

# BUCCANEER BAY NEWSLETTER

For residents of Buccaneer Bay April 2022



Getting to know Buc Bay residents

## Loving life on and off the course

Like many of our residents, Jerry and Peggy Williams prefer to escape the cold Nebraska winters for the milder climate of the Florida panhandle. And, of course, they pack their golf clubs for their stay in Destin, Fla. Just when our winter transcends to spring, they return to their home, built 27 years ago, located within sight of Bay Hill's third green.

Jerry loves his golf. He picked up the sport, he recalls, at age 10. He became good enough to be offered a golf scholarship to Dana College. (More on that later.) But he's also fond of playing the guitar, a hobby he's enjoyed since high school.

So how did he go from an Omaha Benson High School graduate (Class of 1971) to serving on the Buccaneer Bay SID Board? As Kevin Costner said in the movie "Field of Dreams," it's a long story — but it's a good story.

"I went to UNO for two years," he said. "Then I took a break. I had no idea what I wanted to do. So I ended up getting married and having kids."

Though he didn't have a college degree, Jerry landed a job at one of Omaha's largest architecture firms, Leo A. Daly Company. The top project he worked on there was the new St. Joseph Hospital which then was to be built at 30th and Cuming Streets. In his third year, he participated in the design of the Saudi Arabian National Guard Armory, which included multiple buildings.

"There were three of us," Jerry said, "and we did all the drafting. That was back in the 1970s when it was done with a pencil on paper — and an eraser. That was it."

He spent the rest of his professional career in that field. Among the many projects that stands out in his mind was aiding on the design work of the Regency home built for Willy Theisen, who started Godfather's Pizza.

"That was a big place," Jerry said. "At the time it cost \$7 million. We heard Willy's wife wasn't happy about that, because



Jerry Williams points to his name, which is listed many times on the Bay Hills Hole-in-One Club board. He has aced No. 17 and No. 9 twice. He also scored one on No. 2 when it was a temporary par-3 hole. When he's not playing three to four times a week, Jerry helps out with keeping the course in shape by mowing, trimming trees and even emptying trash bins near each tee box.

she said that she would rather have seven \$1 million houses scattered around the world than a \$7 million house in Omaha."

During Jerry's working years, in his spare time he'd strum his guitar, an instrument he took up in eighth grade.

"Everybody wanted to be in a combo — that's what they called it back then," he said. "I learned how to play three chords, and we'd stumble through most songs."

Eventually, Jerry and four other friends formed a band that played mostly what was called "heavy metal." "I was a little more into country than the other guys," he said. "But we didn't play any country music. We had our own little niche."

Years later, while in his 20s, he and others who played found themselves frequenting a bar in Omaha called the 49er. At that time, it was under new ownership — and it wasn't that busy.

"I think there were three or four of us who went there," Jerry said. "We were there one night, and one of my friends said, 'It's too bad you don't have your guitar.' I said, 'It's in the backseat of my car.'"

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# Williams: Serving on the SID Board was an eye-opener

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Jerry and his friends sang songs for a couple hours that night. A week later on their next visit, they were surprised to see more people in the bar. They learned the owner spread the word. Jerry and his friends began as regular entertainers from there.

So did they end up getting paid to play? “We did it for nothing,” Jerry said. “Sometimes they’d give us a pitcher of beer. We did that for five or six years. We played every Wednesday night, just for fun.”

After his first marriage ended, he met and married his current wife, Peggy, in 1990. They each have two sons and a combined seven grandchildren with another on the way.

During that first year of marriage, Jerry and Peggy happened to be driving north on Hwy. 75 from Nebraska City.

“We just kind of wandered our way back to Omaha,” Jerry said, “and there was a sign that said, ‘Buccaneer Bay.’ I told Peggy I played golf there a long time ago. So we took Bay Road, which was gravel, to see what the place looked like. We went up the hill, and saw an orange for sale sign on the lot.”

When they got home, Jerry found it listed in the World-Herald for the asking price of \$9,500. Jerry called the number, offered \$9,000, and it was quickly accepted. “I should have offered, \$7,500,” he said, laughing.

The couple eventually built the dwelling that’s been their home for 27 years. As Jerry recalls, there were about 75 homes in Buccaneer Bay when they moved in.

Of course, golf clubs made the move to their new home. Jerry and Peggy became members of Bay Hills. (While in high school, Jerry’s game was good enough to earn a scholarship to Dana College, but the \$500 stipend wasn’t nearly enough to cover tuition, so that wasn’t going to happen.)

