#### THIS WEEK:

**Tuesday-30** 

10:05a Bible Study 11a Chair Exercise-BR

1p Games Day
1p Duplicate Bridge
1p Shanghai-Ax
4:30p Poker

FAVE FOR COUSHATTA

#### Wednesday-31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN



1p Sewing Group

1p Poker
3:30p Beg. Line Dancing
RETURN FROM COUSHATTA

**Thursday-1 Hello November BALLROOM CLOSED** NO EVENTS

Friday-2 BALLROOM CLOSED NO EVENTS

#### Saturday-3 NO INDOOR MORNING EVENTS

9a-Cancer Walk 6p-Fish fry Men's Club

Sunday-4 4p Zumba

Monday-5

11a Fitness

1p <u>A</u>. Mah-jonng-Ax

p Poker

4p Int. LineDancing 7p Party Bridge 7p Choir-BR

## October 30, 2018 Weekly Newsletter

# think@pink

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

The staff has chosen to wear "pink" on each Wednesday in October in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Please join them in the fight to beat cancer. Wear your pink too! Don't forget we have an upcoming Cancer Walk in November sponsored by the Belles and honoring the memory of farry Moore and Mike Sanders.





EARLY VOTING BEGINS OCTOBER 22ND AND **ENDS NOVEMBER 2ND.ELECTION DAY IS** TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH.

BELLAVITA IS A VOTING SITE ON ELECTION DAY. PLEASE CHECK FOR EARLY VOTING SITES.





PLEASE NOTE YOUR MONTHLY ASSESSMENT IS BEING INCREASED FROM \$246 TO \$262 PER MONTH.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

1. AUTOMATIC DEBIT WITH INFRAMARK- IF YOU ARE SET UP ON AUTOMATIC DEBIT THROUGH INFRAMARK NO FURTHER ACTION IS NEEDED.

- 2. AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS ON INFRAMARK WEBSITE- IF YOU ARE SET UP THROUGH THE INFRAMARK WEBSITE ON AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS PLEASE LOGIN TO UPDATE THE 2019 PAYMENT AMOUNT TO \$262 AND SELECT "NO END DATE". THERE IS A DROP-DOWN MENU TO CHOOSE THE OPTION "NO END DATE".
- 3. BILL PAY- IF YOU HAVE BILL PAY SET UP THROUGH YOUR BANK PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CONTACT YOUR BANK TO HAVE THE AMOUNT CHANGED STARTING IN JANUARY 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$262. BILL PAY IS WHERE YOUR BANK PRINTS AND MAILS A CHECK TO INFRAMARK LOCKBOX. PLEASE KEEP THIS IN MIND TO ALLOW TIME FOR MAILING OF THE CHECK. AFTER THE 15TH A \$25.00 LATE FEE WILL INCUR.

\*IF YOU ARE UNAWARE OF WHAT YOU HAVE SET UP PLEASE CONTACT INFRAMARK ACCOUNT OFFICES AT 281-870-0585 AND WE CAN ASSIST. ASSESSMENTS ARE DUE THE 1ST OF EACH MONTH AND AFTER THE 15TH A \$25.00 LATE FEE WILL INCUR. WE ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS TO SIGN UP ON TOWNSQUARE WHICH GIVES THE ABILITY TO ACCESS YOUR ACCOUNT TO REVIEW PAYMENTS/HISTORY.



On November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the morning of the 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Ballroom will be closed while the dance floor, stage, and stairs is being sanded and resurfaced. This is a process that occurs approximately every 6 to 8 years or so to protect the sheen and durability of our floors.

All activities held in the ballroom on these days will be cancelled and will resume on November 3<sup>rd</sup> for afternoon and evening activities. Men's Club Fish Fry will NOT be affected.

We apologize for any inconvenience and as always appreciate your patience.

