

BUCCANEER BAY NEWSLETTER

For residents of Buccaneer Bay

July 2022



Getting to know Buc Bay residents

Spinning the 'Wheel' was a thrill

Mike Buchman found himself representing Nebraska — specifically, Plattsmouth — on a national television stage 18 years ago when he qualified for the popular game show “Wheel of Fortune.” He didn’t just appear, he dominated and brought home more than \$36,000 after correctly solving the final puzzle.

How he ended up on the show is an interesting story, but there’s much more to know about this Air Force veteran who once worked in the White House and ended up moving to Buccaneer Bay 20 years ago.

A native of Spirit Lake, Iowa, Buchman first attended Westmar College in Le Mars, Iowa, before transferring to Iowa State. In 1981, he began a 20-year career in the Air Force.

“I started out in computer maintenance,” he said. “And then I got a special-duty assignment. We were capturing all the pictures off satellites.”

His first overseas assignment was Germany, where he was part of a team that monitored aircraft in war zones from a radar site on top of a hill. From there, he worked with the National Security Agency in the White House during the Reagan and George H.W. Bush administrations.

“I’ve been in the intel community since 1985,” Buchman said. “I’ve been cleared for a whole lot of things that are never talked about.”

After six years in Washington, D.C., he wanted to get his two children (ages 11 and 6 then) back to the Midwest, which meant leaving the service before his 20-year hitch would end.

“I found a job in Des Moines and was planning to get out,” he said. “The career adviser in the Air Force asked me what it



Mike Buchman poses with “Wheel of Fortune” hosts Vanna White and Pat Sajak after cashing big in his 2004 appearance on the popular game show.

would take to keep me in. I told him I was taking my kids back to the Midwest.

“A few weeks later, they called me and said, ‘We found you a job in Omaha. Would you be willing to go there?’ It was a special-duty assignment. I came out here for that in 1991.”

While at Offutt, he was needed in Korea for a year. With the assurance that he could return to Offutt, he agreed to take that final assignment.

“It all worked out,” Buchman said. “I worked a few more years and then retired (Aug. 31, 2003).”

He’s still working at Offutt but as a civilian. The year before his Air Force discharge, he moved to his current home on Buccaneer Boulevard.

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Wheel: Answering machine message started adventure

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In 2004, his life took a major change when he took a chance to become a contestant on “Wheel of Fortune.” The process it took to get him to the taping in California was mind-boggling.

The game show was as popular in the early 2000s as it is today. Buchman was an avid watcher.

“I played too much hangman as a kid,” he said. “Every time we’d watch that show, people would say, ‘Wait, let us guess,’ because I was pretty good at getting them.”

National auditions for the game show included a 2004 stop at Harrah’s Casino in Council Bluffs. Buchman’s friends urged him to take a shot at becoming a contestant. He was a little hesitant at first but agreed to go for it.

“They were there Friday, Saturday and Sunday, doing it all day long” he said. “I’d forgotten all about it. I had mowed my lawn on Sunday, I cleaned up and went to give it a try.”

When he arrived at Harrah’s, he encountered a line that extended outside the building into the parking lot. He was told he had to fill out an information card and place it into a large barrel as the first step.

“There were people who had been there all weekend,” Buchman said. “They were going back into the line.”

Names were drawn out of the barrel. A friend told Buchman to fold the corners of his card, giving him a better chance for it to be drawn.

“They were on the last batch of drawing names,” he said, “and I said to myself, ‘I’m not going to stand in line again.’ The last name pulled out was mine.”

Having made the first “cut” by having his card selected, Buchman next had a Polaroid taken, and his photo was affixed to his card.

“You talked to the (staffers), and then you went on stage to talk to the emcee,” he said. “This was in May of 2003, about two weeks before I was to be done with active duty.

“The emcee asked me, ‘What do you do?’ I said, ‘I drink coffee and give bad advice.’ He said, ‘How do I get a job like that?’”

That May experience included playing a game, and at the end those who made it that far were told they’d be notified if they were selected to make the next round. Sure enough, Buchman was informed in October that he was picked to return to Harrah’s for yet another round of interviews.

