

# THE MESSENGER AT FOUR SEASONS

## JULY 2025



Lodge Hours of Operation:

Monday-Thursday: 8am-8 pm

Friday: 8am-10pm

Saturday: 8am-8pm

Sunday: 12pm - 6pm

Outdoor Amenities & Gym:

Monday-Sunday:

5am-10pm

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EDWARD HORST (EAGLE) AND LINDA HORST (QUILT)

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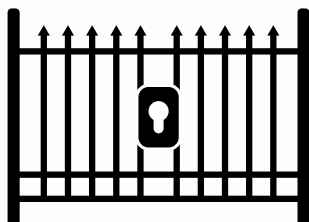
## Gate Access Update & Reminder

For security reasons, the temporary gate code is updated on the first of each month. Please be mindful of this change and share updated codes with any expected guests accordingly.

In addition to the temporary code, each resident has a unique personal gate code for regular access. If you do not know your assigned code, please reach out to Management at 661-873-0580 for assistance.

Guests can also enter the community using the gate directory system. If your name and phone number are listed, visitors can call you directly from the keypad. By pressing "9" on your phone, you can open the gate remotely.

Not sure if you're listed in the directory, or need to update your contact information? Just contact Management, and we'll be happy to assist. Thank you for helping maintain a safe and secure environment for all residents!



# MEET OUR NEW BOARD PRESIDENT

## LORENZO ALVAREZ

I want to personally thank the homeowners for their vote in the recent election. Although we had four qualified candidates, I feel the results provided our community with amazing talent and a very cohesive Board that will work together to bring some positive outcomes to our Four Seasons residents.

A little about me:

I was born in Los Angeles as a first generation American of Mexican descent. I am the fifth of twelve children and bilingual in English/Spanish. As a kid living in Norwalk, I grew up working in the fields picking crops. At the age of 11, our family moved to Porterville, CA where there was field work year-round. I graduated from Monache High School and Porterville College, where I participated in football, soccer and track and field. I received a full-ride scholarship to play football at Baylor University in Waco, TX playing against some of the country's major football programs. I was blessed to have played in the 1979 Peach Bowl in Atlanta, GA, that was nationally televised.

I came to Bakersfield in 1980 to work for the Bakersfield Police Department (BPD), where I was assigned various duties including motorcycle patrol, the foot beat in Old Town Kern and a special unit that dealt with areas of certain street crimes and narcotics. While in the police academy at Bakersfield College, I met Katrina (Kat) who would later become my wife. No, she was not in the academy.

After 15 years with BPD, I became a Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor for a local organization helping injured workers get back to maximum self-sufficiency. Two years later, one of my clients, Bolthouse Farms offered me a position to lead their Worker's Compensation and Safety Program. I was later promoted to Human Resources Manager.

In 2006, I was offered a position as the Director of Human Resources at KS Industries (KSI) to oversee all their companies in several states. While at KSI, I simultaneously attended and graduated from law school and was promoted to the Head of their Legal department until my retirement.



## MEET OUR NEW BOARD PRESIDENT - CONT.

In the early 80s, I also volunteered on a limited basis as an assistant football coach at East Bakersfield High School and in 1987, I became the kicking and punting coach for the Bakersfield College (BC) Football Team, where I continue to help on a limited basis. This will be my 39<sup>th</sup> season at BC.

Kat and I have two amazing children: Breanna and Matthew, and two wonderful grandchildren: Emilia Alvarez (Emmy) and John Frank Candelaria V (Cinco). We moved to Four Seasons in March of 2021 and couldn't have made a better choice. We feel blessed to live in such a wonderful community and have made so many friends who we feel are a part of our family.

I look forward to serving as your HOA President and will do my best to work with the Board members, Management/Staff, and the membership to do what is best for our entire community!

Thank you and God Bless,  
Lorenzo Alvarez

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### ZO'S EASY CHILI VERDE RECIPE

Chili Verde (8 people)

- Pork shoulder/butt. You can also use loin. 4 lbs
- Herdez Mild Salsa Verde. 2 or 4 lb container (you don't have to use it all depending on one's taste)
- Yellow onion, chopped
- Garlic cloves, 4 chopped
- ¼ cup oil. I always use olive oil.
- Salt, 1-2 teaspoons. Start with one.
- Cumin, 1-2 teaspoons. Start with one.
- Oregano, 1-2 teaspoons. Start with one.
- Cilantro, a bunch, chopped
- Chicken Stock or Broth, 1 box (32 oz)



Prep:

- Cut the pork into small pieces about 1" to 1-1/4" cubes. Season with salt and pepper. Heat skillet or pot and add the oil. Brown the meat (this is important as it helps to get it tenderized). Remove and set aside.
- Sauté the garlic and onions. Don't overdo it; you just want that nice aroma.
- Add the pork and then add the chicken stock.
- Add the salsa verde, cumin, oregano and cilantro and start cooking at a semi-high heat to get the boil going. Once the boil is consistent, reduce the heat to medium-low and allow it to continue cooking. Let it simmer for about an hour while stirring occasionally.
- Check the tenderness of the pork and continue cooking until you feel it is tender. Taste as you go like David did. Once done, remove from heat and Enjoy.

## SPANISH RICE

Serves 8 people

- 4 TBSP oil, I use olive oil.
- Long Grain rice 1 ½ cup
- Water 1 ½ cup
- Onion ½ small and chopped
- Knorr Caldo de Tomate con sable de Pollo (start with a tablespoon as this give it color and is both the salt and chicken bouillon combined) Modify to taste.

Prep:

- Heat the skillet and toast the rice. When they start to get toasted, add the onion. When the rice looks semi toasted, add the Knorr. Taste to your liking. Once it begins to boil, reduce heat to a simmer and cover. Cook for around 20-30 minutes until done and ENJOY!

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## BOARD MEETING UPDATE

The Board of Directors General Session meeting was held on Wednesday, June 25, 2025. The following are items that were discussed or actions taken.

Resident Suggestions Reviewed:

- Gym Filter Maintenance

A resident suggested that the gym filters be replaced every two months instead of quarterly. No directive was issued by the Board at this time.

- Pigeon Deterrent Installation

A suggestion was made to replace the missing pigeon deterrent spikes and consider using wire or banding for installation. The Board referred the matter to the Facilities Committee and noted that an alternative product, “Pigeon be Gone” (a bird repellent), could be evaluated.

- South Entrance Lane Modification

A resident proposed removing the barriers from the inside lane at the South Entrance to designate it exclusively for residents with RFID access. The Board stated that no non-essential spending will be undertaken at this time and tabled the item for potential review at the beginning of the year.

- Staff Parking and Handicap Spaces

It was suggested that staff be asked to park in the farthest section of the Lodge parking lot and that additional handicap-accessible parking spaces be added. The Board referred the suggestion regarding handicap parking to the Facilities Committee for further evaluation.