Thank you,

-Management



My name is Celeste Sanders-Castro. I am sending you this email to support the Annual Cancer Walk 2018. My Father, Mike Sanders Jr. was a strong and loving guy. He always had a funny story or joke to tell, just to make you smile. He lived his life to the fullest all the way to the end! Frank Sinatra described him well in his song "My Way."

My family and I (Husband/Ramon, Son/Colton 5yrs, Son/Christopher 5yrs, and Daughter/Ciani 2yrs) would like to send our love and support from Maryland in memory of my loving Dad for this wonderful Walk to raise awareness and funds to treat patients with Cancer.

Thank you for keeping his memory alive and for taking time to help those currently battling Cancer.

**God Bless You!** 

Mrs. Celeste Sanders Castro and Family



#### 10<sup>th</sup> Annual BellaVita Cancer Walk Saturday, November 3, 9:00 a.m.

Come and join us on Sat. November 3, @ 9:00 a.m. for our annual Cancer Walk. Lots of fun things are planned as we walk around the lake with our friends and neighbors and support this worthy cause.

This year the walk is dedicated in memory of Larry Moore and Mike Sanders and proceeds from the walk will go to the M D Anderson Cancer Center.

As in the past, a minimum donation of \$10 or more is appreciated. Contact Maylene Moore (361-549-4939) for more information.

Checks should be made out to M D Anderson Center. Sign up and pay at the front desk or on the day of the walk.

Sponsored by BellaVita Belles

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As we begin practicing for our 6th Annual Holiday

performance, we are looking forward to once again working with our old friends, and welcoming new ones. All Bellavita residents are invited to come join us in this holiday tradition.

Our first two practices, Sept. 10 & 17, will be to organize and preview our music. We will begin our weekly rehearsals on Monday, October 8 and continue through December 10. All practices will be held in the Ballroom from 7:00 – 9:00PM. The performance will be in the Bellavita Clubhouse Ballroom on Friday, December 14, 2018 at 7:00PM. There is a \$10.00 music fee.

If you have questions, contact Linda Stanton at (281)844-5984 or Kathy Wright at (281) 382-9568.

# FISH FRY

PRESENTED BY THE MEN'S CLUB



Great Food! Saturday, November 3rd at 6:00

tickets

#### Menu

FRIED CATFISH, GREEN BEANS, RED POTATOES, HOMEMADE COLESLAW, AND ADULT BEVERAGES

Tickets available at Clubhouse or from Sue Steik

#### **BELLAVITA BELLES PRESENT:**

"Passion for Fashion"

Saturday, November 10 Doors open @ 12:00

Open to adult non-residents after October 26. Lunch catered by Four Friends Tea Room

Join us for a fashionable good time!



#### ANNUAL VETERANS DINNER

Calling all Veterans, their spouses, widows, and widowers of Veterans, to join us at the Annual Veterans' Dinner that will be held on November 17, 2018 at 6:30pm in the ballroom. Once again we welcome active Flag Team members and their guests to join us. Please sign up at the front desk before November 13, 2018.

WELOWEOUR





# November 16th 7PM





**Movie: TBD** 



# Everything You Need to Know for the Midterm Elections

What generally happens to the president's party in midterm elections? The party of the incumbent President tends to lose ground during midterm elections: over the past 21 midterm elections, the President's party has lost an average 30 seats in the House, and an average 4 seats in the Senate; moreover, in only two of those has the President's party gained seats in both houses.

What are the midterm elections 2018? The 2018 United States elections will mostly be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018. These midterm elections will take place in the middle of Republican President Donald Trump's first term. All 435 seats in the United States House of Representatives and 35 of the 100 seats in the United States Senate will be contested.

<u>How many senators are up for election in 2018?</u> The U.S. Senate has 51 Republicans and 49 Democrats (including two independents). The 2018 Senate election takes place on November 6, 2018. There are 35 seats up in 2018\*, of which 26 are held by Democrats.

<u>What does a midterm election mean?</u> A midterm election refers to a type of election where the people can elect their representatives in the middle of the term of the executive or of another set of members. ... In the United States, the President and Vice President are elected every four years in indirect (electoral college) presidential elections.

