

November 2016

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#### IN THE CANDIDATES WORDS ...

The HOA Annual Meeting is Saturday, November 19, at 10:00 AM in the front clubhouse. All standing members have received the Annual mailing which contains the important ballot of candidates seeking a position on the 2016-2017 Board of Directors. Four positions need to be filled by seven of your fellow ranchers that are willing to work on your behalf. Please cast your four votes and participate! Here are some introductions and comments from them ...



Albert Erdmann: I have been a member of our HOA since 2003, and I have previously served on our HOA Board, both as a Director, and as Secretary from 2010-2013. I am a member of the FMO (Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida.), an organization that fights for the rights of Mobile Home Owners at

the State level. I have extensive knowledge of Not-for-Profit business and Mobile Homeowner Association laws, including Florida Statute, Chapter 723, which is what regulates mobile home parks. I'm also very familiar with the Prospectus and Park Rules that apply to us here at Starlight Ranch and regularly attend HOA meetings.

In the past I've also served as Secretary of a local chapter of a national civil rights organization, was on the Board of Directors of another HOA and on the negotiation committee of my local union. I have the knowledge to help our HOA do everything within its power to control the increases in rent in our community, and I ask for your vote.



<u>Daniel Flores</u>: Hello! I am running for the position of Director on the HOA. A vote for me is a vote for you!



<u>Denise Koplar</u>: I'm originally from Islip, Long Island, New York and I moved to Orlando in 1985. I have worked 17 years for A&P Supermarkets in Long Island, and then 22 years for Publix in Florida. I moved to Starlight Ranch in 2010. I have previously served as Treasurer on the HOA Board

and have been involved with the Activities Committee. I would love to help keep things going here. Please vote for me. Thanks! Denise



Vern Olsen: I'm from Maine. I moved here a year ago. My wife and I, we have no children, moved here because of the economy in the northeast. I worked for a major railroad in New England for 14 years till retirement. I served on the Board of Directors for the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees

Division (BMWED) of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT).

I have a lot of new ideas and things for this park, such as a membership drive twice a year. We are stronger as a whole rather than as individuals.

I think we need to get more results in the park, add more people to volunteer for HOA programs. I'll work hard to keep us from being taken advantage of by the park owners to increase our rent just because they want to. I believe we should not pay an increase if we don't get a cost of living raise in that year. Thanks for reading my bio, Vern



Ana Pope: Fresh Energy! That is who I am! I would be honored to be part of the HOA Board again for our Starlight Ranch residents. Many of you know me from seeing me at our HOA dinners - in the kitchen, or serving our wonderful desserts.

I was on the Board two years ago, (Continued on page 2)

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serving as your Treasurer. You have my commitment that I will once again serve with passion and enthusiasm. Come out and vote! Thank you!



<u>Diane Alfarone Laverty</u>: I have been a resident at Starlight Ranch since May of this year. I married my wonderful husband Kyle in May of 1998 and the proud mother of two Great Danes named Bellerose and Gossipier. We found a beautiful house that is just down the block from my fantastic Mother-In-Law,

Joan Laverty. I currently hold a New York State License for Life and Health Insurance and am in the process of receiving a Florida Notary Public.

I inspire to be on the Board so that I can be more involved in the community and give a voice to those whom may not able speak for themselves for various personal or other reasons. Thanks for your consideration and hopefully your vote.



Robert (Bob) Marley: I am currently seated on the Board and running for another term. I'm a general contractor with a broker's license and have managed a 500-unit and individual rental properties. I also have condominium and neighborhood Association experience. I continue my goal of bringing a sense of ownership and voice for the residents to the

corporate controllers of our community.

There will also be another opportunity to "Meet the Candidates" at the regular November HOA meeting, Wednesday, November 9, at 7:00 PM in the front clubhouse.

# **RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT: JANE HUYLER**By Joan Stearns



grandchildren.

I spent a wonderful Sunday morning with one of the most extraordinary women in the Park. Jane Huyler, who just recently turned 92, is glad for every day! She is self-sufficient, but also thankful that her daughter, Carolyn Davies, was able to relocate in the park when the house next door became available. Jane has eight grandchildren, and 16 great-

Jane is originally from Netcong, a Borough in the northern part of New Jersey. She started her career there as a mail carrier, as most of the men were away in the war. As a matter of fact, her first husband served and died in the Philippines in 1945. Her home is charming, especially all her lovely lamps.

