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**Issue 143** 



#### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Saturday Morning Coffee 9:00 a.m. Free coffee & donuts has ended for the summer. See article in this
- Newsletter Article Deadline July 10th for the August issue
- Romeos July 11th and July 25th 8:45 a.m. (see the sign-up sheet)
- Juliets Lunch Thursday, July 13th the Juliet's will be dining at Pelican Alley at 1:00 p.m (see article and the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse)
- Juliets Breakfast Tuesday, July 18, 2023 (see article and the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse).
- July 4th Lunch at 1:00 p.m. (it may too late to sign up for this event but you can always call Michael @ 912-547-2416 to see if we can squeeze you in).

(Please note, after signing up to attend any function, if you are unable to attend, please let someone know. These restaurants have graciously reserved space for the Juliets and it would rude to tell them there will be 18 women dining when in fact only 10 show up.)

#### On-going Events...

Cards -Texas Hold-em for BLE residents only Tuesdays:

(6:30 p.m.)

Wednesdays: Golf in Venice (8:45 a.m.) Thursdays: Shuffleboard (6:00 p.m.) Cards (dealer's choice) (6:30 p.m.) Fridays:

Euchre (7:00 p.m.)

Morning Coffee (BYO coffee & donuts) at Saturdays:

Game Night 7:00 p.m.

### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello from Canada everyone!

As many of you are aware, I've been off the grid for the last month for personal and health reasons, but please rest assured that I am committed to continue as your President and I am back in the saddle stronger than ever!

In May, two of us took the HOA Board Certification Training Class with the Federation of Manufactured Home Owners (FMO). I personally found it very informative and 'scary' at the same time. I quickly realized that we'll need to make changes to some of our procedures to ensure we comply with the laws governing HOAs in Florida. Interestingly enough, I also found that we are quite well organized and structured compared to others based on their comments and questions. We have previous board members and volunteers to thank for that!

I am looking forward to diving back into my HOA work over the next month and will start up as soon as we've moved our 94 year-old mother into a retirement residence. Stay tuned for updates over the summer. Have a good month. Stay safe and healthy!



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#### FROM THE EDITOR

Michael M. Kloian (912) 547-2416

#### SCAMMERS and CON ARTISTS



A scammer is one who perpetrates

a scam: A person who commits or participates in a fraudulent scheme or operation, i.e. insurance/credit card scammers. The company will not call you to ask for your Social Security or account number, but nefarious scammers might.

Scammers use all kinds of sneaky approaches to steal your personal details. Once obtained, they can use your identity to commit fraudulent activities such as using your credit card or opening a bank account.

You may recall reading about a "scam" in Steve Rollison's recent e-mail blast sent to all BLE residents who are on his e-blast list. Well, as timing would have it, on 05/21/2023, 60 Minutes reported about a certain group of senior citizens who were scammed out of thousands of dollars. It appears these folks received a phone call from someone pretending to be their granddaughter, grandson or whoever the relative may be. The "scam" was well thought out. The scammer calling the person told them that certain funds were needed in order to post bail, who supposedly was in the slammer. The scammer went as far as sending a courier to collect the bail money from the grandparents.

The most famous scammer of all time was Charles Ponzi. Charles Ponzi was an Italian businessman and swindler who was responsible for duping thousands of investors in the early 20th century. Ponzi cheated investors out of an estimated \$32 million, which would be valued at nearly half a billion dollars today. Although Ponzi wasn't the first to attempt it, the con he pulled off was so humongous and out of this world that it was named after him: The Ponzi scheme.

Ponzi enjoyed a lavish lifestyle before getting caught. After spending years in and out of prison, he was deported to Italy before World War II and moved to Brazil, where he died penniless and alone. The Ponzi scheme is a simple yet effective con

that continues to evolve and trouble unassuming investors, even today. It involves falsely promising people high returns on their investment, paying them from previous investors' money, and continuing the cycle till it gets bigger and bigger.

Numerous others have successfully orchestrated Ponzi schemes in the years since then. American trader, Bernie Madoff, made almost \$19 billion with a Ponzi scheme before getting caught in 2008. We all remember him.