How many House seats are up for reelection in 2018? Four hundred and seventy seats in the U.S. Congress (35 Senate seats and all 435 House seats) are up for election on November 6, 2018.

What happens during midterm elections? "Midterms" are held halfway between presidential elections. Voters elect one-third of all U.S. senators and all 435 members of the U.S. House of Representatives during the midterms... Midterms determine which political party — Democratic or Republican — will control each chamber of Congress for the next two years.

ELECTION 2018



Pour the caramel coffee into a medium saucepan over medium-high heat. Add in the gelatin and whisk until dissolved.

Add the sweetened condensed milk and whisk until combined.

Add the pumpkin pie spice and whisk until combined.

Bring to a low boil, then remove from heat.

Add the whipped cream vodka. Mix to combine.

Pour the pumpkin spice latte jello shot mixture into plastic shot glasses. Add green straws.

Place in refrigerator for at least 4 hours, until jello is firm.

Top with whipped cream & pumpkin pie spice. Serve immediately

#### Pumpkin Spice Latte Jello Shot

1 Cup Caramel Coffee
1 Tablespoon Gelatin (this is
NOT Jell-O, if you use Jello
this recipe will not work out)
3 Tablespoons Sweetened
Condensed Milk
2 Tsp Pumpkin Pie Spice
1 Cup Whipped Cream Vodka
Whipped Cream, for garnish

Drink of the Week



Front door refinishing has ended for 2018.
The work order list will re-open after the new year.

Now's the time to get that last swim in before winter! The Bellavita pool heaters will only be on until November 15th.



GOODBYE OCTOBER, HELLO

## November!

Holidays



Symbols of November

Veterans Day
World Diabetes Day
Thanksgiving
American Indian Heritage Month
Good Nutrition Month
Aviation Month
American Diabetes Awareness Month
National Stamp Collecting Month

Birthstone: Topaz and citrine Flower: Chrysanthemum Zodiac signs: Scorpio and Sagittarius



#### Did You know??

William G. Harding (29th President of the United States) Birthday Was Nov. 2

Howard Hughes flies the Spruce Goose; the largest fixed-wing aircraft ever built.

Throughout much of history, November has often been thought of as a somber month because it signaled the start of winter. People would spend the month storing up their harvest and preparing their food and homes in order to survive the winter

#### Fun Facts

- \* Elections are held in the United States on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November.
- \* The third Thursday of November is the Great American Smokeout. Smokers are encouraged by the American Cancer Society to stop smoking on this day.
- \* American football is the main sport watched in the United States during this month.
- \* Most, if not all, of the leaves have fallen off the trees by the end of November.

### RUSTICSCAPES

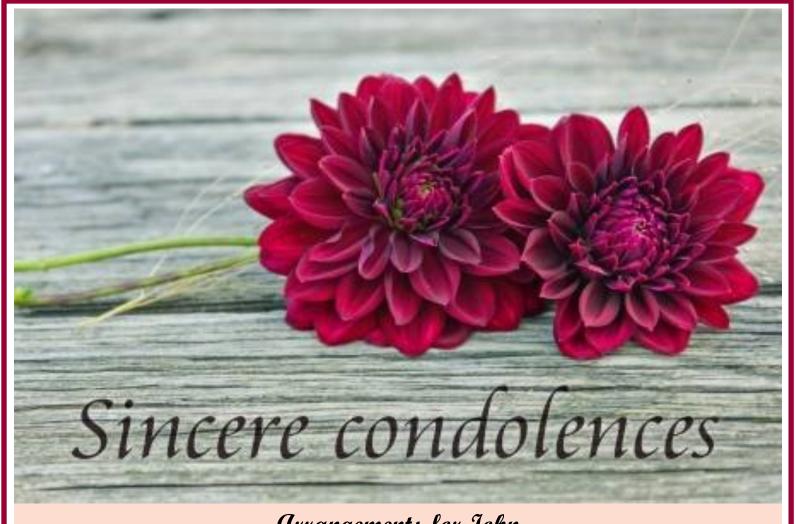
Rusticscapes is now on bi-weekly schedule. If any RS, crew is in the community it is because they are working on a project and/or irrigation.

