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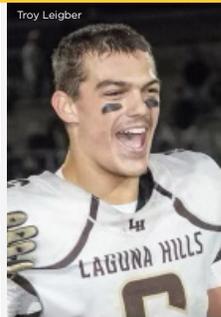
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## Mission Statement

To take all reasonable and necessary steps to preserve and improve the unique value of living in Nellie Gail Ranch and to enhance the overall sense of community.

## Board of Directors Meetings

The next Open Session Board Meeting and Open Homeowner Forum is scheduled for **August 15, 2023** and will be held at the Association Clubhouse.

### Executive Session starts at - 6:00 pm and Open Session - 7:30 pm

The agenda will be posted in the Association Office and on the NGR website on the Friday prior to the meeting, or you may contact the Association Office to obtain agenda information. All homeowners are welcomed and encouraged to attend the meetings.

## Architectural Review Committee

Architectural Review Committee meetings are generally held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm. Completed applications must be submitted to the Association Office at least 10 business days prior to the ARC meeting. Please check the calendar in each issue of the Pony Express for exact submittal deadlines and ARC meeting dates.

## Association Committees

The Nellie Gail Ranch Owners Association has several committees comprised of Homeowners that provide support to the Board of Directors on selected Community topics. For more information or to join any of our Committees, please contact the Association Office at (949) 425-1477.

- Architectural Review Committee
- Emergency Preparedness Committee
- Equestrian Committee
- Events Committee
- Landscape Committee
- Security Committee
- Trails and Safety Committee
- Committee to Evaluate Feasibility of Gating

# MANAGERS MESSAGE

## SUMMER FUN

*By Brian Mitchell*



Am I the only one that cannot believe that summer, at least as experienced by our school age children, is over? Starting school in mid-August instead of September is just too disorienting. Maybe it was all those misty June mornings and the lack of sunny days

until the 4th of July holiday that makes my summer feel only a few weeks old. Fortunately, despite the start of school, we still have months of fun and great weather left! We can look forward to much more fun and look back on some great summer concerts with The Reflexx and Catch A Wave. We also started Friday Night Live at The Watering Hole and have had four diverse duo and solo performers each playing fun music to enthusiastic audiences of homeowners and club members.

By far though my favorite concert this year was Nellie Gail's Got Talent this July 21st. The Events Committee began planning this event in 2022 and no one was sure how it would turn out. We knew we had talent in the community and the Committee wanted to provide a showcase. So they took a leap of faith and put it on the concert schedule. And we started receiving links to some great music. This was another example to me of how little I truly know about someone just because they are on a Committee, or they play pickleball or tennis, or I see them applying to undertake home improvement projects. My whole life I have loved music and it was a special evening for me to see our Nellie Gail Ranch homeowners and club members who not only love music, but can also play it with passion and joy. And what a special evening for their family and friends to see them on a professional stage with sound system. I was blown away by the evening and I left on a high for the performers after this special evening!

And there is more to come! We have our own Woodstock festival scheduled at Gallup Park

Saturday August 19th at 4 p.m. We have a Luau scheduled for September 9, 2023. Seating is limited so order your tickets soon. Friday Night Live at The Watering Hole continues August 11th and 25th so come on down for some great entertainment. Equine & Wine is scheduled for September 30th, more information to come soon. After these great events I think I will be OK with summer ending September 21st as nature intended it!



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## FIRE SAFETY TIPS FOR SUMMER SEASON 2023: PREVENTING WILDFIRES AND STAYING SAFE

As we enjoy summer season of 2023, it's essential to be vigilant about fire safety. With rising temperatures and dry conditions, the risk of wildfires becomes a serious concern. Every year, wildfires wreak havoc on natural habitats, homes, and communities, causing significant damage and posing a threat to lives. However, by taking proactive measures and following essential fire safety guidelines, we can help prevent wildfires and ensure a safe summer for everyone. Here are some crucial tips to keep in mind:

### 1. Observe Fire Regulations and Bans:

Pay close attention to fire regulations and any bans or restrictions imposed by local authorities. These regulations are put in place to protect communities from the risk of wildfires. Follow them diligently, and avoid activities that might spark fires during periods of high fire danger.

### 2. Campfire Safety:

If you plan to go camping this summer, make sure to practice campfire safety. Use designated fire pits and ring structures, and never leave a campfire unattended. Completely extinguish the fire before leaving the area, making sure it is cool to the touch.

### 3. Barbecue and Grill Safety:

When using barbecues or grills, position them away from flammable materials, structures, and overhanging branches. Keep a fire extinguisher or water source nearby, and never leave the grill unattended while in use.

### 4. Equipment and Machinery:

If you operate equipment or machinery that generates heat, such as lawnmowers, trimmers, or chainsaws, avoid using them during extremely dry and windy conditions. The heat from these tools can ignite dry vegetation, leading to a wildfire.

### 5. Discard Cigarettes Properly:

Smoking in outdoor areas should be done with extreme caution. Always use designated smoking areas and never throw cigarette butts out of car windows or onto the ground. Make sure cigarettes are completely extinguished before disposing of them in appropriate receptacles.

### 6. Create Defensible Space:

Maintain a defensible space around your property by clearing away dry vegetation, leaves, and debris. Trim shrubs and trees to create a buffer zone between your home and potential sources of fire.

### 7. Be Prepared for Emergencies:

Have an emergency evacuation plan in place for your family or community. Identify escape routes and meeting points, and ensure everyone knows what to do in case of a wildfire.

### 8. Report Fires Immediately:

If you spot a wildfire or smoke in your area, report it to the authorities immediately. Early detection can make a significant difference in containing and extinguishing wildfires before they escalate.

### 9. Spread Awareness:

Educate your family, friends, and neighbors about fire safety. Encourage them to take precautions and follow fire safety guidelines, ensuring a collective effort to protect our communities and natural environment.