Frank Abagnale is an American convicted felon who, in his teenage years and early 20s, orchestrated a countrywide cheque fraud scam, stealing millions of dollars. He also impersonated a doctor, a lawyer, and a pilot. Abagnale even logged 2 million miles of flying and reportedly passed the bar exam. He committed fraud in 12 countries and was arrested at the age of 21.

As per his own account, Abagnale worked as a consultant for the FBI while serving his sentence and helped catch other cheque forgers. Some of his claims have been debunked by journalists and the FBI itself, but Abagnale always maintained that he over-dramatized his exploits. He conned people about conning people.

Abagnale was the subject of Steven Spielberg's 2002 film, Catch Me If You Can.

Many years ago, while sitting at the bar inside the Sierra Room, an upscale restaurant in Grand Rapids, MI, waiting for the weekly wine tasting to begin, I struck up a conversation with a man who may have been a con-artist. He showed me half a dozen checks made payable to him for \$10,000. His scheme was he guaranteed investors a 15% return. I'm glad I don't carry my checkbook simply because I probably would have given him a check that day.

The moral to the above story is: If it sounds too good to be true - then it probably is.

To submit a newsletter article, simply type something up in an email or text (912-547-2416) and send it off to: **Editor@BayLakeEstates.org.** Please add the word "Newsletter" in the subject line. If you

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do not receive a reply that I received your article that probably means I did not receive it. Send it again or please call me. Kindly pay close attention to the spelling and capital letters for Editor@ BayLakeEstates.org.

I will take care of the rest. No need to worry about spelling or formatting. If you take a picture with your phone that you would like to submit for the newsletter, send it to me in an email or a text with a little note of explanation. Or if you are unable to do that, simply text it to me at (912) 547-2416.

Remember you can read the Bay Laker Newsletter online at BayLakeEstates.org. There, you will find links for current and past newsletter editions.

Please note: ALL articles and submissions may be edited or censored for remarks or comments that residents may find offensive. We strive towards creating a newsletter that represents our compassionate, loving community that is all inclusive to all current and future residents. If by chance you read something in one of our newsletters that you find offensive, please don't hesitate to contact me, the editor, to discuss your concerns for future newsletters.

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#### **JULY 4TH, INDEPENDENCE** DAY LUNCH AT 1:00 P.M.

contributor Michael M Kloian & Brad Bixbee

By the time you read this article the July 4th Lunch will 4 1 2007 have come and may be gone. The sign-up sheet was pulled on Tuesday, June 27th to allow



the committee to plan and purchase adequate food to feed our hungry mob (LOL).

#### **SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE**

contributor Tim Swain

Although the free coffee and donuts has ended for the summer months there is the likelihood that this tradition could continue if a volunteer comes forward to chair this event. You may need board approval to continue the free coffee and donuts during the summer months. Anyone interested?

### **HOA & BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS**

There are NO meetings scheduled until late September and early October - to be announced in the August and September newsletter. Be on the look-out.



"Here are the minutes from our last meeting Marty wasted 12 minutes, Janice wasted 7 minu Carl wasted 27 minutes, Eileen wasted 9 minute

#### **ALITTLE HUMOR**

Christmas in July!





### **Best of Venice Winner for 2022**



## Remote Programming

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During the quarantine, we all adapted to a new way of living, our new normal. Now connecting with family and friends remotely on video chats or zoom meetings is part of our daily lives.

Like all of us, even the hearing aid industry has adapted to an increase in communicating over the internet. Almost all major brands have a line of hearing aids that can be programmed remotely. How this works is really quite interesting.

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To leverage remote programming, you will call us to set up a virtual appointment. At the time of the appointment, we will connect to your hearing aids through your smartphone. Then we will review the data that is in your hearing aids. This data tells us how you are using your hearing aids, which programs you use the most, your volume adjustments, and battery usage. We will ask you questions to identify situations in which you struggle to hear well, enabling us to help zero in on your most frustrating moments.

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#### HELP NEEDED!

contributor Marion Brooks

# HELP!! LILFE!! AYUADA!! MEMBANTU!!



We need help, in any language.

During the year 2023, our HOA would like to host the following events below:

While some folks have signed up, several events need a designated chairperson to run the show, plan the food, find volunteers etc.

