



Starlight Ranch Mobile Homeowner's Association, Inc.

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### Hello Starlight Ranch residents!

Well, to start with it sure looks like "The Ranch" got a little spring cleaning lately!!

There has been no enforcement of these rules for so long, that some residents were very upset when suddenly they got a note telling them to get it done in the next 10-30 days. I feel that the rules concerning maintaining our homes are a good thing... but a bit of a warning that notices were coming might have been nice. So in response to my concerns (*been "gently mentioning" this for years*) the management is working **WITH US** to roll out the plan to get our park back on track maintaining our community to the standards of our Rules and Regulations. There are a lot of issues that fall under the Rules and Regulations. This is a great start to moving "The Ranch" in the right direction of what we signed up for when we moved here.

You will see that the management has written a nice note (*in this newsletter page 2*) to explain this. After our board had a meeting with upper management last week, we now feel that we are getting the support that we have been requesting to clean up our park. (*Yea!!*)

Some of the issues that were brought to the table were:

- (1) Safety of residents with all of the unauthorized people living here.
- (2) We have a gate coming this year.
- (3) Water pressure.
- (4) Is the system in place able to handle all of the new homes?
- (5) Why are so many residents having water pressure problems?
- (6) Damaged sidewalks and pavements.

The issue with the mess the ducks are making at our pools is now "back on track" to get cleaned up! (*Totally unsanitary*) **Please do not feed the ducks!!** They need to go! (*"going" everywhere*) They tear up our park! (*plants and fences*) They are invasive animals and do not belong here!

The biggest change you will notice that will make some people very happy and others upset is that we are **removing the parking on the streets during the day-time**, because so many residents leave their cars on the street all day (*there's just not enough room*). It is very hard for emergency vehicles, garbage trucks and other vehicles to get down some of the side-streets (*impossible in some places*). What this means is when you have a caregiver or someone coming to help you, they will need to stop at the office and get a **vendor pass** so they don't get towed (*A lot of bother, but worth it in the long run*).

In the beginning and for many years, the rules have been no parking on the streets at all. The HOA worked out a compromise with the management to allow parking during the daytime to help with the medical issue especially, but it has been abused to the point of danger for residents trying to drive down the road or even get out of their driveways. So now **no more parking on the street without a parking pass from the office during the day-time hours....**and as usual, still no parking after sunset.

We have Rules and Regulations here at Starlight Ranch and all residents (*yes, all of us*) need to know them well. It will bring back the community that we all signed up for and wish to enjoy calling "HOME".

*Curt*



#### Chair Exercises

Chair exercises will stop at the end of May.

They've been a lot of fun and will start up again in September.

There will be a notice in the August Newsletter.

Thanks to all who have joined in with us during the season. You all have enjoyed doing the different exercises and we are happy about that.

Thanks again for being with us.

**Ruthie, Mabel and Pat.**

We give our thanks to all of those residents responding to our 360 inspections, we really appreciate all of the work you have been doing to make your homes look beautiful. We would like to remind you that these inspections will be done monthly from now on. We hope we keep seeing all the hard work done by everyone in the community as the inspections become a regular thing.

We would like to reiterate that this is a 55+ community, we will not accept anybody living or staying for more than 30 days in the community if they are not authorized. Section 1 & 3 of Starlight Ranch's rules and regulations §723.061(l)(e), Fla.Stat. requires that all residents must be over 55 years of age and be approved for occupancy by the office.

For approval every adult must submit an application available at the front office. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Thank you,

**Starlight Ranch Administration**

Agradecemos a todos los residentes que han respondido a nuestras inspecciones 360. Realmente apreciamos todo el trabajo que han estado haciendo para que sus hogares se vean hermosos. Nos gustaría recordarles que estas inspecciones se realizarán mensualmente de ahora en adelante. Esperamos seguir viendo todo el trabajo arduo realizado por todos en la comunidad a medida que las inspecciones se convierten en algo habitual.

Nos gustaría reiterar que esta es una comunidad para personas de más de 55 años de edad, no aceptaremos a nadie que viva o se quede por más de 30 días en la comunidad si no está autorizada, la Sección 1 y 3 de las reglas y regulaciones de Starlight Ranch §723.061 (1) (e), Fla.Stat. requiere que todos los residentes tengan más de 55 años de edad y que la oficina los apruebe para su ocupación.

Para su aprobación, cada adulto debe presentar una solicitud disponible en la oficina principal. Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor póngase en contacto con la oficina.

