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### Mission Statement

*Established on Christian principles, Bay Village of Sarasota, Inc. offers a dynamic, secure and comprehensive residency for older adults, providing meaningful community life with continuing care.*

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## October 2021

### NICHOLS' NOTES

When we know things are about to end, we often will try and hold on just a bit longer. As our campus moves into October, our days are getting shorter with a later rising sun and an earlier sunset each day. Many of us wish we could hold onto more of the light. Many residents enjoy the outside gardens of Bay Village, but in order to do so, you must walk later in the morning and earlier in the evening as the sun makes its adjustment to the autumn season. Soon our daylight will be shorter than our nights. At least we live in Florida and with the setting sun we can enjoy some beautiful evenings with temperatures in the 70s. One thing we do not want to hold onto is the pandemic. It just seems to go on and on with no end in sight. After a high number of positive cases here in Sarasota County, the county positivity rate is inching back downwards. Will we see another wave of positivity in the future? Let's hope not, but it does seem like that the light at the end of this long tunnel keeps itself just outside of our grasp or is it the tunnel is just getting longer? Construction is in full swing on the Bay Village campus with the demolition of the third floor roof deck and the beginning of the demo of the windows in the poolside café. The temporary road has been built back to where the Palm Event Center will be constructed. This temporary roadway will allow materials and supplies to be able to be delivered to this section of the campus.

Fall is upon us and I hope everyone enjoys the last quarter of the 2021 year!



## BILL News

For October, BILL will return to lectures by Professor Robert Greenberg from "Music as a Mirror of History" for three Tuesdays and finish the month with a return lecture by an internationally prominent speaker on change and leadership.

**Oct. 5th** – Johannes Brahms: Piano Quartet in G Minor, Op.25 (1861)

**Oct. 12th** – Louis Moreau Gottschalk: The Union (1862)

**Oct. 19th** - Giuseppe Verdi: Nabucco (1842)

**Oct. 26th** – Dr. Gary Bradt: "How to Stay Resilient During Challenging Times: Science-backed Practices for Reducing Stress and Increasing Well-Being."

Dr. Bradt's lectures are informed by science, shaped by experience, and delivered with passion and heart. He last spoke at Bay Village before the pandemic and the many changes here. His message is needed now more than two years ago to help our community cope in these stressful times. Dr. Bradt believes that change is hard because it is hard, not because we are not doing it right.



There are a lot of changes happening at Bay Village. It has been very interesting to watch the scaffolding going up to allow the work on the third floor to take place. By the time this is printed, the sidewalk going down to the parking lot should be open. Walking under the scaffolding reminds me of being in a big city like Chicago or New York. There was a temporary closure of the Poolside café the end of September, but it will be permanently closed October 6th. At that time we will start using the Pool Deck Kitchen for lunch service Monday-Friday and for breakfast and dinner pickup. The Assisted Living residents have lots to watch as there is construction happening on both sides of the walkway leading to their unit. They will use an empty apartment as their Activity Room during the construction.

Things are also progressing nicely at The Tides. The windows are all in and they started work on the drywall in late September. Electrical, plumbing, and air conditioning are all being worked on as well. They have also poured the cement for the front porch.



## Wellness Corner...

### By Petra Mueller

On October 5th we are taking a group to Lemon Bay Park. We have done this trip several times in the past and always had a good and interesting time. Jack Sneider is a volunteer at the park and helped organize the tour. We are walking with a guide to explore some of the park and then we can enjoy a talk about snakes from the Director. Lunch at Fin's a waterfront jewel in Venice will follow.

During October Tasha Robinson and Melissa Berry are helping out with live exercise classes, come and join them and try something different. With the construction going on all around us it is challenging to go for walks and swims these days but when "there is a will there is a way". The path around the pond is open, the pool is open and the weather is perfect right now, so please go out and enjoy the outdoors, the sights and sounds and smells.

## Special Days...

Bible Study continues every Monday morning at 9:30 in the auditorium.

Mike Mayers is giving a talk on **Monday, October 4th at 1:30** in the Auditorium about orchids. He will give tips on how to keep your orchids alive! He will also give an update about the Bay Village Orchid Garden. Everyone is welcome.