“There were hundreds who showed up for that,” he said. “They had a bunch of us sitting in a room. They put puzzles on a screen up front and had us guess. They gave out hats and T-shirts when you guessed it.”

Next came a written test.

“It wasn’t just about puzzles,” Buchman said. “It was a bunch of different things. It was just really strange.”

After a lunch break, candidates found a wheel set up on a set resembling the one in the California studio. Then came the next important step in the process.

Recalls Buchman: “They said, ‘We’re going to call names. If your name is called, we want you to stay. If your name isn’t called, we’d like you to pick up your things and leave so we can get on with the next round of the auditions.’ There were people (who didn’t make it) who were crying.”

Buchman and the other “survivors” were interviewed by the host and played the actual game. He felt he had solved more than his share of the puzzles but still wasn’t certain of his fate.

He and the others were told they would be notified by mail within two weeks. Just 10 days after his audition, Buchman got the good news: He qualified for the taping.

The letter said his spot on the show would come anytime within the next . . . 18 months. Seriously.

“That was in November of 2003,” Buchman said. “I just forgot about it and went about my business. I didn’t think anything of it.”

Fast-forward to the following March. Buchman arrived home to find a message on his answering machine that he, indeed, qualified for the show. His appearance was set for March 18, just over two weeks away.

Contestants cover their own airfare and hotel expenses. The tapings took place in Culver City at Sony Picture Studios (and still are today), 15 miles from Santa Monica. The taping took place the day after Buchman and his wife arrived.

“We all showed up at 7:30 in the morning with all the other contestants for the week,” he said. “They had 15 of us there and two local residents.”

Hydraulics raise the set’s floor to accommodate the height of contestants, making it easier for them to reach the wheel. Buchman’s turn came on the fifth taping of the day, which wouldn’t happen until that afternoon. He performed quite well.

“When it ended, I won \$36,450,” he said. “I had so much adrenaline going I couldn’t eat afterwards.”

After winning, he completed some paperwork and was told it could be as long as 120 days before he received his check.

“So on March 18, I’m on the show,” Buchman said, “and it aired on April 30. It was exactly 100 days from my taping date that the postmark was on the letter.”

Deducted from the check was California’s 7 percent tax. The remainder was considered taxable income.

Once back home, Buchman hosted a viewing party at the clubhouse. The building was packed.

“We had extra TVs set up,” he said. “I had a whole bunch of friends from work come down and other people there. I had an open bar and pizza. It aired on a Friday night at 6:30. That was weird watching myself on TV.”

This month's unique message plates



Mike Gabriel's is pretty self-explanatory.



Submitted by Dee Bruce.



Plates above and at left submitted by Kurt Meisinger. If you want to share your plates, send the photo to jmfey1952@gmail.com.

Clarification: In last month's newsletter, we included information about the water tower. Resident John Bolton offers his perspective:

I assure you the water tower was in place well before 1988 when I first started playing at Bay Hills. I believe it was put in as part of the original development in the early 1980s. I believe the original development company went bankrupt due to high interest rates in the late '70s and early '80s. Dain Bosworth issued the bonds and took over management of the development. I was on the Golf Board that managed the golf course until bought out by NP Dodge.



A couple of funny bumper stickers



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Buccaneer Bay Newsletter

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From the Editor, John Fey

Goofs happen in life, newsletters

During my 20-year career with the World-Herald, we made more than our share of mistakes. After all, we were regular human beings (even though some readers thought we should be perfect).

One of the whoppers I remember came while I moved from the Sports Department to the Living Department. The benefit of the transfer was better hours — days as opposed to nights — and I had weekends off. But I digress.



Since we had weekends off, each Friday we had to produce our section's pages for the Saturday, Sunday and Monday editions. Proofs of the pages were read before we left with hopes there would be no

boo-boos. As I recall, we split up the pages. There was one Friday I remember well from proofing the front page of the Living section — only because of what transpired the following Monday morning.

Shortly after settling in my chair, a colleague walked in and announced, "Well, we got pubic in the paper again." Since it was on the page I proofed, I immediately knew to what she was referring: In large type, the word public was missing one letter.

