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DAY TRIP: FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE

How about a day-trip to Lakeland to see the largest single-site collection of Frank Lloyd Wright architecture in the world? Only a 1.5 hour drive from the Ranch; Lakeland is approximately halfway between Orlando and Tampa on Interstate 4. Wright was an influential architect of the 20th century. Many are familiar with his famous house "Fallingwater" in Pennsylvania or the Guggenheim Museum in New York City.

The name for the collection at FSC is "Child of the Sun" which came from Wright's idea of replacing the 'uninspired' buildings with those that would "grow out of the ground and into the light, a child of the sun." Several tour types ranging from free, walking or a guided \$20 Basic, and others are available. Senior discounts too!

For more information contact 863-680-4597 or visit <https://www.flsouthern.edu/visitors/fllw-visitors.aspx>

MORE PHOTOS ON PAGES 9 & 10!



RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT By Joan Stearns



Gary and Maria Brown can walk into a room and everyone smiles. Even though they have lived in Starlight Ranch for just seven months, all of us experience a breath of fresh air just being around them. I am so fortunate to have them as neighbors.

Maria moved from Columbia, South America, to Nebraska (Gary is a huge fan of the Huskers) to be near a friend. Thirteen days later, one of Gary's friends introduced them, and they were wed two months after that. Talk about love being a language of its own, Gary taught Maria how to speak English. I thought they were newlyweds, as they are a very warm couple, devoted to each other. But, during this interview, I found out that they have been married 20 years! We can all wish them Happy

Anniversary on October 4. They have a blended family of ten grand and six great-grandchildren.

After retirement, Gary worked for Tyson Foods for 21 years, and Maria worked as a nurse in Columbia for 25 years, they moved to the Orlando area eight years ago. They looked at Starlight Ranch then, but decided on a home on Dean Road. So, when they sold that home recently, Maria insisted they come back here to live.

They are always at our events. Maria stays busy with her early morning swimming, walking, and her lovely flower garden. Gary is a bass fisherman, just for the sport of it. He also rides his bike around the neighborhood. They both love Cocoa Beach, and walks near the ocean. I hope everyone can get to know this lovely couple. **MORE PHOTOS ON PAGES 11 & 12!**

*** Would you, or know someone who would, like to be featured in a future Spotlight? Call Joan at 678-338-0486*

SEPTEMBER ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND FALL DINNER PICTURES ON PAGES 13 - 16!

HOA BOARD ELECTIONS FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Each November an election is held at the Annual Membership meeting to select members to sit on the Board of directors to lead, fight-for and help all the homeowners of Starlight Ranch. The board seats alternate with one and two-year terms. This year's Annual Membership meeting is on Saturday, November 19th at 10:00 AM in the front (ACH) clubhouse.

The Home Owners' Association (HOA) Board is a buffer between the residents and the park owner Equity Lifestyle Properties (ELS). The Board also helps in other ways with resident issues and complaints, and especially with negotiating with ELS on rent increases, maintenance and amenity issues.

During the third week of October, if you are a current, paid member of the HOA, you will receive by U.S. mail a packet containing: an annual letter and proposed 2017 budget, candidate ballot, proxy, a form for your 2017 membership and a ballot envelope.

Please plan to attend to cast your votes for who will be representing you in the future. If you are unable to make the meeting and election, please complete your ballot and proxy, seal it in the envelope and print your name and lot number on it. You may mail it in an additional envelope to the HOA address (2925 Wild Horse Road; Orlando, FL 32822) or drop it in the locked HOA box located on the wall next to the bulletin board in the front clubhouse. Please be sure to include the signed proxy in case an item for a vote comes up by the membership at the meeting.

When the home is owned by a husband and wife or significant other and both are members of the HOA, they must designate a voting member amongst them. Only one vote per household / lot may be cast.

For more information, contact any Board member listed in the box on this page.



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HOA BOARD ELECTIONS

HOA Board members are elected every November. Those elected may serve one or two years. We need residents that would like to participate and help lead for the betterment of the community and also help with the many activities we plan for the upcoming year.

There are several seats available.

