

January 2017

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT ...



Happy New Year to all the folks at Starlight Ranch! I would like to say a big "THANK YOU" for supporting me and the other newly elected Board members and giving us the opportunity to serve you. I am looking forward to meeting new park friends and neighbors.

The Board encourages you to let us know of your questions and concerns via the HOA suggestion box in the front (ACH) clubhouse or at our bimonthly Town Hall meetings. The Board will try to get these items addressed as soon as we can to improve the community. We already have many issues to take a look at, and with the new team we have built, I believe we can work through these concerns in due time. Together we can accomplish much.

We will be starting our negotiations with ELS soon and will strive to move forward with positive results again.

In December, I met with David Stanz, ELS
Community Manager, to introduce myself. I will be
meeting with him at least twice monthly to discuss
issues. We will both be doing a "ride about" around
all areas of the Ranch to seriously look at
circumstances / issues that present themselves.
Thank you, Vern Olsen

REMEMBER ... IT'S TIME TO START OR RENEW YOUR HOA MEMBERSHIP! ONLY \$10.00 FOR THE YEAR. FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE FRONT (ACH) CLUBHOUSE.

#### **CHRISTMAS DINNER PHOTOS - PAGES 18 - 31!**

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

By Pat Williams

What a wonderful time we had December 9th and were so happy with the group that came to celebrate Christmas. Thank you all for coming.



The Veteran's were: Laurie Lyons, Navy – Joe Laferriere, Navy – John Bertsch, Army – Dave Douma, Marines – Roger Hebert, Marines – Richard Balderson, Navy – James Bedell, Air Force – Jackie Bedard, Navy and Albert Michaels, Navy. Guests were: Barry Bertsch, Gert Michaels, Mary Ann Healy, Marti Hensley, Nilsa and Ismael, Anita, Jim, Mary Rivera, Carmen Viera and me.

Patty Olsen made up another delicious meal for all of us. Patty thank you so much for what you do for us. You are so very much appreciated. Craig we missed you. On the menu were fresh, cut-up fruits, salad, cut-up vegetables, and a delicious ziti. Patty also made cranberry and orange marmalade breads and 7-layer bars, a cake was brought by Laurie and Jackie brought cookies. Mary Rivera also helped out in the kitchen.

I am looking forward to seeing you all in January. We would love to have other Veterans in the park come join us for an hour. We would be very interested in hearing about your experiences and recollections from your military service.

#### **NEW ACTIVITIES CHAIRPERSON**



Hello Starlight Ranch! I'm your new Board member, Ana Pope and I have assumed the very important role of Activities Chairperson. My goals are to bring variety, increase attendance,

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#### **RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT:**

By Joan Stearns

I met with Vern Olsen and his wife, Linda, on one of these wonderful sunny days we've been having.



They live in one of the newer homes, and it is lovely. They have been married for 29 years, after originally meeting at a beach in Maine

when they were 10 and 11-1/2 years old!

Linda works for Lynx Bus Service, and Vern was a maintenance man for the railroad in Maine. Nowadays, Vern continues his railroad involvement, but with the model kind. He is a member of the Orlando Railroad Club on Mills Avenue and his niche is working with raw materials to build realistic structures to smaller scales.

Even though they were introduced to Florida when they honeymooned here, and have a cousin who lives on Holster Way ... the real reason they moved to Starlight Ranch is that in June of 2015 they experienced the fourth worst winter since 1820 in Maine. That year there was over 208" (over 17-feet!) of snow. There were deer walking in the middle of the roads looking for food.

Both Linda and Vern are avid sportsmen – they hold a Lake Ontario record in New York of catching 52 Lake Trout in one day! In 2001, Vern shot and killed the largest moose in the state of Maine – weighing 1150 pounds! They both are anxious to explore Florida and its history. They have already fallen in love with the waterways of the St. John's River.

Vern is also a musician – he would like to start a low-key entertainment group with others on the Ranch ... so if you're interested, give him a call 407-233-4122. We had agreed to do the feature before the Board Election and reorganization, so now we can also congratulate him on becoming the new HOA President for 2017!

#### MORE VERN AND LINDA OLSEN 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 create a positive atmosphere and bring topics of interest to the program. Many of you know me, but others may not, for this reason I've decided to reach out and give you an idea of who I am and what I have in mind for Activities.

I have lived in Starlight Ranch for over four years and previously served on the board as Treasurer. I also volunteered for many of the activities that have taken place in the last few years. By serving on the board, I was able to understand the needs of our community when it comes to activities and the need for variety.

I would like to see more resident participation and volunteering in our activities. This will create a network of neighbors that not only help, but also learn from each other. To succeed, I will need your help. I want to know what types of activities you would like to see happen. I will also need a team to make it all happen, without your help and participation, our activities cannot thrive. I look forward to seeing many of you this year. Let's make Starlight Ranch the community everybody wants to live in!