## Board Meeting Update - cont.

### Executive Session Summary:

Mike Callagy reported that an Executive Session was held on June 25, 2025 and a Special Executive Session was held on June 9, May 9th. The following items were disclosed to the Members. There were 11 rule violations and 14 ARC violations, and 4 hearings held.

In addition, he reported that the Board approved a new Landscape Maintenance Contract with BrightView Landscape Services, Inc., beginning September 1, 2025, at a base monthly fee of \$54,000. The Board also approved a tree care proposal from BrightView Tree Care in the amount of \$99,000 to trim all 1,389 trees throughout the community and to install protective netting on the cypress trees located at the North Entrance and Lodge.

### Treasurer's Report:

The May 31, 2025, financial statements were approved by the Board, along with two authorizations to file liens for delinquent assessments. (you can view the treasurer's report on the website).

### Unfinished and New Business:

Committee Reports were received from the ARC/Landscape Committee, Social Committee, Rules and Regulations Committee, Facilities Committee, IT/Website Committee, and Newsletter Committee.

Michael Callagy, ARC/Landscape Committee Chair, reported that two architectural applications were submitted this month. Of those, one was approved outright and one received conditional approval. Additionally, four Notices of Completion were submitted and all four were approved.

Sherry Davis, Social Committee Chair, reported on two upcoming events:

- The first is the Annual Fourth of July Parade. All carts, scooters, and bikes should be lined up by 8:00 AM. A flag-raising ceremony will also take place at that time to honor our veterans. Additionally, Percussive Coffee will be offering breakfast for purchase that morning, with advance orders required.
- The second event is the Annual Pool Party, scheduled for September 20th. The DJ and caterer have already been selected for this event.

Leanna Cutler provided a report on behalf of the Rules and Regulations Committee, as requested by Jan Lemucchi, Committee Chair. The committee has committed to reviewing and updating the proposed Second Revision to the CC&Rs over the next six months. The goal is to review ten pages per meeting, with the intention of completing the full review by year-end.

## Board Meeting Update - cont.

Florn Core, Facilities Committee Chair, reported the following:

- **Electrical Control System:**

Due to the high cost of replacing the current electrical control system—one quote received was over \$45,000—the committee is exploring an alternative option involving a more manual system to manage lighting controls.

- **Slurry Seal Project:**

The slurry seal project has been postponed to the last two weeks of September 2025, as it is not recommended to perform slurry applications when temperatures exceed 85°F.

- **Patina Wood Fence Painting:**

The committee presented bids for painting the patina wood fencing. The Board approved the committee's recommendation to award the contract to Richard Johnson Painting in the amount of \$6,500.00. This will be funded through reserves.

- **Lodge Carpet, Upholstery, and Curtain Cleaning:**

Bids were reviewed for cleaning the Lodge carpet, fabric furniture, and curtains. The Board approved the committee's recommendation to award the project to King of Clean in the amount of \$2,625.01. This is an operating expense and was included in the 2025 budget.

Dave Keeney, Chair of the IT/Website Committee, reported that the committee remains on schedule for the implementation of the photo ID badge/access card system. However, it will still be a few months before the photo-taking process for the badges begins.

The Board approved private rental applications for August 2, 2025, and September 27, 2025.

The Board approved the formation of a new club, Four Seasons on the Go Travel Club. The club application was submitted by Club Leader Laurie Dean. Open to all residents, the club will meet once a month on a Wednesday at 1 pm. The date of the first meeting is pending.

The Board appointed the 2025–2026 Committee Members.

The Board approved the 2025-2026 Lodge Holiday Hours. The hours will be posted on the Association Bulletin Board.

The Board approved reopening the Lodge on Sundays from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM, with the condition that no private events may be scheduled on that day.

The next Board of Directors General Session Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 30th at 6:00 PM.

## FROM THE TREASURER

### Bill Ferguson

Happy Birthday America. As I had noted last month, the first day of summer was last month but for many of us summer begins on the fourth of July.

Our HOA election is over and board responsibilities were assigned. Thanks to the new board, I remain the treasurer, which you may have discerned by reading this letter in the Messenger.

OK, so on to the financial news. We now have in place a full financial committee. It includes both "old" and new names. I say old, not in a pejorative way, since we are all living in a senior community, but some who have previously served on our committee. The committee now consists of Judy West as chairperson, along with Phyllis Baer, Kathy Clark, Robert Campo and Carole Casteen. Myself and board president Lorenzo Alvarez will serve as board liaisons.

With the significant decrease in our Operating Cash last month, when our net income lost \$18,945.86, the board agreed to discontinue all discretionary spending from operations accounts through the end of the year. In doing so, the plan is to improve our cash position to a more respectable balance.

The financial data as of the 31<sup>st</sup> of May shows that our Operating Cash & Investment Funds totaled \$30,157.89 which was a decrease of \$6,994.39. The reserves cash & investment funds increased \$17,111.70 moving their percent funded 0.4% from 50.2% to 50.6%. We continue to remain within our 2025 budget requirement that dictates the end-of-year reserve funding level at \$425,352. This will enable the percent funded to reach our 51% goal by the end of year.

At the end of last month, we had more income than the budget projected by \$7,671.45 but, although the expenses were also over, the net income for the month was a gain of \$5,766.03. The year-to-date net remains positive at \$53,852.83

Our allowance for doubtful accounts remains at -\$5,976.33. Last month we had a total of thirty-eight delinquencies totaling \$57,928.76. They were a combination of those that had lien activity, were at the attorney for disposition, accounts in a payment plan and twenty-eight accounts simply being monitored as possibly in jeopardy. We now stand ready to accept the six month (June 30) financial data. This is particularly significant since it is the halfway point of the year. As we begin working on the proforma budget we continue to look for what in our monthly financial activity may provide clues to any changes that may be required in next year's budget. We will finalize that budget by October and, as the

## Financial Report - cont.

Consumer Price Index (CPI) continues to be revised every month, the long-term projection of the CPI and the projected costs of items and services for our HOA must be continually fine-tuned accordingly.

Once again, thank you for reading my "words". My intention is to respond to all of your thoughts and questions as candidly and accurately as I can, either personally via email or in my next month's offering, so send your responses and questions to: [billfergus@aol.com](mailto:billfergus@aol.com).