- Fourth of July 2023 Lunch (Michael M Kloian/Brad Bixbee)
- Labor Day 2023 Lunch (Michael M Kloian/ Brad Bixbee)
- Thanksgiving Dinner 2023 ???
- Golf Cart Christmas Parade December 2023
- Christmas Dinner 2023 (Michael M Kloian/ Brad Bixbee)
- New Years Eve Pot Luck Dinner ???
- Pool Parties (pot luck breakfast, or lunch, or a late afternoon dinner)
- No June Pool Party! What gives?
- July Pool Party ???
- August Pool Party ???
- Halloween Costume Party ???
- Valentine's Day Dinner and/or Dance 2024 ???

<u>Volunteers</u> are always needed to chair and work each event. Some categories of volunteers are: Chairperson(s) to manage and plan the event, Kitchen Helpers (food preparation), Food Servers, Sink Duty (cleaning pots, pans, utensils), Set-up & Tear Down. To volunteer, please call the chairperson in charge of the event.



### WHAT'S GOIN' ON IN BAY LAKE ESTATES? STAY

#### **CURRENT**

contributor Steve Rollison 941-375-8110

#### YOUR MOST VALUABLE ACCOUNT

You probably have an online account that many crooks would value even more than your bank account. Really!

Hacking into your e-mail account might actually provide them easy access to all your other online accounts – including your bank and/or investment accounts. But you already knew that – right?

You did know that already if you've been an Event Alerts subscriber for a while. That's because an Alert went out not that long ago, describing how a Bay Lake resident narrowly escaped being victimized by a crafty crook pretending to be an Xfinity employee. Yes, he was trying to con the resident out of his e-mail password!

What exactly are the Event Alerts, you ask?

They are short e-mail "blasts" sent out whenever there are news items, announcements, events or activities you'd want to know about. The Bay Laker Newsletter is great, but like any printed information, it's pretty much out of date by the time you pick it up.

Alerts are the best way to stay on top of things at Bay Lake.

If you're not already a subscriber, becoming one couldn't be any easier. Just send me a request at:

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A brief "Please subscribe me," along with your name, is all you need to send.

### **HOME OF THE MONTH**

June 2023 "Home of the Month" is awarded to: Rebecca Dole of 161 Oleander St. Way to go, Becky. Who selects Home of the Month, you may be wondering. The answer is, we don't know who the

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judges are. When a home of the month is selected by the judges, our community manager, Leslee Jones, personally hands the winner a \$50 gift card.



#### **JULIET'S LUNCH**

Helen Baker 309-830-8449

On Thursday, July 13th the Juliet's will be dining at Pelican Alley (great menu) on Albee Rd. before you reach the bridge on the left hand side at 1:00 p.m. Please use the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse.

### JULIET'S BREAKFAST

Carla Hannay 941-223-0162

Juliet's Breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at Millie's 3900 Clark Rd., Sarasota. Please use the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse.



#### THE ROMEOS

Tim Swain 317-258-3400

The Romeos (the men of BLE) meet for breakfast usually on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. They leave the park at 8:45. PLEASE check the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse for the location and more details and to be certain breakfast is still scheduled.

### MEMORIAL DAY POT LUCK LUNCH

contributor Michael M Kloian

A "pot luck" lunch or dinner is always a fun event. Why? Cause you never know what you're going to get until that day arrives.

All the food was yummy and the crowd devoured the food, as you can see in the photo.

The surprise that day was not the food but singing happy birthday to Jeanne Skidmore who graciously turned 90. Thank you, Helen Baker for going out of your way to make Jeanne smile.



#### **NEWSLETTERS**

The Bay Laker Newsletter will continue to be placed in the clubhouse for pick-up until further notice. I am told they plan to resume home delivery in the fall, provided a few volunteers step forward. You can also access the newsletter on-line at <a href="https://www.BayLakeEstates.org">www.BayLakeEstates.org</a>.

**HOA MEMBERSHIPS** 

It's never too late to join our local HOA. HOA memberships are currently on sale for 2023. All homeowners may purchase a membership for \$10.00 for the entire year.