It didn't take long for the managing editor to gather our staff for a meeting in our mini-conference room. He said the publisher wasn't happy when he read that. I fessed up that I was the final read on that page and took full responsibility. He appreciated that but added somebody else should have caught that.

So why do I bring this up for this newsletter? Well, in my quest to be as perfect as possible, I was gently informed by a reader that I didn't mention June 6 as a noteworthy date in last month's

issue. As a veteran, I should have known without a Google search that it was one of the most famous dates in United States military history: the invasion of Normandy in 1944.

I try to put some levity in this newsletter when listing noteworthy (and not-so-noteworthy) dates, but important ones need to be mentioned. You'll notice that July 4 will be cited in this issue.

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Speaking of Independence Day, there are few more important dates on the U.S. calendar. It's when we celebrate the day when the Declaration of Independence was approved by the Continental Congress.

And what do most folks associated the 4th of July with most — other than picnics and barbeque? Fireworks, of course.

Growing up in Papillion, it was a big deal to spend lots of money on boomers — the louder the better. The big bombs weren't sold legally, but it was very easy to find them. And we did.

Cherry bombs and silver salutes could do some big-time damage to cans, bottles and — in my case — rain gutters. We tossed one up the gutter of our house, causing it to split in half. Our dad wasn't pleased to see that.

Just like today, it was recommended that fireworks be lit under adult supervision. While that usually didn't happen in our family, there was a moment I'll never forget when our dad participated in the fun.

One of the more popular firecrackers was the bottle rocket. We would put one in a pop bottle and watch it fly.

My dad came up with an idea: Let's tape a silver salute to a bottle rocket and see what happens. He lit the fuse, and you immediately could tell it wasn't a good idea. The rocket rose about 5 feet and then made a horizontal turn — heading

right for my dad. He ducked just before it exploded.

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Staying on the subject of fireworks, one of the things we learned when we moved here five years ago this month was the abundance of fireworks. Yes, we had them in Omaha (even though they once were against the law), but folks here and nearby sure do like shooting them.

The displays put on near the 11th tee box before and after the Fourth are impressive, and it draws a lot of onlookers. I've always enjoyed fireworks displays as part of the celebration of America's independence.

Having said that, I realize there are those who don't appreciate the noise — especially veterans who suffer from PTSD. I served stateside during my 35 months in the Army, so I can't relate. But I hope everyone understands their uneasiness over the loud booms.

Most dogs aren't big fans of the explosions. We had two dogs when we lived near the Crossroads, and we would put them downstairs and turn the TV volume high enough to (hopefully) keep them at ease.

My only annoyance is when fireworks go off deep into the night — sometimes past midnight — while I'm trying to sleep. Fortunately, this eventually ends a few days after July 4th.

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Finally, on a personal note, we would like to thank all of you who helped wish us a happy 50th anniversary. We feel so blessed to have ended up living here.

Do you have a story, a story idea, photo or joke to share? Contact John Fey at jmfey1952@gmail.com.

Buccaneer Bay 1st Friday Coffee Club!



FRIDAY, JULY 1

10AM - 11AM

Who: Buccaneer Bay Neighbors

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Buc Bay photos taken in June



Players gather around the flagpole for a moment of silence in honor of Bay Hills members who are no longer with us. The brief ceremony preceded the Members Remembered outing which took place June 18. A large turnout enjoyed 18 holes on a perfect morning.

Next up is the 6-6-6 tournament set for July 17. It's a unique 2-person-per-team event. You can sign up today at the Clubhouse.

Adult Summer Reading

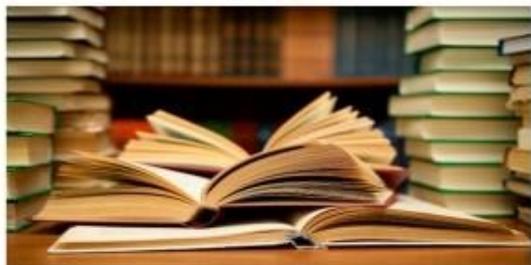
The program will run
May 31st - August 2nd

Adults have 2 ways to earn entries into the raffle.