Seasonal Flowers are scheduled to be installed before November 7th



Rusticscapes LLC PO Box 1155 Bellville Tx, 77418





Arrangements for John

Visitation: Saturday November 3rd 11:30am

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church, 11011 Hall Road Houston, Texas

followed by Mass at 12:30

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It is with heartfelt sympathy that I report the death of long time resident of BellaVita, John Maher 1308 Modena Drive. John was called to glory by his savior Friday Night October 26, 2018 while being cared for at Windsong Care Center, following several months of health problems.

John's loving wife, Anne is currently also a patient at Windsong recuperating from surgery. Family members are in route to aid in the final arrangements, which are pending.

The community's condolences and prayers for strength to cope with this loss goes out to John's loving wife, Anne and their family as well as a speedy recovery for Anne.

We as a BellaVita family are always saddened by the news of one of our own passing. The Bereavement Committee of the Belles Club works diligently to assist with the food needs for a memorial for the family and friends when the event is held at our clubhouse.

The staff stands ready to assist with all needs for table set ups, audio and visual and other requirements.

It is imperative that a family member work with the staff to schedule a date for the memorial, sign forms for insurance purposes, and arrange for food assistance. There are many events held in the clubhouse daily and arrangements must be made for cancellation and/or relocation of these events and notice to all participants.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

-Management



#### BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE SPONSORED BY THE BELLES CLUB

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The Belles Club sponsors a Bereavement Committee to assist families with meal services on the death of a loved one in which the family wishes to use Clubhouse Facilities for a memorial reception.

The following are guidelines of the committee:

- Service offered <u>only</u> on the death of a resident;
- Family contacts the Clubhouse Manager to arrange for use of the clubhouse facilities;
- Clubhouse Manager contacts Bereavement Committee to assist family;
- Bereavement Committee provides salads, vegetable dishes, desserts, and tea/coffee/water. Family
  provides any other beverages of their choice;
- Bereavement Committee works with the clubhouse personnel and family on the set up and clean-up.

Sue Steik has graciously volunteered to serve as coordinator of the Bereavement Committee. The committee is comprised of volunteers from the Belles Club as well as any other residents of the community who would like to assist. You may contact Sue Steik if you wish to be on the list as a volunteer (281-464-9454).

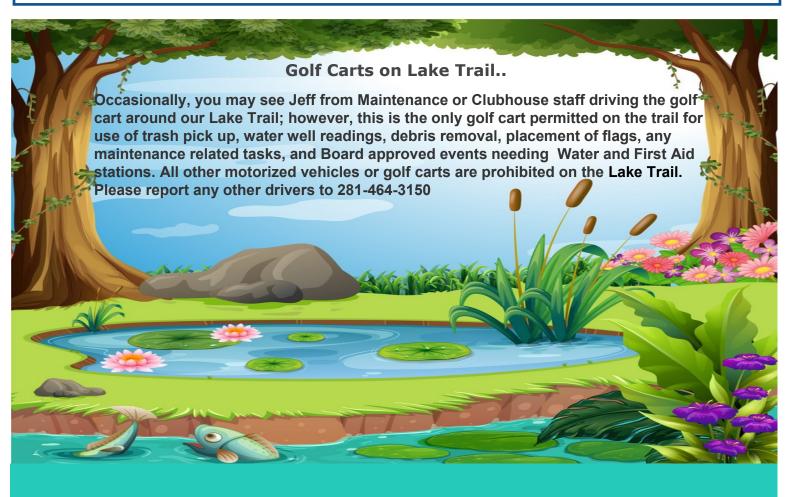
BellaVita is a community committed to neighbors helping neighbors and this is just one small way in which we try to be a support in the loss of a loved one.