Please note, when voting for the election of directors **only one member of the HOA per household** are allowed to vote, per #723 of the Florida Statue. Annual renters and occupants may purchase an Associate membership for \$10.00 a year as well. All

members may vote on HOA issues and expenditures and attend HOA meetings. HOA memberships are important to receive discounts on certain events, like the Ice Cream Social, the Valentine's Day dinner and dance, and more.

Memberships will be sold at Saturday morning coffee and at association meetings, or by calling Steve Medich at 708-921-3367.













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#### PREPARING FOR A

#### **HURRICANE**

contributor Carla Hannay

Hurricanes are not something that should be taken lightly as we all experienced with Ian last



September. By doing nothing or waiting to the last minute to prepare is RISKY.

Most of us in the Park experienced major or minor damages to our homes, and most of us evacuated and were not prepared for what we found when we returned. Neighbors assisted neighbors with cleanup, food, etc.

With that in mind the Board of Directors asked for volunteers to set up a Plan to assist those with special needs and help in any manner possible after the hurricane has passed especially for those residents that live alone.

The following is a list of concerns that should be addressed.

If you require special assistance **contact**: **THE SARASOTA COUNTY SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTER AT** 941-861-5000.

It is a shelter of last resort for people with special medical needs. The shelter provides for those that rely on electrical power for medical equipment and nursing assistance. You MUST register in advance to use the Special Needs Shelter.

1. Clean up and store all items outside the home i.e. potted plants, tables, chairs, grills and any other items that can become missiles and cause damage not only to your property or those of your neighbors.

2. Make arrangements to relocate to a shelter, hotel, relative or friends home for your safety. It is always good to let someone know who your contact person is and a telephone number. DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO DO SO, as hotels, etc. might be full. If leaving to locate to another area, give yourself plenty of traveling time as the roads will be backed up for miles. Make

sure you have a full tank gas.

- 3. Prep your emergency supplies, food, clothing, water, medications, pet supplies, (for at least 2-3 days). Additionally, have at least \$200.00 in cash on hand, or more, in case there is no power and the ATM machines are not operational.
- 4. Collect all important papers and list of medications i.e., insurance information, etc.

#### **COMMITTEE:**

The Committee consists of six (6) residents who will be available to assist you **after** the hurricane and upon your return to the Park. We will assist you with food, water, light clean-up, ride to doctor appointments if necessary, pick up medications, etc. Also keep in mind that if the Committee members also evacuate we will be available to assist you upon their return. Prior to all this occurring if you are not capable or live alone and need help please contact any of the following Committee Members with your name, address and a phone number so we can check up on you upon our return to the Park to assist you.

The Committee Members are:

| Carla Hannay      | 941-223-0162 |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Jim Gerarge       | 815-975-0575 |
| George Dujanowicz | 586-255-5501 |
| Tim DeClaire      | 906-420-4949 |
| Kenny Nifong      | 574-274-0549 |
| Frank Carrier     | 613-282-6624 |

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| 621-3362                      |      |

Evacuation Center Nokomis, Taylor Ranch Elementary School = 2500 Taylor Ranch Trail, Venice (this is the only location listed, there are no County authorized emergency shelters within the Venice City limits,. Contact Sarasota Emergency Management for further shelter information. All Shelters allow for pets. You must provide for them a carrier, food, water, medication, clean-up bags.

REMEMBER: ALL ELS BUILDINGS WILL BE ON LOCK DOWN, DO NOT TRY TO ENTER THE CODE AS IT WILL NOT ALLOW YOU ACCESS. THESE BUILDINGS ARE NOT RATED AS HURRICANE SAFE.

Please contact me at 941-223-0162 if you have any questions.

May we all be safe through this hurricane season and most importantly like the Boy Scout Motto "Be Prepared"

#### MY FAVORITE EASY RECIPE

contributor Michael M Kloian

<u>CITY CHICKEN</u> (cubes of pork & veal & beef, or just pork)

City Chicken came out of the Polish and Ukrainian communities who settled in the Great Lakes region prior to the Great Depression. With many of these immigrants concentrated in Cleveland and Pittsburgh, the dish is tied to the two cities, though it cropped up in places like Detroit and Buffalo as well.

The reason city chicken came to be goes back to the early 1900s when cuts of pork and veal were far more *affordable* to city workers than chickens.