She was a championship swimmer, diver, and figure skater. Jane and her companion for 30 years, Leo Spielman, were competitive international ballroom dancers. You should see her trophies! Jane refers to Leo as a "European Gentleman". He was in a concentration camp during WWII, but was able to escape because of his language skills ... he posed as a German, and escaped through Austria.

In 1978, she and Leo moved to Starlight Ranch, paying \$80.00 per month! Shortly after moving here, she joined with Pat Zajac, and Rena Hunt to put on skits in the clubhouse.

She and Leo also entertained at local Moose Lodge 1002 ... Jane has a great picture gallery of their nights there. She has one room in her home that holds all of her costumes (she never wore the same thing twice!), but has also donated many of her dresses to local theatre groups and performers.

The time she spent in Atlantic City was the best! For over 20 years, she ran a 30-room boarding home called "Jane's Cottage". Nine women lived there full time ... in the summer, every room was rented all the time, and the borders' guests would sleep in the hallways. Jane herself spent many nights on a cot near the outside summer shower. There was a large, open kitchen with an 18-burner stove and nine refrigerators! The summers belonged to her guests, but after Labor Day, they got the city back. Sadly, the home is now a parking lot for the Ramada Inn Casino.

What a great morning with a remarkable woman! When her health allows she attends HOA events, look for her and have a delightful conversation like I did.

**MORE PHOTOS ON PAGES 9 - 11** 

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

#### **VETERAN'S SOCIAL HOUR**

By Pat Williams



It was great seeing our Veterans Al Michaels, Jackie Bedard, Laurie Lyons, Richard Balderson and Joe Laferriere. Also attending were Gert Michaels, Marti Hensley, Mary Ann and Terry Healey, Mary Rivera, Craig and Patty Olsen and Pat Williams. A big welcome to Mary

Ann and Terry, everyone enjoyed your company! (Continued on page 5)

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**November 19, 2016** 

**MEET THE CANDIDATES!** 

Wednesday November 9, 2016
7:00 PM at the HOA Monthly Meeting







Here are the Candidates Running for a Director seat on the HOA Board:

Diane Alfarone-Laverty

Albert Erdmann

Robert (Bob) Marley Vern Olsen

**Daniel Flores** 

Denise Koplar

Ana Pope

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Bob Marley, Director 407-228-0846

Richard Balderson, Director 407-340-8592

Lou Kerns, Director 407-496-5427

#### TO YOUR HEALTH: DIABETES

By Ron Speener



With Thanksgiving approaching, an extra slice of pie is tempting—but. As we age, our bodies are less able to process sugar, and this may increases the risk for diabetes. Over 25% of Americans age 65 or older have Type 2 diabetes. Type 2 diabetes is the

body's inability to use insulin to control sugar level. Too much sugar (glucose) in the blood prompts cells to burn sugar rather than fat. The sugar level can build to toxic levels compromising organs and circulation.

Weight, physical inactivity, high blood pressure, and an unhealthy diet further increase your risk for diabetes. Ethnicity is another risk factor. Hispanics and African Americans have higher rates of Type 2 Diabetes.

Sometimes, however, you may not realize you have diabetes or pre-diabetes (high blood sugar not at the diabetes threshold). The most common general symptoms are an increase in thirst or hunger, decline in energy levels, increased need to urinate, or blurred vision. For any change in physical or mental conditions, you should see your physician.

The complications of unmanaged or inadequately managed diabetes are very serious. Some of the more common complications of Type 2 diabetes are:

- Vision problems
- Hearing loss
- Cognitive impairment
- Mobility difficulties
- Cardiovascular compromise—this is mostly in the legs and feet, and can often lead to amputations.

