

The Echo

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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

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WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU ALL!

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING, ASK SOMEONE LISTED

Laguna Vista Activities

CLUBHOUSE: Hours: 8am to 10pm

SPORTS

- **SWIMMING:** The heated pool and hot tub are found behind the clubhouse.
Open daily 7:30am - 9pm *(No children in the spa at any time. An adult must always accompany children in the pool. All guests using the pool must always be accompanied by a Resident. No pets allowed in the pool area.)*
Children's hours: Mar 16th - Nov 14th 3pm - 7pm, Nov 15th-Mar 15th 2pm - 6pm
- **WATER AEROBICS:** Led by Karen Hasemann, Tues. through Fri. 10am -11am
- **TENNIS/PICKLEBALL:** Courts are open every day from 8:00am - 10:00pm
- **HORSESHOES:** equipment by pits
- **SHUFFLEBOARD:** Wednesday's @ 5pm – Lenny
- **BILLIARDS:** Thursday's 6pm
- **PING PONG:** Equipment is stored
- **CHAIR EXERCISES:** Led by Al Ablong (Monday's 9:30am)

GAMES (All games are played in the Clubhouse)

- **CARD GAMES:** Poker-type games. Contact Mavis Aloï
- **CANASTA:** Contact Monika Bull
- **SHANGHAI:** Contact Lillian Valdez (Friday's at 1pm)
- **HORSERACES:** Contact John Smith (1st and 3rd Thursday at 1pm)

TABLE GAMES: Contact Sharon Hardin – 720-499-4629

- **CANASTA – HAND and FOOT:** 1st and 3rd Monday's at 1pm – Seats at table are open.
- **Mexican Train:** 1st and 3rd Sundays at 1pm
- **Rummikub:** 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1pm
- **VARIETY:** 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1pm
- **Mahjong:** 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 9.30am and 2nd and 4th Thursday at 1pm

MISCELLANEOUS

- **LINE DANCING:** Contact Merri McAvoy
- **CLAY CLUB:** Wednesdays 10 am - 12 pm in the laundry building, contact Barbara Romero



THIS AND THAT



We're adding a new column to the newsletter dedicated to the important things in life: good food and things to do nearby. Each issue, we'll share a great spot to grab a bite and local happenings worth getting off the couch for.



Lets grab a bite

Friday night went to a restaurant just a few blocks away. Nothing fancy, but I had the best mahi mahi dinner and to top it all off shared fried ice cream. They have octopus, calamari and seabass, quite an extensive menu.

Four Tunas 41 Douglas Drive next to 7-eleven.

Local happenings

**Saturday June 20 – Summer Concert Kickoff
5pm-8pm at Junior Seau Beach Amphitheater**

Join us for a FREE Concert at the Pier: Summer Kickoff Event featuring Perry O'Neal and Savor: The Santana Tribute Band! The concert will be on Saturday, June 20, at the Junior Seau Beach Amphitheater from 5pm - 8pm.

Please drop us a note about your favorite spot,

Lagunavista.echo@gmail.com or drop in our tube #156 or #249

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
9am Pickleball 1pm Mexican Train	9:30 Chair Exercise 1pm Canasta	10am Water Aerobics 1pm Rummikub	9am Prayer Group 10 Water Aerobics 10 Clay Club 5pm Shuffleboard	9am Pickleball 10 Water Aerobics 1pm Horse Races 1pm Variety/Canasta 6pm Billiards	10 Water Aerobics 1pm Shanghai	9am Pickleball 8am-12 Garage Sale
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4TH **OF JULY**



**Horse Races, Duck Races,
Water Balloon Toss, Pie throw
and Golf Cart Parade**

LUNCH FROM 12.00 TO 1.00

***FRIED CHICKEN,
POTATO SALAD, COLESLAW,
CHIPS, FRUIT AND DESSERT***



SODAS, WATER, BEER AND WINE



**You will get a flyer with times of the
activities delivered in your tube**

**\$15.00 for HOA Members and
\$ 20.00 for non HOA
Ticket sales: TBA**





CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

**PLEASE CONTACT CHRISTY HARTIG IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP OUT
AT OUR BIG 4TH OF JULY Celebration**