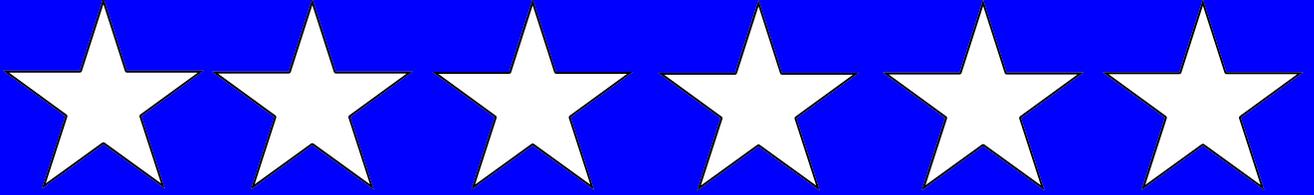
The first way is logging books you have read on the reading log sheets. Books read between May 31st and August 2nd count.

The second way is by completing and turning in challenges each week. Two new challenges will be available each Tuesday from May 31st through July 26th.

One log is one entry, same as one sheet is one entry. Names will be drawn for prizes at the end of the program.



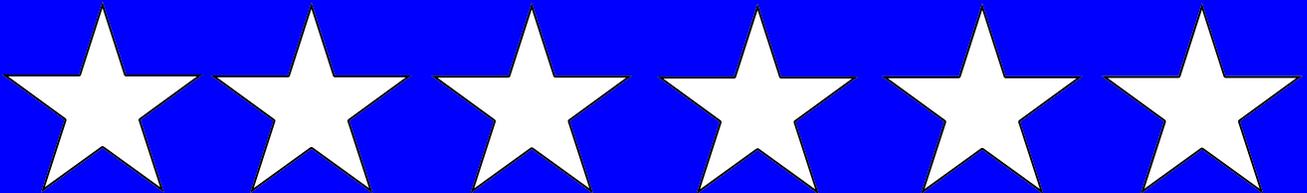
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Happy 4th of July!



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Buc Bay Pet of the month



Meet Buzz, who lives with Sue and Mick Buscher. He's around 8 years old, and you can see him walk along the Boulevard with his owners just about every day. Sue said Buzz loves playing in the snow as evident by the photo submitted by Sue. Say hi to Buzz next time you see him.

Independence Day Facts

» Statue of Liberty. The Statue of Liberty is America's symbol of freedom.

» Three presidents died on July Fourth: Thomas Jefferson, 1826; John Adams, 1826; and James Monroe, 1831.

» Two presidents died on the same day – John Adams and Thomas Jefferson.

» Born on the Fourth of July, 1872, was President Calvin Coolidge.

» Each year Americans light about 200 million pounds of fireworks.

» 65% of Americans own an American flag.

» Benjamin Franklin wanted the national bird to be a turkey.



With gas up so high, I had to cancel cable and started watching the free news at the pump.



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FALL AERATION

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This month's supply of chuckles



If your electric car runs out of power on the interstate do you walk to a charging station to get a bucket of electricity. 🤔

Dustin



More funnies on Page 18.

This month's quiz: Which Major League Baseball team is the only one to twice capture a World Series by winning all four games at home and losing all three road games? A) L.A. Dodgers. B) New York Yankees. C) Milwaukee Brewers. D) Minnesota Twins. **Answer bottom of Page 18.**

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.

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Website: casscountynemuseum.org

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BUCCANEER BAY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK CAPTAINS