**October 5th** will be the Flu Vaccine Clinic in the auditorium. You will receive more information in your mail.

**October 5th** there will be a group going to Lemon Bay Park at 9:30. They will have a tour of the park and an educational program about snakes. They will have lunch at Fin's on the way home.

**Tuesday, October 7th at 2:00** there is a faux leather earring class. You can get ready for the holidays by making several different pairs of these cute, light-weight earrings. Cost is \$5. Please sign-up in the Activity Book.



Brain Games will be in the auditorium **October 11th & 25th at 2:00**. This group has fun while improving their cognition. Give it a try.

Please note the change in the Resident Council meeting, it is now **Tuesday, October 12th at 2:00** in the Auditorium.

Let's enjoy the scenery on the inter-coastal waterway while also enjoying a nice lunch at Pop's Grill in Nokomis. We will head out at 11:15 on **Thursday, October 14th**. Please sign-up in the Activity Book.

There is a Quarterly Meeting **October 14th at 10:00** in the Auditorium.

Socrates Seekers will meet **Saturday, Oct. 16th** in the Board Room. Please sign-up in the Activity Book if you plan to attend.

**Monday, Oct. 18th.** Painting with a Twist. We have reserved a studio, at Painting with a Twist at Palmer Ranch Crossings. The cost is \$37 pp if you chose an option more expensive you can pay the day of. We will leave Bay Village at 1PM. You will be able to pick the painting of your choice we will be painting from 2-4p-m. Come make a painting to take home for you or someone else.

**October 19th and 26th** we will begin showing the series, "The Chosen" in the auditorium at 2:00. The Chosen is a television drama based on the life of Jesus of Nazareth, created, directed and co-written by American filmmaker Dallas Jenkins. It is the first multi-season series about the life of Jesus, and season one was the highest crowd-funded TV series or film project of all time. The series' creators stated that they had hoped to distinguish the new series from previous portrayals of Jesus by crafting a multi-season, episode-based story. The series portrays Jesus "through the eyes of those who met him". This is awesome come watch with us.

Oktoberfest! Bay Village will be celebrating Oktoberfest on **Wednesday, October 20th**. We will have meals catered from DaVinci German Restaurant. You will receive a menu in the mail the week before. They will need to be turned into Resident Services by October 15th. On October 20th you just come down to the Resident Entrance between 4:00-6:00 to get your meal. You can either take it back to your apartment to eat, or join us in the auditorium for some German music and videos while you eat. The best part is that you can use your dining dollars for this meal! There will be 2 meal options, each costing \$16. The Bay Village Dining Room will be closed on October 20th. If you don't want the German meal, please plan accordingly. If you need room service delivery, please mark that on your menu. Please do not call Dining Services regarding this event. Resident Services is planning this activity for you.

**Thursday, October 21st** there will be a holiday card making class. You will learn several techniques to make cards for Halloween, Thanksgiving, or Christmas. This class is free. Please sign-up in the Activity Book.

**October 28th** Bay Village will be having a Fall Festival. There will be music by our own Holly Munck and snacks for everyone to enjoy.

# October 2021

## KEY

- A = Auditorium
- B = Bus Service Provided
- BD = Board Room
- C = Card Room
- CR = Craft Room
- D = Dining Room
- GR = Game Room
- M = Meeting Room
- P = Pool
- HC = Health Center
- W = Wellness Center
- LR = Living Room

## October Birthdays



- 10/2 Marge Weyrick
- 10/3 Ed Schaeffer, June Wright
- 10/5 Gloria Danese
- 10/6 Barbara Carpenter
- 10/7 Mary Lu Mertz,  
Fred Pardee,  
Ann Weingartner,  
Marjorie Kandel
- 10/8 Elna Laux
- 10/9 Marilyn Lent,  
Deanna Seymour,  
Barbara Gruccio
- 10/10 Janet Meyer
- 10/11 Jolie Ivanyi,  
Cynthia Guiles
- 10/13 Carl Stockton,  
Marie Avrutik
- 10/15 Thyra Wexler
- 10/16 Ernie Gerlach
- 10/17 Beth Johnson,  
Yvette Sarrett,  
Dolores Decker
- 10/20 David Fernandez,  
Bill Atz, Helen Bruskas
- 10/21 Richard Fink
- 10/23 Pat Woody
- 10/26 Pauline Kennedy
- 10/28 Evelyn Prytula