TEXT OR LEAVE MESSAGE AT 951-206-8831

HELPERS TO SET UP OUR LUNCH

HELPERS TO SERVE OUR LUNCH

HELPERS TO CLEAN UP

HELPERS TO PLAY GAMES

**Training for some of the tasks and a volunteer meeting
will be scheduled**



Friday, June 26th. 6:00 pm

at the clubhouse

check Nextdoor for upcoming project

Tickets – \$20.00 Non HOA \$25.00

All paint supplies provided. BYOB

Contact Sara Thames to reserve a spot

760-613-6470



Wear your western gear



Saturday June 13th at 5pm
Father's Day Potluck and
Chili cook off – Cash Prizes

If you are entering the contest,

please contact Christy Harting

at 951-206-8831 by June 8th

**We are also looking for three judges , you can
only be a judge if no one in your Household is
entering the contest**

Saturday June 6th 8am to noon

COMMUNITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

Contact Christy Hartig at 951-206-8831 by June 1st if you plan to participate. We will give you a sign for the front of your house showing that you are a seller.

THEY FOUND IT

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF OUR **FIND IT** SCAVENGER HUNT

WALKERS

1ST PLACE - Mercedes Casey and Linda Berg **RUNNER UP** - Sharon Christianson and Barbara Watzke

1st PLACE - Robin Jackson and Beverly Behymer

RUNNER UP - Linda Cave, Joy Dillion and Debbie Southard

RUNNER UP - Kathy Peterson and Cindy Smith

RUNNER UP - Carol Donlan, Ellen Crews and Abby Crews



Name: _____ Date: _____



June



BARBECUE
BASEBALL
BASKETBALL
BEACH
BEES
CAMPFIRE
COOKOUT
DIPLOMA
DRAGONFLIES
FATHER
FIREFLIES
FISHING
FLAG DAY
FLIP FLOPS
FRISBEE
GARDEN
GOLF
GRADUATION
HAIL
HAMBURGERS
HAMMOCK
HAT
HIKING
HOT
HOT DOGS
ICE CREAM
JUNETEENTH
KITE
LAKE
LAUGHTER
LEMONADE
LETTUCE
LIGHTNING
MIDSUMMER
MOSQUITOES
PATIENT
PEAS
PICNIC
PLAYFUL
POOL
POPSICLE
RACING
RELAX
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SIXTH
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STRAWBERRIES
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SUMMER
SUNGLASSES
SUNSHINE
SWIMMING

TENNIS
TENT
THUNDER
TOWEL
VACATION
WATERMELON
WEDDINGS
WEEDS
WILDFLOWERS



LAGUNA VISTA HOA 2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

On Saturday, June 20, 2026 at 11:00am we will be holding our general election for the HOA Board of Directors in the Clubhouse. This year we have 3 openings, so please consider running. You must be a current HOA member. Candidate Statement forms are available from our Election Coordinator, Kathy Thomas, in Space #52 starting April 30. In 125 words or less, tell us a little about yourself and why you would like to run for the HOA Board. Return your completed Statement to Kathy Thompson in Space #52 NO LATER THAN May 31, 2026 at NOON. On Tuesday, June 16 at 6:00pm we will have a Candidate Forum, also in the Clubhouse. Candidates will introduce themselves and explain why they want to serve on our HOA Board of Directors. It is important to support the Laguna Vista HOA Board and meet the candidates to determine who will best represent Laguna Vista residents. *If you have not joined our HOA yet, you can fill out the application below and put it in the HOA box in the Clubhouse, along with a check for \$25.

On another note, a flyer will be put in all tubes regarding OMHA (Oceanside Manufactured Homeowners Alliance) and we really hope many of you will join. The annual cost is \$10. OMHA is dedicated to protecting the rights, advocacy, and affordability for residents in all of Oceanside's manufactured home parks. Penny Russell, one of our HOA Board members, is President of OMHA. With an election for our City Council District #2 coming this November, we urge all mobilehome park residents to support Emily Gonzales' campaign and do our best to get her elected to the City Council.

