

# BUCCANEER BAY NEWSLETTER

For residents of Buccaneer Bay

February 2023



*Getting to know Buc Bay residents*

## Homes sweet homes in Bay Hills

If you're looking for a Buc Bay resident who knows Plattsburgh better than most – if not all – just turn to Ed Brink. With all the transplants who live among us, it's hard to find a Plattsburgh native. Ed also knows the Cass County Courthouse better than most after serving as Clerk of the District Court and, later, Cass County Attorney before turning to private practice.

Born and raised here, he wouldn't want to reside anywhere else.

"We really like living here," Ed said. "It's very nice. I like that it's quiet and dark at night. I like the wildlife. I golf once in a blue moon but really badly."

Ed and wife Deb have lived on Lakeside Drive for nearly eight years. Before that, they lived on Fairway Drive starting around 2000. They built their current town home with the intention of moving Deb's dad into the adjacent unit.

"It worked good for us," Ed said. "We viewed it as a kind of modern day version of 'The Waltons.' We have a covered walkway in the back of the garage. We could walk around the side of the garage to his patio. You could go back and forth without getting wet."

Growing up in Plattsburgh, Ed graduated from Plattsburgh High School in 1976 when it was located closer to downtown. Five years later, he was appointed to become Cass County District Court Clerk. When the election came in 1982, he campaigned hard, going door-to-door, something he attributes to his winning the position on a permanent basis.

"That was kind of fun," he said. "I got to meet a lot of people."

So what, exactly, are the duties of a district court clerk?

"The clerk is basically the court administrator," Ed said. "He makes sure the judge's orders are sent out like they're supposed to be. I liked it."

While serving in that capacity in the late 1980s, Ed was taking night classes at Bellevue College (now Bellevue University). After graduating in 1988, he took the next step by applying for law school at Nebraska and Creighton. He was accepted by both.

"So I quit the District Court job, and went to law school (in Lincoln)," Ed recalled. "I worked for the Legislature when I got out of law school for a couple of years."



**Deb and Ed Brink enjoy spending time with their three grandchildren.**

During his law school years and while working for the Legislature, Ed commuted from Plattsburgh.

With his law degree in hand, Ed decided to run for the county attorney and won in 1994.

"That surprised a lot of people," he said, "including myself."

With Ed settled into his professional career, the only thing missing was adding a wife and starting a family. He recalls knowing his future wife long before they started dating.

**See Ed, Page 2**

# Ed: Brinks take on new venture by opening a coffee shop

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“Deb grew up in Millard,” Ed said. “My aunt and Deb’s mom were really good friends. Our families knew each other growing up, but as young adults we didn’t really know each other.”

The relationship was born in 1982 when Ed scored a couple of tickets to the Nebraska-Oklahoma football game.

“I ran into my aunt and asked her if she knew any good-looking young women who might want to go to a football game,” Ed said. “She said, ‘I think I do.’”

“So the next night I met Deb at the Eagles Club when I got off work at the district court. We went to the game and started dating. Shortly thereafter, we got engaged.”

The couple married in 1984 and today have a son, Andrew, and twin daughters, Laura and Emily. The Brinks have two granddaughters and a grandson.

Well into married life, Ed left his position as county attorney to enter private practice. He joined the Keystone Group, which specialized in hotel and real estate management. Later he spent eight years as a sole practitioner.

Ed’s next move was joining a law firm based out of Kansas City, Mo., called SouthLaw, which represented many of the top lenders in the country. He managed its Omaha office, which was located at 114th and Dodge. Again, Ed commuted from home each day.

“I didn’t mind that at all,” he said. “When the pandemic hit, our work screeched to a halt, because there wasn’t a lot of foreclosures going on. A large percentage of the employees got let go, including me. I was disappointed with that, because I liked that job a lot.”

After turning down a couple of job offers, Ed and Deb took the plunge outside of law and purchased a Scooters Coffee franchise — not in Nebraska but Branson, Mo.

“We spend a lot of time going back and forth,” Ed said. “We’re getting ready to build a second one, and we’ll probably do another one. It’s very different, but it’s kind of fun.”

Deb keeps busy herself as a real estate appraiser. She created Brink Residential Appraisal Services in 1997 and has been appraising homes all over the eastern portion of Nebraska, including Buccaneer Bay.

