

# December 15, 2020

## **BellaVita Holiday Schedule**

Bellavita business office will be closed Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and Christmas Day, Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup>.

In addition, because there will not be a New Year's event the business office will close at 1 p.m. on New Year's Eve. As always, the business office will be closed on New Year's Day.

The Board and the Staff wish you a very Happy Holiday season!



**TOYS FOR TOTS**

**HOLIDAY**

**TOY DRIVE**



PLEASE DROP ALL  
UNWRAPPED  
TOYS OFF IN THE BIN  
IN THE BELLAVITA OFFICE

ALVIN HOPE

LAST DAY TO DROP OFF TOY  
WILL BE DECEMBER 18, 2020

*In Loving Memory of*  
**Ondree Odinet Kuhn**



On December 4, 2020 Ondree Odinet Kuhn slipped away peacefully after a courageous and hard-fought battle with Lewy Body dementia. Born on January 13, 1937 to Rudy and Ethel Odinet of Galveston, Texas, Ondree had beautiful bright blue eyes and a perfect smile. She was always proud of being "born on the island" (BOI) and loved her Ball High classmates, many of whom remained lifelong friends. After graduating from Ball High, she moved to the mainland and attended university, was a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity, married and raised her children. She taught math and computer literacy at McAdams Junior High in Dickinson, Texas where again she made several lifelong friends. After retiring from teaching, she settled in the Bella Vita Community in Pearland, Texas and continued to live an active life.

She loved to "Go" – whether it was traveling to Canada or California, bird watching in the park, lunch with friends, shopping at Nordstrom's, a show at The Grand or Hobby Center, the Zoo, an evening bible study or just an activity at the Bella Vita clubhouse - she was always up for a fun adventure as long as it included her best friend and sidekick daughter. Her ability to eat was legendary, especially when it came to a good What-a-burger and fries. But she also had a generous heart, jumping at the opportunity to volunteer at the Christian Helping Hands food pantry or helping deliver pet food to homebound seniors.

While she enjoyed doing just about anything, the absolute PERFECT day was driving (or being driven by her sidekick) in her cherry red Cadillac to Galveston while being serenaded by the Texas Tenors on the radio to have lunch somewhere on the seawall with her closest friends. Friends who devotedly held her hand and made her laugh as they regaled her with stories of their lives. Friends who safeguarded her memories and gave them back to her each time they met. They lovingly took this journey - her journey - with her. She was never alone. So, when at the end, she slipped away for the last time, she went "home" to Galveston.... if only in her mind.

'Go rest on high on that mountain, (Ondree), your work on Earth is done.' You have left a legacy of joy and laughter. We will carry you in our hearts, forever.

Ondree leaves behind a daughter and son, two nieces, a cousin, numerous loving friends and a team of extraordinary doctors and caregivers who worked tirelessly to ensure she lived her best life till the very end. She will be laid to rest next to her mother and father in a private graveside service at Galveston Memorial Park in Hitchcock, Texas. In lieu of flowers, please feel free to donate to Galveston Island Humane Society or your favorite charity. Condolences and/or memories of Ondree can be sent to her family @ 2112 W. Marsala Dr., Pearland, Texas 77581.



## ANNUAL BELLES HOLIDAY GIFT GIVING

It is that time of year again when we count our blessings and take time to consider the needs of those in our community who are less fortunate.

We will be supporting the Christian Helping Hands Food Bank with gift cards. Your contribution of \$10 or more will go a long way in providing food, clothing, temporary housing and prescription drugs. Please consider this worthy cause with a gift card or cards from Walmart, Target, HEB, Kroger or any other grocery store.

Your cards can be dropped off at the Clubhouse. A box will be in the lobby. If you would like to write a check please make it payable to the Bellavita Belles. If you intend to view the golf carts in the staging area the day of the parade someone will be available to accept your contribution.

Thank you for your generosity.