By adopting these fire safety measures and spreading awareness, we can reduce the risk of wildfires and ensure a safe summer season for everyone in 2023. Let us all do our part to protect our homes, communities, and the beautiful landscapes that surround us. Stay vigilant, be cautious, and prioritize fire safety at all times.

# SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2023

## RHYTHM KREWE

**RHYTHM KREWE** took the stage on July 7 for our third concert of the summer series. This nine-piece horn band from Los Angeles (formerly known as Floyd & the Flyboys) delivered an extensive repertoire that included a choice mix of classic covers, rare gems, and award-winning original songs spanning genres that include blues, jump swing, funk, R&B, blues, New Orleans second line, and roots rock. Many Nellie Gail Ranch residents showed off their swing dance moves while others kicked back and absorbed the sounds of the instruments. Appetites were satisfied by **The Family Pizza Truck, Rolling Sushi Van, Kona Ice Truck,** and our own Nellie Gail Ranch restaurant, **The Watering Hole.**





# MINUTES & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEWS

## **JUNE 20, 2023 MINUTES AND JULY ARCHITECTURAL REVIEWS AVAILABLE ON-LINE**

As part of our ongoing efforts to enhance convenience and save space, the Minutes and Architectural Review results will be accessible online for your convenience. You can easily view them by scanning the QR codes provided below:

### **The Minutes QR Code**



### **Architectural Review QR Code**



By utilizing these QR codes, you can conveniently access the information and view both reports online. We believe that this digital approach will streamline the process and help save space within the Pony Express while also contributing to the preservation of our environment.

Thank you for embracing this digital initiative, and we hope that it contributes to a more efficient and eco-friendly way of accessing important information. Should you have any questions or encounter any issues while using the QR codes, please feel free to reach out to us.

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2 eggs (any style), bacon, and choice of toast
- Bagel & Cream Cheese** 4.95  
choice of sliced bagel, side of cream cheese

- Breakfast Burrito** 9.95  
Eggs, onions, bell peppers, shredded cheese, and choice of meat served with house salsa
- Avocado Toast** 9.95  
2 slices of your choice of bread, toasted and topped with fresh avocado

Enjoy one of our smoothies or espresso-based coffee drinks!

## LUNCH HOURS: 12PM-2PM

- Cheese Quesadilla** 10.95  
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- Hummus Plate** 12.95  
Loaded with hummus and raw vegetables
- Coconut Shrimp** 12.95  
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- Grilled Cheese** 8.95  
Grilled with tomato on choice of bread
- Tuna Melt** 11.95  
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- Bacon-Wrapped Dog** 10.95  
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Prices and menu items are subject to change without notice.

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		<i>with grilled chicken</i>	

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<i>with pancetta, diced tomatoes, garlic, shallots, parmesan (Vegetarian option available with basil, artichokes, mushrooms, caper, asparagus, and mozzarella)</i>		GRILLED 8oz PETIT FILET	28.95
		<i>with mashed potatoes and vegetables</i>	

Prices are subject to change without notice.

## SUMMER FUN AT THE RANCH

*By Felipe Delgado, Founder & Managing Partner - Evolution Swim Academy*

The summer has flown by and soon, our kids will be going back to school. Wow, that was fast. I personally wish that summer break would be pushed back a little so that our kids get out of school later in the summer and go back after the Labor Day holiday. To me it makes sense because we would avoid "June gloom" all together and we would start the school year after the holiday. Since someone smarter than me makes the rules, I am sure there is a good reason as to why we can't do this, right?

Although the break has flown by, at Evolution Swim Academy, we were busy making sure that our neighborhood kids had plenty to do. Let's start with the Summer Sports Camp. We had so many of our children participate in this camp over the summer and many did so for the duration of the break. Many of the kids participate in this camp to hang out with friends and for families, it is one of the few camps that starts before 9:00 am and ends after 4:00 pm.

We offered swim lessons in 2-week blocks so that families could plan swim lessons around vacation time. These too were a hit and most of our time slots were reserved by Nellie Gail Ranch families. There is no reason to look elsewhere when the best swim lessons are taught right here in our backyard. In the future, we plan to open a preregistration window for

Nellie Gail Ranch residents so that our homeowners get the first opportunity to reserve a swim lesson spot on our schedule.

Summer wouldn't be summer without the Summer Swim Team. Our community swim team hosted approximately 80 swimmers and for the first time, we offered our own summer swim series which was a hit amongst our families. There were 3 summer swim meets, each lasting approximately 2 hours. The objective of the summer swim team is to get kids to learn the four major swim strokes, and then we sprinkle in some fun by offering optional swim meets. If the kids enjoy the experience, we then offer them a second seasonal program, the Fall Swim Team, or a year-round option. You can read more about these two options in our ad in this edition of the Pony Express.

Although the summer is not over yet it is almost over and it's never too late to thank every homeowner who allowed their children to be a part of our programming. It is because of you that we can continue to do what we do. We will continue to innovate and offer our community more programming so that our kids can continue to be active, safer, and can do so in their community. Enjoy the rest of the summer break!

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### ✓ YEAR-ROUND SWIM TEAM

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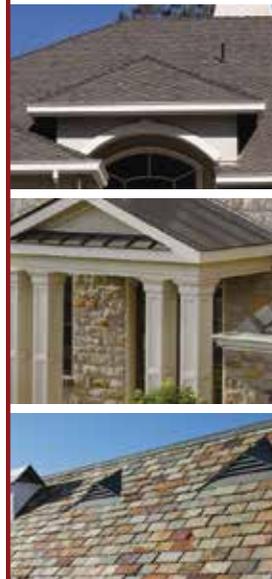
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# MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP FEES

## Tennis - Swim - Pickleball

(Fees effective April 1, 2023)

Nellie Gail Ranch's facilities include 10 lighted tennis courts, 8 lighted pickleball courts (open play only), junior Olympic heated lap pool, zero-depth wading pool with water feature, large in-ground spa, and use of the clubhouse amenities, patio seating, and shower facilities. The club offers (for additional fees) private lessons by certified tennis and pickleball professionals and swim instructors, ball machine rental, racket repairs, restringing services, and camps/clinics.