Please consider the opportunity seriously. We need your help. Here are the guidelines:

1. You must be a Starlight Ranch Resident.
2. You must provide proof of ownership (State registration or title to your home) with **your** name and **park address** listed.
3. You must be an HOA member in good standing.
4. Deadline for nominations and acceptance of open seat needs to be in writing before or at October's Board meeting on the 12th at 7:00 PM - ACH.
5. You need to come to the October Board meeting (12th at 7:00 PM) with the items listed above to be eligible for candidacy.
6. Candidates should attend the Town Hall meeting on October 8, the regular Board meetings on October 12 and November 9, and any or all Activities that occur before November 19 to introduce themselves and campaign for votes.

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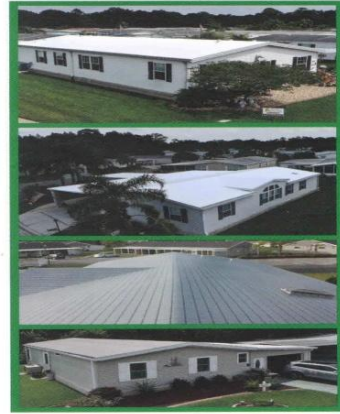
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RUMMAGE SALE REMINDER!

Saturday October 22, 2016

The sale will be held in the front clubhouse, gazebo and parking lot from 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

There is still time to gather your items to be sold! Over 40 tables and spaces have been reserved so far. **No more tables are available. Ground space only ... bring your own table**

For reservations more information or to offer help with the event contact Roger Hebert at 407-592-3850.



STARLIGHT RANCH ... A 55+ COMMUNITY, DAMN IT!

**WELLCARE WILL HOST A PRESENTATION
ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 17 AT 2:00 PM IN
THE FRONT CLUBHOUSE**

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TO YOUR HEALTH: HEARING

By Ron Speener



Hearing loss is one of the most common conditions of aging. Over 80% of those over age 70 report some loss. After the age of 18, our hearing begins to slowly decline. The decline

is further accelerated from a lifetime of loud noises: work, music / rock and roll, or ambient noises.

The decline is mostly in sensitivity to higher frequencies. The high notes of violins can be lost or unheard. The loss of higher frequencies can also complicate speech recognition. However, if the sound levels of the surrounding environment are subdued, conversations are easier to comprehend. Noisy restaurants can be more difficult. Loss is more pronounced in men than women, so your husband not answering may be more to a hearing issue than ignoring you!

Hearing loss can have serious consequences:

- Social isolation because you feel left out of the conversation.
- Misunderstanding of a conversation because not all the words are heard.
- Perception as being mentally deficient because you answer inappropriately or not at all.

The most common treatment for hearing loss is hearing aids. While effective, they do require daily care. This may require extra work, but the consequences of not or improper hearing are heavy. Therefore, hearing loss must be coped and dealt with. Several strategies make the decline in hearing more manageable:

- Tell your family and friends about your hearing loss.
- Ask people to face you when they talk so that you can see their faces. If you watch movement and expressions, it may help you to understand them better.
- Ask people to speak louder, but not shout. Tell them they do not have to talk slowly, just more clearly.
- Turn off the television or the radio when you are not actively listening to it.
- Be aware of noise around you that can make hearing more difficult. When you go to a restaurant, for example, do not sit near

the kitchen or near a band playing music. Background noise makes it hard to hear people talk.

Coping with the decline in hearing can be frustrating but it does not mean the end of meaningful social interactions. Request more information from your doctor or at:

<https://www.nidcd.nih.gov/health/age-related-hearing-loss>.



VETERAN'S SOCIAL HOUR

By Pat Williams



At the September event we welcomed everyone back. Hope you had a very nice summer. It was great seeing you all again. The Veterans present were Joe Laferriere, John Bertsch, Albert Michaels, and Jackie Bedard. Guests

were Mary Rivera, Pat Williams, Gert Michaels, Barry Bertsch, Patti and Craig Olsen.

Patti prepared great snacks: Chili Dogs, cut-up fruits, chips and the most 'out of this world' delicious brownies!