“With the rise in interest rates,” Ed said, “the demand for mortgages has gone way down. Stuff still sells, but her business has slowed considerably, which, in a way I guess is OK. She has more time for the grandkids.”



**Ed and Deb have found time over the years to get away and explore new areas. Here they enjoy the beauty of Colorado in 2017.**

As busy as the Brinks have been over the years, they still somehow found a way to get in some quality vacation time.

“I think that we would probably both agree that our favorite trip was the Alaskan cruise,” Ed said. “That was really a lot of fun. We always wanted to do that. We got to see glaciers and whales and all kinds of stuff. It was very, very enjoyable.”

The couple also ventured to Venice, Italy, and also took a cruise around Greece and around the Mediterranean.

“I spent one day sick on the boat,” Ed said, “and the rest of the crew got to see one of the castles from the Game of Thrones.”

Ed tries to keep active by jogging when time permits. You might see him traversing Bay Road once in a while.

“I really like to eat,” he said. “So if I don’t run, I get real fat.”

Ed doesn’t enter a lot of road races, but he has completed a half marathon in Lincoln.

Ed and Deb have no plans to move from the home that has a backyard view of the golf course’s 10th green.

“I like the friendliness of the neighbors,” Ed said. “I like to watch the golfers and the wildlife. We actually have a fair amount of fun sitting out there having a cocktail and watching the golfers go by.”

Having lived in Buc Bay all these years, Ed said he’s witnessed the explosive growth of our subdivision.

“The biggest change, I would say, is the traffic,” he said. “When we were living on Fairway in the ’90s, you could go down Bay Road and not see another car.”

# Feb. 14 is also their anniversary



**Bob and Jody Bowman lived in the city of Plattsmouth when they married on Valentine's Day 1986. After living in Indiana and, later, Wahoo, Neb., they moved here in 2010.**

The question was proposed on Facebook: Any Buc Bay residents out there who were married on Valentine's Day? After all, what better date for two lovers to say "I do?"

Sure enough, at least one couple here took the plunge, and will celebrate their 37th anniversary on Feb. 14. Bob and Jody Bowman moved to Buccaneer Bay in 2010. Jody remembers how married life began.

"When we were first married," Jody said, "We lived in town, Plattsmouth, for about five years. But we moved to Indiana for a couple of years, then lived in Wahoo, Neb., for 17 years."

By coincidence, the flower girl at their wedding was Niki (Glup) Campin, who lives on Sterling Court with husband John.

## 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:

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## Buccaneer Bay Newsletter

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From the Editor, John Fey

# Valentine's Day: Made for lovers

We're coming up on perhaps the No. 1 holiday for lovers: Valentine's Day. For wife Shirley and me, we'll be celebrating it for the 53rd time — 50 as a married couple.

Ours is a true love story. (OK, that might be a bit of a stretch.) We were high school sweethearts at Papillion, but there was a time I thought it wouldn't happen. Let me explain.

Shirley moved to Papillion from Bellevue the summer before the start of my sophomore year in 1967. Papillion Jr.-Sr. High was much smaller back then (we had 144 in our graduating class in 1970).



I signed up for speech class, and on the first day, in walked this drop-dead gorgeous newcomer. I wasn't heavy into the dating scene at that point, but I was thinking, "Man, I've got to get to know this girl."

Well, if you ask Shirley today, she'll tell you she paid absolutely no attention to me that year. And I was too shy to pursue her.

(Years later when we were married, she was interviewed for a story about me. She was quoted as saying, "The only thing I remembered about John was this guy in my speech class who only talked about sports.")

Anyway, if there is such a thing as love at first sight that applied to me in my sophomore year. But as the year progressed, I figured if it was meant to happen it would happen.

I tried dating a few other girls, but none really "clicked" with me. In fact, I remember kissing just one girl on the lips — just before dropping her off at home after a dance.

Entering my junior year, I was more into athletics than girls, although I did



**I had dreams of being a Major League baseball player my senior year of high school, and Shirley was a wrestling cheerleader. I loved my last year of high school.**

have a "steady" (sort of) girlfriend at the beginning of the school year.

As my junior year was nearing the end that May, fate stepped in. About the same time my girlfriend ended our relationship (yes, she did, not me, although she denies it to this day), Shirley and her boyfriend split.