#### ADVERTISING UPDATE:



Denise Koplar, our newly appointed Board member has agreed to oversee the Marketing / Advertising function for the HOA. And, as discussed in the last issue, the goal is to have the newsletter printing costs

paid by advertising. Beginning on February 1, new rates will be adopted for outside advertisers and a new fee will be implemented for resident ads. For a business card sized ad HOA members will be charged \$2.50 per month, Non-HOA members is \$5.00 per month. Line ads (items for sale, services offered or needed, etc.) will continue to be free, with a 30-word maximum. Over 30 words will be charged the business-card rates. For more information or if you would like to help Denise in seeking advertisers, please text her at 407-443-9214 or speak with her at a Board meeting or function.

In the future, should revenue allow, we would like to publish the calendar and ad page separately as an insert ... easy to place on the fridge! This would give us two pages back for new features or additional content.

#### TO YOUR HEALTH: NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

By Ron Speener



We have put away last year and are starting another year with new possibilities. As part of the New Year, we make New Year's Resolutions. I will lose 30 pounds. I will stop smoking. I will eat healthy. I will exercise. I will.... I will.... And so on. And then in a few weeks the resolutions fade away and we are the same but guilty. Over 90% of people fail to meet resolution goals.

Besides guilt for not following through with resolutions, failing to achieve the resolution goal can affect our pocket book and our health.

Resolutions can be expensive because we anticipate success and need the tools for success. We buy a gym membership or exercise equipment, a new computer to learn Facebook, or a new wardrobe for the new thin us. We toss out our "fat food", cigarettes, or credit cards. And then, in a few weeks the equipment is in the closet. The gym membership abandoned. What we tossed out returns to their former glory.

Failed resolutions also affect mental and physical health. Our mental health suffers because when the resolutions fail we think of ourselves as failures or weak. We may think the situation we want to fix as beyond our control and change is hopeless. We may lapse into complacency about the ability to change, and so needed changes are not done. Weight is not lost; smoking is not ceased

However, well thought out resolutions can be helpful if we plan for success:

- 1. Pick one or two things that you want to change
- 2. Set clearly definable and attainable goals
- 3. Set a realistic time frame to reach the goals
- 4. Set benchmarks along the way to mark progress
- 5. Cultivate habits that foster success
- Understand what triggers the unwanted behavior
- 7. Allow for setbacks and obstacles without recrimination, but renew the commitment with more determination
- 8. Allow for rewards when meeting the benchmarks
- 9. Once the goal is achieved, maintain the good habits that were developed

With good goals and developing positive habits a New Year's resolution can be achieved. As a final thought, most resolutions come from a negative view of ourselves and this is what we try to correct. But what if this New Year's resolution is to improve on what is already great about us. Go into the New Year positive and strong!



#### **CHAIR EXERCISES**

By Pat Williams

We have another new member to our group and she is new to exercise. Her name is Beth Blackwell and is originally from St. Louis, Missouri. Beth was very happy doing the routines saying, "it is very good exercise without straining yourself, and it is a great way to meet people and other residents." Tuesday we did a half hour of Richard Simmons exercises and Beth said it was a big surprise, but she made it through!

We sure have a great hour every Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10:00 at the back clubhouse. Of course you do just as much as you can and can stop any time you want. It is all up to you and how you are feeling. Stop by and give us a try, or even just come by and watch. The music will get you moving!

#### JOIN US FOR SOUPS AND SUBS!!



It's National Soup month! For this month's Activities dinner, Saturday, January 21, at 6:00 PM, we're pairing delicious Broccoli Cheddar and

Chicken Noodle soups with turkey, roast beef and ham submarine sandwiches with lots of fixin's of course! As always, we welcome dessert and goody contributions to complete the fun. Please sign up in the clubhouse by Thursday, January 19 if you plan to attend; and consider helping us out as well by signing up on the volunteer list as well. Hope to see you there!

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

Ice Cream Social and Gift Card Bingo	Jan. 7	1:00 PM	ACH
HOA Board Meeting	Jan. 11	7:00 PM	ACH
Vets and Friends Social Hour	Jan. 13	7:00 PM	MCH
Soup and Subs Dinner	Jan. 21	6:00 PM	ACH
Town Hall Meeting	Jan. 28	10:00 AM	ACH

#### **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:**

- ★ Bible Study / Estudio Biblico Wednesday (except Board meeting) 7:00 PM - MCH
- ★ 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



## Did you know about --- The overflow parking area?

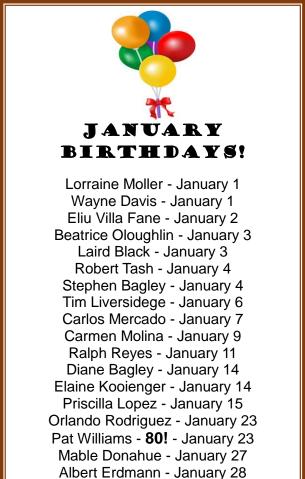
This is an area where residents can have their guests park their vehicles without having the need for a parking pass or face the repercussion of having cars towed if illegally parked.