Gracias,

**Administración de Starlight Ranch**

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### Here are some June events to consider:

- **Baldwin Park First Friday Festival**  
Friday, June 1, 5:30-9:30pm  
Baldwin Park Village Center  
Over 70 local artisans of all genres will display their art while guests shop and stroll through the heart of downtown Baldwin Park. This event is held the First Friday of every month, and is both family and pet friendly.  
FREE Admission
- **Donut King & Beer Pairing**  
Saturday, June 2, 12-4pm  
World of Beer Downtown  
Donut-King donuts paired with craft beer, including Big Top Brewing Company Hawaiian Lion coffee coconut porter – paired with a chocolate cake topped with toasted coconut donut and Elysian Brewing Space Dust double IPA – paired with a sour cream based, chocolate frosting and vanilla drizzled.  
\$20-25
- **Comedy Night**  
Tuesday, June 5, 9-11pm  
Hourglass Brewing  
Monthly comedy night hosted by Real Laughs of Real Radio 104.1  
FREE Admission
- **Art & Music in the Park and Food Truck Bazaar**  
Friday, June 8, 6-9pm  
Lake Concord Park  
Get something to eat on one of the dozen food trucks from the Food Truck Bazaar and shop at the local businesses and artisan booths selling unique jewelry, photography, ceramics, paintings, and many other great products.  
FREE admission
- **Yappy Hour**  
Monday, June 11, 5-8pm  
K Restaurant & Wine Bar  
Dog parents can take advantage of the extended happy hour menu with dog-themed food and drinks.  
FREE Admission, drink prices vary

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### Veterans Social Hour for May

This was our last social time until September. We had a wonderful time last night. A new Vet came, William Wright, and he told us many funny stories. We sure did a lot of laughing. William is from Detroit and he has three sisters.

Veterans were: John Bertsch – *Army*, Guy Eagan-*Air Force*, William Wright – *Army*, Laurie Lyons-*Navy*.

Guests were: Betty Fisher, Barry Bertsch, Patti Olsen, Pat Williams and Vickie Saxour.

Our menu was Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Green Salad, Watermelon and assorted chips. Dessert was an assortment of small cakes.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as **Flag Day**; in August 1946, National **Flag Day** was established by an Act of Congress. **Flag Day** is not an official federal holiday.



### Resident Advertisements

I need a seamstress to do my personal alterations.  
407-282-9096 Please leave a message.

Looking for a good home in Starlight Ranch for a 16 week old girl CHIHUAHUA dog.  
Please call 321-246-0950.

## June Activity Notes

Hello Ranchers! Water exercise will be at the Back Pool from now on, Tuesday and Friday at 10 AM and Wednesdays at 6:30 PM (except on the second Wed. when it will start 15 minutes after the HOA Board meeting). Here's the list of June activities:

**1<sup>st</sup>** – Ice Cream Social and Gift Card Bingo 1 PM.

**8<sup>th</sup>** – Movie and Pizza at 5 PM. We go get the pizza at 5 pm, so don't be late. Movie will be a Drama.

**15<sup>th</sup>** – Father's Day Dinner at 5 PM. Please sign up early. All men will get a present.

**22<sup>nd</sup>** - Town Hall at 11 AM, come here all the latest Ranch news and bring your concerns.

All residents bring resident ID and guests (over 18) with Guest Passes are welcome to attend all activities.

**Laurie**

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### Good things Happening at the Ranch

Here's an anonymous quote from our Mother's Day lunch event in May

*"What a wonderful treat all the mothers received when we arrived at the Rec Hall to commemorate Mother's Day! We each received an all-natural lip balm, which I use several times a day. Chef Tony Ortez outdid himself. .. out of this world pot roast, with the most amazing gravy I've ever had!! He is truly an incredible chef. It was certainly a perfect way to start our celebration."*

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## Origins of Father's Day

The campaign to celebrate the nation's fathers did not meet with the same enthusiasm as Mother's Day—perhaps because, as one florist explained, "fathers haven't the same sentimental appeal that mothers have."

On July 5, 1908, a West Virginia church sponsored the nation's first event explicitly in honor of fathers, a Sunday sermon in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December's explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company mines in Monongah, but it was a one-time commemoration and not an annual holiday.