By then, she knew me more than just some guy "who only talked about sports." I decided to take a chance, figuring I had nothing to lose — except an embarrassing blow to my ego. I don't remember being in any of her classes that year, but we would run into each other in the hall between periods.

Somehow, we got to talking about our birthdays. When I found out hers is July 19, I asked her what she'd like for her 17th birthday. She said she'd get back to me.

I don't remember if it was that same day or the next, but she walked up to me and handed me a 3 x 5 index card. Even if I come down with Alzheimer's Disease, I'll never forget what was written on that card.

On the front was this: "Do you know what I want for my birthday?" It was followed by dots that covered the entire

front of the card. When I turned over the card, more dots until the very bottom right-hand corner. The final word: "You."

My first thought was, "Is she serious?" My heart skipped a beat thinking I actually had a chance with her.

Well, as they say, the rest is history. At the end of our senior year, we were voted as "Cutest Couple." They were half right as I never considered myself to be Joe Stud.

The summer of 1969 was the best. (Every time I hear Bryan Adams sing "Summer of '69," I think back of the fun we had together.)

We married on May 27, 1972, and now, suddenly it seems, we're watching our six grandchildren grow up. It's been an amazing ride.

So to all you other lovers out there, happy Valentine's Day!

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

# .HAPPY. Valentine's Day

## History of Valentine's Day

Ever wonder about the history of Valentine's Day? Thanks to Google, here's what we found:

Although the legend of Valentine's Day is still a question mark until now, the most well-known story comes from ancient Rome. There are three legends about the patron saint Valentine or Valentinus recognized by the Catholic Church.

In the beginning, there was a priest named Valentinus who lived in Rome in the third century. During this era, the emperor Claudius II (a pagan Catholic) introduced laws that forbade marriage. He argued that Christians must focus on paying tribute to Rome.

Despite this absurd prohibition, the priest still secretly held a wedding ceremony for a young couple. Unfortunately, he was discovered and executed.

Another story claims that this person was a bishop of Terni. He was martyred because of trying to free Christians from prison. The other version reveals that he left a letter to his lover (probably the jailer's daughter) signed "From your Valentine" before his death.

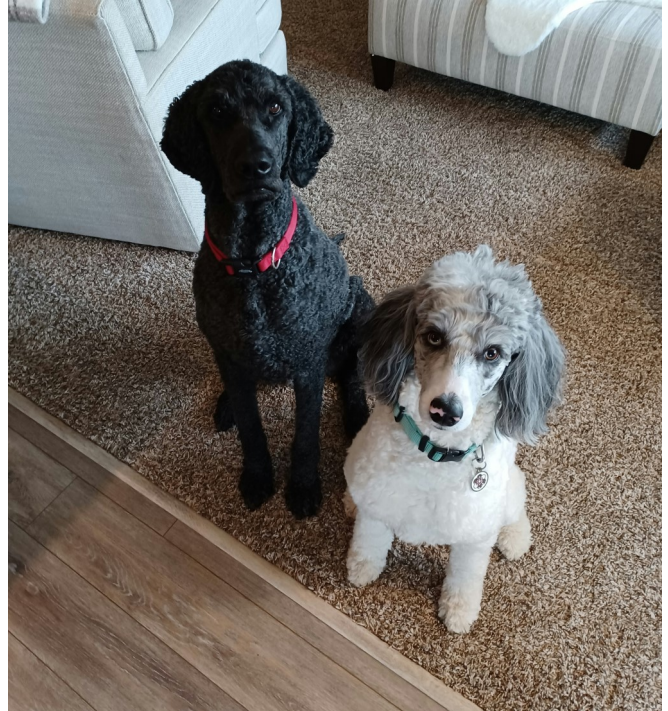
Valentinus became a popular saint in the Middle Ages regardless of the true story.

Some people believe that February 14th is celebrated to commemorate his death. Meanwhile, scientific evidence shows the similarities between the modern holiday and the festival of Lupercalia. The Catholic church attempted to eliminate paganism and unite it into a single occasion - Saint Valentine's Day. It honored fertility rites and lottery pairing.

It was not until the 1500s that the occasion became associated with romantic ideas. It is the word that describes the lover in poetry and song that originates from Chaucer.