When the couple moved here in the 1990s, the course was just nine holes, and Buccaneer Boulevard ended near where the water tower is today. There was a basketball hoop at the dead end. As more families moved into the neighborhood, Jerry and Peggy made new friends. Eventually, the golf course clubhouse was the place to be on Friday nights.

One night, the discussion turned to the upcoming SID Board election.

“A bunch of us were talking about it,” Jerry said. “We decided we were going to go to the courthouse and register to get our names on the ballot. Then the ballots came out, and I was the only one who registered, and the rest of them all voted for me. That’s how I got elected.”

Two years was as long as Jerry cared to serve on the SID Board. “I was busy,” he said. “I was working a lot. I didn’t have the time.”

He remembers getting a call from a neighbor up the street the morning after election results were announced.



**Jerry and Peggy Williams moved to Buccaneer Bay a few years after their marriage in 1990.**

“It was around 7 o’clock in the morning,” he said. “It was a woman who lived up the hill on No. 6, and she said, ‘Congratulations on your big win.’ Then she said, ‘I want to talk to you about our water.’”

During that two-year term, Buccaneer Bay was hit by a monster rainstorm. A new resident up the hill on the Boulevard, Larry Kroeger, discovered his installed sod had floated away. Larry phoned Jerry, a conversation Jerry remembers to this day.

Recalls Jerry: “Larry said, ‘All of my sod is laying out on the golf course. What are you going to do about it?’ I said, ‘I’ll be right up. We’ll have to pick it up and put it back where it belongs.’ He still tells people I was the only one on that Board who was worth a hill of beans.”

Jerry said serving on the Board was an eye-opening experience. “It’s something everybody should go through at least once,” he said, “just to understand how it works.”

Jerry is one of the more visible residents on the golf course. When he’s not playing — at least three or four days a week — he’s helping keep the course in shape by mowing, trimming trees or even collecting the trash near each tee box.

Inside the clubhouse, you’ll see his name often on the boards listing club tournament champions and holes-in-one (he has four — No. 2 when it was a temporary par-3, one on No. 17 and two on No. 9).

Having seen all the growth of Buccaneer Bay over the past 27 years, one thing hasn’t changed, in Jerry’s opinion. It’s the people who live here.

“There are a lot of good people here,” he said. “And most of them have similar opinions and views on things. There are some people who are never happy, which is sad. By far the majority of people love being here. They’re all very good people.”



# This month's unique message plates



You may have seen the plates pictured above that are affixed to the vehicles owned by Dan and Helen Troshynski. Helen's (right) is easy to figure out. Dan's needs an explanation, because it's not as clear as you might think. Here's how Helen explains it:

Dan and his good friend, George Franke, both had primary jobs as teachers in the Millard School District. In 1979, they decided to start a second career and established a home im-

provement side business which they named J.E.T. Home Improvement.

The business got its name after their children's initials. Dan and Helen having two children (Troy and Jennifer) and George and his wife having one (Elizabeth), and that is where J.E.T. initials came from.

**Do you have a personalized license plate that you'd like to share? Send it to [jmfey1952@gmail.com](mailto:jmfey1952@gmail.com).**



## Watch your step

A construction worker does a balancing act while preparing a new home's roof for shingles. The home is located at the main entrance to Buccaneer Bay on the south side of the Boulevard. There are two other homes nearby that were completed within the last year. The photo was taken March 14.

## Advertising is welcome

The Buccaneer Bay Newsletter is distributed to more than 400 homes, and even more eyes see it on the Buc Bay Facebook site. If you'd like to advertise, here are the monthly rates:

- Business-size card — \$2.00
- 1/4-page size — \$4.00
- 1/2-page size — \$5.00
- Full page — \$10

New advertisements/business cards should be emailed (as a jpeg) to John Fey at: [jmfey1952@gmail.com](mailto:jmfey1952@gmail.com)

## Buccaneer Bay Newsletter

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From the Editor, John Fey

# Plattsmouth woman was inspirational

I wasn't a big fan of reading books in high school and college, and, as you would suspect, my grades were proof. Through the years, whenever I received books as gifts, I would just put them away.

After we stopped taking the print version of the Omaha World-Herald a couple years ago, I didn't have my usual reading material for my morning visits to "the library." I then turned to magazines and books.



Looking for a new book about a month ago, I stumbled across one I received in 2008. It was written by Ruth Wassinger. Longtime area residents might recognize that name.

Ruth was president of the Plattsmouth City Council near the end of her six years on that governing panel.

In my last year at the World-Herald (2008), I learned that Ruth was a breast cancer survivor who took up running after turning 50. I thought she would be a good human-interest story. I couldn't have picked a better person to interview.

