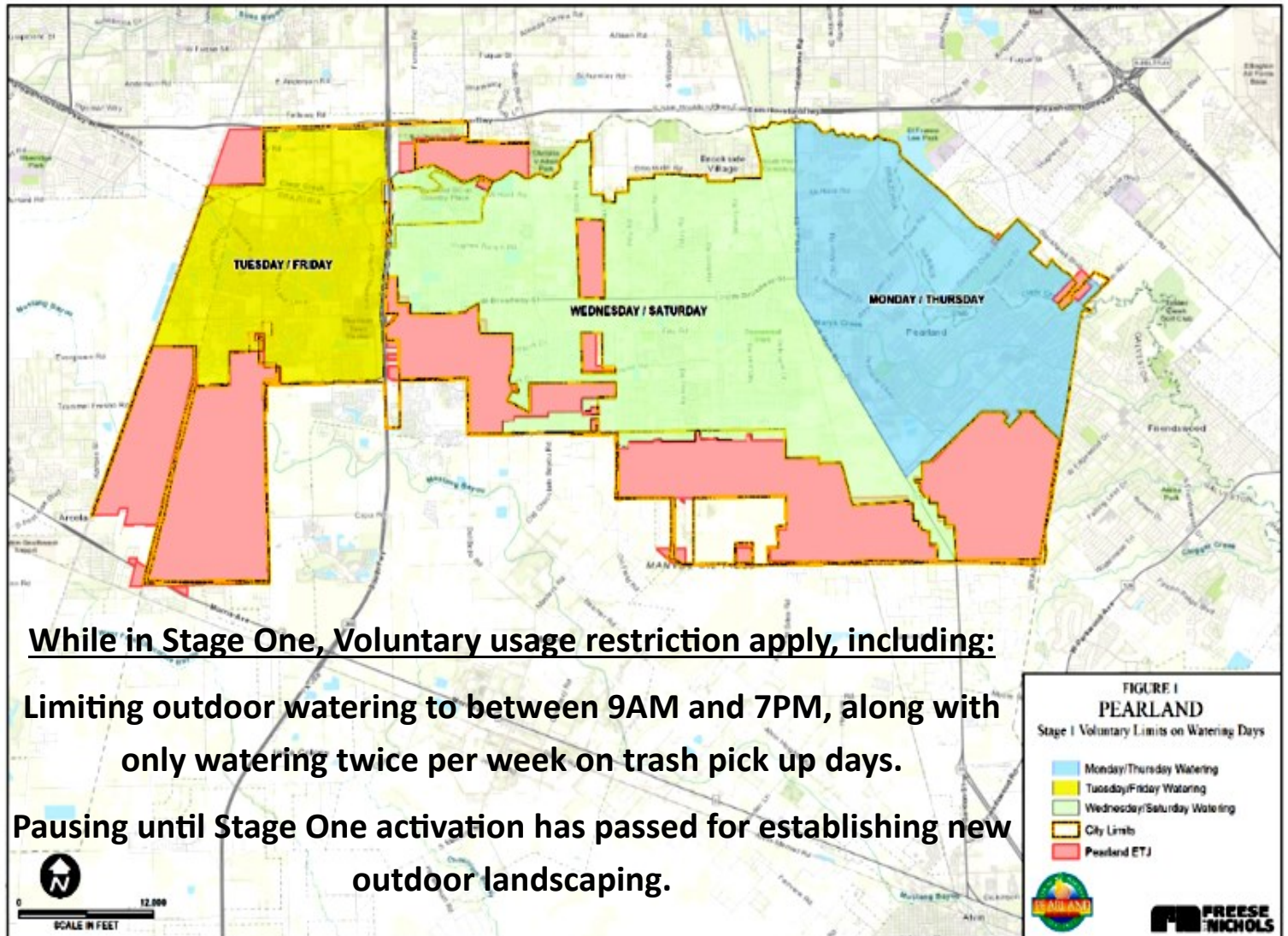




CITY OF PEARLAND REVERTING TO STAGE ONE OF DROUGHT PLAN

DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN

Stage 1 separates Pearland and its unincorporated ETJ into three sections that align closely with trash collection to provide recommendations for watering schedules:



