Tuesday-21

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Ip Canasta

Thursday-23

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Thanksgiving

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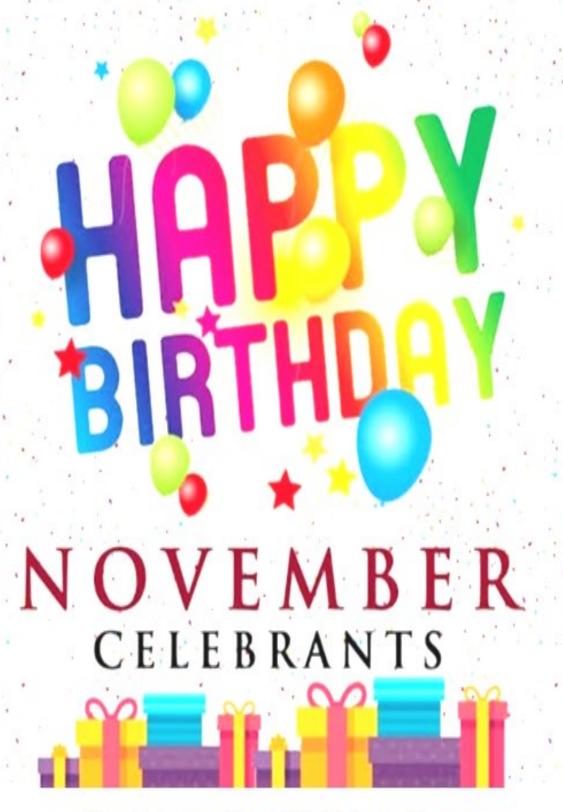
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2p Cardio Line

Dancing

7p Choir Practice

NOVEMBER 21. 2023



Don't Forget to RSVP for cake on

November 22 @ 12:45pm!

CLUBHOUSE CLOSURE

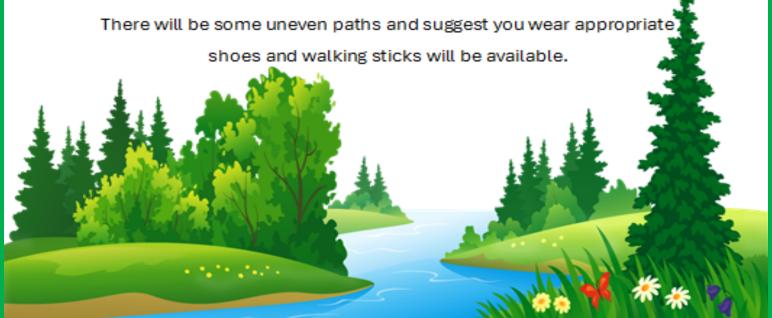
To allow staff to enjoy time with their families for Thanksgiving, the clubhouse will be closed from Thursday, Nov. 23rd through Sunday, Nov. 26th. We look forward to seeing you on Monday after the holiday!



Fall Guided Tour of the Nature Reserve

Saturday Nov 25[™] @ 9:00 AM The Yellow Trail Gate (Berlino at S Venice Dr)

Your Nature Reserve Committee is holding their Fall Guided Tour of the Nature Reserve. We will be hiking the western portion of the reserve. This is a time for us to show off the Nature Reserve, educate you on some of its features and answer any questions you have. This is for both residents and their guests.



Attention BellaVita Residents







The BellaVita Board of Directors approved a renewed contract with Comcast effective November 21, 2023.

What does this mean to you??

You won't notice any break in service!

What do you get??

More channels

No charge for DVR equipment Higher speed internet Newer XB8 modem available

(installation assistance will be available after January 1, 2024)

The fixed fee for a landline is the same and billed directly to the homeowner.

Additionally, because of the bulk contract, homeowners can switch to Xfinity

mobile for a fixed fee of \$30/month unlimited.

Stay tuned for additional information!







ROBERT S. PATERNO, (Bob) age 83, died November 6th at his home in BellaVita Subdivision and was welcomed to heaven by his Lord and Savior. He was diagnosed with Sclara Derma in the late 90's but went into remission a year later. Only during this past year did it begin to take it's toll.

Bob was born October 7, 1940 in New York City and was the last of 5 children born to Annette and Charles Paterno. After getting his high school degree, he joined the US Air Force in 1958 and served in Korea as an Administrative Specialist until 1961. Several years later, he attended and then graduated from the University of Massachusetts. While attending the university, Bob became a Fred Astaire dance instructor to help pay for his schooling.