Last Updated – June 30, 2022

Block Captain #	Block Captain Name	Block Captain Territory
1	Chris Crisman -402-699-8338	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	VACANT	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 -402-889-1918	Buccaneer Blvd. 3706 – 3810, 10 Houses
8	VACANT	Buccaneer Blvd. 3920 – 4016 – 15 houses
9	Terry Fleharty – 402-296-4544	Sterling Ct. – 23 houses
10	VACANT	Davy Jones Cir. & Davy Jones Dr. – 25 houses
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
15	VACANT	19225 – Spyglass Ct. – 11 houses Cypress Ct., 6 homes (17 total homes)
16	Sheila Nelson – 402-297-4101	19201 – 19223 Spyglass Ct. – 16 houses
17	Rita Offutt	Ridgeway Rd. – 46 homes, Blk 15 Lots 7-35
18	Cheryl Myers	Ewel Ct. – 16 homes
19	Jill Bobenhouse-Tesar – 402-298-7171 Kayla Reagan -	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
22	VACANT	Buccaneer Blvd. 4113 -4130 - 17 lots
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 – 48 homes
26	Jeanne Thompson – 402-216-4287	3224 – 3335 – Fairway Dr. 17 lots
27	John Fey – 402-250-6574	2833 – 3043 – 14 Townhomes
27.5	Janet McCartney – 402-298-7168	Lakeside Dr. – 1 home, 2 Townhomes
30	Todd Clark – 402-926-1737	4420-4432 Windward Dr. 819-841 Wedgwood Ct. – 20 homes
31	Judy Link – 402-298-8750	21034 Treasure Island Rd. – End 6 homes
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The SID has addressed the issue by providing a guide for lawn and landscape watering during this dry period. It's important, the SID Board believes, that we conserve to avoid problems down the road.

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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.

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.

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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):
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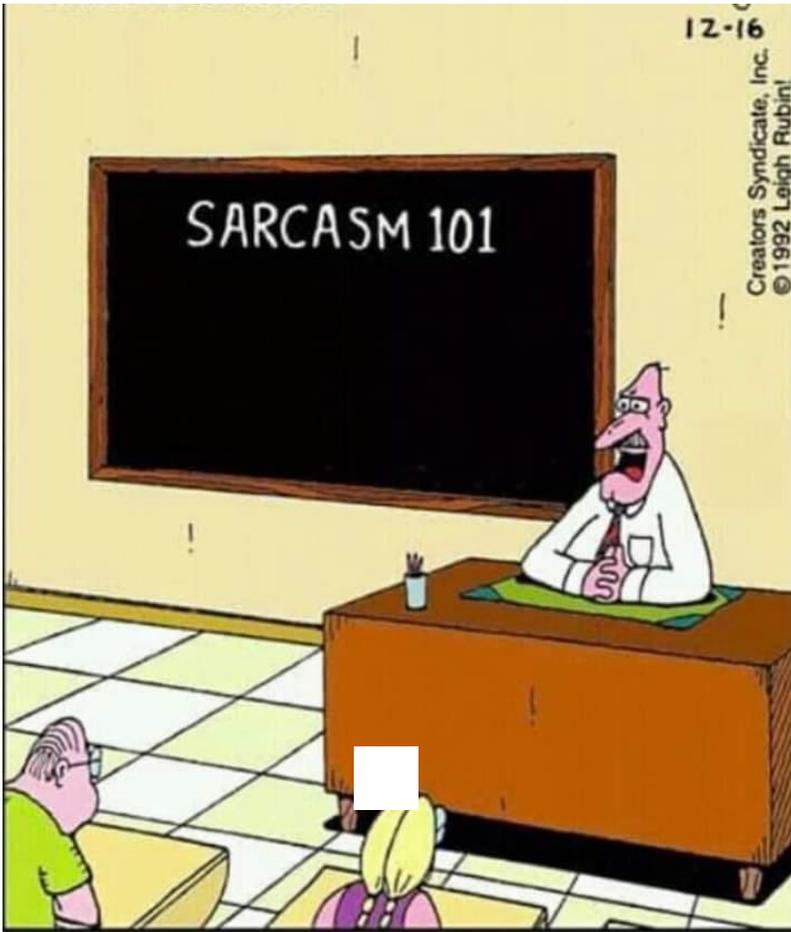
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More monthly chuckles



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A man and a woman who have never met before find themselves in the same sleeping carriage on a train. After the initial embarrassment they both go to sleep — the man on the top bunk, and the woman on the lower.

In the middle of the night the man leans over, wakes the woman and says, "I'm sorry to bother you, but I'm awfully cold and I was wondering if you could possibly get me another blanket?"

The woman leans out and, with a glint in her eye, says, "I have a better idea. Just for tonight, let's make pretend that we're married."