If you are diabetic, you need to see your physician for guidelines regularly. If you are pre-diabetic or not diabetic, you can reduce risk with a hearty diet, exercise, and quitting smoking. With daily risk reduction and healthy management, you can enjoy the sweet life. ("Living Healthy with Diabetes" <a href="http://main.diabetes.org/dorg/PDFs/living-with-diabetes/living-healthy-with-diabetes-guide.pdf">http://main.diabetes.org/dorg/PDFs/living-with-diabetes-guide.pdf</a>)

#### CHAIR EXERCISE RETURNS

By Pat Williams

Chair exercise has started again after the summer and it is as much fun as ever. We are at the back clubhouse every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00 AM. We tone the body, but we do it sitting down. We have a great and enjoyable time. Please come and give us a try, we sometimes do exercises with a Richard Simmons tape. OMG, that one is a riot. He really keeps us going. But the goal is to do just what you can do. There is no pressure at all. You will enjoy it! Ruthie Henley, Mabel Donahue, Pat Williams and Maria Lalama have turned out in September and there are still plenty of empty seats available!



HATS OFF TO ROGER & HIS TEAM AND THANKS TO MOTHER NATURE FOR A PERFECT DAY TO HAVE A RUMMAGE SALE! Fun and sales were had by all who attended ... MORE PICTURES PAGES 12-23!





#### **EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:**

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Ice Cream Social and Gift Card Bingo	Nov. 5	1:00 PM	ACH			
HOA Board Meeting	Nov. 9	7:00 PM	ACH			
VETS Social Hour	Nov. 11	7:00 PM	MCH			
Veteran's Day Brunch	Nov. 12	11:00 AM	ACH			
All Faiths Crematory Lunch	Nov. 15	11:00 AM	ACH			
Annual HOA Meeting / Vote	Nov. 19	10:00 AM	ACH			
Thanksgiving Dinner	Nov. 26	6:00 PM	ACH			

#### **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:**

- ★ Bingo Monday 6:45 PM (Last Sale 6:30) ACH NO BINGO ON NOV. 7 ELECTION DAY SET-UP
- ★ 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



Gerald & Gloria Hosford - November 3 Nancy & Wilson Correa - November 25 Mile & Bertha Meyer - November 26 Carlos & Cathy Mercado - November 28 Jose & Aida Sierra - November 28

#### SLOW DOWN! WHAT'S THE RUSH?!

Please be mindful of your speed as you travel through the park, remember it is 10 mph entering the park and on the side roads. Wild Horse is 25 mph per speed limit signs! ARRIVE ALIVE!



Simone Nadeau - November 5 Ione Black - November 5 Dave Douma - November 6 Laurie Lyons - November 6 Joan Stearns - November 7 Linda McRobie - November 9 Rena Hunt - November 10 Joy Durgin - November 10 Randy Kratzer - November 11 Hilda Malauet - November 12 Steve Henry - November 12 Richard Coffey - November 15 Victor Miller - November 19 Cathy Mercardo - November 25 Carol Bosser - November 30 Edward Eten - November 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.

#### **VETERANS SOCIAL HOUR**

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Patty cooked another delicious meal for us: Baked Ziti, salad, cut up fruits and an outstanding cake. I confess I had to have two slices. Good thing I also go to the Chair Exercises. I asked Patty what was the name of the cake and she said it's a "No Name Cake". Jackie Bedard brought chocolates as well.

To the people who have asked me about the Veteran's pictures we used to have: Hopefully the Veteran's pictures will be hung up on the walls soon. Would love to have more veterans, wives and friends come and visit with us and let us know of your experiences in or out of the service. Our next social hour will be November 11, on Veteran's Day this year! Hope to see you there!

#### Hola, Amigos Residentes del Rancho Starlight

Por: Jose Rodriguez, Tesorero

La reunión anual de la Asociación de Dueños de Casas (HOA) se llevará a cabo el sábado, 19 de noviembre a las 10:am en la casa club a la entrada del parque. Todos los miembros han recibido el paquete que contiene toda la información y el boleto para las elecciones a la Junta de Directores que también se llevaran a cabo ese mismo día. Hay cuatro vacantes o asientos que llenar en la junta y hay siete rancheros interesados en ocupar las mismas. Por favor salgan a votar, participen y ayúdenos a elegir los cuatro mejores candidatos. He aquí se los introducimos y les presentamos sus comentarios:

<u>Albert Erdmann</u>: Yo he sido miembro de nuestra HOA desde 2003 y serví en la junta anteriormente, tanto como Director y Secretario. Soy miembro de otras organizaciones trabajando para mejorar condiciones en nuestro tipo de viviendas.