Stage 1 drought restrictions are voluntary (but no less important to adhere to) restrictions which include the following:

- Residential and non-residential water customers are requested to voluntarily limit outdoor watering between 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM and instead implement watering overnight. Moreover, voluntarily limit irrigating to twice per week on the days that align with Pearland customers' trash service days.
- Excessive pooling and/or run-off from foundation watering is discouraged and is requested to not be allowed to run off property and form a stream of water in a street for 50 feet or greater, or pool in a street or parking lot to a depth greater than one-quarter of an inch.
- Water customers are requested to practice water conservation and to minimize or discontinue non-essential water use.

HALLOWEEN JOKES



Did you hear about the cannibal who was expelled from school? He was buttering up his teacher.

Did you hear about the guy that lost his left arm and leg in a car crash? He's all right now.

Have you seen Quasimodo? I have a hunch he's back!

How can you tell that a vampire likes baseball? He turns into a bat every night.

How can you tell when a vampire has been in a bakery? All the jelly has been sucked out of the jelly doughnuts.

How does a girl vampire flirt? She bats her eyes.

What did the cannibal do when he saw an "All you can eat" restaurant? He had two waiters and a busboy.

What did the little ghost have in his rock collection? Tombstones.

What did the mother ghost say to the baby ghost? "Don't spook until you're spooked to."

What did the skeleton say to the bartender? I'd like a beer and a mop!

What did the skeleton say while riding his Harley? I'm bone to be wild.

What do baby ghosts wear on their feet? Boo-ties

What do ghosts and goblins drink on Halloween? Ghoul-aid.

What do ghosts put on top of an ice cream sundae? Whipped scream.

What do little ghosts drink? Evaporated milk.

What do witches put on their hair? Scare spray.

What do you call a little monster's parents? Mummy and deady.

What do you call a monster with no neck? The Lost Neck Monster.

What do you call a roomful of ghosts? A bunch of boo-boos.

What do you call a witch who lives at the beach? A sand witch.

What do you call dead cows that come back to life? Zombeef.

What do you do with a green monster? Wait until it ripens.

What do you get when you cross a black cat with a lemon. A sour-puss.

What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire? Frostbite.

What do you get when you cross Bambi with a ghost? Bamboo.

What does a skeleton orders at a restaurant? Spare ribs.

What do you get when you divide the circumference of a pumpkin by its radius? Pumpkin pi.

What do you give a skeleton for Valentine's Day? Bone-bones in a heart shaped box.

What game do ghost like to play? Peek-a-Boo.

What happens when a ghost gets lost in the fog? He is mist.

What instrument do skeletons play? Trom-BONE.

What is a ghost's favorite desert? Iced Screams.

What is a ghost's favorite oatmeal? SCREAM of Wheat.

What is a vampire's favorite holiday? Fangsgiving.

What is a witch's favorite subject in school? Spelling.

What is Beethoven doing in his coffin right now? Decomposing.

What is Dracula's favorite kind of dog? A blood hound.

What is the tallest building in Transylvania? The Vampire State Building.

What kind of key opens a casket? A skeleton key

HALLOWEEN TV & MOVIES

B U F F Y F R A N K E N W E E N I E F W
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E L G B C N I S R E T S N O M W P G F H
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WORD LIST

ADDAMS FAMILY
BEETLEJUICE
BLACK CAULDRON
BOXTROLLS
BUFFY
CARRIE
CASPER
COCO

CORALINE
CORPSE BRIDE
EDWARD SCISSORHANDS
FRANKENWEENIE
GHOSTBUSTERS
GOOSEBUMPS
GREMLINS
HALLOWEEN

HAUNTED MANSION
HOCUS POCUS
HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA
LITTLE VAMPIRE
MONSTER HOUSE
MONSTERS INC
MUNSTERS

PARANORMAN
SCOOBY DOO
SCREAM
SLEEPY HOLLOW
SPOOKY BUDDIES
STRANGER THINGS
THE WITCHES

Homemade



Ronnie Westfahl

The Awards Committee would like to announce
Q3 2023 Volunteer of the Quarter, Ronnie Westfahl.