Sincerely,

LVHOA Board of Directors: Michael Mandig, President; Christy Hartig, Vice President; Sara Thames, Treasurer; Sarah Smith, Secretary; Ranny Thompson and Penny Russell, Directors at Large

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Laguna Vista HOA

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❖ Applicant's name must be on the title of the Mobile Home or listed as the Trustee if the Mobile Home is in a Trust.

Membership Application \$25 per year fee

Owner/Title Holder-Resident Applicant Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Phone _____
Space #

Application with payment can be placed in the HOA box in the clubhouse entry, or submitted to Sara Thames, space 88.

Make payment to Laguna Vista HOA

A signed copy will be returned to applicant.

For any questions, please contact Sara Thames (HOA Treasurer) at 760/613-6470 or sara.rooster@yahoo.com.

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FROM YOUR EMERGENCY TEAM



Are You Walking The Dog Tonight?

Light the Dog and Yourself! - Use LED collars, beacon lights, or reflective vests for your dog. Wear a reflective vest, headlamp, or light-up shoes so drivers see you. Several homeowners have commented they couldn't see people wearing dark colors until practically running over them.

Standard Leash - Use a standard 4–6' leash, not a retractable one, to ensure control. Always use a leash in the park no matter day or night!

Consider Using Dog Harness - Use a well-fitted harness, which is safer if a dog pulls or gets startled in the dark. Avoid areas where you might encounter stray dogs.

Physical Preparation - Wear sturdy, nonslip, and properly laced walking shoes to ensure stability. Drink water before and after your walk, as thirst sensation decreases with age.

Don't walk alone - Ask a friend or neighbor to join you. The "Buddy" system works and helps keep you safe. Walking also keeps you socializing, which is good for your health and soul.

Walk Facing Traffic - Always walk on the side of the road facing oncoming traffic so you can see approaching traffic, and stay as far from cars as possible.

Be prepared - Carry a cell phone and consider carrying a whistle to be used in the event of an emergency. Avoid texting or talking on the phone to stay aware of surroundings.

Carry identification - **Make** sure your name, current address and space number are included. Put a current contact's phone number as well as relevant medical information on your note. Wear a medical alert bracelet if you have a medical condition that could result in an emergency.

Choose your course carefully - Avoid cracked walkways, potholes, and low hanging branches or uneven turf. It is a good idea to scan ahead for potential concerns. Consider using walking poles to decrease your risk of falls.

Stay alert - If you are walking outside the park, try to walk in familiar places. Avoid unpopulated or poorly lit areas. Walk clear of parked cars and bushes. If you insist on wearing ear buds or headphones, wear only one so you can hear what's happening around you.

LIBRARY CORNER FOR JUNE 2026

If you have books you wish to donate to our Laguna Vista Library, **PLEASE DROP THEM OFF AT SPACE #191.** If your books are older than 2000, please donate them directly to the Public Library or your favorite charity. When returning books, **PLEASE** put them back in the right alphabetized section so your fellow readers can find them. *Enjoy the reads!*

Hello Beautiful by Anne Napolitano - An exquisite homage to Louisa May Alcott's timeless classic, *Little Women*, *Hello Beautiful* is a profoundly moving portrait of what is possible when we choose to love someone not in spite of who they are, but because of it.

Birman Wood by Eleanor Catton - A gripping psychological thriller from the Booker Prize-winning author of *The Luminaries*, Eleanor Catton's *Birnam Wood* is Shakespearean in its drama, Austenian in its wit, and, like both influences, fascinated by what makes us who we are. A brilliantly constructed study of intentions, actions, and consequences, it is a mesmerizing, unflinching consideration of the human impulse to ensure our own survival.

Tunnel 29 by Helena Merrimack - In September 1961, at the height of the Cold War, 22-year-old Joachim Rudolph escaped from East Germany, one of the world's most brutal regimes. He'd risked everything to do it. Then, a few months later, working with a group of students, he picked up a spade... and tunneled back in.

River of Doubt by Candice Millard - After his humiliating election defeat in 1912, Roosevelt set his sights on the most punishing physical challenge he could find, the first descent of an unmapped, rapids-choked tributary of the Amazon. Together with his son Kermit and Brazil's most famous explorer, Cândido Mariano da Silva Rondon, Roosevelt accomplished a feat so great that many at the time refused to believe it. In the process, he changed the map of the western hemisphere forever.