#### And the Lucky Winner of the 2018 Mistletoe Market Raffle Quilt Was......

Ms. Linda Kuhn! A Bellavita resident!

Congratulations to Linda, shown below with her beautiful quilt! The quilt raffle is sponsored by the Bellavita Hands of Love Stitchers as a fundraiser for our numerous community service projects. The quilt pattern is "Electic Blue" and was made by sewing group members, Ronnie Stimson and Barbara Pasciak – thanks to you both for your work and skill! And thanks to the Bellavita community for your support!





#### Bible Study Every Tuesday at 10:05am in the BV Ballroom Led by: Dennis Wilson



#### Canasta

Every Wednesday, at 1PM. New players are always welcomed. Come have fun & fellowship with a great group of residents!

Call: Linda Mulholand at 713-309-5998 for more info.



#### **ASIAN MAH-JONGG**

Come and join us on Thursdays at 1PM in the

Annex. If you are interested and want me to get a group of newbies together to learn as a group,

Contact: Linda Mulholand-at 713-309-5998

# Contact number and emails for Clubhouse staff; CLUBHOUSE OFFICE PHONE: 281-464-3150 Shannon Boogades; shannon.boogades@inframark.com Christine Deangelis; christine.deangelis@inframark.com Michelle Deleon; michelle.deleon@inframark.com Carolina Garcia; carolina.garcia@inframark.com



#### Getaway Trip

Date: December 6, Thursday

To: Stages Repertory Theater

"Panto Star Force"

"Panto Star Force is an adventurous, cosmic blast of blockbuster hilarity! Jed, a farm boy from the planet of Cypress, joins forces with a zany band of space rebels, robots, and furry bartenders (and Buttons, of course!) to stop the powerful Emperor Snorkelfish and Dark Tater from taking over the galaxy. Come ready to laugh, cheer and boo in true Panto style, with plenty of toe-tapping music and intergalactic fun for the whole family!"

Play begins at 7 pm

Dinner: To Be Determined (Not included)

Be at the clubhouse at 3 p.m.

Cost: Determined by seating

\$39 - for rows 2 and 3

\$31 - for rows 4 and 5

Return approximately at 9:45 p.m.

#### No Refunds once tickets are purchased

Sign up October 10th (Wednesday) from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

OUTSIDE GUESTS WELCOME

Call Patsy with any questions 281-744-0830

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

As chairwoman of the Bella Vita Belles Nominating Committee, and as prescribed in the by-laws, I'm announcing that the Bella Vita Belles board is up for re-election.

The board positions are: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary

If anyone is interested in any of these positions, please contact the Nominating Committee for guidance: Amira Hemme (Chair), Bonnie Billick, Sandra Bornstein, Dianne Clement, Mary Westfahl.



#### **Book** Review Group

**Date: November 8** 

Time: 1PM

Where: Annex (round table

room)

**Book: The Great Alone** 

**BY: Kristin Hana** 

Contact Norma Falco for any

information.

281-481-1462



It's NEW! It's CHALLENGING!

It's SHANGHAI!!!

Tuesdays at 1PM in the Annex.

Singles and couples are welcome. There are no partners in **Shanghai**. Just bring \$1.00 for the kitty and 13 dimes you will use as you play.

Please call or email Mary Ann Kane to indicate your interest. And please let me know if you already know how to play.

Home Phone: 346-570-5976 Cell Phone: 713-304-5516

Email: maryannkane611@gmail.com

#### Clubhouse

This is a friendly reminder that the Clubhouse's hours are posted as follows:

#### **CLUBHOUSE HOURS**

Sunday....12p to 6p

**Monday....11a to 10p** 

Tuesday.....10a to 10p

Wednesday...10a to 10p

Thursday....10a to 10p

Friday.....10a to 6p\*

Saturday .....10a to 6p\*

\*Closes at 6 PM unless there is a scheduled activity at clubhouse

Please be advised that the staff will  $\underline{not}$  be opening the doors earlier than the specified times.