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### **K.Hovnanian's Four Seasons Bakersfield Financial Report - May 31, 2025**

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Prior Month</u>
Operating Cash & Investment Funds	\$ 30,157.89	\$ 37,152.28
Reserve Cash & Investment Funds	\$ 1,909,815.68	\$ 1,892,703.90
Total Accounts Receivable (AR)	\$ 57,928.76	\$ 61,680.10
CPA Allowance for doubtful Accounts	\$ (5,976.33)	\$ (5,976.33)
Unfunded Reserves	\$ -	\$ -
Total Fixed Assets - Lighting Conversion	\$ 77,687.34	\$ 77,687.34
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 2,069,613.34</b>	<b>\$ 2,063,247.29</b>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Pre Paid Dues	\$ 64,478.07	\$ 66,953.28
Owner refunds	\$ 762.99	\$ 762.99
Move Out Refundable	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Accrued Expense	\$ 7,615.34	\$ 4,391.67
Unfunded Reserves	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 73,856.40</b>	<b>\$ 73,107.94</b>
<b>Reserve Equity</b>	<b>\$ 1,909,815.68</b>	<b>\$ 1,892,703.90</b>
<b>Other Equity</b>	<b>\$ 85,941.26</b>	<b>\$ 80,175.23</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES/EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 2,069,613.34</b>	<b>\$ 2,045,987.07</b>
	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>\$207,399.45</b>	<b>\$1,045,581.33</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$201,633.42</b>	<b>\$991,728.05</b>
<b>ACTUAL NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>\$5,766.03</b>	<b>\$53,853.28</b>
<u>RESERVE FUNDING LEVEL</u>	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Prior Month</u>
<b>Account Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,909,815.68</b>	<b>\$ 1,892,703.90</b>
<b>Reserve Study @ 100%</b>	<b>\$ 3,771,698.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,771,698.00</b>
<b>Current Percent Funded</b>	<b>50.6%</b>	<b>50.2%</b>
<u>ADDED SIGNIFICANCE</u>		
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	\$ (5,976.33)	
Delinquencies - As of 5-31	\$ 57,928.76	
Three accounts at attorney	\$ 34,118.11	
Three accounts with liens	\$ 9,308.08	
Two accounts in payment plans	\$ 5,074.58	
Three accounts in pre-lien review	\$ 3,311.66	
Four Accounts sent courtesy notices	\$ 3,581.39	
Twenty-eight accounts being monitored	\$ 2,534.94	

**Social Committee**  
**Sherry Davis, Chairperson**

Summer is here and what comes to mind when July arrives? Independence Day, of course. You are invited to a July 4th celebration at the Lodge on Friday morning. Please decorate your golf cart, bicycle or vehicle and join us as we celebrate the birthday of this great nation. We plan to beat the heat by beginning early. Parade vehicles may begin lining up at 7:30 a.m. and must be in place by 8:00 a.m. After the presentation of the Colors and recognition, the parade will travel through the neighborhood. Bring horns or any other noise makers you have in order to liven up the festivities. You may join us in the ballroom for pastries and coffee, while supplies last. Breakfast is also available for purchase at Percussive.

We will see you bright and early!

PRESENTED BY THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

*4th of July*  
**GOLF CART PARADE**

★ FRIDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 ★

Decorate your golf cart, bicycle, or motor vehicle! Everyone who enters the parade will have their name entered in the raffle for a prize. There will be three prizes awarded.  
 Sign up at the Lodge Front Desk.  
 Additionally, we love seeing festively decorated houses! Join the fun, Residents are encouraged to decorate their homes.  
**PARTICIPANTS MUST BE LINED UP BY 8AM**  
**PARADE WILL BEGIN AT 9:00 AM AROUND THE COMMUNITY**  
**PERCUSSIVE COFFEE WILL BE OFFERING BREAKFAST THIS YEAR.**  
**YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN UP IN ADVANCE AT THE CAFE FRONT COUNTER.**

8:00am to 9:00am

**\$12**  
PER PERSON, TAX-INCLUDED

*4th of July*  
**BREAKFAST IN THE BALLROOM**

YOUR CHOICE OF:  
 - BREAKFAST BURRITO -  
 EGG, SAUSAGE, HASH BROWNS, CHEESE

OR

- BUTTERMILK BREAKFAST SANDWICH -  
 SAUSAGE OR CANADIAN BACON, EGG, CHEESE

+

DRIP COFFEE OR ORANGE JUICE

LET US KNOW YOU'LL BE THERE!

# Where is the Messenger



Frank and Alina Canales went on a Mediterranean Cruise in May and visited Greece, Montenegro, Gibraltar, Spain, France, and Italy.



Mary Alexander in Belize, snorkeling on 2 islands with 6 friends.



## Safety First @ Four Seasons Club

### Jan Lemucchi (Club Leader)

The next Safety First @ Four Seasons meeting is **Tuesday, September 9, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Ballroom. If you have any suggestions or requests for a specific safety presentation, please contact Jan Lemucchi at 661-754-2957 or janlemucchi@yahoo.com

The safety and well-being of Members, Residents, Management and Guests at the Association is a priority of the Board. "See Something, Say Something." If you observe a crime or suspicious activity, regardless of how small the incident may seem, call the police immediately (661) 327-7111 and then notify the Front Desk.

### Due to recent sighting of snakes, US Forest Service recommendations on Snake Safety:

Generally, not aggressive, rattlesnakes strike when threatened or deliberately provoked, but given room they will retreat. Most snake bites occur when a rattlesnake is handled or accidentally touched by someone walking or climbing. The majority of snakebites occur on the hands, feet and ankles.

There is no way to guarantee that you won't encounter a snake. However, like most wildlife, snakes are not looking to harm humans and would prefer to be left alone.

Watch where you step and reach. Rattlesnakes blend in with their surroundings, so look where you put your foot down. Wear closed toe shoes or boots outside and use a flashlight at night, especially as nights get warmer and rattlesnakes are more active. Keep walkways well-lit and clear of brush.

Eliminate rodents, a favorite rattlesnake food, from around your house and yard.

Remove what look like attractive residences for snakes. Instead of digging their own dens, rattlesnakes prefer to move into existing structures. Wood piles and junk piles should be eliminated or moved away from the house. Fill in rodent holes and abandoned burrows.

No wall is totally snake-proof, but a solid four-foot wall with a lip at the top angling outward can help discourage snakes. The bottom of the wall should be sunk into the ground and have no tunnels under it. Gates should fit snugly against the ground.

If you do encounter a snake, back slowly and deliberately away from it. Alert others in the area, restrain pets and keep an eye on the location of the snake until it moves out of the area. No one without proper training should pick up a rattlesnake, even a dead one. Reflex bites are possible from a snake that has been dead several hours.

Precautions:

Most bites occur between the months of April and October when snakes and humans are most active outdoors. About 25 percent of the bites are "dry," meaning no venom was injected, but the bites still require medical treatment.

Depending on weather and threatening conditions such as wildfires; rattlesnakes may roam at any time of the day or night. If walking at night, be sure to use a flashlight.