This <u>delicious recipe</u> came from the family of Amelia Machingo, born in Youngstown, Ohio. Her recipe was published in her community's cookbook, and has been a family staple for decades. I'm honored to have had the chance to recreate the dish, which I served at our Memorial Day Pot Luck, and post the recipe in this newsletter for people to try themselves.

Make City Chicken skewers with Pork, Veal and/or Beef or just cubes of Pork Tenderloin.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Cut each meat into 1" thick cubes. Season with salt and pepper.

Insert wood skewers into center of cubes of meat, alternating between pork and veal and/or beef. My mom only used pork and veal since there were 7 mouths to feed in our family. Each skewer should contain 4 to 5 pieces of meat.

Place flour, eggs mixed with a little milk or cream and cracker meal (preferred) or very fine bread crumbs into separate, shallow bowls or dishes, wide enough to fit skewers.

Working one-by-one, dredge each skewer in flour, then egg wash (eggs & milk), then cracker meal or very fine bread crumbs. Once breaded, you can attempt to mold each skewer into a chicken drumstick shape.

Heat oil (olive oil or vegetable oil) in a frying pan, medium heat. Working in batches, brown all sides of the skewers. Once browned, transfer skewers to a casserole dish. Reserve 1 TBSP of drippings in pan for gravy, if you want scratch-made gravy.

Once all skewers are browned and in the casserole dish, cover and bake skewers in preheated oven for about 20 minutes. If using a thermometer, internal temperature should be about 160 degrees, to be safe. If you like your meat a bit more rare, cook slightly less. If you used a slightly tougher cut of meat, it might take a little longer in the oven to get tender. I found that my pork tenderloin skewers was thoroughly cooked, but stayed juicy and tender regardless.



#### THE HUMANE THING TO DO

contributor Michael M Kloian

We never think of ourselves as being a hero or doing something heroic following an event. Looking back, it may have been foolish on my part to do what I did, but sometimes you don't need time to think – you just act.

I was managing 136 apartments in Savannah, GA (Chelsea Apts. at 1910 Skidaway Rd.) and one day two gals came to the office to 'pitch' the owner about health insurance. As always, Dawson was late so I thought I would entertain them while they waited for the chief to arrive.

We were in the front room when I heard a pop, pop, pop, sound and I looked out the window at the parking lot across the street belonging to another apartment complex. Low and behold a man shot a man and killed him in broad daylight right across the street from my apartment complex. I got a good look at the killer and the clothes he was wearing.

Minutes later swarms of cops and detectives arrived, interviewing whoever might have seen something. After offering my testimony to the police the news crew came and interviewed me. That evening I was on the 6:00 o'clock news, telling my story of what I had witnessed.

The next day my maintenance team came to my office and told me I should NOT have appeared on TV, for fear that the killer may have seen the News and may come after me and shoot me, something I hadn't given any thought to the day it happened.

Later that same morning in walks a small group of people into my office. One woman was in tears and reached out to shake my hand and she said, "Bless you for being an eye witness to my brother's death and thank you for taking the time to be interviewed." The group of people were friends and relatives of the deceased.

Two days later the killer was caught, went to jail and before the trial began he pled guilty. I did not need to testify in court. One year later I retired. on faith and do the right thing.

If you have a, "The Humane Thing To Do" story you would like to share with our readers please submit this to the editor.

#### MIRACLES DO HAPPEN

contributor Michael M Kloian

It was mid-March, one winter in Michigan, and the sun was finally out and was beginning to melt the snow and ice.

My daughter, Melanie, was attending college at Grand Rapids Community College, downtown Grand Rapids that day.

It appears, according to an eye-witness, the moment she stepped through the entrance doors to exit the building a chunk of ice had already slipped off the eave above her. The eye-witness watched the ice fall and, while in mid-air, the chunk of ice broke in half and struck my daughter in the head, knocking her to the ground.

When I got the call from the hospital I was thankful she was alive. It turns out, the surgeon told me, if that chunk of ice would have hit her head just one inch in any direction she probably would have been paralyzed, or worse yet, killed, by that block of falling ice estimated to weigh about 8 pounds, or more.