Klara and the Sun by Kazuo Ishiguro - Here is the story of Klara, an Artificial Friend with outstanding observational qualities, who, from her place in the store, watches carefully the behavior of those who come in to browse, and of those who pass on the street outside. She remains hopeful that a customer will soon choose her. *Klara and the Sun* is a thrilling book that offers a look at our changing world through the eyes of an unforgettable narrator, and one that explores the fundamental question: what does it mean to love?

Got favorite authors or books? Your neighbors would love recommendations! Please let us know by emailing us at: Penny (pr-lv@marketec.com), Suzi (sr-lv@marketec.com), or drop us a note at #191. Don't forget that the Oceanside Public Library will deliver books right to your door if you are a library member. Call 760-435-5600 for more information.

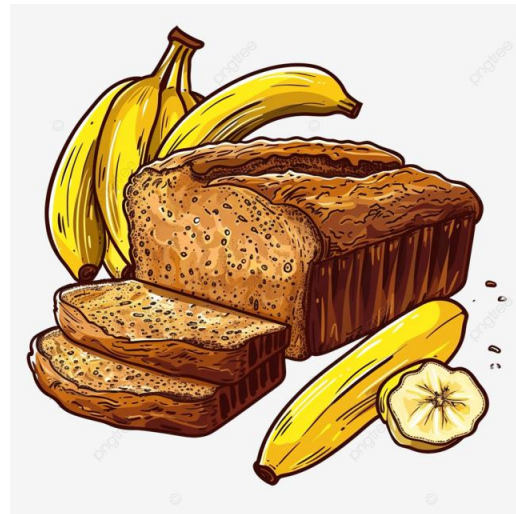
A BOOKCLUB is starting! If interested, contact Margaret at margaret@mjms.net.



Cooking with Chef John

BETTER THAN BETTY DAVIS BANANA BREAD

1 1/4 CUPS SUGAR
1/2 CUP BUTTER
2 EGGS
1 1/2 CUPS MASHED VERY RIPE BANANAS (3 TO 4)
1/2 CUP BUTTERMILK
1/2 TSP BANANA EXTRACT
1/2 TSP VANILLA EXTRACT
1/2 CUP DRIED CRANBERRIES
1 T ORANGE ZEST
2 1/2 CUPS ALL PURPOSE FLOUR
1 TSP BAKING SODA
1 TSP SALT
1 CUP CHOPPED NUTS, IF DESIRED



Heat oven to 350*. Grease bottom of a 9x5 loaf pan.

In large bowl, mix sugar and butter. Add eggs, bananas, buttermilk and extracts; beat with electric mixer on medium speed until smooth. Stir in flour, baking soda, salt, zest and cranberries. Add nuts, if desired. Stir just until moistened. Pour into loaf pan.

Bake 1 1/4 hours, or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes. Loosen sides of loaf from pan; remove from pan to cooling rack. Cool about an hour before slicing.

Recipe courtesy of Leslie Rutherford and John Smith

Happy Birthday Wishes

Jose Omana	Jun 3	Famous Birthdays This Month		Michael Free	Jun 14
Jim O’Dea	Jun 5	Marilyn Monroe	Jun 1	Philip Hungate	Jun 15
Frank Cardenas	Jun 5	Martha Washington	Jun 2	Tina Shaffer	Jun 16
Deborah Southard	Jun 5	Josephine Baker	Jun 3	Shawn Askew	Jun 16
Paula Russo	Jun 6	Angelina Jolie	Jun 4	Emery Pack	Jun 17
Marina Johnson	Jun 8	George HW Bush	Jun 12	Gerald Shaffer	Jun 23
Robert Watterson	Jun 12	John Goodman	Jun 20	Linda Benjamin	Jun 25
Sharon Saucedo	Jun 12	Vera Wang	Jun 27	Kathy McGuckin	Jun 28

In Memoriam



We're taking a moment to remember some special people who are no longer with us. They meant a lot to our community and will be deeply missed.

- Noah Hopson
- Connie Buskirk
- Shari Wilson
- Van Fritz
- Dave Shaffner
- Barbara Calderone

Sending our thoughts to their families, friends, and everyone who knew them. We'll remember them often.