Tengo extenso conocimiento de las leyes especialmente la 723 que es la que regula parques de casas móvil. Tengo el conocimiento para ayudar a nuestra HOA hacer todo en su poder para controlar los aumentos y les pido su voto.

<u>Daniel Flores</u>: ¡Hola! Estoy apostolado para la posición de Director en la junta HOA. ¡Un voto por mí es un voto por usted mismo!

<u>Denise Koplar</u>: Soy originalmente de Nueva York. Me mude para Orlando en 1985. Trabaje por 17 años para Supermercados A&P en Long Island y después por 22 años para Publix en Florida. Me mude al Rancho Starlight en 2010. Serví en la junta previamente como Tesorera y en el Comité de Actividades. Me encantaría ayudar a mantener las cosas moviéndose aquí. Por favor voten por mí. ¡Gracias!

<u>Vern Olsen</u>: Soy de Maine. Me mude aquí hace un año. Mi esposa y yo nos mudamos aquí por la economía en el noreste. No tenemos hijos. Trabaje en transporte ferrocarril en New England por 14 años. Serví en varias juntas. Tengo muchas ideas y cosas para este parque, tales como campañas de membresía dos veces al año. Somos más fuerte completo y no como individuos.

<u>Ana Pope</u>: ¡Energía fresca! ¡Esa es quien yo soy! Sería un honor para mí ser parte de la junta HOA otra vez para servirle a nuestros residentes. Muchos de ustedes me conocen por haberme visto trabajando en la cocina o sirviendo los postres. Fui miembro de la junta dos años atrás sirviendo como Tesorera. Tienen mi compromiso que les serviré con pasión y entusiasmo. ¡Salgan y voten! Gracias!

<u>Diane Alfarone Laverty</u>: Soy residente del Rancho Starlight desde mayo de este año. En mayo del 1998 me case con mi querido esposo Kyle y soy la orgullosa madre de mis perros Bellerose y Gossiper. Tenemos una bella casa cerca de mi fantástica suegra Joan Laverty. Tengo mi licencia de ventas de seguros de vida de NY, estoy esperando mi licencia de Notario Público en Florida. Aspiro a ser miembro de la junta para estar más envuelta en la comunidad y para darle voz a los que no pueden. Gracias por su consideración y espero por su voto.

Robert (Bob) Marley: Presentemente estoy en la junta y aspiro a otro termino. Soy Contratista General y licenciado. He manejado complejo de 500 unidades y también unidades individuales. Tengo experiencia en asociaciones vecindarios, igual que condominios. Continuo con mi meta de traer un sentido de ser dueños de esto y darles voz a los residentes contra los controladores corporativos.

Habrá otra oportunidad para conocer a los candidatos en la reunión regular el miércoles, 9 de noviembre a las 7 pm en la casa club al frente.





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
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You may also send e-mail to newsletter@starlightranchhoaweb.com.

#### **MORE JANE HUYLER PHOTOS!**





1943 1946 - Singing at a Minstrel Show







1982 - Entertaining at Moose Lodge 1002





1983 - Best Tacky Tourist



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Singing at the Moose Lodge

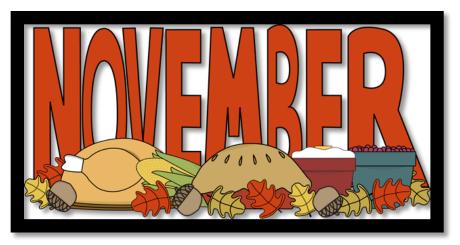








SOME OF JANE'S PAINTINGS



## **RUMMAGE SALE! - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22**

















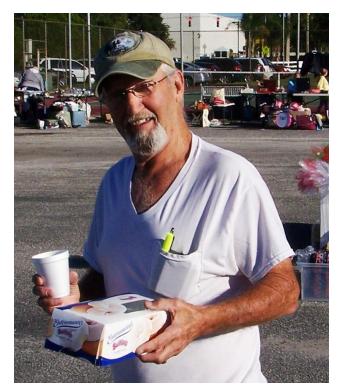








































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