Members enjoy special member-only events and tournaments as well as daily access to the association clubhouse and The Watering Hole bar and restaurant with free Wi-Fi service.

For more information about the facilities, go to our website at [nelliegailranch.org](http://nelliegailranch.org).

CLUB HOURS:	MON-FRI	SAT-SUN
Tennis Courts	6am - 10pm	6am - 7:30pm
Swimming Pool	6am - 10pm	6am - 7:30pm
Pickleball Courts	9am - 8pm	9am - 7:30pm

Nellie Gail Ranch Membership	HOMEOWNER Monthly Fees	NON-OWNER Monthly Fees
Family Tennis	\$127	\$158
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# EQUESTRIAN CENTER NEWS

## WORK AROUND THE RANCH

Ramon and our team of skilled workers took on the task of renovating and reconstructing the round pen in the Hayden Clarke barn. With their expertise and dedication, the round pen has been transformed into a newly revitalized space.



During the scorching summer months, we had the upper pipes fitted with a sunshade to shield our horses from the intense afternoon sun. This thoughtful addition provides much-needed relief and ensures the comfort of our equine companions.



## EQUESTRIAN CENTER UPDATE

On 6/22/23, one of the horses at our stable exhibited neurologic symptoms suggestive of a virus. As a precautionary measure, we promptly placed the horse under quarantine. The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) was notified, and they dispatched a team to the NGR Eq. Center to investigate the situation. While awaiting the lab results, we diligently adhered to the biosecurity measures recommended by the CDFA and our veterinarian (E.M.A.).

After conducting thorough tests at both the CDFA and UC Davis laboratories, the results came back negative for well-known viruses like EHV 1-4, EPM, and VSV. Surprisingly, the specific virus causing the symptoms remained unidentified and was labeled as "virus unknown." Throughout this challenging period, our dedicated staff worked diligently to follow all guidelines provided by the CDFA and our veterinarian to ensure the safety and well-being of all the horses in our care.

# WELCOME PF CATCH TO NELLIE GAIL RANCH

Nellie Gail Ranch & Hayden Clarke are excited to announce the arrival of PF Catch from Ryan Pedigo Sport Horses Inc. to the Hayden Clarke program. "Catch" is his barn name and he is a 10-year-old Holsteiner Stallion, and he will be part of the Hayden Clarke Show team and one of Lane Clarke's Grand Prix horses.



*Meet PF Catch (pictured above, he's so dreamy!)*

As majestic as "Catch" is we need to be mindful that he is a stallion and stallions require special attention for safety reasons. Please read these helpful tips below on how to co-exist with a stallion.



*(This is the area blocked off in front of "Catch" stall for safety)*

- Keep your distance, do not take your mare or a mare that you are caring for around "Catch" in the A Barn. His area is blocked off for your safety & his.

- When "Catch" is being ridden in the Upper Arena do not walk your mare or a mare you are caring for around the upper arena please.

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# TENNIS CENTER NEWS

## SUMMER CAMP

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Additionally, we want to remind everyone that we offer Adult live ball sessions and clinics every day, throughout the entire year! Whether you're a seasoned player or just starting out, there's something for everyone. For more information, please feel free to reach out to our reception. We look forward to seeing you on the courts!







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"Wow! What a great night! Loved the music and the pulled pork sliders were quite the rage. Debbie loved the Beach Boy set so much it moved her to jump to her feet and bust a move! Diane and I agree, one of the best things you have ever done at the Watering Hole! Can't wait until the next one!"



"WOW! Wasn't that great music! Just loved it! The Events Committee really knows their talent. I thought the music night was great. Now I don't know which one I liked better. Both were amazing! Can't wait for the next one! Woohoo! Great Job! So many happy and smiling faces! Well done

"We had such a fabulous time last night. Not only because the talent was so great but the food was different and extra good. We felt so welcomed by everyone."



Thank you Melody Smith & Associates for sponsoring the event!

"Last night was great! What talent!! Incredible!! Good job!! All of Nellie Gail should have been there!"



# QUIZ!



# TEAM DARKHORSE

## LAGUNA HILLS CELEBRATES THE BIRTH OF OUR NATION WITH THOSE WHO SERVE TO DEFEND IT

*By Karen Robbins*

Laguna Hills Community Center was filled with patriotic good cheer on July 4 as citizens of all ages (and no doubt a range of opinions!) gathered with common purpose and good cheer to celebrate our nation's Independence Day. Local Scout troops and Soccer team set up booths, Food Truck vendors offered their wares, carnival rides and games entertained the crowd, and in the first of the city's summer Concert Series Family Style Band's live Music kept the energy pumping until the Fireworks began.

### **Anchoring the entire event once more were UNITED STATES MARINES!**

As has been the tradition since the city's adoption of 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines (Darkhorse), a group of enlisted Marines volunteered their time to come up, set up the static display of the Humvees and equipment, and greet and mingle with the community. These young Marines chose to spend their holiday with our town, and for that we are always grateful. Team Darkhorse provides them with "Pony Bucks" which are coupons we create

that the vendors accept to buy dinner at the vendor trucks, and for which Team Darkhorse later reimburses the vendors. The Static Display and the Marines are always a popular spot for kids and their parents. We are always grateful!





## FAIR WINDS AND FOLLOWING SEAS

*By Karen Robbins*

One aspect of Team Darkhorse's mission is supporting and encouraging the families and wives who, it is often said, "also serve" our country. During peacetime, of course, the worry during combat deployments is dispelled, however there are scheduled UDP (Unit Deployment Programs) for all infantry Marines which are typically 6 months in duration.