## October Anniversaries

- 10/21 Babe & Bennie Baptist



## Sunday

## Monday

## Tuesday

<p>3 <i>Church Buses</i> 3:00 Movie: <i>Evan Almighty (A)</i></p>	<p>4 9:30 Bible Study (A) 10:30 Needle Arts Group (CR) 1:30 Casual Bridge (GR) 1:30 Orchid Talk by Mike (A) 3:00 Yoga (A)</p>	<p>5 <i>Flu Shot Clinic (A)</i> 9:30 Outing to Lemon Bay Park (B) 10:00 Craft Group (CR) 7:30 BILL (A)</p>
<p>10 <i>Church Buses</i> 3:00 Movie: <i>Mrs. Doubtfire (A)</i></p>	<p>11 9:30 Bible Study (A) 10:30 Needle Arts Group (CR) 1:30 Casual Bridge (GR) 2:00 Brain Games (A) 3:00 Yoga (A)</p>	<p>12 9:00 Strength (A) 9:45 Splash (P) 10:00 Craft Group (CR) 11:30 Chair Fitness (A) 2:00 Resident Council (A) 7:30 BILL (A)</p>
<p>17 <i>Church Buses</i> 3:00 Movie: <i>Housesitter (A)</i></p>	<p>18 9:00 Strength with Tasha (A) 9:30 Bible Study (A) 9:45 Splash with Tasha (P) 10:30 Needle Arts Group (CR) 1:00 Painting with a Twist (B) 1:30 Casual Bridge (GR) 3:00 Yoga (A)</p>	<p>19 10:00 Craft Group (CR) 2:00 The Chosen (A) 7:30 BILL (A)</p>
<p>24 <i>Church Buses</i> 3:00 Movie: <i>Flubber (A)</i></p>	<p>25 9:30 Bible Study (A) 10:30 Needle Arts Group (CR) 1:30 Casual Bridge (GR) 2:00 Brain Games (A) 3:00 Yoga (A)</p>	<p>26 9:00 Strength (A) 9:45 Splash (P) 10:00 Craft Group (CR) 11:30 Chair Fitness (A) 2:00 The Chosen (A) 7:30 BILL: Gary Bradt (A)</p>
<p>31 <i>Church Buses</i> 3:00 Movie: <i>Hocus Pocus (A)</i> <i>Happy Halloween</i></p>		