She worked as a financial advisor, and the interview took place in her west-Omaha office. I found her to be a delightful person, full of positive energy. At the end of my visit, she autographed a copy of her book titled, "Fit After 50."

She wrote: "To John: May you be blessed with good health and happiness. We each make a difference, 'One step at a time.' Sincerely, Ruth Wassinger."

I started reading it soon after that, but I put it away long before finishing it. Fast-forward to the summer of 2017: We moved from Omaha to Buccaneer Bay, and, thankfully, the book was packed among the others. I was happy

to have found it and really enjoyed Ruth's inspirational message.

One day, not long after settling into our new home, I was thumbing through my notebooks of clippings of stories I wrote during my final years at the paper. I came across the feature I wrote on Ruth. It caused me to wonder how she was doing. I figured she and her husband, Richard, still lived in Plattsmouth.

I sought out Mr. Google for help, and I was shocked to read that she died in 2013. The cancer she had defeated five years earlier came back. I was hoping we could reconnect now that we lived close to their Plattsmouth home.

Ruth's book was part instructional and part motivational. She offered training tips to new runners and shared the feeling of accomplishment from the many races she entered. She credited running for the great success she achieved as a financial planner.

The chapter on her breast cancer diagnosis and treatment was simply amazing. She wasn't about to let that stop her from running the Boston Marathon for which she had qualified the weekend before the diagnosis. She completed the 2009 Boston Marathon about a year after finishing aggressive chemo therapy.

Ruth will remain in my memory as one of the best interviews I had in my 20 years at the paper.

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In this month's newsletter I want to do more than just print the minutes of the SID Board. This is our first time living in an SID. I paid little attention to that governing body, but that changed when I took over this newsletter.

I enlisted the help of two SID Board members, Dan Brandt and Kurt Meisinger, in trying to explain in a nutshell what the Board's responsibilities are. It's not easy to capsulize it, but I thought it's something our residents

should be aware of. I do know this: I don't envy the five Board members. It's a huge responsibility being stewards of our tax dollars.

Starting this month, a link to the monthly meeting dates will be posted in the newsletter for anyone interested in attending. If you have issues you want addressed, you can ask to be listed on the agenda. The nice thing is the meetings have returned to the clubhouse, so it's close by.

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Are you following the NCAA men's and women's basketball tournaments? For Creighton fans, it was double the fun with both the men and women making it to "the dance." I know there are Iowa and Iowa State fans who were rooting their teams on.

What makes it more fun is filling out brackets with the hopes of predicting who the national champion will be. I've been doing that for too many years to count. I remember while working at the World-Herald we played for cash prizes to those who picked the most winning teams.

Cash awards ended for college athletic department employees participating in basketball pools when the NCAA said that was considered gambling. The World-Herald followed suit but still allowed the contest to exist — although the only prizes offered were World-Herald merchandise.

I remember the last year we were allowed to put money on the tournament, and our youngest son (for whom who I made selections) was the overall winner. The following year, I won the contest and received a World-Herald jacket. Talk about a big whoop!

**Do you have a story, a story idea, photo or joke to share? Contact John Fey at [jmfey1952@gmail.com](mailto:jmfey1952@gmail.com).**



# Easter Sunday lands later this year

Of all the holidays in a year, Easter Sunday is the hardest to figure. It could come as early as March 22 or as late as April 25. This spring, the Easter bunny arrives April 17. So what gives?

Here's one explanation from the Internet (our favorite source):

Easter this year happens just one day after April's full Moon (Saturday, April 16), which is the first full Moon to occur after the spring equinox (March 20, 2022) and is therefore known in the Christian calendar as the "Paschal Full Moon." To make a long story short, Easter always occurs on the first Sunday after the Paschal Full Moon, which is why Easter is so late this year.

Over a 500-year period (from 1600 to 2099 AD), it just so happens that Easter will have most often been celebrated on either March 31 or April 16.

Many Eastern Orthodox churches follow the Julian calendar rather than the Gregorian. In this case, the observance of



Easter can occur between April 4 and May 8.

Long ago, the Christian Church decided to simplify the process of calculating Easter's date by always observing the spring equinox on March 21, despite the fact that the equinox date changes over time and is actually getting earlier.

This discrepancy between the *astronomical* equinox date and the Church's *observed* equinox date can sometimes cause confusion, as it did in 2019, when the full Moon and the astronomical equinox occurred on the same day — Wednesday, March 20.

Aren't you glad you asked?