## Safety First - Cont.

To avoid rattlesnake bites, some safety precautions will help:

- Wear appropriate over-the-ankle hiking boots, thick socks, and loose-fitting long pants. Never go barefoot or wear sandals when walking through wild areas.
- When hiking, stick to well-used trails if possible.
- Avoid tall grass, weeds and heavy underbrush where snakes may hide during the day.
- Look at your feet to watch where you step and do not put your foot in or near a crevice where you cannot see.
- Do not step or put your hands where you cannot see, and avoid wandering around in the dark.
- If a fallen tree or large rock is in your path, step up on to it instead of over it, as there might be a snake on the other side.
- Be especially careful when climbing rocks or gathering firewood.
- Check out stumps or logs before sitting down, and shake out sleeping bags before use.
- Do not turn over rocks or logs. If you must move a rock or log, use gloves and roll it toward you, giving anything beneath it the opportunity to escape in the opposite direction.
- Never grab “sticks” or “branches” while swimming in lakes and rivers. Rattlesnakes can swim.
- Avoid approaching any snake you cannot positively identify as a safe species.
- If you hear the warning rattle, move away from the area and do not make sudden or threatening movements in the direction of the snake.
- Remember rattlesnakes do not always rattle before they strike!
- Do not handle a freshly killed snake - it can still inject venom.



### **First Aid :**

#### **DON'T**

If bitten by a rattlesnake DO NOT:

- Do not make incisions over the bite wound.
- Do not restrict blood flow by applying a tourniquet.
- Do not ice the wound.
- Do not suck the poison out with your mouth. These methods can very well cause additional harm and most amputations or other serious results of a rattlesnake bite are a result of icing or applying a tourniquet.

#### **DO**

- Stay calm
- Call Dispatch via radio or 911
- Wash the bite area gently with soap and water if available
- Remove watches, rings, etc., which may constrict swelling
- Immobilize the affected area
- Keep the bite below the heart if possible

## Safety First - Cont.

- Transport safely to the nearest medical facility immediately. Frenetic, high-speed driving places the victim at greater risk of an accident and increased heart rate. If the doctor is more than 30 minutes away, keep the bite below the heart, and then try to get to the medical facility as quickly as possible. Most modern over-the-counter snakebite kits consist of a suction device for drawing out venom from the bite wound. This can be helpful in the interim of getting to a hospital or poison center if a kit is handy. Using your mouth is not advisable as the poison can enter the bloodstream through cuts or sores and might be swallowed. Rattlesnake serum (antivenin) is made from antibodies extracted from horse blood. The serum has its own side effects as the body will have an allergic reaction. However, it's the most effective treatment available. Rattlesnake bites are rarely fatal with less than 1 in 600 resulting in death, and approximately 33 percent not containing injection of venom at all. However, you should assume for your own sake that venom has been introduced and always seek treatment.

### **Snake Facts:**

- There are over 2,700 different Breeds of Snakes in the world.
- Less than one-third of the 2,700 species of snakes are classified as poisonous and fewer than 300 species of snakes may be fatal to humans. In fact, more than twice as many people in the United States are killed annually by bees, wasps, and scorpions than by snakes.
- Snakes are one of the most persecuted animals in the world.
- In the United States, there are over 25 different species of Rattlesnakes.
- Snakes are one of the only animals in the United States that helps control the US rodent population.

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## Association Rules Reminder

*Reminder*

- **Parking:** There is no parking of a vehicle (except a Members/Residents recreational vehicle that has Board approval) on Community streets between the hours of 11:00pm and 6:00am daily. The exception is the week of Thanksgiving and the last two weeks of December. If an extenuating circumstance arises, Management is authorized to give a parking permit for five (5) days. Any circumstance beyond the five (5) days would need Board approval. [Rules and Regulations Community Handbook Section 6.02.]
- **Rafts are not allowed.** However, the following are allowed:
  - a) Noodle tubes and small exercise flotation devices are allowed in the Pool area.
  - b) Floating chairs used in the pool may have a maximum footprint on the water of 30 inches by 28 inches or 6 square feet. The chair may not have any metal components. [Rules and Regulations Community Handbook Section 4.07]

# JULY 2024

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

**Lodge Hours:**  
**Monday - Thursday:**  
**8am - 8pm**  
**Friday: 8am - 10pm**  
**Saturday: 8am - 8pm**  
**Sunday: 12pm - 6pm**

**Outdoor Amenities**  
**& Gym Hours:**  
**Monday - Sunday:**  
**5am - 10pm**


Pickleball 7am  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 BYOA Club 10am  
 Learn to Play Pool 11am  
 Bridge 1pm  
 Crafters Club 1pm  
**SOCIAL COMMITTEE 1PM**  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Pickleball 7pm  
 Bocce Ball 7pm

**SCAVENGER HUNT BEGINS**

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 Chair Yoga 9am  
 Scavenger Hunt 10am  
 Canasta 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Water Volleyball 5pm  
 Dance Fitness 5:45pm

Water Volleyball 4pm 6

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Koffee Klatch 8:30am  
 Chair Yoga 9am  
 Water Aerobics 10am  
 Pinochle 1pm  
 Dance Fitness 5:45pm  
**SCAVENGER HUNT ENDS**



Pickleball 7am 8  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 BYOA Club 10am  
 Learn to Play Pool 11am  
 Bridge 1pm  
 Neighbor-to-Neighbor 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Pickleball 7pm  
 Bocce Ball 7pm

**Pottery Class 5:30PM**

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 Veterans Club at 11:30am  
 Canasta 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Water Volleyball 5pm  
 Dance Fitness 5:45pm

Water Volleyball 4pm 13

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Koffee Klatch 8:30am  
 Chair Yoga 9am  
**IT/WEBSITE COMMITTEE 10AM**  
**FACILITIES COMMITTEE 3PM**  
 Pinochle 1pm  
 Dance Fitness 5:45pm




Pickleball 7am 15  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 BYOA Club 10am  
 Learn to Play Pool 11am  
 Bridge 1pm  
 Crafters Club 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Pickleball 7pm  
 Bocce Ball 7pm

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 Chair Yoga 9am  
**RULES & REGULATIONS 1PM**  
 Canasta 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Water Volleyball 5pm  
 Dance Fitness 5:45pm

Water Volleyball 4pm 20  
 Ladies Luncheon 1130am

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Koffee Klatch 8:30am  
 Chair Yoga 9am  
 Water Aerobics 10am  
 Pinochle 1pm  
 Dance Fitness 5:45pm



Pickleball 7am 22  
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 BYOA Club 10am  
 Learn to Play Pool 11am  
 Bridge 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Pickleball 7pm  
 Bocce Ball 7pm

