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The Bay Laker

Issue 180

DATES TO REMEMBER

Newsletter Article Deadline..... Oct 15th for the November issue.
 Romeos breakfast..... Oct 13th and Oct 27th at 8:45 a.m. (see the sign-up sheet)
 The Juliets..... will dine for lunch on Thursday, October 9th at 1:00 p.m. at
 The Old Salty Dog restaurant.
 The Juliets..... will be going to Metro diner at 9:30 for breakfast on Tuesday, Oct 20th.
 Saturday Morning Coffee 9:00 a.m. .. Free coffee & donuts ended May 3rd and may resume one day,
 sooner than you think.

FROM THE EDITOR

contributor – Michael M Kloian 912-547-2416

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE FLYING CAR?

A long, long, time ago, when I lived in Michigan, there was a front-page story with a photo of a flying car in the Cedar Springs Post, a small rural town well known for their factory making red flannels, and thus, it was called the Red Flannel Town.

I saved that newspaper for many years until it finally turned yellow and crumbled apart. Then I got to wondering, whatever happened to the flying car?

The classic personal flying car never went mainstream because it stalled due to strict safety rules, high costs, and the impracticality of merging a bad car with a mediocre plane. Instead of road-legal hybrids, the industry has shifted toward electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) air taxis and automated personal aerial vehicles.



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Why Personal Flying Cars Stalled

- **The Compromise Trap:** Hybrid prototypes (like the 1970s AVE Mizar built on a Ford Pinto) were heavy, unsafe, and performed poorly both on roads and in the air.

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- **Licensing Hurdles:** Operators traditionally needed both a standard driver's license and a complex pilot's license, shrinking the potential customer base.
- **Regulatory Walls:** Strict federal aviation rules and low-altitude urban safety concerns made mass production and consumer trust nearly impossible to achieve.

Where the Concept Stands Today

- **Electric Air Taxis:** Companies like Joby Aviation and Archer Aviation are actively pursuing commercial urban air mobility instead of consumer-owned flying cars.
- **New Prototypes:** Modern startups (such as Alef Aeronautics) continue to design electric vertical takeoff models with steep price tags around \$300,000, aiming at niche luxury markets rather than driveway-to-driveway family commutes.
- Does a flying car exist right now?
- Yes, flying cars exist, but they function more like low-altitude personal aircraft or autonomous drones rather than the transforming sports cars from movies. They are currently in production and available for purchase, though they are expensive and restricted by strict aviation regulations.

The market includes a few distinct types:

- **Dual-Mode Vehicles:** The Alef Model A is a fully electric vehicle that can be driven on public roads and take off vertically. It is in production with a price tag of around \$300,000. Similarly, the Samson Sky Switchblade is a street-legal 3-wheeler that transforms into an airplane at local airports.
- **Recreational eVTOLs:** Single-seat aircraft like the Pivotal Helix (starting at \$190,000) allow you to fly without a pilot's license because they are classified as ultralights. You fly them in unregulated airspace below 200 feet.



- **Autonomous Air Taxis:** Companies like EHang manufacture egg-shaped, self-flying aircraft designed for commercial logistics or urban transport routes. You simply select your destination and let the automated system do the flying.

***Editors note:** As of the date of this writing air taxis are in the experimental stage in Texas. It won't be long before Florida offers air taxis. Uber may love this.*

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- Tuesdays:** Cards -Texas Hold-em for
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contributor – Debbie Kreta 513-237-0028

The event committee is looking for volunteers to make a pot of their very own home-made chili to share at the annual Halloween Party this year. Chili volunteers will be reimbursed by the HOA if you keep your receipt and separate from personal items purchased at the store. Please contact Debbie if interested.

While costumes are optional, and not mandatory, there will be prizes for the top 3 costumes.

Games and other short events are also being planned by the committee.



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JULIET'S LUNCH

Helen Baker 309-830-8449

The Juliets will dine for lunch on Thursday, October 8th at 1:00 p.m. at the Old Salty dog Restaurant located down by the circus bridge - 1475 Tamiami Trail South, Venice, FL 34285. Please use the sign-up sheet at the clubhouse.

JULIET'S BREAKFAST

Judy Gerarge 847-401-0115

The Juliets will be going to Metro Diner, at 9:30 for breakfast on Tuesday, October 20th. Please use the sign-up sheet at 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 the breakfast is still scheduled.