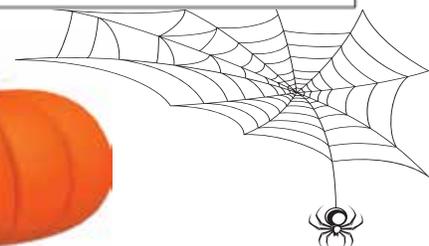
## Wednesday

## Thursday

## Friday

## Saturday

		<p><i>1</i></p> <p>9:30 <i>Mixed Tai Chi (A)</i> 10:00 <i>Writers Group (GR)</i> 11:00 <i>Balance (A)</i> 11:30 <i>Chair Fitness (A)</i> 3:30 <i>Vespers (A)</i> 7:30 <i>Movie: The Apartment (A)</i></p>	<p><i>2</i></p> <p>9:00 <i>Strength (A)</i> 9:45 <i>Splash (P)</i> 10:00 <i>Josi at the Piano (LR)</i> 3:30 <i>St. Thomas More Bus (B)</i> 7:30 <i>Movie: Best In Show (A)</i></p>
<p><i>6</i></p> <p>11:00 <i>Balance &amp; Posture (A)</i> 11:30 <i>Chair Fitness (A)</i> 2:00 <i>Movie: Turnadot (A)</i> 2:00 <i>Mat Makers (CR)</i> 7:30 <i>Bingo (A)</i></p>	<p><i>7</i></p> <p>9:00 <i>Strength (A)</i> 9:45 <i>Splash (P)</i> 12:00 <i>Guy's Lunch (DR)</i> 2:00 <i>Make Holiday Earrings (CR)</i> 3:00 <i>Yoga (A)</i> 7:30 <i>Entertainment: Name That Tune with Tim Burnanan (A)</i></p>	<p><i>8</i></p> <p>9:30 <i>Mixed Tai Chi (A)</i> 11:00 <i>Balance (A)</i> 11:30 <i>Chair Fitness (A)</i> 3:30 <i>Vespers (A)</i> 7:00 <i>Sabbath Service (BR)</i> 7:30 <i>Movie: Gentlemen Prefer Blondes (A)</i></p>	<p><i>9</i></p> <p>9:00 <i>Strength (A)</i> 9:45 <i>Splash (P)</i> 10:00 <i>Josi at the Piano (LR)</i> 3:30 <i>St. Thomas More Bus (B)</i> 7:30 <i>Movie: Guarding Tess (A)</i></p>
<p><i>13</i></p> <p>11:00 <i>Balance &amp; Posture (A)</i> 11:15 <i>Episcopal Service ©</i> 11:30 <i>Chair Fitness (A)</i> 2:00 <i>Environmental Movie: Birds of Prey (A)</i> 2:00 <i>Mat Makers (CR)</i> 7:30 <i>Bingo (A)</i></p>	<p><i>14</i></p> <p>9:00 <i>Strength (A)</i> 9:45 <i>Splash (P)</i> 10:00 <i>Quarterly Meeting (A)</i> 11:15 <i>Lunch at Pop's (B)</i> 3:00 <i>Yoga (A)</i> 7:30 <i>Entertainment: David Pedraza</i></p>	<p><i>15</i></p> <p>9:30 <i>Mixed Tai Chi (A)</i> 11:00 <i>Balance (A)</i> 11:30 <i>Chair Fitness (A)</i> 3:30 <i>Vespers (A)</i> 7:30 <i>Movie: The Odd Couple (A)</i></p>	<p><i>16</i></p> <p>10:00 <i>Josi at the Piano (LR)</i> 3:00 <i>Socrates Seekers (BR)</i> 3:30 <i>St. Thomas More Bus (B)</i> 7:30 <i>Movie: POMS (A)</i></p>
<p><i>20</i></p> <p>9:00 <i>Strength with Tasha (A)</i> 9:45 <i>Splash with Tasha (P)</i> 2:00 <i>Mat Makers (CR)</i> 4:00-6:00 <i>Oktoberfest</i></p>	<p><i>21</i></p> <p>12:00 <i>Guy's Lunch (DR)</i> 2:00 <i>Make Holiday Cards (CR)</i> 3:00 <i>Yoga (A)</i> 7:30 <i>Entertainment: My Three Sons (A)</i></p>	<p><i>22</i></p> <p>9:30 <i>Mixed Tai Chi (A)</i> 11:00 <i>Balance with Melissa (A)</i> 11:30 <i>Chair Fitness with Melissa (A)</i> 3:30 <i>Vespers (A)</i> 7:00 <i>Sabbath Service (BR)</i> 7:30 <i>Movie: Robot &amp; Frank (A)</i></p>	<p><i>23</i></p> <p>9:00 <i>Strength (A)</i> 9:45 <i>Splash (P)</i> 10:00 <i>Josi at the Piano (LR)</i> 3:30 <i>St. Thomas More Bus (B)</i> 7:30 <i>Movie: 50 First Dates (A)</i></p>
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**October Movies....** *We thought maybe some humor would be good for all of us this month! So except for some Wednesdays, all of our movies will be comedies. Join us for a good laugh Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 and Sundays at 3:00.*

**October 1st** we will show *The Apartment*. This 1960 Academy Award Winner stars Jack Lemmon, Shirley MacLaine, and Fred MacMurray. Newsweek called this movie one of the finest comedies Hollywood ever turned out.