In the late 1700s, the first commercial cards were issued. This anniversary of love is also gradually spreading its influence worldwide from here.

## This month's featured pets



**Bear, left, and Ellie enjoy strolling around the Lakeside Drive neighborhood.**

**Editor's note: This month's featured pets belong to Kim Gasparovich. Here's the story on her dogs:**

Bear is an 11-year-old golden retriever poodle mix who likes slow walks through the neighborhood taking in all the smells. He was a great help in raising Ellie and keeping her occupied while I was working.

Ellie just turned 2. She is a border collie poodle mix. She is my COVID pup. Due to the pandemic, I started working from home, which gave me the opportunity to get a puppy. She loves Frisbee, fetch and she recently started training for fly ball. She has a lot of energy, and she is obsessed with robins. Their chirp makes her a little crazy, and if she gets off her leash, she will chase them until she is too exhausted to move.

I decided on the poodle mix because they don't shed. I have allergies, so it does help not having dog hair all over the house. However, they have to be groomed regularly, and I spend more on their hair cuts than I do on my own.



## Bad pun of the month

**Q:** What's the difference between a well-dressed man on a bicycle and a well-dressed man on a unicycle?

**A:** Attire.

# Update on mailbox move, dog park

One of our readers last month asked a question about talk going around of a possible dog park being built near where the cluster mailboxes will be moved. We reached out to the SID Board's chairman, Kurt Meisinger, for an update on the mailbox move and the dog park proposal.

"We have not taken any addition steps towards the formal creation of a dog park with all the necessary amenities," Kurt said. "It is still part of the long-term plan, but we want to get the parking lot finished first. We also are looking for community involvement in looking at fundraising for the actual park amenities so the cost doesn't have to be solely carried by the taxpayers.

"The mailboxes will be moved once OPPD installs the two lights for the parking lot. The lot will receive street lights similar to those that are currently in use at the entrance. At our last meeting, we were informed that OPPD had assigned an engineer to the project, but we didn't have any estimates on completion. We feel it would not be safe to move the mailboxes without proper lighting."



## Buccaneer Bay 1st Friday Coffee Club!



**IS TAKING A WINTER BREAK**

# SPRING AERATION

CONTACT JOHN CAMPIN

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I have lived in Buccaneer Bay for 12 years. I have 25 years experience and aerate over 60 yards here in our neighborhood. In 2022, recently purchased a new aerator that goes above and beyond when it comes to aerating your yard. The aerator actually has a hydrostat that drives the tines into the ground to make plugs anywhere from 1 to 5 inches.

Let me know if you are interested. Price is very competitive.



# Bingo night returns to clubhouse

Round 2 of Adults Only Bingo Night drew another large crowd, filling all three rooms of the clubhouse. The next event is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 4. The action begins at 7 p.m., but you can come in as early as 5 to grab a bite. Hope to see you there!



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# BINGO

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Photos are from the Jan. 7 Adults Only Bingo Night.





# Wildlife harassment doesn't bother geese

As our Buc Bay residents well know, it's difficult to ruffle the feathers of a Canada goose. That's what researchers from the University of Illinois discovered when they tested the effectiveness of winter harassment techniques to drive Canada geese to leave sites in urban Chicago.

Wildlife harassment is a nonlethal management technique that encourages animals to move on from an area by increasing a location's sense of risk and danger. It's used to manage Canada geese in cities where the birds can clash with people for a number of reasons, from fouling green spaces with their droppings to colliding with aircraft.

The study's researchers harassed Canada geese by approaching the animals on foot and ATVs and then clacking lumber boards together. They expected that the harassment would be more effective at dispersing geese during the challenging winter season. But, surprisingly, the researchers found that harassment was ineffective at significantly changing the behavior of geese and had diminishing returns over time.



# Here are some February funnies



**Me:** "I'm still tired from all the crossfit this morning."

**My co-worker:** "It's pronounced 'croissant' and you ate 4 of them."





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# Buccaneer Bay Market Minute!