The Volunteer of the Quarter is a program to publicly recognize the efforts of an individual for BV community service. Ronnie and Mary Westfahl moved to Bellavita in 2005, after learning about this wonderful retirement community on Scarsdale. He is a native Texan, born and raised in El Campo on a farm. When he wasn't at football practice, he learned to pick cotton and work the fields. This is where he learned a strong work ethic. He and Mary have been married for 51 yrs. Their family includes 2 sons, daughter in law and 3 precious grandchildren. Ronnie plays a very active role in all their lives. Ronnie finished his 40+ years career with the US Postal Service in 2018. This is when he began to start enjoying the amenities our neighborhood offers, as well as giving of his time as an active volunteer.

Ronnie is an active participant in the Men's Club. He assists with cooking, set up, take down and prepare for many BellaVita events including Belles and TEC. Also, he is a member of Flag Team 2 checking condition/installing/retrieving flags for the flag program that everyone looks forward to seeing each national holiday. Ronnie assists Joe Biard with the reoccurring door refinishing program (every 2yrs) that enhances the look of our homes. They contact the home owners, many of whom are not even aware that the door refinishing program is part of the services offered by Bellavita. As well as the door refinishing program, each year in April, Ronnie oversees the reoccurring house painting program. This is not an easy task. Even though the homes are painted every 9 yrs., seventy houses are painted each year to ensure our community stays in pristine condition. When contacting the home owners, Ronnie points out other items on the exterior of their homes that are in need of repair. By overseeing our homes up close, Ronnie makes sure our homes are kept in good condition. He is always willing to help others.

Ronnie finds time to enjoy life in between all his Bellavita important volunteer jobs. He has found time for a new love, playing pool at the Clubhouse with his buddies several times a week. He loves the friendly competition. As well as playing pool, he bowls with his church group and is active in his Bible Study class called Plugged In. Mary and he have a love of gardening that they share. A large part of their free time is spent in making their yard (front and back) one of the most beautiful in Bellavita.

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

Sandra Bornstein, Awards Committee Chair

CHILDREN'S POOL HOURS



All



Holidays from 1-6pm



Tuesday & Thursday 3 - 6 PM



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, Section 15; L. However, flotation noodles are permitted. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED BY ADULT

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

Tuesday, October 24,

1st Theresa Devereux – Pam Halloran

2nd Sandy Pollard – Ann Sharp

East/West

1st Nancy Hudson _ Helen Fargo

2nd Nina Martin – Connie Harry

Thursday October 26,

North/South

1st Connie Harry – Theresa Devereux

2nd Gail McCullah – David Dommert

East/West

1st Bill Harry – Lyle Ganucheau

2nd Mary Ellen Heny – Gary Wood



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 September 15th and get on the schedule. 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 Crystal and Elizabeth at Elizabeth.huerta@inframark.com and Crystal.koster@inframark.com**



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

Library Hours

Library will open at the same time the Clubhouse opens and will close at dusk. Annex will remain open when meetings and activities are schedule.

BellaVita Front Desk will provide the following Fax, Notary and Copy services for home owners. 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 -
- 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 provide by the requester.

Monthly Meetings

1st
Wed.

4:30p Belles Meeting
6:30p Men's Meeting

2nd
Wed.

6:30p TEC Meeting

3rd
Wed.

No meetings in Nov. or Dec.
TBA 2024

4th
Wed.

3:00p Board Meeting

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



**Cardio Line Dancing
Saturday @ 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



Book Groups



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



Hand & Foot
Tuesdays @ 6:30pm
Wednesdays @ 1pm
Please call Linda Mulholand



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

DAY BUNCO

Second Wednesday of every Month

At 12:45 @ the Clubhouse

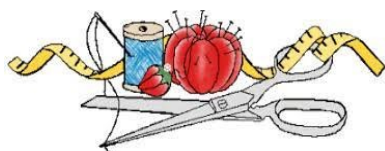
\$5.00 to Play



Night Bunco is
October 25, 2023
at 6:45p in the
Clubhouse

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.

**Need Canasta
Players**
Wednesday at
1pm
in the annex



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





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