In June, 3/5 was deployed on the UDP to Okinawa, Japan. Before they departure, Lt Col Greco explained the twofold purpose of UDPs:

1. Since WW2 and the establishment of bases in Japan, the US has maintained a presence there to "deter and respond." Deploying infantry units, on a rotating basis, maintains their readiness to operate from that place and distance.

2. The deployment and exercises, intended as practice in the event actual conflict broke out, are conducted with our South Pacific allies the Philippines, Korea, Mt Fuji and Guam.

What Team Darkhorse does, with the help of our community, while the Marines are gone is help with "Halfway Home" events for the wives, which are simple affairs that provide a feeling of home through refreshments, fun games, prizes and camaraderie. Our baby baskets may be given out at Baby Showers held on base. When the Marines first leave, and they when they return, we are present at the Parade deck with snacks and baked goods for the families as they wait either for the buses to bring their Marines back home, or the buses to pick them all up from the parade deck where they assemble the day of departure. These seemingly simple gestures have created tremendous bonds between the young people who serve our country and the community in which we all live.

The photos taken here over the course of the 3 days

of rolling departures give a snapshot of what we do and see on those days of saying goodbye!



# SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2023



## LOCAL TALENT TAKES CENTER STAGE AT NELLIE GAIL RANCH!

It's always amazing to see the incredible talent that exists within a community! The fourth summer concert at Gallup Park showcased some of the best musical acts from Nellie Gail Ranch, providing a wonderful evening of entertainment for all in a beautiful outdoor setting. With seven acts performing a variety of genres, there was something for everyone to enjoy at our first ever "Nellie Gail's Got Talent" concert. The event also featured delicious food from The Empanada Maker and The Cake Plug food trucks. Special thanks to our generous Contributing Sponsor, **TATE|LAMOTT GROUP**, for providing a fun selfie photo booth, bubbles, and glow sticks! We look forward to more opportunities to celebrate our local talent and bring our community together through the arts.

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# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: PROTECTING YOUR IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

*By Dr. Kenneth S. Cheng*

**"THIS IS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. A FIRE IS QUICKLY APPROACHING. THIS IS A MANDATORY EVACUATION ORDER-YOU MUST LEAVE THIS AREA IMMEDIATELY!"** This is what many Orange County residents heard in the late afternoon of May 11, 2022.

As this article is being written, the fires that destroyed the 20+ homes on the ridge in Laguna Niguel continue to smolder. Over 900 residents were ordered to evacuate, and most were given less than an hour to do so. How would you respond if you heard these orders right now? Protecting your family and pets certainly comes first, but what would you gather next?

This month, we will explore the importance of protecting critical documents. After a disaster has occurred, having the appropriate documents, health records and contact information will be crucial to our recovery process. Preparing these now will help us avoid the additional stress the days after a disaster. Additionally, think of all the priceless and difficult-to-replace personal items that you want to protect from a disaster or that you would want to take with you during an evacuation.

The first step in protecting your documents is to establish an inventory of the documents that are important and necessary to have after a disaster. These can be separated in the following five

categories: Identification, Financial/Legal, Medical, Contacts and Photos.

**Identification.** These documents are important because they serve to prove who you are in many aspects. This will include:

- \_\_birth certificates,
- \_\_death certificates,
- \_\_marriage certificates,
- \_\_passports,
- \_\_divorce documents,
- \_\_child custody papers,
- \_\_military service records,
- \_\_social security card,
- \_\_immigration papers,
- \_\_diplomas

**Financial/Legal.** Financial/Legal documents will be important to help rebuild and maintain your assets and to prove/maintain the proper legal structures that you may have established. This will include:

- \_\_Trusts and Wills, Power of Attorney
- \_\_Incorporation documents
- \_\_Grant Deed to real property
- \_\_Lease or Rental Agreements
- \_\_Mortgage
- \_\_Loan/Home Equity documents
- \_\_Vehicle Registrations and Ownership "Pink Slip" documents
- \_\_Insurance policies (home, auto, personal, fire/flood insurance)
- \_\_Home Inventory List (appraisals, photos, etc.)
- \_\_Financial Institution Statements (current)
- \_\_Retirement and Investment Account statements
- \_\_Credit Card Statements (current)
- \_\_Pay stubs
- \_\_Government benefits statements
- \_\_Alimony statements
- \_\_Child Support documents
- \_\_Federal and State Tax Statements and Returns
- \_\_Other financial obligations



**Medical.** Your medical documents will be very important to help you maintain your health during a recovery. This author treated hundreds of patients in a basketball arena in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Most evacuees did not know the all the names and doses of their current medications. It was the rare evacuee who knew their entire health history including all medications and dosages, treating physicians, hospitalizations, and health insurance information. Having these available will aid in emergency caregivers or aid organizations in maintaining your health.

- \_\_Health/Dental Insurance card and policy
- \_\_Medicare/Medicaid/VA Benefits
- \_\_List of current medications, immunizations, allergies
- \_\_List of current pharmacy and prescription Rx numbers
- \_\_List of current physicians, specialty and phone numbers
- \_\_List of current dentist and phone numbers
- \_\_List of veterinarians(s) and phone numbers
- \_\_Disability documentation
- \_\_Caregiver/Agency contact information

**Contacts.** Your list of important phone numbers will help in contacting friends, relatives, businesses or other providers of services.

- \_\_Copy of your paper address book
- \_\_Copy of your smart phone contact list
- \_\_Employers
- \_\_Schools
- \_\_Service Providers
- \_\_Utilities
- \_\_Home Repair (contractor, plumbers, electricians, handyman, roofer, etc.)

**Photos/Mementos/Keepsakes.** Photo albums or boxed, loose photos should be stored in a central location where they can be quickly grabbed in the event of evacuation orders. Consider having heirloom pictures professionally scanned for electronic storage.

After you have taken inventory of what should be stored, we next need to determine how to best store these documents and where to store them. There are many options on how and where to store important documents. In a disaster setting when we don't know what might survive and what might be destroyed, the more options the better as immediate access to banks, safe deposit boxes, or the cloud may not be available.