Marjorie Parham

Kay Simpson



*You've Been*  
**JINGLED!**

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way! A little elf stopped by your home to brighten up your day!



From December 1st through the 19th, it will be a nice way to promote the spirit of gift giving without the need of saying. "Hey! The gift's from me." Anything can be included in the Jingle treat bag that's why it is no pressure to prepare one. The directions are easy to follow:



- 1) Enjoy your treats! (\$5 limit/homemade goodies)
- 2) Place the "We've been Jingled" sign on your door or window.
- 3) Within two days make two copies of each sign along with a bag of Holiday treats. (copies can be made at the Clubhouse)
- 4) Secretly deliver your treats to two friends or neighbors.

Happy Holidays!

Sponsored by the Bellavita Belles  
For more information call Sue S. 281-464-9454

**Merry Christmas**

## Hospice Blankets In Time for Christmas!

In spite of the pandemic, the Bella Vita *"Hands of Love"* Sewing Group members have been keeping busy at home! For one of our recent projects, we recently sent 18 fleece tie blankets to hospice patients at the Faith Community Hospice in Baytown.

The following are members who were able to participate in this effort.

Janice Roberts

Joanne Bell

Eleanor Garza

Karen Schachter

Carolyn Johnson

Boneta Massingill

Patsy Jakovich

The photograph below displays the finished blankets!



## An Veteran Honored.....

Our Bella Vita neighbor, Mr. Charles Gamble, 97 years young, proudly served our country during World War II in the Navy.

On Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, members of the Bella Vita Veterans and the Bella Vita Sewing Group presented Charles with a beautiful Quilt of Valor in appreciation of his service. Club members presenting the quilt included: Bill Hart, Head of the Bella Vita Veterans; Janice Roberts, Sewing Group Leader; Barbara & Walter Pasciak; and David Southard.

It was our privilege to honor this special World War II veteran! The picture shows Charles with his new quilt!



# BellaVita Christmas Decorations 2020



The Committee started this project back in March just before COVID and has been working tirelessly to get bids for the new additions at the entrance to BellaVita. As you can see coming and going they are up for your enjoyment. We also requested that the spot lights in the median for the trees, the front BellaVita sign plus a new electrical outlet be repaired so we could light the new decoration. It is

spectacular and we want to thank the Chairman Marjorie Parham and her team: Maylene Moore, Sue Biard, Kay Simpson, Emily Marshburn and Mary Westfahl for their dedication in seeing that this project come true. Also, a special thanks to the BellaVita Belles, TEC, Men's Club and the Veterans Club for helping raise the money to make this happen.



## 2021 BellaVita Belles Officers

**Kay Simpson, President**

**Marjorie Parham, Vice President**

**Suzanne Matocha, Secretary**

**Tommie Johnson, Treasurer**

## 2021 BellaVita That's Entertainment Club Officers

**Lew Shuffler - President**

**Sue Steik - Vice President**

**Rory Potter - Treasurer**

**Genie Dunnage - Secretary**





Dear Residents:

We're entering the busiest season of the year. Unfortunately, this is a prime season for crime to occur. Below are some friendly reminder safety tips. Remember to always report suspicious activity to the local police. We wanted to remind residents to be mindful of their surroundings to help mitigate becoming a victim.

### Safety Tips

1. Use ATMs in well lighted, populated areas. When using an ATM please be extra cautious of your surroundings and don't count your money out in the open. Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
2. When exiting/unloading your vehicle be cautious of anyone in the vicinity. If you see a suspicious person stay in the vehicle with your doors locked and windows up. Never open your doors to anyone you do not know.
3. Always be aware of your surroundings, with interest to individuals near and around you.
4. When leaving your vehicle, lock it and close the windows. Don't leave valuables in public view.
5. Never leave your car running and unoccupied.