DIET:

Courtesy of Dr. Darold Lito as per his email newsletter

Eating More Fruits and Vegetables Linked to a Lower Risk of Depression.

A review of 13 long-term studies involving more than 385,000 adults found that every additional 200 grams of fruits and vegetables—equivalent to 1 large apple, 2 medium peaches, 2 medium-to-large carrots, or 1.5 large bell peppers—consumed each day was associated with a 16% lower risk of developing depression.

Journal of Affective Disorders, July 2026

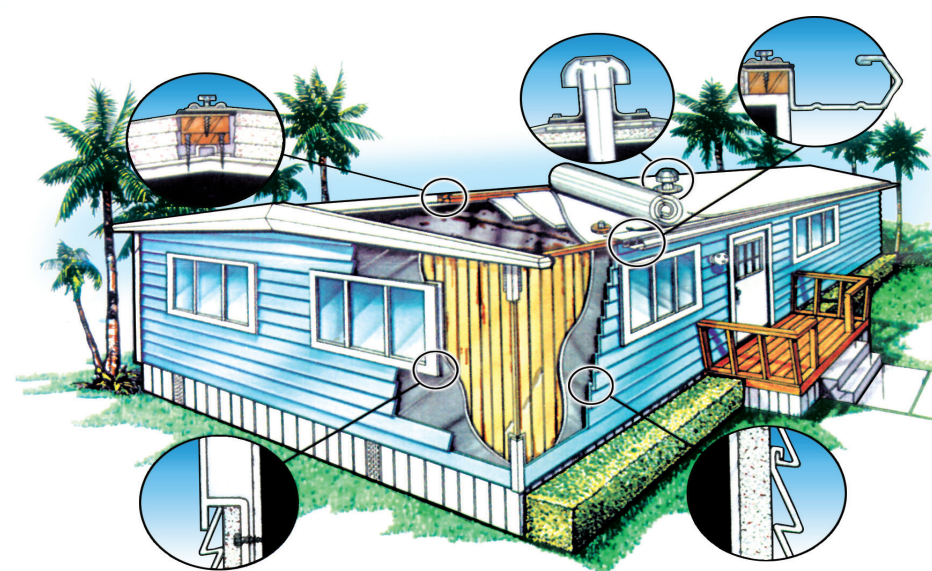


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2027 RUMMAGE SALE **(SPECIAL MESSAGE BELOW)**

At the March 3, 2026 HOA meeting, the following members were appointed as

Co-Chairs for the 2027 Rummage Sale:

1. Deb Kreta
2. Scott Nekrasz
3. Robin Izbicki (Plant Sale)

The rummage sale is always a wonderful community wide event, but it also requires a great deal of planning, organization, and help from volunteers to make it successful.

If you would like to be part of this fun community effort, **we would love your help!** Please feel free to provide your name to any of the co-chairs if you're interested in volunteering.

Let's come together as a community to make this event a wonderful success!

*****IMPORTANT: Coming soon!** As of September 1st, Debbie will post the dates and times at the clubhouse when you can either drop items off at the storage shed for the sale or have them picked up.

Keep an eye open for the dates. Also, there will be a box at the clubhouse for smaller items. **PLEASE do not leave rummage sale items on the floor.**

SCAM WARNING

contributor – Melanie Benezet

INTRODUCTION (to be continued)

While the elderly population in the United States has grown steadily during the past century, the rate of growth of people over the age of 65 has accelerated since 2011. This is the year when the oldest baby boomers first turned 65.

Over the next 40 years, the number of older adults in the U.S. is expected to increase from 56 million

in 2020 to 94.7 million in 2060.

The number of adults over the age of 85 is expected to almost triple, from 6.7 million to 19 million over that same time period.

As the elderly population in the U.S. continues to grow, the number of crimes involving financial fraud and exploitation of this group is also increasing. It's estimated that the cost to seniors who fall victim to financial exploitation is at least \$3 billion annually. According to the Consumer Sentinel Network Data Book 2021, there was a 47% increase in fraud and identity theft reports from 2019 to 2020, rising from 3.24 million to 4.7 million. Furthermore, reported losses in 2020 were \$3.3 billion, representing a \$1.5 billion increase over 2019. These alarming numbers are expected to continue to grow as the segment of the population over the age of 65 expands. The Federal Trade Commission has reported that the phone is the top fraud contact method used, the second most common being online.