## PLEASE RE-ELECT



# COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2

# JENNIFER SOMMER

# Storage unit proposal rejected

A bid for approval of a proposed storage unit facility on the SID's property was voted down 4-0 during the March meeting of the Cass County Commissioners. An overflow crowd at the Commissioners' meeting room at the Cass County Courthouse heard from applicant Tony Wojtalewicz and Buc Bay residents speaking in favor or against the proposal.

The facility was to be built off Treasure Island Road. At its Feb. 14 meeting, the County Planning Commission recommended against it.

Here's the account in the March 18 Cassgram from the Cass County Commissioners' meeting:

The proposed development is in a 100-year flood plain, and several feet of fill dirt would be required.

It was that flood plain issue that factored in the County Board's decision. District 5 Commissioner Dale Sharp summed it up by saying that if 18 acres had to be raised, "you're going to move that water elsewhere" in the event of a flood.



**Max Bobenhouse can be seen walking up and down Lakeside Drive. (Photo by Jill Bobenhouse-Tesar.)**

## Guess who turned 95 recently?

Max Bobenhouse was feted by his family last month in honor of his 95th birthday. Max and his wife, Alice, have lived in their home at the end of Lakeside Drive for 15 years. They celebrated their 72nd anniversary earlier this year.

Max can be seen walking the length of his block just about every day — even during the winter months. He also mows the yard and shovels the driveway after light snowfall.

Among his hobbies are reading, biking and yard work. Happy birthday, Max, and many more!

## Neighborhood cleanup is Saturday

It's been a few years, but the Buc Bay cleanup day is set to return this Saturday (April 2). It's a good chance for our residents to pitch in to pick up trash that has accumulated around our neighborhood streets (empty cans/bottles, paper, cigarette butts, etc.).

Volunteers will gather at 8:30 at Buccaneer Blvd. and Bay Circle (first cul-de-sac off Treasure Island Road). When you sign

in, you will be registered for a drawing for prizes donated by event sponsors.

When you check in, you will be handed a trash bag, safety vest, work gloves, extended reach tool/Garbo Grabbers and a bottle of water.

Hope to see you there!

## 2 residents pass away

Buccaneer Bay lost resident Don Buser last month. The retired major in the U.S. Air Force was 69. Don is survived by his wife of 40 years, Kathy, two children and two grandchildren.

Also passing last month was Patricia Bruce, who lived on Buccaneer Boulevard for 17½ years. She and her husband, Vincent, lived in Massachusetts, South Carolina and Rhode Island. Vincent died in 1985.

Soon after Hy-Vee came to Plattsmouth, Patricia began monthly donations of Ramen noodles to the food pantry. She was known at the Hy-Vee store as "The Noodle Lady."

## Recycling event coming

Do you have electronic items you need to discard? Your chance to have them recycled comes April 23, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the west end of the Weeping Water baseball fields.

You can drop off your electronics, batteries and heavy metals to that event. If you can't make that date, mark your calendar for these alternate dates: June 11 at Elmwood (Village office parking lot at 221 South St.), Sept. 17 at Beaver Lake (Clubhouse parking lot) or Oct. 8 (tentative) at Louisville.

**Do you have an item to be included in the Buc Bay neighborhood notes (including obituaries)? Email John Fey at: [jmfey1952@gmail.com](mailto:jmfey1952@gmail.com).**





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# Buccaneer Bay Pet of the month

**Editor's Note: This month's featured pet is Maisie Mae, who lives with Rob and Teresa Dilts. They live off Treasure Island Road. Here's Teresa's story:**

A week before we got Maisie, I was trying to purchase a golden doodle. I was looking on Facebook, newspapers and rescues. I found a red mini golden doodle, which is exactly what I wanted, at a reasonable price. The puppy was located in Fayetteville, Ark.

We decided we would go get it. We paid \$300 down using Zelle (a site used to transfer money). I was texting and emailing with the seller on our six-hour drive. When we arrived at the house, we found that the house was empty and we had been scammed!

We filed a police report and headed home — very disappointed. My daughter posted on Facebook that we had been “puppy scammed.” One of her models reached out and said she was



looking for a home for her puppy, Maisie Mae! We met Maisie and found her to be the best puppy ever! We certainly lucked out with her.

We found out later, when we moved to Sailboat Lake in August 2020, that Maisie had been on the lake the previous summer! Maisie's grandma is best friends with Shawn who lives on Lakeside Circle. It's such a small world.

Maisie loves meeting new people. She's very enthusiastic and friendly. She loves our daily walks. She loves finding new smells, whether it's raccoon, rabbits, birds, etc. She dislikes dog poop, though! I recently took her to an adult doggie class

to try to teach her to be more calm when meeting new friends! She's doing pretty well, but she really just loves meeting others.