Although we made an attempt to file a law suit against the college we discovered that Michigan's Immunity Law protected the state of Michigan from those kinds of law suits.

She did need long term care, meaning physical therapy for her neck, injections to control the pain she endured and medication to control her migraine headaches, and after 3 years of receiving physical therapy and certain treatments the school called to tell me her treatments were coming to an end and if she needed anything, anything at all, to let them know so they can make their final purchase. Twenty seven years later she continues to have migraines to this day.

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The worst part of this "Miracle Story" is the school admitted to me about knowing of the on-going problem, with ice melting and falling from that eave several stories high, and did nothing to correct it.

If you have a 'miracle' story to share, please send your story to editor@baylakeestates.org. Put NEWSLETTER in the subject line.

#### SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Becki Phelps 585-813-8625

The purpose of the Sunshine Committee is to express sympathy and/or concern to residents in the event of illness or

bereavement. We want our neighbors to know they live in a community that cares.

Please let us know about a bereavement or illness regarding a resident that could be shared with the Sunshine Committee.

Call either Becki Phelps at (585) 813-8625 or Sandra Lee at (419) 921-9361. The Sunshine Committee will be sure to confirm your information before posting it.

#### MY FAVORITE FILM OR TV SHOW

contributor Michael M Kloian

Recently on the History Channel a special aired, titled FDR. It was an eye-opening presentation about the struggles that were imposed on FDR during his bout with Polio and his determination to overcome that dreadful disease. What he did to help America through some of our darkest days shows me what a true leader he was during those tough times.

FDR was a man with "heart", courage and determination and what he accomplished during his tenure in office was never taught in my classroom. I'm not sure if you could speak into your Xfinity remote control and pull the show up but it is worth a try.

# WHERE TO DINE – WHAT TO ORDER

contributor Michael M Kloian

YOU DON'T ALWAYS NEED TO EAT A BIG MEAL

I've noticed, as I age, my appetite has shrunk. So, on Saturday, June 3rd I ambled into Prime Serious Steak in Venice and I was determined NOT to order an entreé that comes with a yummy house salad and one side dish. Instead, I ordered my favorite starter, a bowl of that delicious French Onion Soup (you've got to try their soup) and devoured half, saving the other half to take home, which I did polish it off later that evening.

I also ordered the Blackened Ahi Tuna appetizer and after eating the entire plate I was absolutely full. While I do plan to return to my favorite restaurant, I will continuously change the way I eat so as not to leave with my tummy packed with food.







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# **BIRTHDAYS AND**

#### **July Birthdays**

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- 6 James Bidwell
- 7 Gail Bonin
- 7 Marilyn Nash-Hemrick
- 11 Linda Wood
- 12 Jesus Febres
- 13 Dale Dickinson
- 13 Marc Lindman
- 14 Jerry Shupp
- 15 Teresa Lutz
- 15 Becky Smith
- 21 Jane Van Buskirk
- 21 John Zimmermann
- 22 Kenneth Collins
- 23 Kathleen Boutelle
- 24 Debbie Holbrook
- 30 Michael McVicar
- 30 Janice Smith







#### **July Anniversaries**

- 6 Jane Ann & Ronald Miller
- 11 Dan & Jeannie Burling
- 29 Julie & Scott Tomash
- 30 Harold & Pat Bellmore
- 31 Michael & Victoria Boyts
- 31 David & Janice S



We may not have everyone's birthday and/or anniversary month and day. If you had a birthday and/or anniversary this month and we missed it, or listed it incorrectly, please send a correction to stevelim@wwnet.com. That's also the e-mail address to use to send your info if you are a new resident or have a phone book change.

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## BLAST FROM THE PAST contributor Anne Speicher

In the May & June issue of the Bay Laker two pages from an old hand-out that Anne found in excellent condition hiding somewhere in a drawer, appeared in each newsletter. We will share the final 2 pages with you in this issue. I simply removed 2 staples, scanned each page separately, then reassembled the hand out and returned the hand-out to Anne for safe keeping.



Now, knowing this you can see why we are going to ask you to accept our apologies . . . we have not turned off the highway when we should have . . . we didn't make that little drive that would have taken us to a bright new mobile home community in the Venice-Nokomis area of West Coast Florida . . . and as a result, this story on new Bay Lake Estates is a little late. . . the community has been open since March. 1971 and already one third of the lots are rented!