The parking area is located opposite the back clubhouse. The entrance is just past Stallion Court. This is the same area (parking lot) where groups having parties in the back clubhouses have the attendees park.

We sometimes have unexpected company in the evenings and on the weekends and want to welcome them. The office is closed at those times and you are unable to get a parking pass; you can have your guests park in this overflow lot. Just follow them there if it is a long walk to bring them back to your home.

Remember you can also park your car with your 'Starlight Ranch Parking Sticker' in the regular clubhouse lots and then have your guest park in your carport.

Submitted by: Mary Rivera



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.

Janis Craig - January 30



#### Hola Amigos Residentes del Rancho Starlight

#### **IFELIZ AÑO NUEVO!**

Año Viejo...Vida Nueva! Si, así es. Tiempo de olvidarnos de los malos ratos y malos momentos que el 2016 produjo tales como la muerte de Juan Gabriel, o Elin Ortiz, el esposo de Charytin, el joven lanzador de Miami, Jose Hernandez, también el Profesor Jirafales, Ruben Aguirre. Es tiempo para visionar, planificar y enfocar en el nuevo año 2017. Esperamos que el Señor nos compadezca y nos bendiga con salud y buenas cosas.

Nosotros mismos podemos ayudarnos tener mejor salud. Debiéramos cuidarnos de nuestro peso, pues es una de las razones por cual hay tanta diabetes y otras enfermedades. La diabetes es una enfermedad con la cual se puede vivir, funcionar casi normalmente, pero hace mucho daño. Los que fuman debiesen de dejar ese vicio, pues hace mucho daño a los pulmones, riñones y al corazón.

Aquí en nuestro parque hay facilidades para uno mismo ayudarse. En la casa club al interior hay un pequeño gimnasio con más de suficiente equipo para hacer todos los ejercicios necesarios para mantenerse en forma. También tenemos Ejercicios de Silla para aquellos que no puedan usar el gimnasio. Estos son ejercicios muy buenos sin tener que extenderse mucho y otra manera para conocer gente que viven aquí en el Rancho. Estos son todos los martes y jueves a las 10:00am en la casa club al interior (2nda).

#### JUNTA DE LA HOA PARA 2017

Bueno, pues con el nuevo año también tenemos una nueva junta de la HOA (ADC). El Señor Vern Olsen, Presidente; Bob Marley, Vicepresidente; este servidor, Jose Rodriguez, Tesorero; Ana Pope, Director y Coordinadora de Actividades; Denise Koplar, Director y Cargo de Ventas de Anuncios; Daniel Flores, Director, Sargento de Armas y Roger Hebert, Director. Por el presente nuestra secretaria voluntaria es Carmen Viera, quien esperamos poder nombrar a la junta en un futuro cercano.

Queremos exhortarles que asistan a las actividades, pues son muchas y buenas y no les cuesta nada. Todos los meses pueden ver el calendario cual tendrá todas las actividades que por lo regular son sábados.

También queremos anunciar que todos los miércoles, excepto el de las reuniones de junta que es el segundo del mes, habrá Estudio Bíblico en la casa club de atrás a las 700pm.

Por ultimo queremos que sepan que el solar que queda al cruzar la calle al frente de la casa club de atrás se puede utilizar para estacionamiento de tiempo extendido o de visitas sin permisos sin miedo que se lo remolquen. Es probablemente el único sitio donde la grúa no puede entrar y remolcar.

Bien Amigos, hasta la próxima...Bendiciones y Felicidades!!



#### **Resident Classifieds**

















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

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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 VERN AND LINDA OLSEN PHOTOS!







July 2015



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January 2012



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2014 with 46 pints of canned beet greens







2012 - 25<sup>th</sup> wedding Anniversary





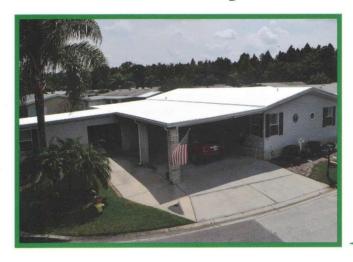






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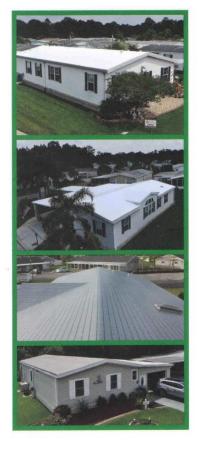




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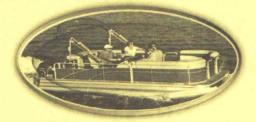
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Golden Corral

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1:30 PM

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Thursday, January 12th

10:00 AM

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