**Do you have a pet photo to share? Send it to [jmfey1952@gmail.com](mailto:jmfey1952@gmail.com). Include any information you'd like readers to know about your pet.**

## The year was 1922

Here are some statistics for year 1922:

- » The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.
- » Fuel for cars was sold in drug stores only.
- » Only 14 percent of homes had a bathtub.
- » Only 8 percent of homes had a telephone.
- » The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.
- » The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower.
- » The average US wage in 1922 was 22 cents per hour.
- » The average US worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.
- » A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2,000 per year.
- » A dentist earned \$2,500 per year.
- » A veterinarian's pay was between \$1,500 and 4,000 per year.
- » And a mechanical engineer earned about \$5,000 per year.
- » More than 95 percent of all births took place at home.
- » Ninety percent of all Doctors had **no college education!** Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press and in the government as “substandard.”



Kitchen open Tuesday – Friday

Dine in or Carry out

402-298-8191

**Tuesday:** Taco Tuesday, Special menu only 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Burger Special, regular menu also available 5 – 8 p.m.

**Thursday:** Broasted Chicken and Country Fried Steak special, regular menu also available 5 – 8 p.m.

**Friday:** Prime Rib Special, regular menu also available 5 – 8 p.m.



## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK CAPTAINS (Last Updated: 3-1-2022)

Captain #	Block Captain Name	Block Captain Territory
1	Helen Mooney – 402-570-6920 Chanel Hill – 402-208-6130	Treasure Island Rd. from Cape Horn Cir. to end of road., 27 homes
2	Mary Moneke – 402-298-8055	Cape Horn Cir. 26 homes
3	Chris Crisman – 402-699-8338	Captain Morgan Ct. 10 homes
5	Karen Deyke – 402-296-5832	Front half of Bucc. Blvd. up to Ewel Ct. 3501-3617 – 10 houses
6	Jeff Groshans – 720-644-7418	Buccaneer Blvd. 3811 – 3911, 11 houses
7	Jennifer Sommer – 402-296-3686	Buccaneer Blvd. 3706 – 3810, 12 Houses
8	Pam Petersen – 402-296-3022	Buccaneer Blvd. 3920 – 4016 – 15 houses
9	Terry Fleharty – 402-296-4544	Sterling Ct. – 23 houses
<b>10</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	<b>Davy Jones Cir. &amp; Davy Jones Dr. – 25 houses</b>
11	Linda Goodman – 402-917-2914	Rainey Cir. – 11 houses
12	Patty Weirauch – 402-298-7325	Fairway Cir. – 10 houses
13	Cheryl Myers – 402-296-6924	Becker Ct. – 9 homes
14	Carol Kellison – 402-296-0282	19309 – 19413 Spyglass Ct. 22 houses
<b>15</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	<b>Spyglass Ct. – 11 houses Cypress Ct., – 6 homes (17 total homes)</b>
16	Sheila Nelson – 402-297-4101	19201 – 19223 Spyglass Ct. – 16 houses
17	Rita Offutt	Ridgeway Rd. – 27 homes, Blk 15 Lots 7-35
<b>18</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	<b>Ewel Ct. – 16 homes</b>
19	Jill Bobenhouse-Tesar – 402-298-7171	Townhomes on Sailboat Lake – 36 houses
20	Jill Bobenhouse-Tesar – 402-298-7171	Homes on Sailboat Lake, Blk 27, 32 houses
21	Renie Kula – 402-296-5239	Buccaneer Blvd. 4018-4109 – 16 houses
<b>22</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	<b>Buccaneer Blvd. 4113 -4130 – 17 lots</b>
23	Agness Lenaugh – 531-205-7797	4320 – 4416 Windward Dr. 708 – 714 Windward Ct. – 14 houses
24	Barb Hamlin – 402-298-9911	3501-3618 Fairway Dr. – 17 lots
25	Lauri Deseck – 402-672-9866	4211 – 4319 Windward Dr – 20 homes
26	Jeanne Thompson – 402-216-4287	3224 – 3335 – Fairway Dr. 17 lots
27	John Fey -- 402-250-6574	Lakeside Dr. – 1 home, several townhomes
28	Rita Offutt	Ridgeway Rd. – 28 homes – Blk 14, Lot 10 Blk 15 1-6, 36-56
30	Lyle & Michelle Ostrander – 402-296-4654	4420-4432 Windward Dr. 819-841 Wedgwood Ct. – 20 homes
31	Judy Link – 402-298-8750	21034 Treasure Island Rd. – End 6 homes
<b>Lead Coordinators</b>	<b>Janet McCartney has stepped down and Jill Bobenhouse-Tesar, Jennifer Sommer and John Fey will take over. If any additional changes of Block Captains are made, please send to one of the <i>Lead Coordinators</i>.</b>	<b>- Jennifer will prepare the agenda and run The Block Captains Meetings. - Jill will work on the Welcome Packets to hand out to new neighbors. - John has taken over the Bucc Bay Newsletter</b>



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## Buccaneer Bay Market Minute!