But fortunately, there are 226 lots in the total development of Bay Lake Estates . . . so If you act now you can still become part of this pretty mboile home community and the friendly, informal, relaxed way of life that is being lived there . . and you'll still have time to find out how pleasant management can be when you meet Barney and Jo Ann Walls, the owner/managers . so come on along with me on the same tour of the area and Bay Lake Estates we took . . . when we're done, you'll see why we are glad there was still time when we finally woke up and visited . . . no Pulitzer Prize for us this year!

Bay Lake Estates is in the easygoing little city of Nokomis, Florida



Handsome Mobile Homes are offered in a wide variety of widths and floor plans.

. . on the Gulf side of the Sunshine State, between Sarasota and Venice. Actually, Venice and Nokomis are one metropolitan area, so when you live at Bay Lake Estates you have all the advantages of the

suburbs with none of the disadvantages of being far away from necessities and conveniences.

We'll drive north or south on U.S. 41 . . . The Tamiami Trail . . . and coming south from Sarasota or north from Venice, we will soon be in Nokomis. We'll look for Colonia Lake . . . that's spelled without a final "L" . . . Colonia . . . and we'll turn east on Colonia Lane for just about three minutes and come directily to the entranceway to Bay Lake . . . in a residential area with all the peace and quiet you could desire. When we arrive, we will be only 10 minutes from the heart of downtown Venice and about three minutes from a brand new shopping center that will soon be . you'll be able to walk

Before we go in and meet Barney and Jo Ann Walls, we'll "scout around" a little and see where everything is . . . we'll see that shopping, medical facilities, outdoor activities are just around the corner. so to speak . . . and we'll see that we have an easy choice of whether to shop in Venice or Sarasota . with the pleasure of the many tourist



Barney and Jo Ann Walls are developers of Bay Lake Estates. They live right in the community.

and sighteeing attractions of both areas at our disposal all year round!

When you live at Bay Lake Estates you have police and fire protection, a modern, up-to-date hospital only minutes away, doctors of all practices of medicine in the area, churches of all faiths within easy driving distance, beautiful beaches, golf courses, tennis courts, the greatest fishing in the world, boating, shelling, picnicing in close by Oscar Sherer State Park . . . literally thousands of folks just like yourselves are finding that the Venice-Nokomis area is perfect for retirees . . . and you can take their word for the fact that it is a wonderful place to live!

Well, we better drive on back now to Bay Lake Estates . . . there are so many things to see and so many nice people to meet!

The very first thing we notice as we enter Bay Lake Estates is . . . the entranceway . . . a very handsome one and one that will give you a feeling of pride every time you enter . . . and every time friends or relatives come to visit.

As we drive in to Bay Lake Estates, we see how the entrance boulevard is divided by a beautifully planted center "island" . . . and we see the clear waters of Lake Patricia welcoming us . . . this little private lake is stocked with fingerlings who will be providing plenty of fishing in the months to come. Lake

Patricia is landscaped all around, kept clean by management and it is just a pleasure to see it as you enter the community time after time . . . by the way, cool breezes waft across Lake Patricia during the summer months and this makes it even more delightful!

Speaking of water, Bay Lake Estates overlooks the waters of both Roberts Bay and Curry Creek . . . you can walk over and fish or take your little boat over and sail out into the Gulf or surrounding waterways . . . that's nice!

Bay Lake Boulevard, our entrance road, leads us to Carissa Boulevard and we follow Carissa past Lake Patricia right to the very handsome Club House and Recreation Center where Barney and Jo Ann Walls are waiting to meet us.

As we drive up to the Club House, in Section One of Bay Lake Estates, we look around and see that on all sides are handsomely proportioned lots, with pretty pastel colored mobile homes set back from the road, with palms and other tropical plantings everywhere and we see the wide variety of mobile homes on display by the area's leading mobile home dealers.