**Paper vs. Electronic.** Paper copies of your important documents are often the best, and in some cases, the only "officially recognized" documents (such as certified marriage, birth, death certificates.) If undamaged and stored properly, these documents can be easily accessed and presented, when needed. It is advisable to make at least two paper copies of all your documents for storage (see below.) Electronic copies of important documents (scanned and stored on the computer), although not "official" copies, may still be important as a way to access information that may otherwise not be available. Documents can be scanned easily at home with inexpensive home scanners. Additionally, many home printers have scanning capabilities. Once all the documents have been assembled, scanning can be done in less than 30 minutes.

**Home vs. Off-Site.** Experts recommend that important documents, both paper and electronic, be stored off site and at home. Off-site storage is important as it minimizes the risk of damaged and lost documents, but also may cause a delay in obtaining these documents. For paper documents, it is advisable to have one copy stored at your attorney's office or with a trusted friend or relative, and the other in a safe deposit box. When storing paper copies at home, a fireproof and waterproof safe and/or a secure lock box in your earthquake kit are two excellent places for storage. To protect against moisture damage, it is recommended that these documents be stored in Zip-Lock style bags, especially if storing it with your earthquake kit. For electronic documents, there are many off-site

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options for storing these documents. Dropbox and Google Drive are no-cost ways to store documents securely. When looking for off-site storage options, be sure that you look only at sites that will store your information in an encrypted manner with a strong privacy policy (and be sure to use a strong password for access.) During a disaster, your information will likely be stored on servers in other parts of the country and access is easily obtained online. At home electronic storage can be accomplished by keeping copies on your computer, or better yet, on a removable flash drive or "burned" onto a CD. It should be noted that CD and Flash Drive Storage may still "decay" over time and should not be solely relied upon as a means for storage. It would be unfortunate to experience unreadable media on our computer.

The key to protecting important documents is redundancy. Having duplicate forms of storage (paper and electronic) and duplicate locations of storage (at home and offsite) are your best ways of

ensuring that the documents you need will be there during and after a disaster.

The Nellie Gail Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) encourages you to take steps to prepare you and your family for the next disaster. In addition to making these monthly articles available to you, the EPC also provides quarterly in-person meetings to learn the steps in preparedness. Look for the announcements in the "This Week in Nellie Gail Ranch" emails from the HOA.

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TWO FOR THE SHOW was formed by seasoned musicians Mark Galluzzo and Dale Erkel (both long-time NGR residents) in 2018 with the goal of providing a unique musical experience that features a wide variety of timeless pop and rock classics appealing to audiences of all ages. Their recent performance at the NGR Club House/Emergency Preparedness Center Grand Opening was enjoyed by all who attended. If you're planning a private party or event TWO FOR THE SHOW will entertain with a customized playlist – from soft rock to popular dance songs. Check out our YouTube channel at "Two For The Show Orange County" to see promo samples along with a variety of full recordings of songs we cover. For more info, contact us at 949.643.0949 (no texts) or [twofortheshowsocal@gmail.com](mailto:twofortheshowsocal@gmail.com).

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### PIANO INSTRUCTION IN YOUR HOME

Learn the music you love. Popular, Classical, Jazz and Blues, Musicals such as Le Miserable, the Phantom Of The Opera, and Movie Themes. Children and Adults welcome. I teach many retirees who didn't have the time to learn when they were busy with careers and family. I have two college degrees. One is in music and the other is in child psychology. I also took five years of piano pedagogy from a private instructor after graduating from college. I've been teaching 25 years. My website is [www.thekeyboardlady.com](http://www.thekeyboardlady.com) My email is [marshyvonne13@gmail.com](mailto:marshyvonne13@gmail.com) Phone # is 949 637 8208.

### CARING FUR ANGELS

Professional pet/house sitting, dog walking, pet taxi and

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### PIANO IS FOR PRESCHOOLERS, TOO!

Children from two years on gain concentration, increased memory, brain power, and great listening skills learning to play piano beautifully. Instrumental lessons create diligence, perseverance, daily work ethic and self-confidence for success in school and life. Visit [www.PianosForPreschoolersToo.com](http://www.PianosForPreschoolersToo.com). Call or text 949/246-6492, or email [maxine.casper@cox.net](mailto:maxine.casper@cox.net).

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### BABYSITTING

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### DO YOU HAVE FRUIT TREES?

I will visit, examine and advise in an effort to increase your Fruit Trees health and fruit production . . . Successful Fruiting is dependant on Correct Balance in each of the following: Adequate water - but not excessive, wisely improving soil fertility, wise trimming and at least two times a year - Fertilizing with the Eight Nutrients which fruit trees need ! We essentially live in a Desert - so many areas of soil have excessive Salt - Alkalinity . When we apply incorrect fertilizer we worsen this salt problem. Do not apply poor choice fertilizers - common in retail stores ! Realize that your future fruit production - will only come from blossoms on new twiggy growth - so correct trimming and fertilization are the primary ways to increase future fruit on your trees! To call for a consultation - leave a voice message at 949 888 7737

### **BEAUTY COUNTER CONSULTANT**

Contact Michelle Hudgins at 949-874-4466 for Beauty counter consulting. Visit <https://www.beautycounter.com/michellehudgins> to see Clean and Vegan products that make you look and feel great.

### **HAPPY HOUR MIXER FOR ILLUMINATION FOUNDATION**

Thursday, August 4th, 5:30-7:30 We invite you to learn about Illumination Foundation and the different opportunities to get involved with this organization. Dear neighbors, please join me for a glass of wine and appetizers to learn about how a local non-profit, Illumination Foundation, is integrating housing and healthcare solutions in Southern California. Our hope is to bring together like-minded community members that are interested in supporting this mission to disrupt the cycle of homelessness. Stop by to learn more, get involved, or just enjoy a glass of wine with neighbors! Please RSVP to Anna at [amurphyduehring@ifhomeless.org](mailto:amurphyduehring@ifhomeless.org).

