

# *The Echo*      *April 2025*

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*(closed 12-1pm)*



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**Sarah Smith**

*General Membership meetings are held quarterly;  
Board of Directors meetings are held monthly.*



# THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

## RECREATION COMMITTEE

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Christy Hartig

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Penny Russell  
Suzi Russell

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**WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU ALL!**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN  
VOLUNTEERING, ASK SOMEONE LISTED**

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# 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 16<sup>th</sup> - Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 3pm - 7pm, Nov 15<sup>th</sup>-Mar 15<sup>th</sup> 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:** No Contact person
- **SHUFFLEBOARD: Wednesday's @ 5pm** – Lenny and George, Co-Directors
- **BILLIARDS:** No Contact person
- **PING PONG:** No Contact Person
- **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
- **BUNCO:** Contact Jane Leone for information (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday)
- **CANASTA:** Contact Monika Bull
- **SHANGHAI:** Contact Lillian Valdez (Friday's @ 1pm)
- **HORSES:** Contact John and Sarah Smith (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday)

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

- **CANASTA – HAND and FOOT:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday's at 1pm – Seats at table are open.
- **Mexican Train:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1pm
- **Rummikub:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1pm
- **VARIETY:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 1pm

## MISCELLANEOUS

- **MOVIE NIGHT:** Contact Kathy Thomas – Will resume in the fall.
- **LINE DANCING:** Contact Merri McAvoy – 3.00 pm Wednesday
- **CLAY CLUB:** Wednesdays 10 am to 12 pm in the laundry building  
Contact Barbara Romero or John Smith

>>> April 2025

SPRING HAS SPRUNG...HAPPY EASTER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 10am Water Aerobics 1pm <del>Bunko</del> Bunko	2 9am Prayer Group 10 am Water Aerobics 10am Clay Club 5pm Shuffleboard	3 9am&12 Pickleball 10am Water Aerobics 1pm Canasta 1pm VARIETY	4 10am Water Aerobics 1pm Shanghai	5 9am Pickleball 5pm Spring Fling Dinner
6 9am – 12 Pickleball 1pm Mexican Train	7 9:30 Chair Exercise 1pm Canasta	8 10am Water Aerobics 6:30pm Bunko	9 9am Prayer Group 10am Water Aerobics 10am Clay Club 3pm Line Dancing	10 9am&12 Pickleball 10am Water Aerobics 1pm Canasta 6pm Billiards	11 10am Water Aerobics 1pm Shanghai	12 9am Pickleball
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20 <b>HAPPY EASTER</b>	21 9:30 Chair Exercise 1pm Canasta	22 10 Water Aerobics 1pm Horse Races 6:30pm Bunko	23 9am Prayer Group 10am Water Aerobics 5pm Shuffleboard	24 9am&12 Pickleball 10am Water Aerobics 1pm Canasta	25 10am Water Aerobics 1pm Shanghai	26 9am Pickleball
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***Get Ready,***

***Garage Sale***

***Sat. June 21<sup>st</sup> 8am to 1pm***



**Attend an upcoming Fixit Clinic to learn how to repair and maintain your items.**

At Fixit Clinics, our skilled volunteers help repair a variety of household items, including:

- Bicycles
- Clothing and textiles
- Electronics
- Furniture
- Small appliances like fans, toasters and coffee makers

Date: 04/05/2025 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Carlsbad City Library

1775 Dove Lane

Carlsbad, California 92011

**For more info , please visit and register at San Diego Fixit Clinic**





# SPRING Fling

Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup>

Tickets on sale:  
March 18, 19, 22,  
24 and 25

5pm TO 6pm: Social hour  
6pm Dinner:  
Chicken Florentine  
(baked chicken with garlic, spinach,  
white wine, cheesy cream sauce),  
rice, seasonal vegetables, salad, roll,  
cheesecake (oohoo)  
7-? Rockin' music with our very own  
DJ Rodney Pates  
BYOB. Bring your own plate and  
silverware.  
50-50 available, (please bring small bills)

HOA Member \$15.00  
All others \$20.00



## FROM THE HOA BOARD

Lot's going on this month! The American Red Cross will be coming into our park on April 5<sup>th</sup> to install new or replace outdated and/or defective smoke alarms FOR FREE! There will be a sign up sheet in the Clubhouse for those that missed the door-to-door canvassing taking place on March 18<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up and have them check your smoke alarms. This program has saved lives!!!