Before we get to the Club House, we will learn that Bay Lake Estates is a rental mobile home community . . . you purchase your mobile home and rent the lot. There are many advantages to renting your lot as opposed to purchasing . . . among them are the facts of not having to make a large capital investment in your lot . . . allowing you to pay a larger percentage of cash for your mobile home . . . you can keep your lot money in the bank drawing interest and it will pay a substantial portion of your modest annual rental.

Additionally, you know that in a rental community like Bay Lake Estates, management provides all services . . . you do not have to pay for them separately as in a mobile home subdivision . . . you have no land taxes to pay . . . and the best of all, you really have no responsibilities except to write out that little check once a year and forget it!

The carefully selected mobile home dealers who have their models on display at Bay Lake Estates offer excellent financing and service . . . and a wide selection of homes to fit your individual need.

You can choose from 12 wides, Expandos, 24 wides . . . in a variety of floor plans . . . from one bedroom, one bath to two bedrooms, two baths . . . and all homes come furnished, carpeted, draped, with deluxe kitchen appliances, central heat, even central air conditioning if you desire.

And, every mobile home at Bay Lake Estates comes complete with a very attractive screened porch, (it can be railed if you wish) . . . full carport and driveway, utility room, planter, decorative foundation , . . and the lovely landscaping that is the rule in this modern Florida mobile home community!

Once you have selected your mobile home, you will then pick out the ideal lot on which to place it . . . and here you again have a wide choice . . . standard lots, corner lots, waterside lots . . and when you find out how modest the rentals are you'll see that this is one of the finest housing values in Florida!



Clubhouse facilities are outstanding at Bay Lake Estates. ready for you to enjoy all year 'round.

#### **BAY LAKE ESTATES BOOK CLUB 2023-2024**

The group meets on the second Wednesday of the month in the club house library beginning in November 2023.

Contact person: Karen Limkemann

| Date          | Title & Author                                      | Leader         |
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| November 8th  | Suddenly Pychic by Elizabeth Hunter pub: 2020       | Susan Rollison |
| December 13th | Beneath a Scarlet Sky by Mark T. Sullivan pub: 2017 | Jane Shupp     |
| January 10th  | The Great Alone by Kristen Hannah pub: 2018         | Bonnie Heintz  |
| February 14th | The Rose Code by Noah Hawley pub: 2021              | Diane Adamson  |
| March 13th    | The Personal Librarian by Maire Benedict pub: 2020  | Sharon Brewer  |
| April 10th    | The Wish by Nicholas Sparks pub: 2021               | Virgini        |



# July Sudoku

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# July Crossword

#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Group of eight
- 6. Anger
- 10. College bigwig
- 14. Australian "bear"
- 15. Smooth or level
- 16. Small island
- 17. Formula 1 driver
- 18. Repair
- 19. Put away
- 20. Stewards
- 22. British tax
- 23. Durable fabric
- 24. Large marine eel
- 25. Rear end
- 29. Stud farm operator
- 31. Midday
- 33. Anticlimax
- 37. Prey
- 38. Alliance
- 39. Siren
- 41. Insanity
- 42. Bouquet
- 44. Exam
- 45. Direct
- 48. Funnel shapes
- 50. Puncture
- 51. Wandering
- 56. Jewish month
- 57. Location
- 58. Ice or steam
- 59. Day, month and year
- 60. At any point
- 61. Lacquer ingredient
- 62. Got a good look at
- 63. C C C
- 64. Evil spirit





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- 1. Gumbo ingredient
- 2. Jacket
- 3. Diplomacy
- 4. Away from the wind
- 5. Fixes socks
- 6. Wed again
- 7. Seek revenge
- 8. Civilized
- 9. Stops
- 10. Lacking in harmony
- 11. Aromatic compound
- 12. Shad

#### **DOWN**

- 13. Paperboy
- 21. Argues
- 24. Doled
- 25. Initial wager
- 26. Horse color
- 27. Classify
- 28. Designed
- 30. Postponed
- 32. Interior layout and
- furnishings
- 34. Curved molding
- 35. Wimp
- 36. Bird home

- 40. Get
- 41. Social skills
- 43. A small chin beard
- 45. Protective covering
- from sunlight
- 46. This day
- 47. Fill with joy
- 49. Stitched
- 51. Millisecond
- 52. Rattling breath
- 53. Any thing
- 54. Captain of the

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55. Smile



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