January 1, 2023 - January 30, 2023

Home Activity	Total # of Homes	Average Days on Market	Average Sale/Pending Price
Sold/Pending	3	3	Pending

Current Homes For Sale - January 2023

Address	List Price
*19619 Ewel Court	\$430,000
*19620 Ewel Court	\$438,000
*3704 Buccaneer Blvd.	\$480,000
*19515 Watersedge Circle	\$938,000



**Trivia Question:**

**What year did America celebrate the first Valentine's Day?**

**Be the first to Call, Text, or Email the answer**

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\* Denotes Properties listed by other Real Estate Agencies & For Sale By Owner.

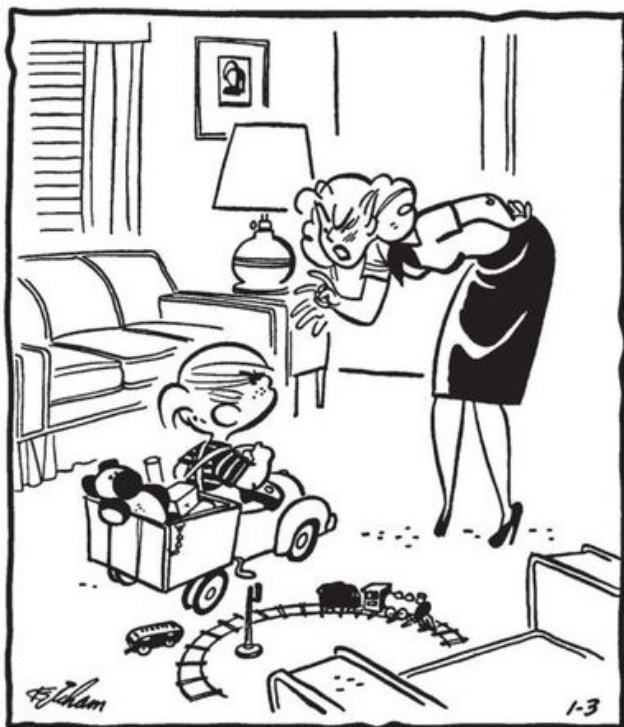
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## Callaway's new clubs ready



The calendar tells us it's still winter, but it's not too early to think about the coming golf season. Damon Wagner, Bay Hills director of golf, recently announced that the new Callaway Paradym clubs are now available. Says Damon: "With increased distance and a more forgiving face over last year's Rouge, it would be a great addition to your bag for the 2023 season." You can reach Damon at 402-298-8191.



"I DON'T CARE IF YOU ARE A TRUCK DRIVER — DONT EVER SAY THAT WORD AGAIN!"

## They were born this month

- » Michael Jordan (born 2/17/1963)
- » Abraham Lincoln (born 2/12/1809; died 3/15/1865)
- » Steve Jobs (born 2/24/1955; died 10/5/2011)
- » Jennifer Aniston (born 2/11/1969)
- » Harry Styles (born 2/1/1994)
- » Ed Sheeran (born 2/17/1991)
- » George Washington (born 2/2/1732; died 12/14/1799)
- » Shakira (born 2/2/1977)
- » Kurt Cobain (born 2/20/1967; died 4/5/1994)
- » Rihanna (born 2/20/1988)
- » Johnny Cash (born 2/26/1932; died 9/12/2003)
- » Bob Marley (born 2/6/1945; died 4/11/1981)
- » Steve Irwin (born 2/22/1962; died 9/4/2006)
- » Michael B. Jordan (born 2/9/1987)
- » Emily Blunt (born 2/23/1983)
- » Megan Thee Stallion (born 2/15/1995)
- » Thomas Edison (born 2/11/1847; died 10/18/1931)
- » Ronald Reagan (born 2/6/1911; died 6/5/2004)
- » Babe Ruth (born 2/6/1895; died 8/16/1948)
- » Rosa Parks (born 2/4/1913; died 10/24/2005)
- » George Harrison (born 2/25/1943; died 11/29/2001)
- » Charles Darwin (born 2/12/1809; died 4/19/1882)
- » James Dean (born 2/8/1931; died 9/30/1955)



"Clean underwear?.....Mom, if I were in an accident I'd probably poop my pants anyway."

In person  
or Online  
Lessons

# Uncle Bob Guitar



## Meet my family

### Rachel

**Homeschooling mother** of four children ages 15,13, 12, and 9yrs old. She is also a postpartum doula, new parent educator and parenting coach. She is the preschool children's ministry coordinator her church in Lincoln.