### **JOIN THE GLEAM TEAM,**

A dynamic group of passionate and amazing individuals dedicated to supporting Illumination Foundation. The Gleam Team works with Illumination Foundation by volunteering and assisting with year-round events that make an immediate impact upon those we serve. We meet once a month in the evening between now and March. If you are interested in joining us please email Anna Murphy-Duehring (a Nellie Gail resident) at [amurphyduehring@ifhomeless.org](mailto:amurphyduehring@ifhomeless.org). We welcome all! For more information on Illumination Foundation please visit the website: [ifhomeless.org](http://ifhomeless.org).

### **WRITER NEEDED**

Part-time • Pay: 15/hr - Job Description: Looking for a writer to transpose, co-author science fiction graphic novel intended for sixth grade and older audience. Looking to write 100-150 pages. Responsibilities: • Attend weekly zoom meeting to discuss progress • Write 2 to 3 pages or more each week • Email progress to author each week and take any notes from author • Keep track of hours worked Job Qualification: • High school Diploma or equivalent • Proficient in English • How to apply: Email [bettsm15@gmail.com](mailto:bettsm15@gmail.com) your name, contact information and when you are available to be contacted Provide a resume. Provide samples of writing (2-3 pages)

### **SAGE AND TIME WISE PERSONAL CONCIERGE**

Do you often wish you had your own Personal Assistant to help with everyday, routine tasks which have become a burden? Need an extra hand for Home/Life organizing & decluttering, shopping/errands, online research/help, pet sitting, or just companionship? Sage and Time Wise Personal Concierge offers these and many more services, providing reliable, compassionate, & quality personalized help to ease your stress and free up your time! Contact me for a complimentary consultation: Donna @ 949-533-9420/ [Donna@SageandTimeWise.com](mailto:Donna@SageandTimeWise.com).

### **FRESH HONEY FOR SALE**

Twelve oz jars of local honey at \$ 14.00 a jar. Contact Alberta at Hey Honey 949-646-2606. Also does backyard hives rescues and host hives, or can transport them to other pollen rich parts of OC.

### **LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST**

If you have a child, teenager, or emerging adult who is struggling with hurt, grief, anxiety, or any other burden that appears heavy on their heart, I am here to help. It is my desire to create a space for clients to feel safe and heard within the counseling room. I believe that deep healing and

change occur through a genuine and honest relationship with a caring counselor. You are warmly welcomed here. Grant is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist who specializes in working with teens and young adults. He's lived in Nellie Gail for the last six years and also serves as the Young Life Area Director for South Orange County. He'd love the opportunity to work with you and your family. Please call (714) 276-8957 for a free 15-minute consultation or visit [www.grant-waggoner.clientsecure.me](http://www.grant-waggoner.clientsecure.me) to schedule an appointment. Office is located in Dana Point. License: California / 125452

### **HEALTH**

#### **Qigong Energy Sessions**

Energy medicine is a method of healing, self-transformation and energy optimization. I offer qigong energy sessions at my local residence in Nellie Gail. I have over 7 years of experience with many happy clients. For more information, please visit [c2energymedicine.com](http://c2energymedicine.com). Rates, how to schedule a session and what to expect is explained on my website.

### **DOG TRAINING**

Whether you have a puppy, rescue, or senior dog - we can help. Using the confidence method we build up your dog and your relationship. Free online consultations available. [Nopawlikehome.com](http://Nopawlikehome.com) (949) 297-6848

### **DOGGIE DAY CARE**

Retired couple will take care of your 4 legged friend at their home. Large yard with pool and Other dogs to play with. Loree 949 441 6526

### **PAIN MANAGEMENT HUMAN & EQUINE**

Micro-Current Technology increases ATP, reduces inflammation, promotes body's self-healing from back pain to body detox. Beneficial after surgery or injury. Testimonials: Michelle Killebrew RPT, 40 years experience <https://youtu.be/RHAQIQ-DDz4>; Dr. Sinatra, Athletes, Equestrian Trainer <https://youtu.be/QpNdyX2TY4M>. For personal appointment-equine demonstration, Certified Technician at [Diane@HealthnCookies.com](mailto:Diane@HealthnCookies.com)

### **MATH / PHYSICS TUTOR**

Currently a High School math/science teacher, I have 30 years of experience and it comes right to your door!!! I instruct/tutor in both Honors and Standard classes for all areas of math and physics including: Algebra I/II, Geometry, PreCalculus, AP Calculus AB/BC, and Physics A/B. AP/SAT test prep also available. For more details please call 714-296-2544 or email [dkrutcik@gmail.com](mailto:dkrutcik@gmail.com), ask for Dave.

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## HEALTH

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Physical therapist with over 20 years experience in senior care available for hire hourly for private events. Do you have a loved one who wants to attend a wedding, party, or celebration of life but needs assistance? Fully insured, active PT license and CPR. Hourly fee, 3 hour minimum. Able to assist getting ready and accompany from place of residence to event and back. My favorite "client" is my 94 year-old grandmother and Nellie Gail resident. Call, text, or email: Michele Cherow, Doctor of Physical Therapy (949)439-0261. JoyfulCelebrationsLLC@yahoo.com

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## FOR SALE

### CLOTHING FOR SALE

200 pieces of men, women and children clothing for \$200.00 must buy all pieces. Contact Sudy at 949-294-9892

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Sweets Doodles is a Supreme Goldendoodle breeder in South Orange County. Breeding standard size goldendoodles, they range from 50-75 lbs (size is similar to a golden retriever). Our puppies are born at home with us and loved on by our family right from the beginning. They spend the first few weeks in their whelping box, monitored 24 hours a day. They experience a variety of stimuli, from classical music to exposure to other noise and tactile experiences. At four weeks they transition to the "romper room" style play pen and are handled by our family, start the training processes and explore their outside pen. Sweets Doodles puppies are professionally puppy trained from week 4-8 with a two year health warranty and lifetime support.