We wish that more veterans would come to the Social Hour. We would love to hear of your experiences and travels. Please come and give us a try. Also we would love to get your input on what you would like us to have or do at our monthly get-togethers. We will finally be reinstalling all of the Veteran's pictures that we have soon. They have always been a joy for me to look at.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:

Ice Cream Social and Gift Card Bingo Florida All Weather WellCare Info Table	Oct. 1	1:00 PM	ACH
Town Hall Meeting	Oct. 8	11:00 AM	ACH
HOA Board Meeting	Oct. 12	7:00 PM	ACH
VETS Social Hour	Oct. 14	7:00 PM	MCH
Movie Night	Oct. 15	6:00 PM	ACH
WellCare Presentation	Oct. 17	2:00 PM	
Rummage Sale	Oct. 22	8:00 AM	ACH
Halloween Party	Oct. 29	6:00 PM	ACH

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:

- ★ Bingo - Monday - 6:45 PM (Last Sale 6:30) – ACH
- ★ Bread Distribution - Wednesday - 9:00 AM (Tickets beginning at 8:00) – ACH
- ★ Bunco - Thursday - 6:00 PM – ACH
- ★ Chair Exercise - Tuesday & Thursday - 10:00 AM - MCH
- ★ **WATER EXERCISE HAS STOPPED FOR THE WINTER**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Daniel Flores - October 2
Judy Moore - October 3
Denise Koplal - October 5
Mary Valles - October 5
Fred Desjarlais - October 5
Joe Laferrier - October 6
Gladys Ibarra - October 6
Bea Church - October 7
Lynn Therrien - October 7
Jim Thomas - October 8
Donna Spear - October 8
Maxine Dray - October 9
Demny Moniz - October 9
Corine Willoughby - October 11
Chris Wessells - October 12
William Jacobs - October 20
Annette Gondeau - October 26
Vern Olsen - October 27
Lynne Kratzer - October 28
Michelle Borgman - October 30

If you would like your birthday or anniversary listed in future issues, please either print the information on the clipboard in the front (ACH) clubhouse or contact Mary Rivera at 321-663-0507. Also, please let her know of any residents that have passed-on or moved away.

The Halloween Party will have prizes for costumes!

- Scariest
- Funniest
- Most Creative

October 29 at 6:00 PM - ACH
Come out for a fun time!

HOLA AMIGOS Y RESIDENTES DEL RANCHO STARLIGHT

Por: Jose Rodriguez, Tesorero

Cada noviembre durante la Reunión Anual de Membresía, se llevan a cabo las elecciones para seleccionar los miembros a la junta de directores que se supone sean líderes, peleadores y ayudantes de los dueños de residencias en el Rancho Starlight. La junta selecciona miembros en términos alternativos de uno y dos años. La Reunión Anual de Membresía este año será sábado 19 de noviembre a las 10:00am en la casa club del frente.

La Asociación de Dueños de Casas (ADC) o sea la HOA por sus siglas en inglés, sirve como intermediador entre los residentes y Equity Lifestyle Properties, los dueños del rancho. Además, la junta ayuda en otras formas con las querellas, problemas y asuntos de los residentes, pero especialmente en las negociaciones de la renta, mantenimiento y amenidades con ELS.

Durante la tercera semana de octubre, si usted está al día con su cuota anual como miembro de la ADC (HOA), usted recibirá por correo un paquete cual contendrá la carta anual con el propuesto presupuesto para 2017, carta para votar por poder (proxy), la forma para renovar su membresía para 2017 y el sobre del boleto.

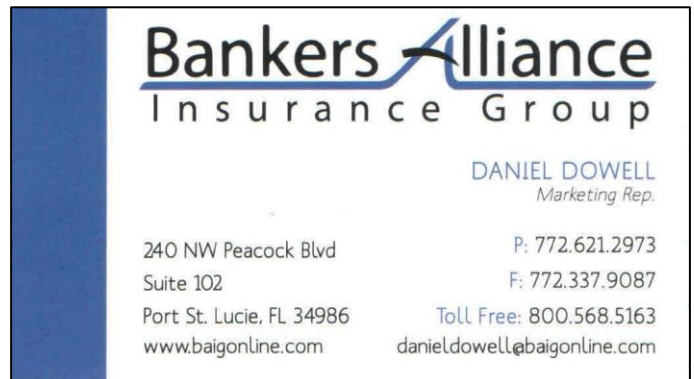
Favor de estar presente para dar su voto a los que le va a representar en el futuro. Si no puede asistir a esta reunión y elección, por favor llene su boleto y (proxy), póngalo en el sobre y ciérrelo, ponga su nombre y número de su solar en letra de molde, échelo en otro sobre y deposítelo en la caja buzón en la casa club al frente, o envíelo por correo a HOA, 2925 Wild Horse Rd., Orlando, FL 32822. Favor de incluir el (proxy) firmado en caso de que algún punto que necesite el voto de membresía surja.