FRAUD #1) Tech support fraud occurs when a cyber criminal posts as a service or support representative to resolve technology issues such as viruses, compromised email or bank account, or a software license renewal. After the cyber criminals have remote access to devices or accounts, they can compromise your data and finances.

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BAY LAKE BOOK GROUP*by Karen Limkemann -*

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You gain new perspectives and understand books and themes more deeply through varied interpretations and experiences from others.

Analyzing plots, characters and themes boost critical thinking. Keeping your brain active and engaging with complex ideas and stories sharpen your mind.

There is also the socialization and meeting new people and making new friends when you join a book club.

We have been meeting on Wednesdays in the library at 1:00. But, to encourage more readers to come we are changing our time to 7:00 PM. Bring your own beverage, and dessert will be provided.

In March and April we start thinking about books that we would like to read and discuss for next season. If you have read a book that you think others would enjoy we would love to hear from you.

The book that we are reading this month is:

The Borrowed Life of Frederick Fife by Anna Johnston

It is about a kind lonely elderly man who is facing eviction. He is mistaken for a missing resident at a nursing home. It is a hilarious, feel-good novel about forgiveness, redemption and second chances.

Super fun book!

This is Anna Johnston's first book.

She refers to herself as a former baby, aspiring octogenarian, and debut Australian author with a love for the heartfelt and hilarious. She grew up in country Victoria before moving to Melbourne, by the beach, where she lives with her husband, two daughters, and elderly Italian Greyhound.

PLANT SALE?

Bay Lake Community. So, as Plant Sale Chairman, I would like to ask our residents to keep us in mind if you have no longer needed empty pots, unwanted plants, etc. Although the future plant sale is not quite a year away, hopefully it will be paired with the Rummage Sale. You can call me at 860 608 3271 with questions; ROBIN IZBICKI 169 Oleander St.

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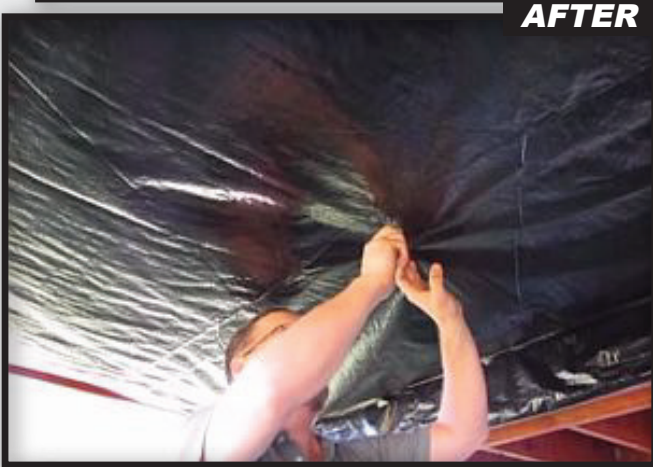
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RECIPE/FOOD OF THE MONTH*courtesy of Michael M Kloian*

Several refrigerator/cabinet products you may want to keep on hand comes from Stonewall Kitchen. They have a huge line of products that are definitely worthy of trying. These products are either sold on-line at stonewallkitchen.com or at Morton's Gourmet Deli in Sarasota.

My/our favorite is the **Truffle Aioli** which can be used to dip French fries in, or slather some on sandwiches instead of mayo, etc.

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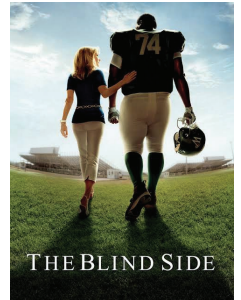
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MY FAVORITE FILM OR TV**SHOW***contributor Michael M Kloian 912-547-2416*

THE BLIND SIDE - 2009
(inspired by true events)

Michael Oher (Quinton Aaron), a homeless black teen, has drifted in and out of the school system for years. Then Leigh Anne Tuohy (Sandra Bullock) and her husband, Sean (Tim McGraw), take him in. The Tuohy’s eventually become Michael's legal guardians, transforming both his life and theirs. Michael's tremendous size and protective instincts make him a formidable force on the gridiron, and with help from his new family and devoted tutor, he realizes his potential as a student and football player and was drafted by the Baltimore Ravens following college and won Super Bowl XLVII.