**Randy Riggle Comedy Show 5:30PM**

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 Chair Yoga 9am  
 Canasta 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
**NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE 5PM**  
 Water Volleyball 5pm  
 Dance Fitness 5:45pm

Water Volleyball 4pm 27

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Koffee Klatch 8:30am  
 Chair Yoga 9am  
 Water Aerobics 10am  
**FINANCIAL COMMITTEE 1PM**  
 Pinochle 1pm  
 Dance Fitness 5:45pm



Pickleball 7am 29  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 BYOA Club 10am  
 Learn to Play Pool 11am  
 Bridge 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Pickleball 7pm  
 Bocce Ball 7pm

Dance Fitness 8am  
 Learn to Play Pickleball 8am  
 Water Aerobics 9am  
 Chair Yoga 9am  
 Canasta 1pm  
 Mah Jongg 2pm  
 Water Volleyball 5pm

**BOD MEETING**



**Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday**

<p>Pickleball 8am 10am Club 1pm 5:30pm 6pm</p>	<p>2 Pickleball 7am Water Aerobics 9am Art Club 10am Bridge 1pm Poker/Dealers Choice 1pm Beginning ASL 4pm Bingo 5:45pm Pickleball 7pm Percussive Coffee Open 8:30am-2pm</p>	<p>3 </p>	<p>4 <b>HAPPY 4th of July</b> ANNUAL 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY BREAKFAST AND PARADE - LINE UP BY 8AM PARADE STARTS AT 9AM ARC APPLICATIONS DUE BY 12PM Percussive Coffee Open 8am-12pm</p>	<p>5 Pickleball 7am Percussive Coffee Open 8:30am-7pm</p>
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# STAND-UP COMEDY SHOW

**LIVE!**



**Tuesday, July 22 • 5:30PM**

**He's Written for Legends.  
Now He's Headlining Here!  
Randy Riggle**



Randy has written for iconic comedians like Jay Leno and Joan Rivers, and opened for legends including Seinfeld, Ellen, Dennis Miller, and even Weird Al. A frequent performer on NBC, ABC, and CBS – and now a Las Vegas regular – Randy brings a career of laughs to the stage!

**Tickets \$10 per person**

Tickets go on sale Tuesday, July 1st  
Last day for cancellations is Tuesday, July 15th  
Last day for purchase is Friday, July 18th

# Fourth of July Scavenger Hunt

Can you find all nine Fourth of July pictures? They are hidden around the back area of the lodge. (Swimming pool, bocce court, Bbq kitchens...) The game will start on the evening of Tuesday, July 1st and end on Monday July 7th at noon. There is a number on the back of each picture. Please write the number of the picture next to the picture on your form. All forms need to be turned into the box located at the lodge foyer and the winners will be drawn on the afternoon of July 7th

Name of Resident: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Grandchild or guest participant if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_



## It's A Small World

### Submitted by Kitty De Armond, Resident

According to the Merriam-Webster Dictionary, the idiom "it's a small world" is used to show surprise when one meets someone at an unexpected place, or learns that one shares with another person a friend, an acquaintance, or an event.

Such is the case with Four Season's residents Rodger Barnes and Mark and Julie Parsons. Last month, The Messenger reported that on July 11, 1986, Rodger, a former Kern County Deputy Sheriff was one of the first responders to arrive in the foothills of Rancheria Road. This location was the site of an early morning plane crash, later known to be that of the Stealth fighter.

From The Antelope Valley Press of July 13, 1985 A.L. Randolph wrote: "The aircraft went down at 2 a.m. Friday morning on Saturday Peak at an elevation of 4,100 feet near the Kern River Canyon, killing the pilot and sparking a 15-acre grass fire."



This month The Messenger can report that at the time of that tragedy, Mark Parsons was employed by Kenneth Mebane, Sr., as Ranch Manager of the Olcese Ranch, as it is known. The same location where the mystery plane had crashed.

As such, Mark was notified by the Kern County Fire Department that an aircraft had crashed near the Kern River Canyon in the area of the Upper Richbar Campground. They informed him that they needed access to the

ranch's locked gates to extinguish the resulting brush fire.

Mark guided the firefighters to the crash site and the fire, which fortunately was still quite small. Soon, Carl Sparks and the Sheriff's Department Search and Rescue team also arrived at the location. Not knowing what had crashed, or the sensitive nature of the event, the Fire Department attempted to go about their business of extinguishing the fire.

It is not possible to verify how the military was made aware of the fire, but possibly the lookout tower on Saturday Peak made the notification. Needless to say, upon the arrival of the military authorities, all local personnel were directed to extinguish the resulting fire and not to handle any of the debris.

## Its' a Small World - Cont.

The ranch was also the home of the entire Parsons family. Julie, not aware of the severity of the early morning events, began her usual drive into Bakersfield in order to arrive on time at work. However, daughter Shannon and her friend Ramona had been left alone in the ranch house.

Upon her arrival, Julie heard the radio reports of "a military aircraft crash." Most concerning was the news that the resulting "fire required the need for evacuations!" There were children there at home for summer vacation, and they were there alone!!

Eventually, Julie was able to get in touch with Edwards Air Force Base. The person she spoke to assured her that the children were fine. They were safe and sound! Not sure how this person could make such a promise, she nonetheless was grateful and took him at his word!

However, what neither Julie or Mark realized at the time, was the major disruption of their daily lives they were about to experience! Lt. Col. Jerry F. Guess, Public Affairs Director at Edwards AFB, made frequent use of their home and hospitality. He soon became a family friend!

Family members were never required to sign non-disclosure agreements or instructed not to discuss anything they had observed at the site. And they were never required to vacate the property!

Security Personnel were present on the property for a month. Family members became very familiar to the officials, and soon they no longer had the need to show valid identification to prove their identity. They could come and go without needing to obtain permission to return home. Mark could attend to the business of managing a cattle ranch!

Mark explained that he had witnessed aircraft debris, and all remaining wreckage pieces, were loaded into van-like vehicles for removal from the crash site. Additionally, the recovery team members were required to walk shoulder to shoulder, criss-crossing the site and picking up any remaining fragments, no matter how small.

News of this tragedy was a major national news story! At the time, the Stealth was still a mystery and the subject of much speculation. According to a July 12, 1986 article in The Bakersfield Californian, authored by Sally Connell, "Stealth refers to a mix of high-technology equipment and a revolutionary design that is supposed to make the aircraft invisible to radar." Quoting from a July 14 article in the Los Angeles Herald Examiner, "An Air Force accident board worked behind a ring of armed guards yesterday in the Greenhorn Mountains, pursuing its probe of the fiery nighttime crash of an aircraft the government refuses to identify. The Air Force maintained its silence on the crash, confirming only that the accident board was at the scene inside the Sequoia National Forest and that guards armed with M-16s were still sealing off a large area of the land."