January 1, 2022 - March 20, 2022

Home Activity	Total # of Homes	Average Days on Market	Average Sale/Pending Price
Sold/Pending	4	4	\$365,500

Current Homes For Sale - March 2022

Address	List Price
*2602 Fountain Cir.	\$325,000
19415 Davy Jones Cir.	\$410,000

## Buccaneer Bay Neighborhood

### Spring Cleanup!

April 2, 2022

8:30-11AM



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# Recipe of the month: beer cheese spaghetti

**Editor's Note:** A reader requested we include a monthly recipe. We start with one of my favorites: beer cheese spaghetti (claimed to be "borrowed" from Spaghetti Works restaurant). Your recipe contributions are encouraged. You don't want me to do it every month, because I'm a picky eater (no onions allowed in any of my recipes). Email your recipe to [jmfey1952@gmail.com](mailto:jmfey1952@gmail.com). — John Fey



## Beer Cheese Spaghetti

### Ingredients:

- » 8 oz. jar Cheez Whiz
  - » 8 oz. jar WHOLE milk (use Cheez Whiz jar to measure)
  - » 8 oz. jar flat beer
  - » 8 oz. beef broth
  - » 5 tblsp. flour
  - » 5 tblsp butter
- Bacon bits (or crisp, crumbled bacon)

### Directions:

Heat cheese, milk, beer and broth to 140° degrees, stirring con-

stantly. Melt butter in saucepan and add flour. Stir until blended. Cook 2 minutes but do not brown. Stir into cheese mixture and heat to 160° degrees stirring constantly. Remove from heat and add bacon bits. Serve over favorite pasta. Add grilled Italian sausage to make it even better!

This freezes very well. Add small amounts of milk to desired consistency when reheating.

## Noteworthy days in April

- April 1:** April Fool's Day (seriously)
- April 2:** National Peanut Butter & Jelly day (yummy)
- April 6:** National Walking Day (your editor's favorite)
- April 7:** National No Housework Day (celebrated here)
- April 10:** Palm Sunday (a little later this year)

- April 17:** Easter Sunday (get out your favorite bonnet)
- April 20:** National Look Alike Day (just look in the mirror)
- April 21:** National High Five Day (a bit of a stretch)
- April 23:** National Picnic Day (now that's a good idea)
- April 25:** National Telephone Day (give a friend a ring)
- April 28:** National Superhero Day (dust off that cape)
- April 30:** Honesty Day (that's no lie)

## Cass County Historical Society information and news

**Cass County Historical Society Museum**  
646 Main Street, Plattsmouth, NE

### Winter Hours — November-March:

Tuesday-Saturday — Noon-4 p.m.

### Summer Hours — April—October:

Tuesday-Sunday — Noon—4 p.m.

Closed Sundays and Mondays

**Admission:** \$2.50 for adults, free for museum members and children under age 12.

Website: [casscountynemuseum.org](http://casscountynemuseum.org)

**Mission Statement:** The Cass County Historical Society shall collect, preserve, and study materials to document, interpret and present the history of Cass County Nebraska to the public.



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*The board usually meets the fourth Tuesday of the month.*

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Mark your calendars!



Buccaneer Bay Spring Cleanup

April 2, 2022

8:30AM-11PM

Please help us keep Buc Bay clean!



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KeepCassCountyBeautiful.org







Mandy M. Gruhlkey  
Attorney

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# Meet the representatives of our SID No. 5

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>	<u>Committee – Primary</u>
Kurt Meisinger (Chair)	402-297-4365	kurt.meisinger@buccaneerbay-ne.org	Finance, Budget and Audit
Jim Grotrian	402-679-9158	jim.grotrian@buccaneerbay-ne.org	Grounds
Dan Brandt (Clerk)	402-669-0225	dan.brandt@buccaneerbay-ne.org	Development & Planning of Public Amenities
David Martin	402-578-7147	david.martin@buccaneerbay-ne.org	Water and Wastewater
Robert Karr	402-672-7300	robert.karr@buccaneerbay-ne.org	Street and Storm Water Management

## Communication with the Board

SID #5 has divided the management of the SID across 5 committees in addition to the responsibilities of the SID Chairman and Clerk. Each board member is equally empowered. If you have a problem, you can call any of the board members. Even though the board members head up certain committees, this does not mean that they are restricted to problems in that area.