### Hannah

**Certified Surgical Technologist and First Assist**, Lives in Florida. Works with surgical teams in surgical operations. Assists surgeons in critical operations.

### Michaela

**Account Manager: Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota, North Dakota:** Primary care clinics, hospitals, health systems, FQHCs - community health care centers. Plays the most crucial role in facilitating laboratory care

### Celeste

**Hospice Chaplain with Heritage OnCare Home Health and Hospice:** Taught Middle School Social Studies and Language Arts for several years before transitioning into the world of Non-Profit management and faith-based organizations. She has a Master's in divinity with a concentration in Chaplaincy and Spiritual Counseling

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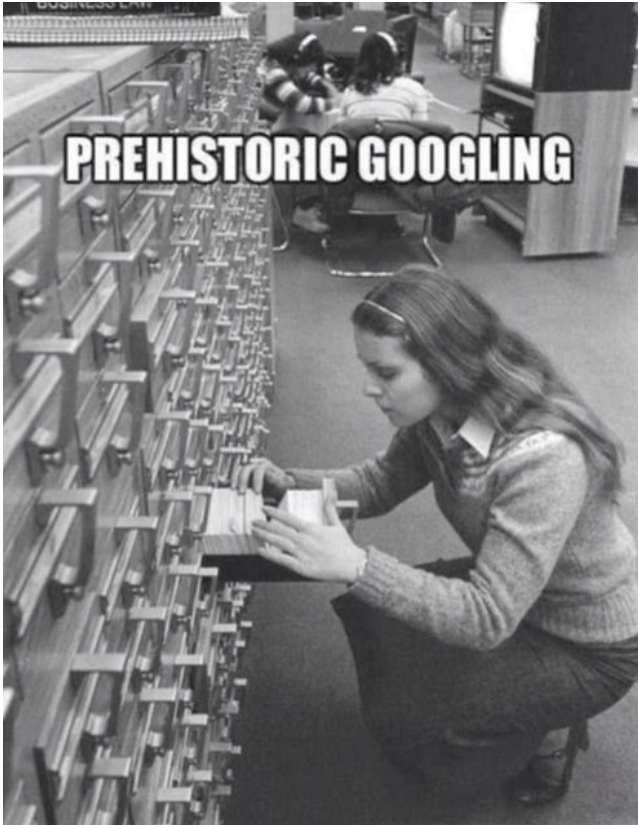


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## Robert Brutus

### About me

I retired from **Computer Software Development** in 2020 during the hype of the Covid-19 pandemic. My family and I have lived in Nebraska since 1978. We lived in Lincoln, Omaha, Washington State and now here in Plattsmouth Nebraska. I have been married to **Phyllis (Retired Nurse)** for over 40 years. We have four girls (Now grown-ups with kids of their own). We have eight grandchildren. Since I was 14 years old my primary passion always has been **Classical Guitar**. Though some of my music have found their ways on YouTube through church performance, I usually do not do a lot on social media. I always had a goal of passing my knowledge of the guitar when I retire. This is your chance. It is never too late to learn. **Regardless of your age, whether you're 10 or 70 years of age, Taking the time to learn an instrument can be very rewarding.** My method will give you the necessary foundation for you to transition to whatever genre your heart desire in the future. Whether it is for you, your spouse, child, or grandchild, **give me a call or send me an email** to arrange your first lesson. **First two lessons are free.**