*Best In Show* takes a hilarious look at the people and their dogs who participate in dog shows. Stars include: Christopher Guest, Jane Lynch, Eugene Levy, Catherine O'Hara and more. This movie will be shown **October 2nd**.

*Evan Almighty* is a comedy for all ages. Steve Carrell stars as Evan and God is played by Morgan Freeman. Evan's life goes from self-absorbed success to almighty mess. See this movie **October 3rd**.

Wednesday, **October 6th** at 2:00 you can watch Puccini's opera *Turnadot*. The theme of this opera is love triumphant over barbaric cruelty combined with the opulent beauty of Puccini's music.

Another oldie but goodie will be shown **October 8th**. Jane Russell and Marilyn Monroe star in *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*.

*Guarding Tess* stars Shirley MacLaine as a former First Lady and Nicholas Cage as the Secret Agent assigned to guard her. This will be shown on **October 9th**.

No comedy movie list would be complete without *Mrs. Doubtfire*. Robin Williams is hilarious as a father who dresses up as a British housekeeper so that he can spend more time with his children. This movie also stars Sally Field as his ex-wife. This will be shown **October 10th**.

Wednesday, **October 13th** we will show the environmental movie, *Birds of Prey*. World-renowned wildlife cinematographer, Neil Rettig, embarks on the most challenging assignment of his career: to find and film the rarest eagle on the planet. An expertly woven tale with stunning cinematography, *Bird of Prey* journeys deep into the vanishing world of the Great Philippine Eagle and reveals an inspiring group of people that are determined to save the world's most critically endangered eagle species from extinction.

Neil Simon has a special genius for finding the great hilarity in ordinary people doing everyday things. Like two divorced men (Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau) sharing a New York apartment. *The Odd Couple* will be shown **October 15th**.

Diane Keaton, Jacki Weaver, Pam Grier, Celia Weston, and Rhea Perlman star in the movie *Poms*. These ladies prove it is never too late to follow your dreams. This movie will be shown **October 16th**.

**October 17th** you can watch Steve Martin and Goldie Hawn in the romantic comedy *Housesitter*. This 1992 movie will have you laughing from the first scene to the last.

A former jewel thief with dementia, Frank, receives a gift from his son, a robot programmed to take care of his every need. Initially reluctant to accept the robot, Frank soon finds that it may have its uses, as he introduces it to a life of crime. You can see the movie, *Robot & Frank*, on **October 22nd**.

Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore star in the movie *50 First Dates*. He has to use his imagination to win over the girl of his dreams when he discovers she has no short-term memory. Watch this comedy **October 23rd**.

**October 24th** watch Robin Williams' comic genius as well as Disney magic, adventure, and eye-popping visual effects in the movie *Flubber*.

One of the top comedies of all time is *Some Like it Hot*. Chicago musicians (Tony Curtis and Jack Lemon) accidentally witness a shooting and quickly head to Florida disguised as Josephine and Daphne. Nominated for 7 Academy Awards, this movie also stars Marilyn Monroe. It will be shown **October 29th**.

Getting into the spirit of Halloween, we will show *Ghostbusters* on **October 30th**. Bill Murray, Harold Ramis, Dan Aykroyd, Rick Moranis, and Sigourney Weaver star in this comedic look at a ghost removal service.

And on **Halloween** we will show *Hocus Pocus*. This fantasy comedy stars Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker, Kathy Najimy as outlandishly wild witches.

## Wilkinson Committee

Members of the Bay Village/Wilkinson Elementary School Partnership Committee presented a check for over \$9,000.00 to Principal Susan Nations on Tuesday, September 14, 2021. Susan expressed her deepest appreciation to all those at Bay Village who so generously contributed to the GEAR Program. This amount is a 50% increase over last year's gift. These funds will enable classroom teachers to buy additional books, supplies, computer software etc. which will enrich the children's learning opportunities and make a significant difference in the lives of the students at this Title 1 School.

The Bay Village/Wilkinson Elementary School Partnership Committee is also most grateful for the enthusiastic response and generous support from the residents who made this significant gift to the GEAR Program possible.



