



Ponté Palmero

RESORT-STYLE LIVING

Resident of the Month



Resident of the Month: Lou Bacigalup

June 2025

Our June Resident of the Month is Lou Bacigalup. He lives at Ponté Palmero with his beloved 16-year-old cat, Riley. He was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, but he grew up on the beaches of Santa Monica in Southern California. Lou is the youngest of 3 sons. He was a gymnast in high school, competing against other schools on the rings and the parallel bars. He joined the army when he was 18 and went overseas to the Philippines during the last 6 months of WWII. During that time he remembers traveling to Japan, where he and a group of soldiers climbed Mt. Fuji on the 4th of July.

After the military, Lou went to night school to learn tool and die design. He had a brother-in-law in the wire and cable business. He worked with his brother-in-law for a while and then started his own business. Over the years, Lou owned several companies, including one which helped develop the air to ground missiles the military uses today. Lou was in business for about 12 years. After that, he sold his companies and retired to a redwood cabin in the mountains above Santa Cruz, CA.

Lou has a daughter and 2 sons. His daughter works in real estate in Key West, Florida. She has a knack for fixing up old buildings, getting them ready for sale. One of his sons is a boat builder in Stuart, FL, and the other is C.F.O. of a healthcare company in Hawaii. Lou visits with his children about once a year.

During retirement, Lou used to spend winters in Mexico. He met his wife Lorraine while living there. They happened to be next door neighbors. They lived in a small village called Mulegé in Baja California, known for its fishing. Lorraine was a veterinarian. She had a small animal clinic.

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Happy Birthday

- Phil Bair - June 1
- Susan Davis - June 7
- Jean Haugaard - June 18
- Alfred Sohlich - June 18
- Pepper Dippel - June 21
- Terry Klein - June 21
- Alice Williams - June 26
- John Riend - June 26
- Anne Friborg - June 30

Happy Anniversary

- Bob & Laurie LeDuc - June 20



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She and Lou helped spay and neuter the stray dogs in the town as a service to the community. While living in Mexico, Lou and Lorraine experienced flooding twice. They decided to move back to California to Swansboro, where Lorraine owned a home.

When Lou was a young man, he used to rebuild early V8 Fords for street racing. Growing up in Santa Monica, he surfed, but his real love was sailing! When he lived in Santa Cruz, he had a sailboat in the harbor, and he used to go sailing every weekend. Sailing wasn't "just a hobby" for Lou. He and his crew (his 2 sons) competed in sailboat races along the California coast, including the world's largest sailboat race. In this particular race, 600 boats launch at noon from Newport Beach, CA and finish 24 hours later in Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico. He and his sons competed 10 times and placed 4th in class twice (*See top photo, right hand column.*). Later in life, Lou liked to build radio-controlled model sailboats, about 3 feet long. He was also a woodworker, making furniture, boats and canoes.

Lou's 4th place cup, 1979 Ensenada Sailboat Race



Marie Bringing Us Flowers



**Lunch Outing to
High-Hand Nursery Café**



Nice Walk With Millie



**Baby Birds Everywhere
at Ponté**



Easter at Ponté





Lunch Outing to
Sweetie Pie's



Shopping at Placerville
Hardware



Cinco de Mayo



Age Well, Drive Smart, Class



Water Aerobics Class



Tom Power



Betty Playing Her Beautiful Piano



Spring Crafts



Jo Larson Spending Her Birthday With Her Family



Daily Exercise at Ponté



Wit & Wisdom

"The mountains are calling, and I must go."

—John Muir

"It is good to realize that if love and peace can prevail on earth, and if we can teach our children to honor nature's gifts, the joys and beauties of the outdoors will be here forever."

—Jimmy Carter

"And I firmly believe that nature brings solace in all troubles."

—Anne Frank

"Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better."

—Albert Einstein

"There is something infinitely healing in the repeated refrains of nature—the assurance that dawn comes after night, and spring after the winter."

—Rachel Carson

"It never hurts to keep looking for sunshine."

—A.A. Milne

"Nature is pleased with simplicity."

—Isaac Newton

"Today is your day. Your mountain is waiting. So get on your way."

—Dr. Seuss

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Ponté Palmero Resort-Style Living

**“This Month
In History”
JUNE**

1789: James Madison proposes the Bill of Rights, leading to the Constitution’s first 10 amendments.

1865: Union General Granger reaches Galveston, Texas, one of the last holdouts of slavery, and enforces the Emancipation Proclamation for enslaved people there.

1919: The Treaty of Versailles is signed in France, signaling the official end of World War I.

1947: Pilot Kenneth Arnold reports flashes of light and nine incredibly speedy “saucer-like” UFOs whizzing over Mount Rainier, Wash., leading to the common term “flying saucers.”

- 1956:** President Eisenhower signs a bill funding interstate highway building, making it the largest American public works program.
- 1960:** Alfred Hitchcock’s infamous “Psycho” hits movie theaters and makes moviegoers fear showers for generations to come.
- 1975:** Broadway hit “Chicago” premieres, going on to earn 10 nominations at the 1976 Tony Awards. The 2002 film won six Academy Awards, including Best Picture.
- 1978:** Garfield, Jim Davis’ classic comic feline, makes his national debut.
- 1980:** CNN, the first 24-hour news service, starts airing June 1.
- 1997:** J.K. Rowling publishes the first book in her bestselling series “Harry Potter.”
- 2002:** “American Idol” premieres on Fox, featuring first winner Kelly Clarkson.