Please feel free to contact any board member with your problem using the contact information from above but please give board members at least 24 hours to respond. Most of the board members have full time jobs and are subject to business trips, meetings, etc. If your concern or problem is of an emergency nature you may try to contact one of the other board members.

You can also contact a board member via regular mail via the SID #5 address at:

SID #5 Board of Trustees  
19457 Treasure Island Rd.  
Plattsmouth, NE 68048

**To view the most-recent meeting minutes and find out future meeting dates, click on this link (it's under the tab at the top that says communication):**

<https://buccaneerbay-ne.org/>

## Board Meetings

If you have an issue that you want to have put on the agenda for the next SID meeting; contact a board member at least 1 week prior to the next meeting. If needed, you will be asked to attend the next meeting to discuss your agenda item.

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**Picture of the month:** Steve Bogner gives the Bay Hills practice green a drink. The course was hurting for water after the long, dry winter.

#### This month's quiz:

Who is the official supplier for the NCAA men's basketball tournament? A) Rawlings B) Nike C) Wilson D) Russell (Answer is on page 17.)



Coming soon: The Buc Bay neighborhood garage sale June 2-4. More details next month.

**VOTE JIM**  
**GROTRI** ✓ **AN**  
**OPPD**



# This month's supply of chuckles

**I lost my job at the bank on my very first day! A lady ask me to check her balance so I pushed her over ...**

Be careful where you shop online. We ordered a german shepherd and now this guy lives with us.



Since I bought this toy for my dog...  
no more salesmen,  
break-ins, or friends popping in  
unannounced.  
Just peace & quiet.



Trust science. Studies show that if your parents didn't have children there's a high probability you won't either.

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Happiness is not having to set the alarm clock.

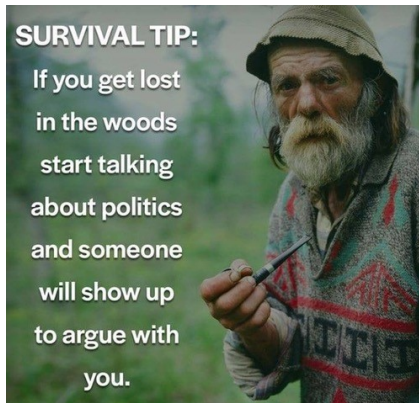


**Quiz answer: C (Wilson)**

## Dustin



**Bar for senior beer drinkers**



### SURVIVAL TIP:

If you get lost in the woods start talking about politics and someone will show up to argue with you.



Where does it say we have to 'act' our age?  
As long as it makes me happy and I'm not hurting anyone,  
I will act whatever age I want to!

# Utilities

Utilities for the residents of Buccaneer Bay are provided by a combination of private companies and the SID 5 Water System.

Utility/Service	Contact Information
<b>Electricity</b>	Omaha Public Power District – <a href="https://www.oppd.com">https://www.oppd.com</a>
<b>Natural Gas</b>	Black Hills Energy – <a href="https://blackhillsenergy.com">https://blackhillsenergy.com</a>
<b>Water/Sewer</b>	SID 5 Water System – Call PeopleService, Inc at 402-932-8143 or 888-527-9853 to establish/shut off service or for general customer service. The PeopleService, Inc. 24-hour emergency response number is 888-861-1921. Information on the water and sewer fees can be found in the SID 5 Water and Sanitary Sewer Rules, Regulations, Fees and Rates Ordinance. SID 5 Backflow Preventers and Their Uses SID 5 2015 Annual Water Quality Report
<b>Garbage</b>	There are numerous garbage services available. Residents are strongly encouraged to contact the various providers to determine the service that best meets their needs. Some of the providers for our area are: Papillion Sanitation Waste Management Some of these providers offer a discount down to \$12.18 per month.
<b>Landline Telephone</b>	Windstream – <a href="https://windstream.com">https://windstream.com</a>
<b>Cox</b>	<a href="http://cox.com/chat">cox.com/chat</a> <a href="http://cox.com/mybill">cox.com/mybill</a> <a href="http://cox.com/residential/home.html">cox.com/residential/home.html</a> 402-933-3000
<b>Internet</b>	There are a few different options for internet service and those options are continually changing. The list below is a few of the providers that service Buccaneer Bay. Residents are urged to research the best solution for them. Windstream DSL NEXTLINK – <a href="http://nextlinkinternet.com">nextlinkinternet.com</a> COX- <a href="http://cox.com/residential/home.html">cox.com/residential/home.html</a>
<b>Cass County Recycling</b>	The Cass County Recycling Center provides a location for Cass County residents to drop off yard waste, metal, large appliances and used motor oil for free or a nominal charge. Please visit their web site for their location, fees and hours. <a href="http://www.cassne.org/Recyclecenter.html">http://www.cassne.org/Recyclecenter.html</a>