If you haven't joined the HOA yet, please consider doing so. It is a way to support your community, receive discounts on community events and have a vote in our elections and on important issues/decisions regarding our park. Dues are \$25 per household/per year.

Spring has sprung so as you start pulling weeds and planting your spring flowers, be aware it is our ducks nesting season. Your yard might be a safe haven for these new moms. Please move slowly.

Stay alert on the coming-and-goings in our park. If you see someone doing something questionable, let the office know. Recently a resident left 2 cars unlocked in their driveway and someone rifled through both cars overnight. No damage, but if something of value had been there, I'm sure it would have been taken. Another resident had a bike stolen from a locked shed. It's best to have driveway/yard lighting to deter potential thieves. The "See something, Say something" is a 24 hour action plan! Let's stay vigilant!

Please don't park your vehicle or golf cart on the street on trash days. This creates a problem for the trash trucks and may cause them to miss some trash cans. And never park them close to a mailbox, as this causes extra work for the mail carrier.

At a recent HOA meeting some residents expressed concern about whether or not our Park's fire hydrants are functioning properly. The HOA Board researched the requirements for fire hydrant maintenance and also spoke with the Oceanside City Inspector to find out the status of our Park's hydrants. We found out that per California law, fire hydrants in mobile home parks must be inspected annually and a water flow test done every five years. According to the Inspector, our Park uses an outside service to perform these tests. We are up to date on the annual tests, and the next water flow test is not required until 2027.

Harold has installed the electricity needed to string lights on the trees by the front entrance. The HOA Board is researching what the most viable lighting is and how we will get it installed. Stay tuned.

On a personal note from Penny, thank you to everyone who has been sending in their Oceanside Manufactured Homeowners Alliance, Inc. (OMHA) memberships! As the Co-Chair of OMHA, I appreciate your support. Look for the return of our newsletter within the next couple of months!

# *A warm welcome to our new residents.*

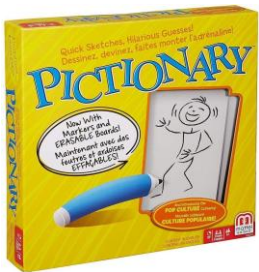


Mark Wurzel  
Space 79

Bill and Dana Malone  
Space 100

Jan Hieronymus  
Space 138

Debbie Southard  
Space 15



## **VARIETY**

*Need a little pep in your step?*

*Tired of the same ol' thing?*

*You've heard that Variety is the spice of life and now Laguna Vista Game Players are inviting you to put a little spice back into your life!!*

*Join us on the first and third Thursdays of every month at 1pm in the clubhouse.*

*You'll never know how much fun Variety is until you try it!!*

**COULD BE ANYTHING!!**



*NEW Time*

# Knit and Crochet workshop

Want to start a project, stuck on a project or brushing up on your skills?

Join us Friday April 25<sup>th</sup> at 3.00 pm in the clubhouse card room.



**Please use your own trash can and not your neighbors**

# Stay informed about your neighborhood with these apps.

**Pulse Point** : lets you know about nearby emergencies, medical emergencies, accidents and fire alarms.

**Watch Duty**: Wild Fire maps and alerts

**Helicopter announcements**: call 858-866-4356 or text Hello to receive helicopter message straight to your phone.



*The Flower Fields are open again-*

*Thursday Senior Special \$20.00, parking is FREE*

*Tractor ride is \$ 8.00*



Please select your preferred ARRIVAL time for your ticket(s) purchase. Please arrive within 30 minutes of your selected arrival time.

Once inside, you are welcome to stay until we close.

Please be advised, ALL TICKETS MUST BE PRE-PURCHASED PRIOR TO ARRIVAL. No tickets are sold onsite.