Bob became a successful insurance agent and eventually moved to Houston in 1976. He enjoyed playing golf, skiing ballroom dancing, flying (he obtained a private pilot's license), cruising and scuba diving but his main interest was playing tennis. He and his team won the coveted title of USPTA Adult Tennis League Texas State Championship in 2001 and 2002

In 1987, Bob met the love of his life Kelley who also became his wife and his grand ballroom partner. Together, they cruised the world (over 17 cruises) and visited many foreign ports such as Australia and many countries in Europe. Several were with their best friends George and Beverly Yeiter or with his brother Thom and his wife Fran.

During his tenure in the Houston area, Bob owned and operated four very successful postal centers which he eventually sold at a very profitable margin. In 2004, Kelley and he moved to BellaVita, a community for seniors and fell in love with all the folks here. They took part in many of the activities and even taught ballroom dancing at the club house. Bob was no sloucher: he always had to keep busy. Before long, he was doing various job around BellaVita including installing cabinets, flooring, fans and making minor repairs. He and his brother Thom are responsible for the construction of the library shelving complex.

Bob was blessed with 5 children, all boys: Robert, Michael, Thomas, William and lastly Anthony. All survived him except William who died as an infant. He is also survived by his brother Thomas, his sister Anne, his sister-in-law Frances, a multitude of grandchildren, nephews and cousins and especially his most coveted friends, George and Beverly Yeiter.

For the past 20 years Bob has been an active member of South Main Baptist Church in Pasadena.

Crime & Safety Presentation

Join us on November 29th at 2 PM for a safety presentation by your local police department.

This event is exclusive to residents only, so please RSVP with the Clubhouse front desk to attend.

In light of recent unfortunate events in the community, the presentation will educate us about "jugging" and provide useful tools and precautions to avoid such situations. You will Also learn about other safety issues that may arise during the holiday season, tips and tricks for staying alert to your surroundings, and have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

This is a unique opportunity for you to gain valuable knowledge and insights to stay safe during the holiday season. Don't miss out on this important event!





BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

PRESENTED BY THE MEN'S CLUB

JOIN SANTA FOR PANCAKES, EGGS, SAUSAGE AND JUICE!

DECEMBER 2ND AT 10 AM

SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY THE DOBIE HS CHOIR!



\$5.00
Per Person

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE CLUB HOUSE STARTING NOVEMBER 15TH.

MAKE SURE TO BRING YOUR CAMERA FOR PHOTOS WITH SANTA!



December 8th

Please join us for a musical production of "The Singing Christmas Tree," held at First Bap tist Church in Pasadena, Texas. The tree is an impressive 32 feet tall and adorned with 10,000 lights. The program includes performances by 170 singers, 35 instrumentalists, and over 75 drama cast members. It's going to be a delightful event, and we hope to see you there! If you have any questions or missed the sign-up, please call Patsy Womack at 281-744-0830.

The tickets are priced at \$20.00.







Bella Vita 10th Annual Holiday Concerts

Friday, December 15th @ 7:00 pm (doors will open @ 6:45)