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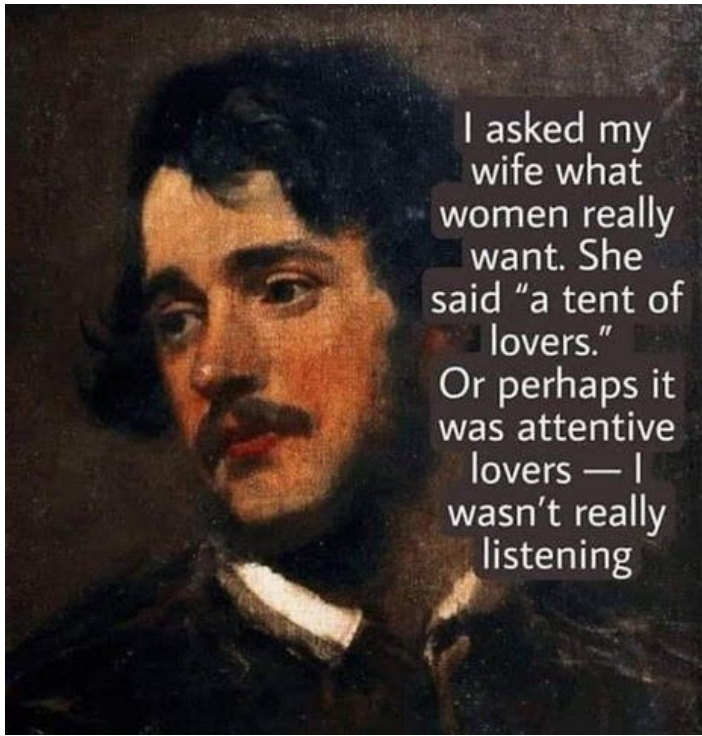
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Bob and his wife began dieting starting Jan. 1.

A week later, Bob's wife proposed that they should have a cheat day the next day.

She brought home McDonald's and KFC wings. Bob brought home his secretary.

From his hospital bed, Bob is wondered when men would ever begin to understand women.

# Recipe of the month

## Cream of Mushroom Chicken

yield: 4 SERVINGS

prep time: 5 MINUTES

cook time: 10 MINUTES

total time: 15 MINUTES

### Ingredients

- » 1 ¼ lbs. boneless, skinless thin-cut chicken breasts or tenders
- » 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- » ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- » 1 can (10oz) cream of mushroom soup
- » Salt and pepper, to taste
- » Noodles, rice or mashed potatoes for serving



### Instructions

1. In a large skillet heat the oil over medium heat. Season the chicken with garlic powder, salt and pepper.
  2. Brown the chicken on both sides until golden, about 2 minutes.
  3. Add the cream of mushroom soup and spread over the top.
- When soup begins to bubble, cover pan, lower heat to a simmer and cook for 5-10 minutes, or until cooked through.
- Serve over noodles, rice or mashed potatoes.

# 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

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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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### Cass County Historical Society

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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
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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	VACANT	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 Graff & Teresa Dilts	Townhomes on Sailboat Lake - 36 houses
20	Jill Bobenhouse-Tesar – 402-298-7171	Homes on Sailboat Lake, Blk 27, 32 houses
21	Renie Kula – 402-296-239	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	John Fey – 402-250-6574	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
Lead Coordinators	Jill Bobenhouse Tesar, John Fey	Fill in vacancies, schedule meetings as needed, liaison to Sheriff’s Office

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**This month's quiz:** Which of these sports has the shortest time of regulation play? A) College basketball. B) College/NHL hockey. C) NBA basketball. D) College/NFL football. **Answer bottom of Page 21 (no Google searches allowed).**

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# Contact information for SID No. 5 Board

<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
Christine Gibson	402-680-1593	christine@omaharealestateshop.com	
David Martin (Clerk)	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

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

**Text message alerts:** Would you like to receive alerts and notifications related to SID infrastructure such as a water main break, road closure or hydrant flushing via text message? Click this link to find out: [Alerts and Notifications via Text Message – Buccaneer Bay – SID #5 \(buccaneerbay-ne.org\)](https://buccaneerbay-ne.org/alerts-notifications-via-text-message)

**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/>

## Family seeks prayers for Nate Keith

Longtime residents Patty and Nate Keith are going through a rough patch right now. Nate recently was diagnosed with terminal brain cancer. The couple left last week for California, where he’ll undergo a clinical trial.

“I wanted to share his caring bridge site and go fund me page that was created to help him navigate while in California and to keep everyone updated on his condition,” Patty said. “Please keep us in your prayers, and let’s all hope he gets the real drug and not the placebo!”