Please be cognizant of the times your activities begin if you don't wish to wait outside Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Questions or concerns, please call the front desk at 281-464-3150



November 14, 2018

in the BellaVita Ballrooom

@12:45PM

\$5 per person to play



October 31@
Clubhouse
6:45pm-9pm
(start at 7pm)
Play \$5 per person



#### Last week's bridge scores are as follows:

Monday, October 22, (Party Bridge)

1st Nancy Hudson

2nd Bill Harry

3rd Cindy Dutschke

Tuesday, October 23, (Duplicate Bridge) North/South

1st Carolyn Beeson - Nancy Hudson

2<sup>nd</sup> Gail McCullah - Lyle Ganucheau

East/West

1st Russell Pryor - Pat Molloy

2<sup>nd</sup> Rosemary Grimmet - Lee Molloy

Thursday October 25, (Duplicate Bridge – Howell Movement)

1st Wilbur Smith - Jane Peterson

2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Ellen Henry - Carol Grisanti

3<sup>rd</sup> Russell Pryor - Ann Sharp

Party Bridge is played on Monday evening at 7:00 PM. Experienced players do not need a partner to play but must sign up in advance by calling Ruben or Pat Castillo.

Duplicate Bridge is played on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon at 1:00 PM and a partner is required. Partners must sign up in advance and may do so by calling Lyle Ganucheau.



The Service Desk will provide the following FAX, Notary and Copy services for homeowners:

- Sending local Faxes no charge
- Long distance faxes \$1 for each page
- NO International faxes
- Receiving Faxes 10 cents per page up to 25 pages and 25 cents per page over 25 pages.
- Notary services are free when a Notary is available. Notary services are for residents only.
- Scanning to email-No charge
- Copy Services 10 cents per page up to 25 pages and 25 cents per page over 25 pages.

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 provided by the requester.

**NOW OFFERING**: Laminating- 25 cents for 1/2 page and 50 cents for a full page.

Gentle Chair
Exercise Class

(Mary Wilson's Sit & Be Fit)

11 am Tuesdays and Thursdays in the ballroom on the big screen.



#### Walking Aerobics



Thursdays and Saturdays
@ 10am



The Rules and Regulations governing the use of BellaVita property (clubhouse, annex, pool and common grounds) state that no more than 10 guests per household are allowed. Exceptions to this rule are for Bereavement/Memorial services, private party rentals and events open to the public such as the Mistletoe Market. Your private homes are not governed by these Rules and Regulations.

#### FITNESS CLASS

We meet on: Monday @ 11AM, Wednesday @ 10AM and Friday @ 10AM. See you there!





Rummikub Fridays @ the
Clubhouse1:00 PM.
Lots of fun! Good brain exercise!
Come join us!

#### ARC FORMS

**ATTENTION RESIDENTS:** 

The ARC forms required for requests for home improvements are available at the BellaVita website and also on Townsquare.

For the BellaVita website go to:

HOA and then click on FORMS.

# Zumba Gold!

Sunday's at 4PM in the Ballroom. See you there!

(4:30pm on BINGO Sunday)

ATTENTION RESIDENTS: NO PETS ARE ALLOWED IN THE CLUBHOUSE.





2022 West Grand Parkway North, Ste 100 Katy, TX 77449 Ph# 281-870-0585

#### COMCAST Hotline!!

For ordering, billing, and



call 855-307-4896

Thank you.

#### ATTN: RESIDENTS

The Community Manager email address is:

Shannon.Boogades@inframark.com

Please send all important information to the above email address.

If you have information for the newsletter please send that information to: maintenance@club-bellavita.org.

#### **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.

Cars left in the clubhouse parking lot without permission WILL BE TOWED. Residents may come to the front desk and receive a parking permit 2 nights per month in order to leave their car in the clubhouse parking lot.

#### **BVHOA Directory**

**BV** Clubhouse 281-464-3150

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