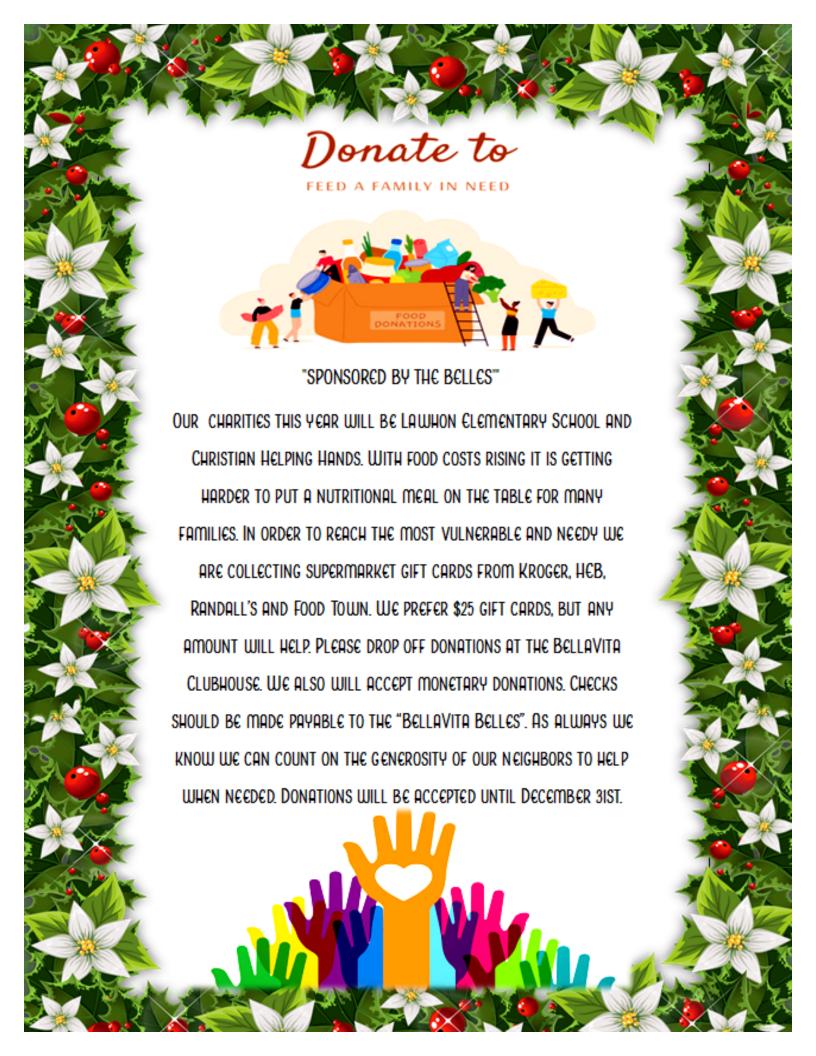
Saturday, December 16th @ 3:00 pm (doors will open @ 2:45)

Tickets available November 13th at the front desk for \$10.00

Outside guests and children are welcome.

- * Please make checks payable to BellaVita Choir.
- * Please note that ticket sales are only
 - available during clubhouse hours and until 6pm. Thank you!

Please join us for some holiday cheer!





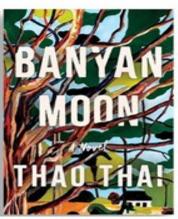


BELLAVITA BOOK CLUB

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

NEXT MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, JANUARY

11TH 2024 AT 1PM IN THE ANNEX/LIBRARY.



JANUARY'S BOOK SELECTION IS

BANYAN MOON BY THAO THAI.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO

DISCUSSING THIS STORY OF A

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER WHO

DISCOVER FAMILY SECRETS THAT

START WITH GRANDMOTHER'S

IMMIGRATION TO AMERICA AFTER

THE VIETNAM WAR.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, JOIN US!

Bella Víta 🥸 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!







SATURDAY DECEMBER 31st: 6:45 pm - 1:00 am LIVE MUSIC WITH "The Slags" Social hour - 6:45 pm - 7:30 pm Dinner - 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Music & Dancing - 8:30 pm - 1:00 am Champagne toast @ midnight BYOB – set ups provided \$75 per person (open to outsiders) Tickets available November 20, 2023 @ the clubhouse Menu: Shrimp pasta salad Cucumber, black olive, tomato feta cheese salad Prime rib w/horseradish sauce Parmesan chicken w/basil cream Sauce Twice baked potato casserole reen beans w/onion & baco Spanish corn casserole Bread pudding with rum sauce Chocolate cak made rolls & buil



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.

- 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/
 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.
- 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 Bank 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

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





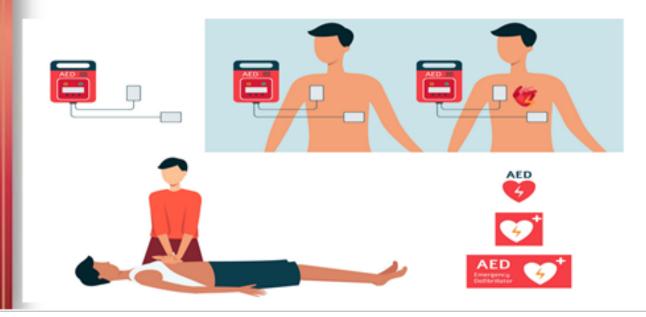
What is AED?

An AED, or automated external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's a sophisticated, yet easy-to-use, medical device that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm.