# WORD SEARCH

## TOTALLY RANDOM WORDS

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BEAUTIFUL  
BOXER  
CAREER  
CLOUD

EDUCATION  
ERUPTION  
FIFTEEN  
FIREPLACE  
FRIENDSHIP  
GONDOLA  
ICE CREAM  
INTESTINES

LANGUAGES  
LIGHTBULB  
SMART  
SPIDER  
STILETTO  
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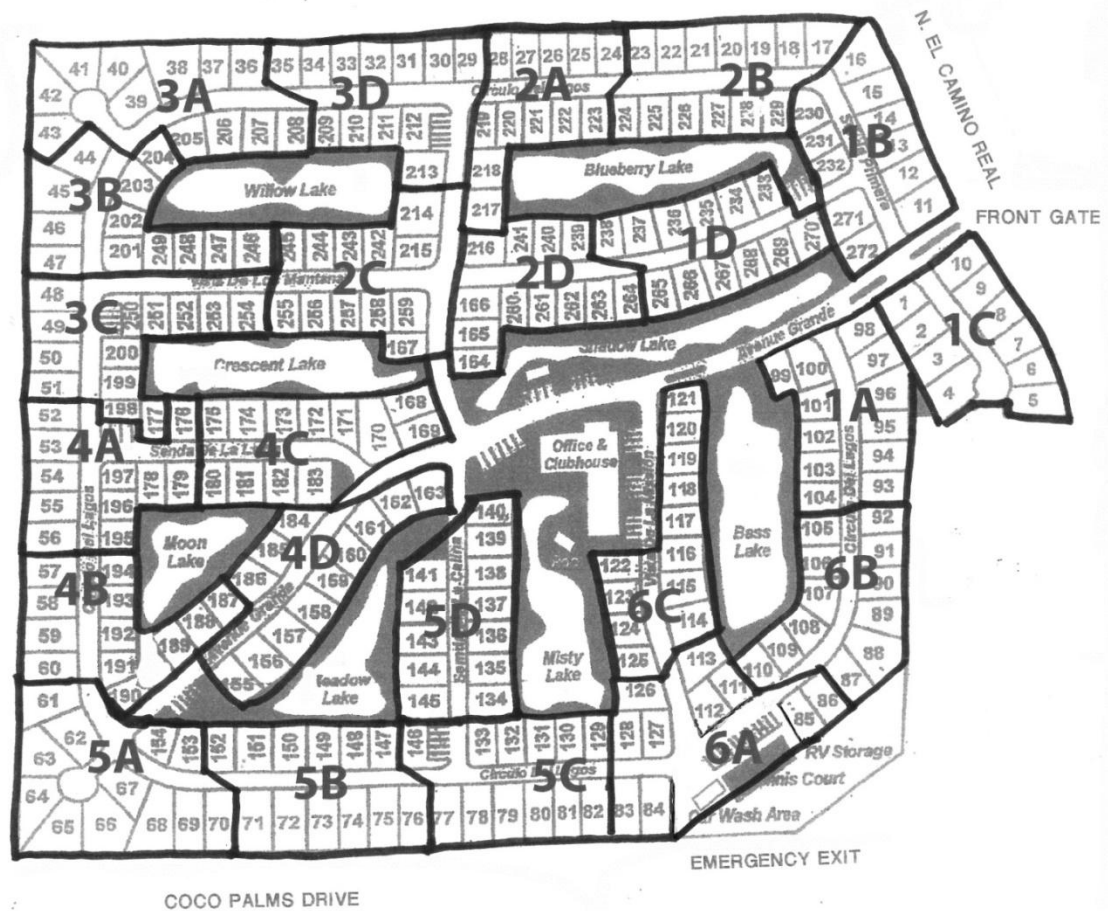
*BAILEY'S PUZZLES*



# FROM YOUR EMERGENCY TEAM



We have a lot of new residents joining our great community! Our EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE would like you to consider joining our team! We are a committed group of able-bodied volunteers willing to help our most vulnerable in the event of an emergency. To accomplish this we have created an EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM consisting of: (1) EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM CAPTAIN, (1) CO-CAPTAIN, (6) AREA LEADERS and (24) BLOCK CAPTAINS, all of which will provide information and guidance to the residents of Laguna Vista during a park wide emergency. Here's how our park is divided up:



Currently, we have vacancies in Sections 1C, 1A and 3D. If you live in or near these Sections, please consider joining our amazing team! We also need help in Section 2A and are always looking for back up for our Block Captains throughout the park. Our team plays an important and vital role for our park. Please see your RED EMERGENCY BINDER for more preparedness information.

On another note, if you don't know who your Area Leader and/or Block Captain is, look in your RED EMERGENCY BINDER, inside the left cover. If you don't have that information, please contact me.