The next year, a Spokane, Washington, woman named Sonora Smart Dodd, one of six children raised by a widower, tried to establish an official equivalent to Mother's Day for male parents. She went to local churches, the YMCA, shopkeepers and government officials to drum up support for her idea, and she was successful: Washington State celebrated the nation's first statewide Father's Day on June 19, 1910.

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Slowly, the holiday spread. In 1916, President Wilson honored the day by using telegraph signals to unfurl a flag in Spokane when he pressed a button in Washington, D.C. In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge urged state governments to observe Father's Day.

Today, the day honoring fathers is celebrated in the United States on the third Sunday of June. **Father's Day 2019 will be on Sunday, June 16.**



## **A book review by a favorite author...from Joan Stearns**

### **The light Years** *by Chris Rush*

About a month ago, as I was reading Time Magazine, believe it or not, I saw a book review showing a photo of someone who looked exactly like my cousin, Chris Rush. He is a son of mother's brother, Charlie Rush. We were never very close, as we lived miles away from their family, but we did spend many weeks during the summers with my grandmother, who lived in Tomes River, NJ, very near my Uncle Charlie. Then when I was in high school, we moved back to NJ and saw more of my cousin's family.

It's been a rough book for me to read, as his descriptions of my Aunt and Uncle are right on.

Chris Rush was born into a prosperous, fiercely Roman Catholic family. He was in the middle of the seven Rush children. My Uncle's company, Charles Rush Construction, built office buildings and town halls...but he was most proud of the churches and schools he built for the Diocese of Trenton. He always said he made a fortune serving our Lord...and to show his gratitude, my Uncle entertained the clergy in style.

The "House of Rush" was always booming. Aunt Norma and Uncle Charlie careened the SO's and 60's like a great drunken circus. The whole town came and went to their parties. Booze filled the world with excitement. Everyone danced and laughed, fell over and got up.

When he was in seventh grade, Chris's parents sent him to a Catholic boarding school. The summer before he went, Chris's older sister introduced him to Valentine, an entrepreneurial drug dealer. It is Valentine who places the first tab of acid on 12-year old Chris' tongue. He was hooked. He didn't cut his hair for seven years.

Until he was 19, Chris was a dope user and a dope dealer, often in the mountains of the Grand Tetons. His descriptions of the people he met and where he slept are breathtaking. Eventually, Steven and Michael, his brothers, show up. They take him back to New Jersey. Chris returns to selling drugs, with his brother's friends buying everything he had. His brothers become a crucial part of his business...and his business was booming. He continued to sell his wares from his mother's old sewing room.

Chris eventually overdosed on cocaine...and this pain, sickness, and fear vanquished all his cravings. He never used again. After a terrifying hospital stay, he went home and told his mother he had overdosed. His mother stayed away. It was his father who showed him flashes of kindness.

Eventually, his sisters introduced him to sketch pads, pens, and colored pencils. Today, Chris is an award-winning artist and designer, whose work is held in various museum collections. "The Light Years" is his first novel. One of the last portraits he painted was that of his father...although when he sat for him he could barely speak...the ravages of cancer.

I attended the funeral of my Uncle Charlie. My sister and I often speak of the remarkable recovery Chris has made.

~ June 2019 ~						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Ice Cream Social & Gift Card Bingo 1 PM ACH
2	3 Bingo 6:45 PM Last Sale-6:30 PM ACH	4 Water Exercise 10 AM MCH	5 Bread 9 AM ACH  Water Exercise 6:30 PM MCH	6 Bunco 4:00 PM ACH	7 Water Exercise 10 AM MCH  Activity Mtg 6 PM ACH	8 Movie & Pizza 5 PM ACH
9	10 Crafting MCH 6:30 - 8:00 PM Bingo 6:45 PM Last Sale-6:30 PM ACH	11 Water Exercise 10 AM MCH	12 Bread 9 AM ACH HOA Board Mtg 6 PM ACH Water Exercise 7:00 PM MCH	13 Bunco 4:00 PM ACH	14 Water Exercise 10 AM MCH	15 Father's Day Dinner 5 PM ACH Desserts Welcome
16 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	17 Bingo 6:45 PM Last Sale-6:30 PM ACH	18 Water Exercise 10 AM MCH	19 Bread 9 AM ACH  Water Exercise 6:30 PM MCH	20 Bunco 4:00 PM ACH	21 Water Exercise 10 AM MCH	22 Town Hall Meeting 11 AM ACH
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30	Notes: ACH = Front Clubhouse MCH = Back Clubhouse					

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Orange Cty Animal Control	407-836-3111

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