Editor's Note: This is a very touching film that hits the heart and soul of helping someone in need. While the movie is based on a real person and his general journey into football, major elements of the story were fabricated or misrepresented.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE NEWS

Please send us your request in order for us to send messages of condolence or to acknowledge an illnesses of friends/neighbors in Bay Lake. We will send out cards. Please email or call Debbie Kreta 513-237-0028 the.kretas@gmail.com or

Marian Brooks 519-710-2929 mbrooks654@gmail.com

NEWSLETTERS

As you may have noticed with the May issue it was not delivered to your mailbox. Please pick up your copy at the clubhouse around the 1st of each month. You can always access past newsletters on-line at www.BayLakeEstates.org.



BAY LAKE ESTATES**HOA MEMBERSHIPS**

HOA memberships are on sale for 2026. All homeowners may purchase a membership for \$10.00 for the entire year. This is a fiscal thing, January – December.

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 or to join special events, like the Welcome Back Breakfast, Ice Cream Social, Valentine's Day dinner and dance, Halloween Party and more.

Memberships will be sold at Saturday morning coffee and at association meetings, or by calling John Kreta at 513-886-4201.

WHERE TO DINE – WHAT TO ORDER

One cannot think well, love well, sleep well, if one has not dined well."

— Virginia Woolf, A Room of One's Own

BAY LAKE ESTATES BOOK GROUP 2026 - 2027

Contact person: Karen Limkemann 734-890-9229

The group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the library at 7:00 pm

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title & Author</u>	<u>Leader</u>
November 18, 2026 (3rd week)	This is Going to Hurt by Adam Kay pub: 2022	Susan Rollison
December 16, 2026	The Most Fun We Ever Had by Claire Lombards pub: 2019	Carrie Strano
January 13, 2027	When We Believed in Mermaids by Barbara O'Neal pub: 2019	Diane Adamson
February 17, 2027	Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Felt pub: 2023	Raylene Baylis
March 24, 2027	Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen pub: 1813	Karen Limkemann
April 14, 2027	The Housemaid by Freida McFadden pub: 2022	Marian Brook

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

by Steve Limkemann (734) 419-9142

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October Birthdays

2 Kathie Morris	17 Bill Adamson
5 Bonnie Heintz	19 Herb Van Dyke
7 Deborah Bucsek	22 Bob Shaw
8 Kenny Nifong	23 Liz Breadstill
10 Rebecca Dole	26 J. Dino Carella
11 Sandra Lee	30 JoAnn Macchia
13 Tom James	

October Anniversaries

10 Alice & Kevin McKay
13 Dawna & Ray Riley
17 Ernest & Valerie Hopkins
21 Brenda & Wayne DeNardis



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.

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5. Distributed
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7. Step
8. Pizza topping
9. Tiny
10. On land
11. Illegal factory
12. Role
13. Resorts
18. Enlist
22. Twisted
24. Sponsorship
26. Windmill blade
28. Roof overhangs
29. Tent-pitching place
30. Glimpse
31. Chick's sound
32. Desire
33. Looking ahead
34. A star with 5 points
37. Amount lent
38. Contented cat sound
40. Roil
41. Monetary units of Serbia
43. Drink after a drink
44. Gentle touch
46. Full of excitement
47. Love intensely
48. Care for
49. Quizzes
50. List of choices
51. Ages
53. Chills and fever
56. Stomach muscles, for short
57. Band performance

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1. Confess
5. Grain stubble
10. Cobras
14. Melange
15. Dried plum
16. Exchange
17. Self-control
19. Wife of Zeus
20. French for "Friend"
21. Horse sound
22. Ships
23. Precise
25. Blatant
27. Diet
28. Fade away
31. Student
34. Wall coating
35. Possesses
36. Makes a mistake
37. Embankment
38. Ceremonial splendor
39. Bigheadedness
40. They form skeletons
41. Young dog
42. Navy jackets
44. Automobile
45. Large Asian country
46. Guarantee
50. Nickel or steel
52. Nigerian money
54. Expected
55. Greek goddess of discord
56. Instigators
58. Pew area
59. Music genre
60. Formerly (archaic)
61. Utiliser
62. Sows
63. T T T



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