### Tips for Packages

1. Sign up for delivery alerts so you know when your delivery is scheduled and when the package has been delivered.
2. If you're not able to be home when a package will be delivered, ask a trusted neighbor to hold it for you.
3. If possible, require a signature for all deliveries.
4. Be a good neighbor! If you see a package on your neighbor's doorstep, reach out and ask if they would like you to hold it until they are home.



The Awards Committee would like to announce **Q4 2020 Volunteer of the Quarter, Gene Reddell**. The Volunteer of the Quarter is a program to publicly recognize the efforts of an individual for BV community service.

Gene moved to BellaVita in 2003. He has been a long time resident who has been involved in much of the development of the BV community. Gene knows how important it is to get involved as a volunteer. His invaluable service to the community in getting numerous tasks and events executed has made a difference in the lifestyle here.

Gene has worked on many committees and projects. As a HOA Election committee member, he has worked with the Board to ensure BV allows residents a voice on who leads our community. He has spent countless hours volunteering as a Block Captain, Men's Club member and Veterans Club Flag Captain. He has served as the Treasurer for the New Year's Eve Annual Event and handles the money for the Veterans Disbursement including monthly meals and chairman of the Memorial Day and Fourth of July Annual events. Gene spent his career as a banker so BV knows who to put in charge of the money! With all this responsibility, Gene will take the time to cook for all clubs, buy the groceries, setup & take down for events. No job is too small for him to chip in. BV has profited greatly from his energy and inspiration.

Something many may not know, Gene is a caring neighbor. At a moment's notice, he has driven neighbors to Doctor appointments and/or the Hospital. Also, sits with the neighbor until family arrives or checking in on neighbors who are ill and unable to leave their homes. In addition to help make BV a caring community, he belongs to the Pearland Citizens Police Academy. Besides staying aware of community safety issues, he has been involved in fundraising for the Citizens Police Academy as well as heading up Toys for Tots for BV.

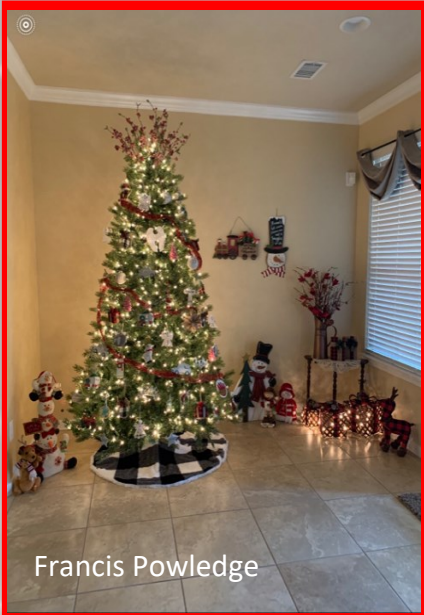
Gene was honored with the **2016 ROSE Award** (along with Charles Parham) for the Fence Task Force Leadership in 2015. He shows true dedication to our community. He has a winner's attitude and is respected and admired for his outstanding leadership.

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

Sandra Bornstein  
Awards Committee Chair



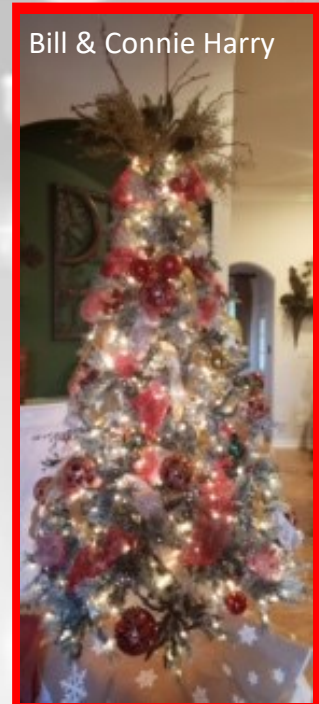
The BellaVita Christmas tree is up!  
Is your tree up?  
Show us your decorations!  
Send to [Carolina.Garcia@inframark.com](mailto:Carolina.Garcia@inframark.com)