Why Learn to Use an AED

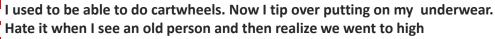
Sudden cardiac arrest is one of the leading causes of death in the United States. The only way to restore a regular heart rhythm during cardiac arrest is by using an AED. Although you should always request the assistance of trained medical professionals, the average response time for first responders is 8-12 minutes after 911 is called. For each minute that defibrillation is delayed, the chances of survival decrease by about 10%. Therefore, it is crucial to have access to an AED and know how to use it.

At BellaVita, we have 3 AEDs located in the ballroom, library/Annex, and fitness center. Knowing the location of these devices is crucial in case you need to help save a life!



WHO'S OLD??

Some of these really hit home, others are just funny...



school together.

I told my wife she should embrace her mistakes... so she hugged me.

My wife says I only have 2 faults. I don't listen and something else....

At my funeral, take the bouquet off my coffin and throw it into the crowd to see who is next.

I thought growing old would take longer.

I came, I saw, I forgot what I was doing. Retraced my steps, got lost on the way back, now I have no idea what's going on.

The officer said, "You drinking?" I said, "You buying?" We just

laughed and laughed.... I need bail money.

Day 12 without chocolate. Lost hearing in my left eye.

Scientists say the universe is made up of protons, neutrons and

electrons. They forgot to mention morons.

The adult version of "head, shoulders, knees and toes" is "wallet, glasses, keys and phone."

A dog accepts you as the boss... a cat wants to see your resume'.

Oops.... did I roll my eyes out loud?

Life is too short to waste time matching socks.

Wi-fi went down for five minutes, so I had to talk to my family.

They seem like nice people.

If you see me talking to myself, just move along. I'm self-employed; we're having a staff meeting.

- I won't be impressed with technology until I can download food.
- Some people call me crazy. I prefer 'happy with a twist'.

My doctor asked if anyone in my family suffers from mental illness.

- I said, "No, we all seem to enjoy it."
- I really don't mind getting old, but my body is having a major fit.

Camping: where you spend a small fortune to live like a homeless person.

- Project Manager. Because Miracle Worker isn't an official job title.
- I told my wife I wanted to be cremated. She made me an appointment for Tuesday.

The world's best antidepressant has 4 legs, a wagging tail and comes

- with unconditional love.
- Love is how excited your dog gets when you come home.

I've reached the age where my train of thought often leaves the

station without me.

If you're happy and you still know it, it's your meds.



Happy Thanksgiving holiday is The Thanksgiving holiday is

The Thanksgiving holiday is one of the biggest travel times of the year. Families and friends take time to get together with the ones they love. People are thankful for many good things. They go for walks, football games and parades. They feast together and have fund

of ke es or des.

Vocabulary Fun

Can you find and circle all of my "Thanksgiving" words in the puzzle?

pie **Pilgrims** fruit America visit **England** nuts thankful corn pumpkin tribe contests food celebrate table shopping feast ice cream gravy Plymouth travel carrots walks parade family grapes turkey dessert winter football ninety stuffing march Patuxet dinner dessert hiking Squanto friends freedom

> Mayflower decoration Pokanoket November cornucopia green beans Thanksgiving Massachusetts cranberry sauce mashed potatoes



FLAG ENROLLMENT 2024!



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 Volu	inteering for	the Flag	Teams.
	Yes	Phone Numbe	r		



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, a 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

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

Thursday, November - 16,

North/South

1st Claire Zimmerman - Joyce Wormser

2nd Jean Foltz – Phyllis Chaney

East/West

1st Joyce Garner – Sandy Pollard

2nd Penny Coleman – Carol Dyson

Tuesday, November 14, NO BRIDGE



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 Crystal and Elizabeth at Elizabeth.huerta@inframark.com 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,





6:30p TEC Meeting



3rd Wed. Travel Group will not meet in Nov.

3:00p Board Meeting



The Board meeting will be held on the 3rd Wednesday this month due to Thanksgiving. There will not be a board meeting in December.

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. Notary services are currently unavailable.
- 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.

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. Tuesdays at 6pm.

Held in the Art Room



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 November 29, 2023 at 6:45p in the Clubhouse

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

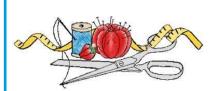
Singles and couples are welcome. There are no partners in

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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Animal Control- City of Pearland- 281-652-1970

Cable-Comcast-Transfer- 855-307-4896

Lawn Care—Rusticscapes - 832-620-6529

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

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