Penny Russell Co-Captain Emergency Team  
 Space #191, or call 818-399-2661 or email: [pr-lv@marketec.com](mailto:pr-lv@marketec.com)

# Library Corner

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!*

**The Hidden Globe by Atossa Araxia Abrahamia** - A globe shows the world we think we neatly delineated sovereign nations that grant or restrict their citizens' rights. Beneath, above, and tucked inside their borders, however, another universe has been engineered into existence. It consists of thousands of extraterritorial zones that operate largely autonomously, and increasingly for the benefit of the wealthiest individuals and corporations.

**James by Percival Everett** - From Jim's perspective, of the classic novel, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. When Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a man in New Orleans, separated from his wife and daughter forever, he runs away until he can formulate a plan. Meanwhile, Huck has faked his own death to escape his violent father. As all readers of American literature know, thus begins the dangerous and transcendent journey by raft down the Mississippi River toward the elusive and unreliable promise of the Free States and beyond.

**The Stolen Queen by Fiona Davis** - NYC, 1978. The night of the Met Gala, one of the valuable Egyptian pieces goes missing. 19-year-old Annie, who has helped organize the Gala, and Charlotte, current museum curator, team up to find it. Has the Curse returned?

**The Golden Doves** by Marsha Hall Kelly - Female spies working in France during WWII are captured and sent to a concentration camp. A decade later they are still working spies. Their job now is to find the doctor who tormented them in the camp, and maybe even find a long-lost son.

**The God of the Woods by Liz Moor** - Barbara, the 13-year-old daughter of the summer camp owners, goes missing. This is the second time this family has lost a child. "... a rich and gripping dynasty of secrets..."

**Holmes is Missing by James Patterson** - A sequel in the Holmes, Marple and Poe series. A series of child abductions test their legendary skills. "Holmes' absence leaves a gaping hole in the agency's roster. Only by closing ranks and solving the mystery can they recover all that's been lost." (Book Jacket)

**Got favorite authors or books? Let us know by emailing us at:**

**Penny ([pr-lv@marketec.com](mailto:pr-lv@marketec.com)), Suzi ([sr-lv@marketec.com](mailto: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.**



# Cooking with Chef John

## CRANBERRY PORK CHOPS

By MARVENE LUTZ

6 pork chops (1 inch thick)

½ c. all-purpose flour, seasoned with s&p

2 T. vegetable oil

2 cups fresh or frozen cranberries, be sure to

Wash fresh cranberries

¾ c. water

¾ c. sugar

½ c. honey

¼ tsp. ground cloves

¼ tsp. ground nutmeg

¼ tsp. ground cinnamon



Dredge chops in flour mixture; brown in vegetable oil in skillet.

Mix cranberries with remaining ingredients. Place chops in a shallow

Baking dish in a single layer; top with cranberry mixture. Cover and

Bake in a preheated 350\* oven for 30 minutes. Remove cover and bake

For an additional 30 minutes. Serves 6

This recipe is from my Aunt. In 1962, her church put together a cook book and this was a favorite.

# Happy Birthday Wishes March

Elaine Robbillard	4/1	<b>Famous April Birthdays</b>		Steven Sims	4/14
Lilian Valdez	4/1	Leonardi Da Vinci	4/15/1452	Mavis Aloï	4/15
Christy Hartig	4/3	William Shakespeare	4/26/1564	Greg Creighton	4/15
Charlie Pearson	4/3	Charlie Chaplin	4/16/1889	Chrles Smith	4/15
Angela Roth	4/3	Duke Ellington	4/29/1889	Shirley Perry	4/16
Cleta (Ilene) Griffis	4/5	Billy Holiday	4/7/1915	Lawrence Jones	4/17
Robert Wilson	4/9	Queen Elizabeth II	4/21/1926	Toni DeGruccio	4/18
Tom Morrow	4/11	Marlon Brando	4/3/1924	Thomas Carrol	4/24
Richard Peterson	4/11	Willie Nelson	4/30/1933	Rosalee Morrow	4/24
Marla Morgan	4/12	Eddie Murphy	4/3/1961	Elisabeth Stokke	4/25
Jane Allen	4/13	Jennifer Garner	4/17/1972	Adrienne Maas	4/29
Robert Lefter	4/14	Kelly Clarkson	4/24/1982	James Stefaniak	4/30