Francis Powledge



BellaVita



Bill & Connie Harry



Suzanne Matocha



Merlin & Rhoda Mohr



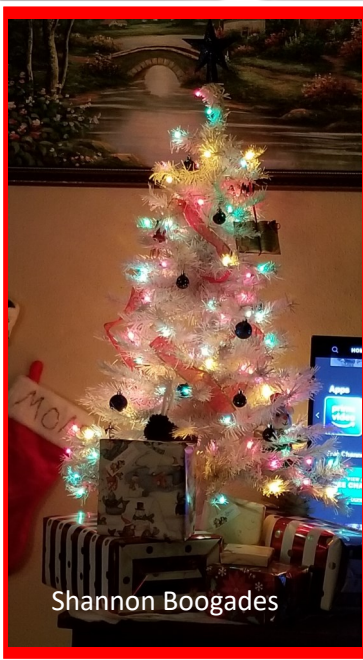
Jerry & Emily  
Marshburn



Kathy Carlisle



Lew & Mary Anne Shuffler



Shannon Boogades



Sara Massuelman



Carolina Garcia



## Christmas Word Scramble

Unscramble the letters to find words which have to do with Christmas. Some of the words have religious meanings, others are secular in nature.

1. Groceos \_\_\_\_\_
2. Naclorig \_\_\_\_\_
3. Rats \_\_\_\_\_
4. Scunttshe \_\_\_\_\_
5. Porduhl \_\_\_\_\_
6. Naast \_\_\_\_\_
7. Skagceap \_\_\_\_\_
8. Dressephh \_\_\_\_\_
9. Gramen \_\_\_\_\_
10. Galen \_\_\_\_\_
11. Limesotte \_\_\_\_\_
12. Vaniyitt \_\_\_\_\_
13. Gotscink \_\_\_\_\_
14. Virasou \_\_\_\_\_
15. Traweh \_\_\_\_\_
16. Gisehl \_\_\_\_\_
17. Wamsonn \_\_\_\_\_
18. Ejuss \_\_\_\_\_
19. Stranneom \_\_\_\_\_
20. Scamsthir \_\_\_\_\_

**cook time** 10 MINUTES    **total time** 10 MINUTES

Try our Grinch Hot Vanilla Milk as a special treat on your Holiday Movie Nights - this yummy hot vanilla flavored milk will really hit the spot.

### **INGREDIENTS**

- Milk
- Sugar (optional)
- Vanilla Extract

[Wilton Color Right Food Coloring - Yellow](#)  
[Wilton Color Right Food Coloring - Blue](#)

- Whipped Cream  
[Red Sprinkles](#)

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Add two cups of milk for every serving to a medium pan.
2. Begin to heat milk on medium low heat.
3. Add vanilla. (We added 1 teaspoon per cup of milk because we love vanilla. Adjust to fit your own love of vanilla.)
4. Add sugar to taste.
5. Stir until the sugar and the vanilla are mixed and the milk has heated but has not started to boil.



## **Grinch HOT VANILLA MILK**

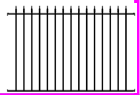


Mon 12/14	Mostly Cloudy	51°   43°	10%
Tue 12/15	Partly Cloudy	58°   40°	20%
Wed 12/16	Sunny	52°   33°	20%

# Weather

Thu 12/17	Mostly Sunny	57°   43°	5%
Fri 12/18	Partly Cloudy	63°   57°	20%
Sat 12/19	Sctd Showers	69°   48°	40%
Sun 12/20	Mostly Sunny	64°   48°	20%
Mon 12/21	Sunny	68°   50°	15%

Please keep the pool gate Closed at all times. The County Ordinance prohibits the propping open of pool gates. (CAMERA MONITORED)



Please do not work on motor vehicles in the driveway or in the street. The BellaVita CCR Section 8 states that motor vehicles can only be worked on in the garage or an approved enclosure..