Left to right: Barbara Peterson, Katy Kozdemba, Family and Community Engagement Coordinator, Martha Bonham, Principal Susan Nations, Nate Miller, Terry Kall, Laura Pardee, Chaplain Chuck Moffett, Steve Dragon, Business Partner Coordinator.

## Committees & Groups

\*There are currently almost fifty Bay Village residents who are corresponding with boys and girls at Wilkinson Elementary School. There are no limits to the number of participants. If you are already a PenPal you know the joy and rewards which you receive from this very worthwhile activity. If you are not yet involved or have any questions please contact Terry Kall, Apt. 732, or Barbara Peterson, Apt. 940, to learn more about this most meaningful experience.

\*Bay Village Book Group will meet on Thursday, October 28th at 1:00 in the Board Room. Martha Bonham will lead the discussion for the book, "The Daughters of Yalta". This is a true story written by Catherine Grace Katz. Books are available in the library.

Recently Holly, proprietor of Bay Village's TLC Salon talked with the Environmental Committee about what they are doing to help the environment. TLC Salon is using AEGIS10 coloring system which is 10 times more natural than other color lines while creating vibrant soft shiny hair. It is vegetable based, has no petro and less ammonia which is better for the customer and the planet. TLC Salon also recycles every bottle, box and paper used in the salon. Holly says, "If we all do little things we can change our world!"

*Did you know that every state has a favorite candy according to CandyStore.com...*

Alabama: Hershey's Mini Bars

Alaska: Twix

Arizona: Hot Tamales

Arkansas: Skittles

California: Skittles

Colorado: Twix

Connecticut: Milky Way

DC: Tootsie Pops

Delaware: Skittles

Florida: Skittles

Georgia: Jolly Ranchers

Hawaii: Skittles

Idaho: Candy Corn

Illinois: Kit Kat

Indiana: Hot Tamales

Iowa: Candy Corn

Kansas: Peanut Butter Cups

Kentucky: Swedish Fish

Louisiana: Lemonheads

Maine: Sour Patch Kids

Maryland: Peanut Butter Cups

Massachusetts: Butterfinger

Michigan: Starburst

Minnesota: Skittles

Mississippi: Snickers

Missouri: Milky Way

Montana: Bubble Gum

Nebraska: Salt Water Taffy

Nevada: Candy Corn

New Hampshire: Starburst

New Jersey: Tootsie Pops

New Mexico: Candy Corn

New York: Hot Tamales

North Carolina: Peanut Butter Cups

North Dakota: Candy Corn

Ohio: M&M's

Oklahoma: Dubble Bubble Gum

Oregon: Peanut Butter Cups

Pennsylvania: Hershey's Mini Bars

Rhode Island: Twix

South Carolina: Skittles

South Dakota: Starburst

Tennessee: Tootsie Pops

Texas: Peanut Butter Cups

Utah: Jolly Ranchers

Vermont: M&M's

Virginia: Hot Tamales

Washington: Salt Water Taffy

West Virginia: Blow Pops

Wisconsin: Starburst

Wyoming: Salt Water Taffy





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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER Rev. Dr. Chuck Moffett

"Exile" "Bondage" "Languishing"...

...these all are words which describe some of our most anguishing emotions hidden in the depths of our souls these days. We yearn for "Deliverance" "Redemption" "Dawn"

The Jewish High Holy Days "Blessing of Redemption" provides a unique perspective for hope, which speaks to all of us, and our own responsibility in being part of redemption.

*"They went forth from Egypt on a single night, but next time the miracle will be different.*

*Once, two sages were walking very early in the valley and they saw the light of a morning star. Said one to the other, "This is how redemption will be: The dawn breaks with a single ray of light." And bit by bit the sky is illumined until morning comes and the darkness is gone. So, the redemption will occur little by little, growing steadily and gradually until the world is full of light.*

*So do not wait for a miracle, or a sudden transformation of the world.  
Bring the day closer step by step with every act of courage, of kindness, of healing, and repair.  
Do not be discouraged by the darkness.  
Lift up every spark you can, and watch the horizon for the coming of dawn.*

*Look closely, it has already begun."*

Let us all lift up our eyes to see God's Dawn each day.