## It's A Small World - Cont.

Again from the Sally Connell of TBC on July 16, "Aerial photographs of the site, indicate that the major Air Force emphasis is concentrated in a relatively small area, of the charred hillside. The photos indicate men are picking up debris and putting it under large black tarps to block aerial views. Civilian aircraft is allowed to fly no lower than 8,500 feet above the site.



The possibility of a "Top Secret" plane crash brought hoards of reporters from both print and broadcast media, crowding local roads and disrupting the peaceful country lifestyle.

Lt. Col. Jerry F. Guess, was most supportive and helpful to the family and their ranching responsibilities. When the area had been cleared and the military withdrew, Guess presented the Mebane and Parsons families with copies of published newspaper articles and Plaques of Appreciation. These articles have become the family's treasured memorabilia of a tragic time.

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## Bridge Club

### Catherine Patrick (Club Leader)

The Bridge Club meets in the Library at the Lodge every Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. We play Goren-style Bridge and welcome players of all experience levels, including beginners.

If you've never played before, don't worry — we're patient and happy to teach. Forget the intimidating stories — Bridge is a fun and rewarding game for anyone who enjoys cards or strategy-based games. Give it a try and see why it's often called the ultimate card game!

For more information, contact Catherine Patrick at [Capshamrock@aol.com](mailto:Capshamrock@aol.com).



## Mah Jongg Club

### Charlene Kwek (Club Leader)

The Four Seasons Mah Jongg Club meets on Tuesdays and Wednesdays in the Lodge Game Room from 2:00 to 4:00. Our group continues to grow with players new to the game starting every week. All are welcome to join us anytime. No experience is necessary.

Charlene Kwek

(661) 809-2316



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## Bring Your Own Art Club

### Darlene Foss (Club leader)

Looking for a fun and relaxed way to connect with fellow residents while working on your latest art project? Join the Bring Your Own Art Club!

This new social group meets every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Arts & Crafts Room. Whether you paint, sketch, or dabble in any other creative medium, you're welcome to bring your supplies and enjoy two hours of creativity and conversation.

There's no formal instruction—just a great opportunity to share ideas, work on personal projects, and enjoy each other's company in a casual, supportive environment.

Come express yourself and get inspired!



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## Chair Yoga

### Melanie Yates ( Club Leader)

Happy July!! This month we celebrate Independence Day—how about getting some freedom from tightness and stiffness?

Chair Yoga is a very effective way to stretch and strengthen our bodies to improve flexibility and balance. As we mature, those things are very important for our well-being. Follow along at your own pace and ability.

On Mondays we only do a more vigorous chair exercise routine. This is also video instruction and done while sitting in a chair. Again, you follow at your own pace. You will be surprised how much you can accomplish, even sitting in a chair.

Yoga is now available on most Saturday mornings—bonus day for those who can't come during the week or just want another day! (Be sure to check the calendar for Saturdays.)

Everyone is welcome to join us on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and now most Saturday mornings at 9:00 am. It's free and no previous experience or special equipment required. Questions? Call or text Melanie Yates at 661.703.0740.

## Book Club

### Kathleen Reisig (Club Leader)



Jenny is thirteen when an epic dust storm rolls into her central California town in December 1977. Bedridden after contracting a life-threatening illness in the storm and suffering a shocking loss, Jenny realizes she will never be cared for by the mother who both neglects and terrifies her or the father who allows it. Spanning three decades, “*Belonging*”, by Jill Fordyce is about first love and heartbreak, friendship and secrets, family and forgiveness, hometowns and coming of age, and memory and music. The heart of the story is Jenny's struggle to undo the binds of a childhood that have deeply affected her life, the painful path to love endured by children raised in alcoholic families, and the grim reality of believing you must hide a part of yourself in order to belong. The Book Club will meet on Thursday, July 17 at 10:00 am in the Lodge Library.

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## Pinochle Club

### Linda Hofer (Club Leader)

Join our friendly card group for a game that’s both mentally stimulating and socially rewarding! Whether you’re an experienced player or brand new to the game, you’re welcome — and we’re more than happy to teach you.

We meet every Monday from 1:00 to 4:00 PM, and we’d love to have you join us.

For more information, please contact Linda Hofer at 661-368-1995 or send a text to 510-374-8366.



## Crafters Club

### Nancy McKenry (Club Leader)

Crafters Club meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 1p.m. to 4p.m. in the Arts and Crafts Room. We knit, crochet, cross stitch and work on various hand crafted projects. We happily welcome other crafters to join us.

Nancy McKenry (559) 960-5558



Resident Teresa Tokuno-Franks has been knitting since she was 10. These are two of her newest wonderful creations.



## Neighbor to Neighbor Club

### Margaret DeArmond and Donna Holtzclaw (Club Leaders)

Our Neighbor 2 Neighbor Club members are still on cloud 9 with the success of our raffle fundraiser raising \$3,215.00. Again, a big thank you to our Four Seasons community for the many donated raffle items and the purchase of tickets. We definitely plan on having this event again next May and we'll be asking for your help again. It is not too early to think about getting together with friends or club members to put together a donation basket, tub, container, gift cards or whatever you might create.

Our club does sponsor other activities. Please see our community service project flyer in the advertisement section of this newsletter.

Our next club meeting is Tuesday, July 8th at 1:00 pm in the Lodge Craft Room.

All community members are always welcome to attend.

Margaret DeArmond, 661-304-0093, mdearmond@mac.com

Donna Holtzclaw, 661-303-6649, donnaholtzclaw@yahoo.com

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## Neighbor 2 Neighbor Club – Community Service Project

We have developed a list of community members who own medical equipment and would be willing to short-term loan the equipment to other community members in need.

Please help us update this equipment list.

Do you own any of the following items that you would be willing to loan?

- Wheel Chair
- Walker
- Cane
- Crutches
- Shower or Tub Chair
- Raised toilet seat
- Knee Walker
- Baby Monitor
- Blood Pressure Cuff
- Or Other Medical Equipment



The list of equipment is available on the Lodge bulletin board. If you wish to borrow equipment, please directly contact community members on this list.

Neighbor 2 Neighbor Club members do not store the medical equipment. If you are willing to add items to our list, please contact the club leaders.

Margaret DeArmond: 661-304-0093 mdearmond@mac.com

Donna Holtzclaw: 661-303-6649 donnaholtzclaw@yahoo.com

## Sunshine Club

### Linda Hofer (Club Leader)

The Sunshine Club is dedicated to supporting our neighbors and strengthening our community through simple, meaningful acts of kindness. In addition to sending thoughtful cards and small gifts to those who are ill or hospitalized, the club also takes pride in maintaining the live plants throughout The Lodge—providing proper care while saving the community over \$3,000 each year.