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### A PUPPY FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

Faith will be having Miniature F1B Bernedoodles and they will be ready for their new homes in November. You can reserve your pick of the litter today at [BernedoodlesByFaith.com](http://BernedoodlesByFaith.com). Puppies will be completely hypoallergenic and not shed. They will weigh ~35 lbs. when they have grown and will have the perfect balance of mellow and athletic. You may meet the puppies starting Sept 20, right here in Nellie Gail. See reviews on Google. Please call if you have any questions 925-389-6363.

### PRECOR EFX546 ELLIPTICAL

In great condition, recently fully serviced to maintain top condition. Heavy-duty machine. Has 8 programs and 20 resistance levels. Takes up minimal floor space. Specs: cross ramp 13-40 degrees (adjustable) dimensions: 80"x 30x 62 inches \$425. obo 949-716-5150

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### CROSS TRAIN FOR TOTAL BODY WELLNESS

Cross train in your home at your convenience. Get in shape, inspired, encouraged and enjoy it!! Combo ballet barre (no experience needed), Pilates and stretch. Tone, lengthen and improve flexibility. Call or text Debra at 949-350-5411, email [mcm623@cox.net](mailto:mcm623@cox.net) or follow @debra.dance on Instagram.

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### KURE IT WOMEN'S GUILD

*Funding Cancer Research and Saving Lives!* When thinking of supporting a non-profit organization, most struggle with how to get started and who to support. The **KURE IT WOMEN'S GUILD** is a group (or "Hive") of like-minded, philanthropic ladies tackling one of life's most pressing issues . . . finding a cure for cancer. We support Kure It, an Orange County-based non-profit, which grants "seed money" to Comprehensive Cancer Centers for cutting-edge research. Kure It relies on the Women's Guild for fundraising, outreach, awareness, and setting the perfect environment to collaborate. We host several activities throughout the year, such as a succulent arrangement design class, charcuterie workshops, wine tasting, coffee pour-over lessons with a professional coffee roaster, and intimate meet and greet events. Cancer has touched the lives of many; the Kure It Women's Guild is creating fun opportunities to build new relationships, enjoy time together, and fund cancer research. For more information, please contact Women's Guild president, Kerri Hatfield at [kckhatfield@gmail.com](mailto:kckhatfield@gmail.com)

### GET FITT WITH BRITT

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### PRIVATE YOGA LESSONS

Looking to expand your knowledge in yoga and would love to learn some yogic breathing techniques? I can help! With a 200hr Yoga Teacher Training certificate & 10+ years of experience I can help guide you through your yoga journey. After all, it's a lifestyle! \$80 per person for an hour long session. Contact me for more information! Brittney Trujillo at 714.234.7627

## RENTALS

### CARIBBEAN ISLAND VACATION RENTALS

On the beautiful Island of Roatan we have two incredible properties. Roatan is very safe, English speaking, easy to get to (approximately 6 hours of flight time and you can fly directly into Roatan). Flights range from \$475 to \$850 round trip. The water is turquoise crystal clear and warm all year round. The scuba diving and snorkeling is first class. The two properties are 15 and 30 minutes from the airport. One property is a 3 bedroom, 3 bath, two story, 2500 square foot Villa right on the sand located on the BEST beach on the Island, West Bay Beach. It sleeps 8 comfortably. The second property is a beautiful 3 bedroom, 3 bath Casa (sleeps 6) with a Casita (large studio apartment that sleeps 2), pool and 400 foot dock on 1.5 acres of green lush landscape. It is not right on the water but you can see the water and it is only a 3 minute walk to our 400 foot two story dock that you can swim, snorkel, scuba, fish or just sit and watch the sunsets. You can rent one or both, Casa or Casita, depending on your group size. Please check out our website at [www.roatanislandvacationrentals.com](http://www.roatanislandvacationrentals.com) for more information, pictures, and pricing or call Debbie at 714-801-4257. Discount given to our Nellie Gail neighbors.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

### HOST FAMILY - FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT

Open your heart and home to a French, Italian or Spanish exchange student this summer for just 3 weeks. Dear neighbors of Nellie Gail Ranch. We are looking for short-term Host Families from June 25th to July 16th and from July 17th till August the 7th. We have students from 13 to 17 years old, they are carefully screened and selected based on their motivation, maturity, and passion to learn about American culture, they come with their own pocket money for personal expenses and medical and liability insurance. By hosting a student, you will fulfill a young kid dream of coming to the USA and show the best of our culture with them. Stipend is available! Will this be the summer you host an exchange student? Contact me at [alex@oui-connect.com](mailto:alex@oui-connect.com) 415-395-6160.

### HOUSE / PET SITTING

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### DRUMMER NEEDED

To play at the Nellie Gail Talent Show on July 22, 2023. WHOA NELLIE! is a resident band, and a drummer would enhance our group. Check out our audition sampler on YouTube <https://youtu.be/wmqGIPdRri8>. We began practicing together during the shutdown and continue play our favorite classic rock songs: Somebody To Love, Do It Again, One Is The Loneliest Number, I Should Have Known Better, Roadhouse Blues, Harvest Moon, Piano Man, Into The Mystic. Join us or create a new neighborhood musical group. Inquiries/comments/suggestions: [andwhoanellie@gmail.com](mailto:andwhoanellie@gmail.com) Lin Klawitter (949) 697-9412

### PRIVATE SPEECH-LANGUAGE THERAPY

Speech-language therapy without the hassle and waitlist. At Speakeasy Speech Therapy, we specialize in improving

Welcome to  
Nellie Gail Ranch

*New Residents as of  
08/01/2023*

*Farzad Afravi*

*&*

*Shohreh Forouzanfar*

# Nellie Gail Garden Group

By Tina Corso

The Nellie Gail garden group topic this month was about how to shortcut time and grow Blenheim apricots and Avocados faster. Along with a question from a reader.