Here are the links:

<https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/nathankeith2/journal>

<https://gofund.me/6e2999ea>

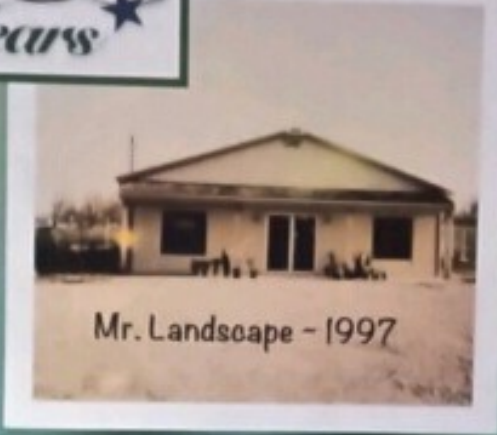


## Wildlife spotted here

Winter weather certainly hasn’t been an issue for creatures recently seen in the neighborhood. In the left photo, supplied by Kay Bailey, an owl gazes toward her camera. The left photo from Monty Dyer caught some deer strolling past his yard last month.



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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 Teresa Dilts and Kayla Graff. They 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.*

## Helpful Phone Numbers

### Board of Trustees S.I.D. #5

*Elections held in even numbered years.*

Kurt Meisinger — 402-297-4365  
 Jim Grotrain — 402-679-9158  
 Robert Karr — 402-672-7300  
 Christine Gibson — 402-680-1593  
 David Martin — 402-578-7147

### SID Auditor

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 Tom Shearer 402-896-1500

### SID Fiscal Agent

Ameritas Inv. Corp. 402-384-8433

### Water/Waste Water Maint.

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 402-932-8143  
 888-527-9853

Contact for water or sewer issues.  
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 5,001-10,000 gal - \$2.56  
 10,001-20,000 gal - \$2.70  
 Over 20,001 - \$2.84

### Architectural Control Committee

Neighborhood Watch/Block Captains

Kayla Graff and Teresa Dilts are the  
 new ACC leaders. The general number  
 for ACC submissions is 402-813-5295.  
 Teresa can be reached at 402-680-  
 1631.

### Plattsmouth Schools

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

First Students Bus Service 296-5624

### Bad Weather

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)

### Local News Papers

Plattsmouth Journal – 296-2141  
 Published Thursdays, delivered by  
 Mail to Buccaneer Bay, arrives on  
 Friday.

[www.cass-news.com](http://www.cass-news.com)

Cassgram – Free at Local Businesses  
 Contact Steve Warga via E-mail:  
[Cassgram@windstream.net](mailto:Cassgram@windstream.net)  
[www.cassgramonline.com](http://www.cassgramonline.com)

Omaha World Herald – 444-1000  
 Daily Delivery

### Buccaneer Bay Newsletter

John Fey – 402-250-6574  
[jmfey1952@gmail.com](mailto:jmfey1952@gmail.com)

### Other Numbers

Emergency 911  
 Cass County Sheriff – 402-296-9370

Neighborhood Watch Lead Coordinators  
 Jennifer Sommer, Jill Bobenhouse Tesar

Bay Hills Golf Course – 402-298-8191

COX – 402-933-3000  
 Windstream – 800-501-1754

Future Technologies (Internet)  
 – 402-933-2877  
 Spiral (Internet) – 712-800-1100

Black Hills Energy – 888-890-5554  
 Emergency – 800-694-8989

OPPD Electric – 800-554-6773  
 Outages – 800-554-6773

Trash Pickup:

Papillion Sanitation – 800-494-5441  
 Gretna Sanitation – 402-332-4710  
 Waste Management – 800-457-2599

Plattsmouth Post Office – 296-2152

Union Pacific RR – 800-848-8715  
 Burlington Northern – 800-832-5452  
 Public Service Comm. – 471-3101

### Architectural Control for Blk 27 Sailboat Lake

Sailboat Lake Board/Architectural Control

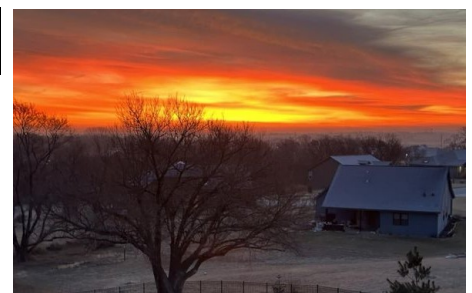
### Buccaneer Bay Web Site

[www.buccaneerbay-ne.org](http://www.buccaneerbay-ne.org)  
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Another beautiful Buc Bay sunrise. (Photo by Patti Hardbarger.)

**This month's quiz answer: A (College basketball, 40 minutes).**

## 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 &amp; 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