Our members go above and beyond by offering to walk dogs for neighbors who are unwell, delivering meals during times of unexpected illness or hospitalization, and providing rides to the Beauty Bar or special events at The Lodge. We also ensure that the community newsletter is delivered to those who are homebound and unable to retrieve it themselves.

One of our most heartfelt contributions is assisting with memorial services held in the Ballroom. The Sunshine Club provides table linens and handles coffee service setup, offering comfort and support to families during difficult times.

As always, we rely on residents to let us know when someone may need a little extra help.

If you would like to support the Sunshine Club's efforts, donations of small items or monetary contributions are always appreciated, though never expected.

If you know of a neighbor in need or would like more information about the Sunshine Club, please contact Linda Hofer (Club Leader) via phone, text, or email with information requests.

Home: 661-368-1995 Cell: 510-374-8366 Email: hofer1951@gmail.com



## Ladies' Luncheon

### Annette Harder (Club Leader)

Honey I'm Home is a modern diner with home inspired decor offering a diverse menu for breakfast, lunch and dinner in the former Cindy's. They also serve Scherb's Ice Cream in a variety of flavors including a soy mint chip.

The 18 Four Seasons Ladies were seated out on the patio. They do have a senior menu and the staff was great.

In case you missed your ice cream fix you will get a second chance in July. On Sunday, July 20 at 11:30am we will be returning to Rosemary's, 2733 F Street.

The sign-up sheet is at the front desk. Meet at the flagpole at 11:00am if you need a ride or can give one.

Annette Harder//Club Leader

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## Art Club

### Norma Neil(club Leader)

The Art Club has presented another successful creative event. Fran O'Brien provided the expert instruction and all the napkin materials. All eleven ladies enjoyed learning a new skill to wow their dinner guests.

In August, Norma Neil will bring an easy watercolor experience designed to lead to a no-drawing, no-stress painting, which many find akin to meditation.

If you have watercolor supplies: paper, watercolors, and brushes there will be no further cost. Supplies will be provided for a small fee if needed.



## Veteran's Club

### Penny Martinez (Club Leader)

It's summer time! Time to pack up the car, load up the RV, jump on a plane or hang out with family and friends and enjoy local adventures. We're still going to be gathering monthly; however, no guest speakers until September.

#### Upcoming July Veteran Events:

Honor Flight Kern County – 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday Breakfast (July 3<sup>rd</sup>), 9:00 am, Elks Lodge #266, 1616 30<sup>th</sup> & H Streets. Veterans' meals are FREE, all other plates \$10. PLEASE REMEMBER to always wear your service cap, HFKC shirt, jacket, and name lanyard. Check out events on their website at <https://www.honorflightkerncounty.org/>

American Legion Post 26 – Hosts dinners on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of each month, and on July 4<sup>th</sup>, their hosting a family event, which will include fun, food, and fireworks. Learn more and RSVP for events via their website at <https://www.americanlegionpost26bakersfield.com/blank-page>

Our monthly luncheon gatherings are on the second Wednesday of each month at Huckleberry's Restaurant, located at 2673 Mt Vernon Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93306; festivities start at 11:30 am. If you plan on attending July 9th luncheon, please RSVP by Sunday July 6th by either calling/texting or emailing Penny Martinez using the contact information noted below.

If you have any questions about upcoming veterans gathering, just give Penny Martinez a call or send her an email using the information noted below.

Penny Martinez  
President & Secretary, Veteran's Group  
Email: [figment5802@gmail.com](mailto:figment5802@gmail.com)  
(661) 302-3471

Clark Machamer  
Chaplain, Veteran's Group  
(661) 469-2701



## Wine Club

### Kathy Clark(Club Leader)

The Wine Club was excited to try something new to celebrate the beginning of summer and provide beer tastings from around the world and wine for those who did not desire beer. Regrettably, not enough homeowners signed up, so our event had to be cancelled. As planned, David, of Imbibe, would have brought in a beer representative to share a lot of information about the beer selections we chose together with raffles, gift baskets and other exciting items.

The Wine Club will not continue to provide events because we have had to cancel two of our events due to low numbers. Imbibe does require at least 60 people for the event. The club members have worked very hard to make each event special so that each of the attendees have a good time.

Enjoy your summer, wonderful vacations, and everything this beautiful community offers. This Club appreciates all of you who have supported our endeavors, and we look forward to seeing you around the community.

CHEERS!

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## Pickleball Club

### Fred Walkover (Club Leader)

The pickleball club continues to enjoy our new courts. Every morning and most evenings, you will find players enjoying exercise and social interaction. One of our members, Cindy Biggerstaff started a round robin tournament on Monday mornings where 12-16 players are assigned different partners and play different teams each game. It's a great way to mix up players and has been quite a success. However, now that the heat is here, we won't be doing these as often until the weather cools down.

Katherine Beals, Marc Schulman, and Linda Hofer continue to volunteer their time to teach new players the basics on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8:00AM. A casual group who enjoy practicing also play on Mondays, and Wednesdays, at 8:00AM

Competitive play is on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 7:00AM. Evening play will start at 7:00PM now due to the heat. Anyone interested in finding people to play off times need to post on the App Pickleplay. If you are not on the app and wish to join, contact Freddy Walkover or Bonnie Welchans to get an invitation to the link.

The next meeting is scheduled Saturday, July 12.



# Golden Karaoke Singers Club

## Laurie Dean (Club Leader)

On June 21st, the Golden Karaoke Singers Club celebrated fathers, grandfathers and great-grandfathers with songs by male artists and groups. There were group sing alongs as well as solos and a birthday celebration. The Club also collaborated with the Sign Language Club for a rendition of "What a Wonderful World."

Please join us, Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm in the Ballroom to celebrate Disneyland's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. The suggested song list will contain songs from a variety of Disney movies and the theme park and, as always, singers can sing whatever they desire, and be eligible for prizes. Kids of all ages are welcome.

Contact Laurie Dean at (949) 690-3096 if you have any questions or want to suggest a theme for future meetings.





**Thank you to everyone who came out and participated — this was our largest event to date!**



# KARAOKE

## Disney SONGS



**SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2025**  
 6:00 until 10:00 pm, in the Lodge  
 Feel free to bring snacks and beverages



## Upcoming Four Season's Pottery

with Juliet Barnett



## Mug Making Class

**TUESDAY**

**JULY 8 2025**

**@ 5:30PM**



For this class you will be creating a mug from a slab of clay with step by step instructions, then painting it with underglazes. It will be fired twice in an off-site kiln and brought back to you completed. This mug will be food safe, microwavable, and dishwasher safe. You may sign up for this class at the front desk with your cash or check payment to secure your spot. Space is limited, so sign up today! You will have so much fun!