The man says happily, "OK! Sure!"

The woman says, "GOOD. Get your own damn blanket!"

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Ole and Lena went to the hospital so Lena could deliver their first baby. As Ole waited in the lobby, the doctor came out to talk to him.

The doctor said, "I have some good news and some bad news. The good news is that you have a normal baby boy. The bad news is that it is a cesarean."

Ole started crying, and said, "Vel, I'm glad it is a healthy baby, but I was kinda hoping it would be Norwegian."

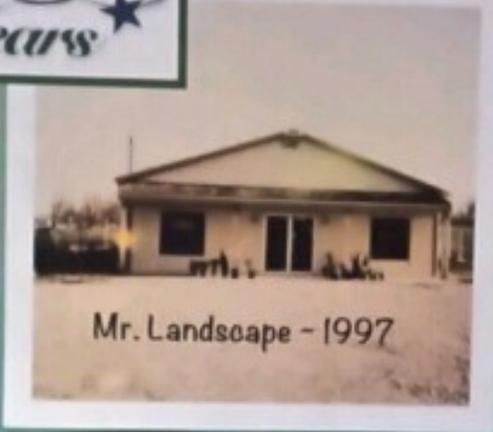
I never thought I'd be the kind of person who'd wake up early in the morning to exercise ...

And I was right.

This month's quiz answer: D.



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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. 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 1st 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 18th, 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.

Helpful Phone Numbers

<u>Board of Trustees S.I.D. #5</u>	<u>Plattsmouth Schools</u>	<u>Other Numbers</u>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Elections held in even numbered years.</i></p> <p>Kurt Meisinger – 298-7343 Jim Grotrain – 298-7289 Robert Karr – 672-7300 Dan Brandt – 669-0225 David Martin – 296-2354</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>SID Auditor</u> Goracke, Ritterbush & Piotrowski Tom Shearer 402-896-1500</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>SID Fiscal Agent</u> Ameritas Inv. Corp. 402-384-8433</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Water/Waste Water Maint.</u> PeopleService Inc. 402-932-8143 888-527-9853 Contact for water or sewer issues. 24 hour Emergency# 888-861-1921</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Monthly Water Billing Rates</u> Sewer \$10.90 + tax monthly flat fee Waste Water Treatment Plant Debt Reduction - \$16.00 a month Water \$10.90 + tax monthly usage fee per 1,000 gallons: 5,001-10,000 gal - \$2.56 10,001-20,000 gal - \$2.70 Over 20,001 - \$2.84</p> <p><u>Architectural Control Committee</u> Neighborhood Watch/Block Captains will review new house plans and any changes you may be making to your home externally, as well as any additions you might want to make to your home.</p>	<p>St. John School 296-6230 First Baptist 296-5489 Plattsmouth High School 296-3322 Plattsmouth Middle School 296-3174 Plattsmouth Elem. School 296-4173 Superintendent’s Office 296-3361 Head Start 296-5250</p> <p>First Students Bus Service 296-5624</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Bad Weather</u> The school district will notify the following radio and TV stations with school closing information: KFAB (AM 1110) WOW (FM 94.1) The River (FM 89.7) KMTV (TV Channel 3) WOWT (TV Channel 6) KETV (TV Channel 7) KPTM (TV Channel 42)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Local News Papers</u> Plattsmouth Journal – 296-2141 Published Thursdays, delivered by Mail to Buccaneer Bay, arrives on Friday. www.cass-news.com</p> <p>Cassgram – Free at Local Businesses Contact Steve Wurga via E-mail: Cassgram@windstream.net www.cassgramonline.com</p> <p>Omaha World Herald – 444-1000 Daily Delivery</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Buccaneer Bay Newsletter</u> John Fey – 402-250-6574 jmfey1952@gmail.com</p>	<p>Emergency 911 Cass County Sheriff – 402-296-9370</p> <p>Neighborhood Watch Lead Coordinators Jennifer Sommer, Jill Bobenhouse Tesar</p> <p>Bay Hills Golf Course – 402-298-8191</p> <p>COX – 402-933-3000 Windstream – 800-501-1754</p> <p>Future Technologies (Internet) – 402-933-2877 Spiral (Internet) – 712-800-1100</p> <p>Black Hills Energy – 888-890-5554 Emergency – 800-694-8989</p> <p>OPPD Electric – 800-554-6773 Outages – 800-554-6773</p> <p>Trash Pickup: Papillion Sanitation – 800-494-5441 Gretna Sanitation – 402-332-4710 Waste Management – 800-457-2599 Premier – 402-339-1229</p> <p>Plattsmouth Post Office – 296-2152</p> <p>Union Pacific RR – 800-848-8715 Burlington Northern – 800-832-5452 Public Service Comm. – 471-3101</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Architectural Control For Blk 27 Sailboat Lake</u></p> <p>Sailboat Lake Board/Architectural Control</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Buccaneer Bay Web Site</u> www.buccaneerbay-ne.org Provides various information on the Sanitary Improvement District.</p>



WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT?

FUNCTION	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE	COMMENTS
<u>ANIMAL CONTROL</u>	<u>Property Owner/Resident</u>	The county does not have an Animal Control until. In 2008 the Nebraska State Legislature passed a new law that the county is responsible for capturing dangerous animals. Cass County has not created an Animal Control Officer, so it is up to the Sheriff's department. The Sheriff will come out on dangerous animal calls. If someone has been bitten they will try to trap the animal.
<u>COMMERCIAL PROPERTY</u>	<u>Other</u>	Governed by County and State Laws. Lot must be zoned appropriately.
<u>ELECTRICITY</u>	<u>OPPD</u>	OPPD – 234-2455 Outages – 800-554-6773
<u>ENFORCEMENT OF COVENANTS</u>	<u>Property Owners</u>	The original developer of a neighborhood, to help protect the community, establishes covenants. Buccaneer Bay has 7 sets of covenants: Davy Jones, Sailboat Lake, Bay Lake, Hills, Blk 28, Blks 29&30, and Blk 31. The SID is not involved with enforcing protective covenants.
<u>FIRE/RESCUE</u>	<u>Plattsmouth Volunteer Fire & Ambulance</u>	Plattsmouth Volunteer Emergency/Fire - 911
<u>LAW ENFORCEMENT</u>	<u>Cass County</u>	Cass County Sheriff's Department 911 or 296-9360
<u>MAIL</u>	<u>Plattsmouth Post Office</u>	It is up to the post office to determine if you can install a mailbox in front of your home or if you will be assigned to a cluster box – 296-2152.
<u>MOWING</u>	<u>SID/Resident</u>	SID property only – including maintenance of the front island Resident – responsible for owned lot and right-of-way
<u>NATURAL GAS</u>	<u>Black Hills Energy</u>	Service – 888-890-5554 Emergency – 800-694-8989
<u>NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH</u>	<u>Property Owner Resident</u>	Everyone can belong to Neighborhood Watch. When suspicious activity is spotted it should be reported to the Sheriff's department and information passed on to the neighborhood through the volunteer Block Captain and the Lead Coordinator. These names are listed in the Buccaneer Bay Phone Directory.
<u>NEW CONSTRUCTION OR CHANGES TO BE APPROVED</u>	<u>Architectural Control</u>	Neighborhood Watch/Block Captains will review new house plans and any changes you may be making to your home externally, as well as any additions you might want to make to your home. Sailboat Lake – Blk27 Sailboat Lake Board/Architectural Control
<u>OUTLOTS</u>	<u>SID</u>	SID is responsible for maintaining the outlots.
<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u>	<u>SID</u>	SID is responsible for keeping roads within the district boundaries, repaired in safe operating condition.
<u>SCHOOLS</u>	<u>Property Owner Resident</u>	Plattsmouth School District or school of choice.
<u>SNOW REMOVAL</u>	<u>SID</u>	SID is responsible for having the roads within the district snow plowed, salted, and sanded when needed. The board has set a 2-3 inches as the threshold for having the streets plowed.
<u>WATER/WASTEWATER PLANT</u>	<u>SID</u>	Peoples Service – to establish/terminate service or questions 403-932-8143 888-527-9853 888-861-1921 – Emergency Calls