With the Blenheim apricots you first open the shells and take out the seeds to jump start their growth. Once you get the small seed out of its shell using a nut cracker it is about the size of a peanut in an almond shape you place it in a cup of water. If it floats and does not sink it's no use. But if it sinks it's good for the next step.

Place those seeds in a damp/wet paper towel in a ziplock bag in your refrigerator, at the warmest level you don't want it to freeze. For two months it will mimic being dormant and the last few weeks start to grow roots.

So you can get a jump start on spring and plant in a container for fall growing. Our weather here can be very hot in September so place in the shade or partial and water gently till you start to see the growth of your trees.

The Blenheim apricot is one of the top fruits to grow and needs around 300-400 chill hours which many

of us have in our backyards here in Nellie Gail. This year my eight year old grown from seed, Blenheim just exploded with fruits. We had around 500 or more.

Neighbors, work, and our garden friends all got some to sample. While I froze the majority of 10 gallon bags of split fruit. So we have so many seeds for everyone to try and grow a tree!

Blenheim is so easy to grow. In four years you will start to have fruit is the average time frame for a healthy tree. <https://alamedabackyardgrowers.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Blenheim-Apricot-Care-Sheet.pdf>

<https://www.gardenia.net/plant/prunus-armeniaca-blenheim>

The next demonstration was how to graft an avocado tree from a root stock that has been growing in my nursery. Spring is the best time of year for this but for demonstration purposes we decide to do it. I used one of my Fuertes to show everyone how to bypass years of waiting. My Fuerte is mature now and easily can be used to graft from a branch matching the size of the rootstock. That is the key to getting it





right. WE will know in a few weeks if we did the graft correctly by matching up the two branches. And if the scion dies we can always do it again. Eventually the more we try the better the odds of getting one to grow! [https://www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/oc/freepubs/pdf/F\\_N-51.pdf](https://www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/oc/freepubs/pdf/F_N-51.pdf)

As the group walked through the yard there were new fruits to show and discuss on how to keep our trees healthy and growing strong. One key that is essential here for our clay soil is to compost it with your worm castings or homemade mulch which greatly helps keep the soil living and provides beneficial insects, grubs, fungus and worms which keep our trees healthy. Our soil is oxygenated and water is filtered through the root systems. <https://soilhealthinstitute.org/our-work/initiatives/living-soil-documentary/>

A question came in: what is the easiest way to start a small garden for my children? When you buy tomatoes, slice one of them up and bury it in your garden bed, the seeds will grow next year. If you do this with different varieties you will have a nice

selection next spring. When you buy spring or green onions cut off the tip with the roots and directly add to your soil or containers. Use the green part of the onion leaving the onion to grow in your soil. So you have onion tops throughout the year. You can do the same thing with any vegetable that has roots, just regrow in your beds. I do this with celery so I have it all year to cook with.

I love the small cherry tomato. It's easy to grow and this little bit of color looks great in any salad. Along with the green onion. For peppers, save the seeds directly sow them as well and you will get peppers to add to your recipes. Basil I usually buy a plant and put that in a larger pot and use the leaves as I cook. This way I always have some seasonings growing to add to my dishes!

**TLC8386@gmail.com** is our email address if you have a question or would like to join our garden club.

# THE PUZZLE Paddock

**P U Z Z L E**

*Find 11 fruits in the puzzle.*

<b>F</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>E</b>
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## AUGUST ZUCCHINI PIZZA CASSEROLE

### INGREDIENTS:

1. 4 CUPS SHREDDED UNPEELED ZUCCHINI
2. 1/2 TEASPOON SALT
3. 2 LARGE EGGS
4. 1/2 CUP GRATED PARMESAN CHEESE
5. 2 CUPS SHREDDED PART-SKIM MOZZARELLA
6. CHEESE, DIVIDED
7. 1 CUP SHREDDED CHEDDAR CHEESE, DIVIDED
8. 1 POUND GROUND BEEF
9. 1/2 CUP CHOPPED ONION
10. 1 CAN (15 OUNCES) ITALIAN TOMATO SAUCE
11. 1 MEDIUM GREEN OR SWEET RED PEPPER, CHOPPED

### PREPARATION:

1. PREHEAT OVEN TO 400°. PLACE ZUCCHINI IN COLANDER; SPRINKLE WITH SALT. LET STAND 10 MINUTES, THEN SQUEEZE OUT MOISTURE.
2. COMBINE ZUCCHINI WITH EGGS, PARMESAN AND HALF THE MOZZARELLA AND CHEDDAR CHEESES. PRESS INTO A GREASED 13X9-IN. OR 3-QT. BAKING DISH. BAKE 20 MINUTES
3. MEANWHILE, IN A SAUCEPAN, COOK BEEF AND ONION OVER MEDIUM HEAT, BREAKING MEAT INTO CRUMBLES; DRAIN. ADD TOMATO SAUCE; SPOON OVER ZUCCHINI MIXTURE. SPRINKLE WITH REMAINING CHEESES; ADD GREEN PEPPER. BAKE UNTIL HEATED THROUGH, ABOUT 20 MINUTES

# August 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Smmer Concert Series · Redneck Rodeo 7pm @ Gallup Park	5
6	7	8 ARC Meeting at 6:00pm @ The Association Clubhouse	9	10	11 Friday Night Live @ The Watering Hole	12
13	14	15 Board Meeting 7:30pm @ Clubhouse	16	17	18	19 Woodstock Festival 4pm @ Gallup Park
20 French Wine Dining Experience 6:pm-9:pm RSVP Required @ The Watering Hole	21	22 Wine & Design @6:00pm	23	24	25	26
27	28 ARC Submittal Deadline for September 12th Meeting	29	30	31		

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