<u>When</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Tuesday, July 8th	5:30-7:30pm	Arts & Crafts Room at the Lodge	\$40 cash or check is accepted

*See you there*



# JULY FUN FACTS

## Horoscope

Cancer June 21-July 22

Leo July 23 - August 22

## Flower

Larkspur & Lily of the Valley

## Gemstone

Ruby

## Full Moon

July 20 - The Buck Moon named for time when the antlers of the male deer reach their full growth

## SILLY DAYS IN JULY

7/11 - International Town Criers Day

7/17- National Hot Dog Day

7/23-National Day of the Cowboy

7/27 - Take Your Houseplants for a Walk Day

7/30 -National Cheesecake Day

## JULY DATES IN HISTORY

1788- The Continental Congress ratifies the US Constitution

1847 - US postage stamps go on sale for the first time

1848 - First time photographs used in newspaper

1862 - Internal Revenue Service established

1874- First US zoo opens in Philadelphia

1909 - First international overseas flight takes place from France to England



### History of the Stop Sign #3 - Stop Sign History Begins

*Credit: Andrew Sheldon from AAA Magazine, April 20, 2023 issue.*

The first stop sign in America was installed in Detroit, Mich., in 1915, although it would be unrecognizable to a driver today. It was a 2' x 2' white square sign with black lettering. For the first several years of their existence, stop signs were made in a variety of shapes, sizes and colors. (There was little, if any, regulation or standardization in the early days of U.S. roadways.) If an individual or group constructed a street sign, it was done so any which way they desired. This resulted in signs such as the 40-foot sign in Tennessee that read "DRIVE SLOW



– DANGEROUS AS THE DEVIL." Another – adorned with a skull and crossbones symbol – warned, "DANGER GO SLO." Understandably, this all proved to be quite confusing for motorists.

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### History of the Stop Sign #4 - The Stop Sign Gets Its Shape

In the fall of 1922, Wisconsin state highway engineer John T. Donaghey, Minnesota's maintenance engineer Walter F. Rosenwald and Indiana's Superintendent of Maintenance, A. H. Hinkle traveled together throughout their home states, studying road signs in an attempt to develop universal designs.

The group created a plan, adopted by the Mississippi Valley Association of State Highway Departments in 1923, to classify street signs into shapes based on the level of danger. Since reflective paint hadn't been invented, and there was little if any light on the road at night, they believed motorists could see the shape of the sign and act accordingly even if they couldn't read the writing.

Before that point, most traffic signs were rectangular. So signs that provided direction or other regulatory information were kept rectangular. Signs that warned against the most dangerous situations – which at the time were railroad crossings – were circular. Stop signs fell in between and thus were given an octagonal shape.



## **MAINTAINING OUR 55+ COMMUNITY STATUS – BIENNIAL AGE VERIFICATION BEGINS IN JULY**

K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons at Bakersfield is proud to be a designated Active Adult (55+) community. This designation is essential to preserving the lifestyle, amenities, and environment that make our community unique.

To retain this status, the Association must comply with both Federal and State regulations, including the Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995 (HOPA) and California Civil Code §51.3. These laws require that:

- At least 80% of the occupied homes must have at least one resident aged 55 or older,
- The Association must maintain proper documentation to verify compliance,
- Age verification must be completed every two years, and
- No permanent residents may be under the age of 18.

To ensure we remain in full compliance, the Association will begin the Biennial Age Re-Certification Process in July 2025.

### **What You Need to Do:**

All residents must complete and return the Biennial Age Re-Certification & Change of Occupancy Form to the Lodge Front Desk no later than August 31, 2025.

If the Association does not already have a government-issued photo ID on file for at least one resident in your household, you will also need to submit a copy of one of the following:

- Driver's license or state ID
- Passport
- Birth certificate

### **Where to Get the Form:**

Forms are available for download on the Association's website or may be picked up at the Lodge Front Desk.

A formal notice will be sent to each household based on your preferred method of general correspondence on file—whether by email or postal mail.

This process is required by our governing documents and is outlined in Section 2.02 of the Rules and Regulations Community Handbook.

We thank you for your cooperation in helping us preserve the character and compliance of our Active Adult community. Should you have any questions, please contact the Management Office for assistance.

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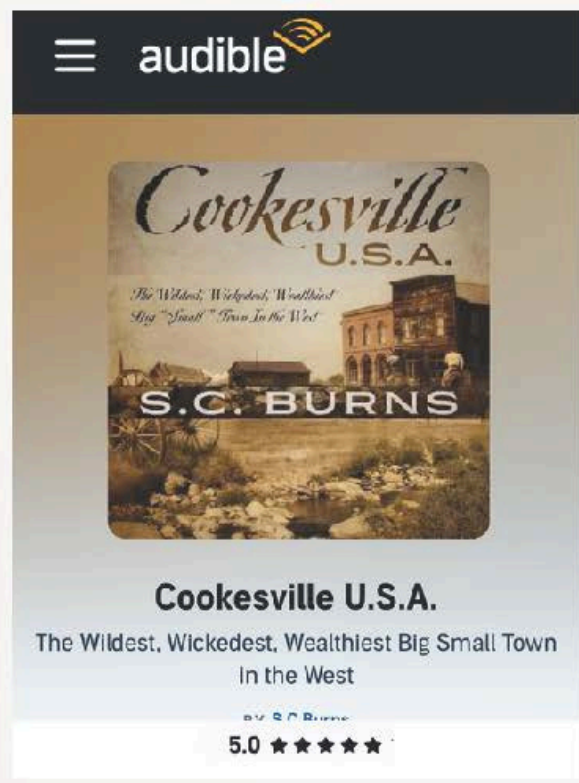
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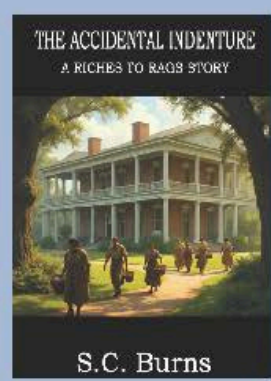
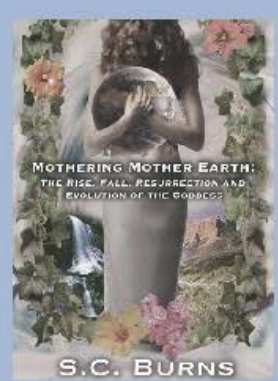
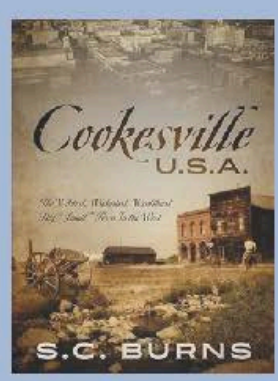
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