**BE CONSIDERATE**

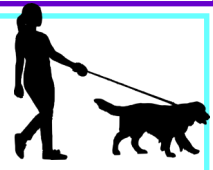
When you are finished with the umbrellas at the pool please be sure to put them down.

Thank you for your help!

**NO PETS**

NO PETS ARE ALLOWED IN THE CLUBHOUSE, ANNEX or on the POOL DECK

Please make sure all Cats and Dogs are on Leashes



**NOTICE**

HELP KEEP THIS PLACE CLEAN



Please be considerate and pick up after yourselves when exiting the annex, gym and pool. Please also pick up after you pet.

Please tell your Guests and Vendors Do NOT Tailgate. The entrance gates are monitored by camera



**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:**

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THE CURBS!!!**

BellaVita owns our streets within the community and when the curbs are damaged the association has to repair/replace. Please be cautious.



RusticScapes will be Mulching at the beginning of the year.

Everyone will get mulch in the front. If you do not want mulch; please call RusticScapes at 832-620-6529, or put a sign in your yard indicating you do not want it.

If you want your backyard done, there is a sign up sheet at the front desk. \$50.00 for brown and \$60.00 for black, per cubic yard.

RusticScapes will send you an invoice.

**FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY**



**PLEASE WEAR A FACEMASK TO ENTER THE ANNEX & CLUBHOUSE**

## 2020 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE CITY OF PEARLAND

### Thanksgiving Day

November 26, 2020 - Observed Holiday. Service will resume on next scheduled collection day.

### Christmas Day

December 25, 2020 - Observed Holiday, Friday recycling customers will be collected on Saturday, December 26, 2020. Waste, bulk and green waste collection will resume on next scheduled collection day.

### New Years Day

January 1, 2020 - Observed Holiday. Friday recycling customers will be collected on Saturday, January 2, 2021. Waste, bulk, and green waste collection will resume on next scheduled collection day.

## POOL HEATING

### From the Board

We had previously announced that we would heat the pool until December 15<sup>th</sup> while monitoring use and cost. Unfortunately we have 2 heaters out of service and the remaining 2 heaters are working overtime and cannot keep the pool to the designated temperature with the cooler weather. We will discontinue heating the pool until next season. The spa heater will remain in use unless shut down for repairs.



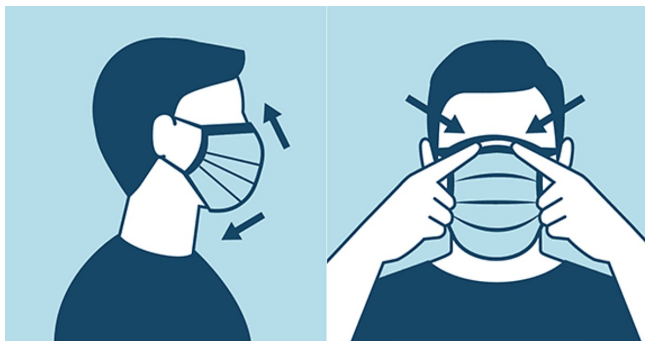


This is a friendly reminder that the Clubhouse's hours are posted as of October 5th:

**CLUBHOUSE HOURS**

- Sunday....Clubhouse Closed
- Monday....10a to 7p
- Tuesday.....10a to 7p
- Wednesday...10a to 7p
- Thursday 10a to 7 p
- Friday.....10a to 7p
- Saturday .....10a to 5p

**Please maintain 6 ft. social distancing and wear a mask**



Happy  
**HOLIDAYS**

With the Holidays coming up you may have family and friends coming to your homes. Please don't forget to get your Parking Permits at the Clubhouse if parking at the Clubhouse. We offer Day and Overnight Permits. We will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, so please come in no later than the day before to get yours.





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