



# The Voice Spring Newsletter



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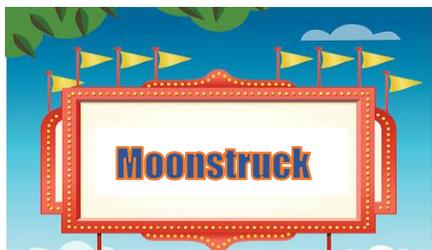
## Social and Caring

HAPPY SPRING BALLANTRAE!

It is a wondrous time with birds singing, bunnies scampering, and Mama and Papa Sandhill Crane teaching their two "chicks" to hunt for food. We are blessed with the beauty that surrounds us in our amazing community.

Thank you to all who participated in "It's a Spring Thing" by adorning neighborhood trees. The decorations were fun filled and for some it took a lot of work and forethought.

**Movie Night 8 pm Apr 29**



starring Cher and Nicholas Cage at the Ballantrae Place cul de sac

Last month's very first night at the movies featuring the comedy **Cocoon**, was a night under the moon and stars for those taking part, bringing back memories of drive in movies, including popcorn.



Special thanks to Jack Seaman for this fun idea!

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated at the Board Forum gathering with cupcakes, cookies and "cheer" enjoyed by all.

## Board Notes

Thirty-five residents took part in the second Saturday Board Forum March 13. Two recent projects completed by committees in support of the community were unveiled. One provided reviews of various *Medical Alert Device Systems* with an explanation of how they operate. The second was a compiled list of resident-recommended *Outside Vendors* (for exterior projects that come under the responsibility of owners). Questions to ask before you buy are included for each topic (air conditioning, hurricane shutters, etc.). These reports are posted on Ballantrae's website under the Events/Newsletter tab. Strong interest was expressed for creating a third list, which would cover resident recommended contractors for interior remodeling or maintenance purposes.

Each committee and board member provided an update on activities and plans. These meetings have become a valuable community update.

## In Memoriam

Our dear friend and neighbor Dennis Cadwell, 80, who resided at 7459 Carnoustie Drive, passed away Sunday from symptoms of ALS, which was recently diagnosed. He was an Air Force veteran of 22 years and proud husband, father and grandfather. His gentle temperament was a blessing to our community.

Ballantrae extends heartfelt sympathy to his wife Carol and family.



## Around the Grounds



We are grateful for the efforts of Julie and Chris McDevitt who have created a *planting restoration plan* for buildings on Gleneagles, which have received a new coat of paint. Many old bushes have been removed to ease access for painting and replacement plants are on order. Lane will begin installing new plants once painting is complete.

Earthworks hired Jeff, a new supervisor, who is trying some new approaches to our landscape maintenance. Our new schedule involves mowing to be done Tuesdays – so it will not conflict with trash pickup days. If you notice something not looking as good as it should, or are appreciative of improvements in grounds care, please let me know. I will be able to provide feedback to Jeff as to how his plans are working. You may text me at 614-579-4012 or email me at [dpdicke@gmail.com](mailto:dpdicke@gmail.com).

## Connections



As our lives show some promise of opening up this summer after vaccinations, some neighbors are seeking social connections:

Jene McMillan, recently arrived from Georgia, is seeking information on duplicate bridge opportunities in Sarasota. She will also play party bridge. Contact Jene at 706-313-1070.

Looking for Ballantrae residents interested in playing Mah Jongg – both experienced players or beginners. Call or text Fran Clymore at 941-266-1485.

April 20	Pat Trahanas
April 24	Andy Westra
April 27	Irene Press
April 28	David Dicke
May 1	Jim Boyd
May 5	Lin Dunn
May 18	June Grubbs
May 22	Stephen Trahanas
May 22	Kathleen Strobel
May 26	Louise Buckler
May 28	Jill Welch
May 30	Kathy Ogilvie
June 2	Cindy Meissner
June 13	Michel Glower
June 15	Frank Verona
June 24	Cheryl Chay
June 30	Janet Henderson
July 2	Gordon Shonka
July 7	Lane Bliss
July 10	Ingrid Rowland
July 12	Adam Trzos
July 14	Sonja Njolstad

If you would like to have your name appear on the birthday lists, please email your info to Michele Dicke at [mdjustpray@gmail.com](mailto:mdjustpray@gmail.com)



## WELCOME

Gordon and Nancy Shonka 7325 Ballantrae Place

Adrian and Andrea Mociran 3625 Gleneagles Drive with son Lavi.