En casos de que ambos esposo y esposa o pareja significativa sean miembros de la asociación, solo uno puede votar. La regla es un voto por residencia, así es que deben decidir quien votara. Necesitamos residentes que quieran participar y ayudar para el mejoramiento de la comunidad y además ayudar con las muchas actividades que hemos planificado para el año entrante. Hay varias sillas vacantes. Por favor considérelas.

Aquí le presentamos los puntos a seguir*

- 1) Tiene que ser residente del Rancho Starlight
- 2) Proveer prueba de que es dueño de su propiedad, título o registración con dirección real
- 3) Miembro de la Asociación de buen carácter sin problemas
- 4) Fecha de octubre 12 para nominaciones y aceptaciones por escrito
- 5) Asistir la reunión de la junta el 12 de octubre con todo lo de arriba mencionado
- 6) Candidatos deben asistir a la Reunión de Pueblo - octubre 8; a las reuniones regulares de octubre 12 y noviembre 9; y cualquier o todas actividades que ocurran antes de noviembre 19 para introducirse y hacer campaña por votos.

Bien Amigos, hasta la próxima



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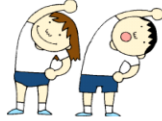








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Crimeline	800-423-8477
Orange County Sheriff's Office - Non-emergency	407-836-4357
Mosquito Control	407-254-9120

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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Frank Lloyd Wright

Frank Lloyd Wright's famous 'Fallingwater' House in Pennsylvania:



And the Guggenheim Museum in New York City:





Gary and Maria Brown - 1997



Gary Brown and his catch - 2005

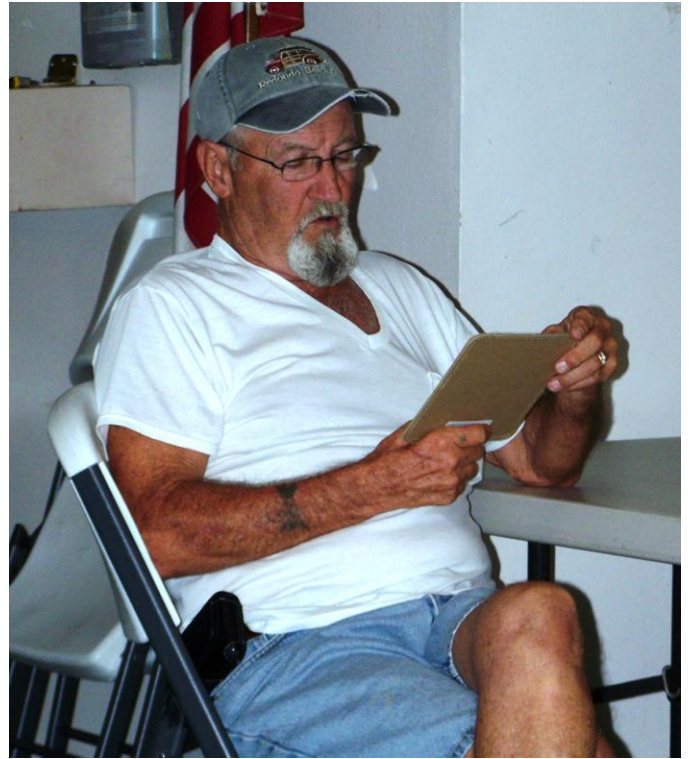


Maria and Gary at July Ice Cream Social

September Ice Cream Social







September Fall Dinner



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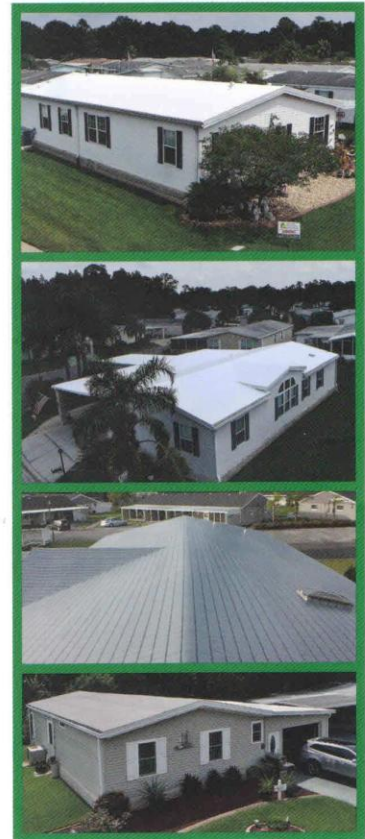
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