## SID#5 Covenants – Architectural Control

The Buccaneer Bay Architectural Control process of reviewing requests for changes on your property is now being managed by Agnes Lenagh. Her email address is [lenagh13@gmail.com](mailto:lenagh13@gmail.com). She will be working with Mike Jensen, Cass County Zoning Administrator.

There are 8 sets of Covenants for Buccaneer Bay. It seems like every time a new section of Buccaneer Bay opened up another set of covenants was made. I try to make sure that every resident in Buccaneer Bay gets a copy of the covenants that is for their section of the neighborhood. Some realtors will provide a copy of the covenants to the buyer, but I don't think all of them do. Most of the covenants have some sort of termination clause.

All sets of covenants are filed at the Register of Deeds office at the Court House. Not all of the covenants have the same number of years that the covenants are in force.

**HILLS COVENANTS** in the second section titled: “**AMENDED DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**”, which covers the following: These covenants shall run with the land and be binding upon the current and future Owners of all Lots in Blocks One (1) through Six (6), inclusive; all Lots in Blocks Fifteen (15) through Twenty (20), inclusive; Lots one (1) through Five (5) in Block Seven (7), and; Lot Ten (10) in Block Fourteen (14), all in Buccaneer Bay, a subdivision as surveyed, platted and recorded in Cass County, Nebraska, until the year 2029, together with any Lots created by a replat of these Lots, and shall be continued for successive periods of twenty-five (25) years unless sooner modified or terminated in writing by seventy-five percent (75%) or more of the then record owners of the Properties, with one vote per Lot.

**BAY LAKE COVENANTS** in the second section titled: “**AMENDED DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**”, which covers the following Blocks: Block 21, 22, 23, 24, and 26 until the year 2000, at which time the covenants shall be extended for **successive terms** of 25 years, which should make them good until 2025.

**Block 31 in Buccaneer Bay** includes Windward Dr. and all side streets in this section, approved in September 2008 for term of 25 years, which would then expire in 2033.

**Blk 28 Lots 8A/B, Lots 9A/B, and Lot 10** on Lakeside Dr. These first 2 townhomes and one house are under the original covenants for Lakeside Dr. approved May 18, 2005 for a term of 25 years, which should terminate in 2030.

**Blk 28, Lots 1A – 24B, minus Lots 8A/B, 9A/B and Lot 10** on Lakeside Dr. as described in the Covenants from Lone Tree Holdings. Approved May 18, 2017 for a term of 30 years, which would terminate in 2047.

**Bucc Bay 1<sup>st</sup> Edition – Lots 1R – 39R** – Davy Jones Dr. and Davy Jones Cir. Filed February 14, 1996 for a term of 25 years, which would expire in **February 2021, if not renewed.**

**Blk 29 Lots 1-26 Fairway Cir., Blk 30 Lots 1-6 – Fairway Dr.** – Covenants and restrictions shall run with and bind the land and for a term of twenty-five years. Filed May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005, which would expire in 2030.

**Blk 27 Lots 1A – 20B, and Lots 21 – 62 – Sailboat Lake** – The Covenants and restrictions shall run with and bind the land for a term of 25 years. Filed December 23, 1996, which would expire in **December 2021, if not renewed.**

**Residents under the covenants that will be expiring can be renewed by having residents who want to have the covenants continue review and update them. Each set of covenants has a specification of how many signatures are required to approve the revised covenants. It has been done, but it takes a lot of work. Once the covenants are out of date, that section of residents will no longer have to follow any restrictions for their section.**

**Note: The process below may be modified as the Newsletter and Welcome Packages are being updated.**

*Each time a new resident moves in they receive a Welcome Package that has a copy of the covenants for their location. The information on new residents come in an email from Peoples Service. Jill Bobenhouse-Teaser will take on putting the Welcome Packages together and provide the packages to the appropriate Block Captain so the new resident can fill out a Data Sheet to be sent to one of the members taking over for Janet. The changes will require the new information to be added to the Buccaneer Bay Phone Directory, if the new resident approves, and update the Block Captains list as residents move in and out.*