

Alamo Rec-Veh Park • 1320 W. Frontage Rd. • Alamo, TX 78516 • email: alamorecvehpark.com Vol. 3, Issue 14 Activity Office (956) 783 5440 • General Manager (956) 787-8221 or (956) 703-8025 or (956) 602-9056 Editors: Barb and Dennis Zanetti (Taetsch) (586) 438-5115 and Colleen Benoit (262) 914-7100 • Email: echo1320@att.net (Please place upcoming announcements in the Main Office "ECHO" Box by TUESDAY at 5 p.m. OR use Echo's email.)

DEFIBRILLATORS: The defibrillators are currently located in the East Laundry Room, north section of the Main Hall and in the Laundry next to the Pool Hall.

FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

Dear Park Residents -

We're only weeks away from Alamo Rec-Veh Park's 45th Anniversary celebration. Please check out the bulletin board in the Rec Hall. There are several volunteers needed to make all eight days a smashing success.

Three-hundred and 35 park residents have purchased their tickets for the week of festivities. Don't miss out on the fun, entertainment and several meals -- including breakfasts, lunches, and a dinner, along with Morning Socials complete with coffee and donuts.

Remember that we still have an active calendar with upcoming entertainment, lunches and style shows, and a special box social event that is complete with out-of-state entertainment.

In addition, we have a calendar filled with card games, races, bingo, Monday jams, quilting and sewing sessions and local tours, plus so much more.

With all of the park activities happening, it may seem early in the season to think about next year. However, it is time for our park residents to reserve their lots for next season. Don't be late to secure your spot.

We'd feel terrible if you couldn't come back because your lot wasn't available. See the Main Office for more information.

Barbara Hamel, General Mgr.

READ NEXT WEEK'S *ECHO* for more information on next year's proposed ACTIVITIES: ALL-INCLUSIVE PROGRAM. • ENTERTAINMENT • See Activity Office for info. Tickets available in Activity Office.

TUES., FEB. 13 – SWEETWATER (*Dance*) (7 p.m.) in Rec Hall. Cost: \$6

THURS., FEB. 15 – DAVID CHURCH (Show) (6:30 p.m.) in Rec Hall.

Cost: \$10.



Upcoming Events

Alamo Rec-Veh Park residents are encouraged to attend ALL EVENTS listed on Activity Board in Rec Hall and in *Echo*. It doesn't matter if you have experience in the event or not. *Everyone is welcome!*

SAT., FEB. 10 – BOX LUNCH SOCIAL with Entertainer GLORIA JEAN from Minnesota. (5-9 p.m.) in Rec Hall. Coffee, iced tea, water and boxed wine is provided for Box Social. (Cost: \$2.50 if attending Box Lunch Social; \$5 if only attending Gloria Jean entertainment) Tickets available in Activity Office. It is not necessary to attend Box Social to purchase tickets for the Gloria Jean entertainment.

(See Bulletin Board and/or pg. 4 in this Echo issue for more info.) Looking for volunteers to help set up and clean up. Please contact Barb Latimer.

- SUN., FEB. 11 CANADIAN LUN-CHEON at Logan's Roadhouse backroom (2224 S. 10th St., McAllen). 12 noon. All Canadians, please join us and wear red, if possible.
- SUN., FEB. 11 *MEMORIAL SERVICE* (7 p.m.) in Rec Hall. Our Memorial Service is meant to remember and honor Alamo Rec-Veh Park residents who have passed away during the past year.
- MON., FEB. 12 BIKE TOUR: Brownsville Event Center to Vermillion Restaurant (Meet in front of Lot A19 near East Gate at 8:45 a.m.; Leave park at 9 a.m.) in Rec Hall. Sign up on sheet on Bike Tour Bulletin Board.
- MON., FEB. 12 CREATIVE EXPRES-SIONS: Luggage ID Tag – (Ginger Klepper) Bring 1 fat quarter, at least a 4x6" stiff interfacing, 4x6" piece of heavy interfacing such as decorbond, a piece of cardboard (to make the templates), 4x5"

Events . . .

rectangle of vinyl. (I have lots of vinyl from last year.)

- MON., FEB. 12 VARIETY COUNTRY MUSIC JAM & LUNCH (Lunch: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Jam 12:30-3 p.m.) in Rec Hall. (Cost: \$5.) Menu: Lunch with dessert, coffee or iced tea. (Check with Activity Office for more info.)
- MON., FEB. 12 WOODCARVERS' SESSION (1 p.m.) in Wood Shop. Not necessary to be an RCR&W member for this session ONLY. See Gary Morin for more info.
- MON., FEB. 12 CRAYON BOX WORK BEE for Amigos Children (1-3 p.m.) in Annex. (Creative Expression members are kindly sharing their space.) All materials are supplied. We're happy to get our park residents started.
- WED., FEB. 14 RED HAT LUNCHEON & STYLE SHOW (12 Noon) in Rec Hall. (Cost: \$2) Tickets available in Activity Office or at Wednesday meetings. Please bring salad to pass with a serving spoon. Style show follows luncheon. Fashions provided by Bec's of McAllen, Wells of Weslaco, and Lionel's Western Wear of Weslaco. Door prizes. Table service, coffee and lemonade will be provided. ALL park residents, including gentlemen, are invited.
- THURS., FEB. 15 SPAGHETTI DINNER will be served EVERY THURSDAY! (5-5:30 p.m.) in Rec Hall. (Cost: \$6) Menu: Spaghetti (sauce with or without meat), French bread, dessert, coffee or iced tea. PLEASE SIGN UP ON BULLETIN BOARD to help cooks get an accurate count. Tickets available at the door. Please bring your own table service.
- SAT., FEB. 17 *RC OFF-ROAD TRACK BREAKFAST* (7:30-9 a.m.) Biscuits and sausage gravy, sausage patties, hash browns, and coffee. Bring your own table service.
- **SAT., FEB. 17** *PATIO SALE* (8 a.m.- 12 noon) Residents have the option to hold a sale on their lot.
- SAT., FEB. 17 *DINNER SHOW with Jay & Tammy:* CANCELLED (low ticket sales).
- SAT., FEB. 17 *GOD'S WORTHY WOM-EN CONFERENCE* (9 a.m.-3 p.m.) at Victoria Palms Ballroom, Donna. (Cost: \$35)

See Leila Preuss, Lot 298, (479) 957-6683 for tickets or church bulletin board for more info.

SUN., FEB. 18 – BOB McARTHUR'S GOSPEL & DIXIELAND MUSIC (6:30 p.m. after Cake & Ice Cream) in Rec Hall. (Approx. 90 minutes)

WED., FEB. 21 – AARP DRIVING COURSE (8 a.m.- 12 noon) in Annex. \$15 for members; \$20 for non-members. If you take your course receipt to your car insurance company, you will get a good discount from most of them.

SAVVY STITCHERS:

Due to lack of interest, the Savvy Stitchers will no longer meet. Janice Davis

LIBRARY NEWS: Dean and Karen Starks

Stop in and try your skill at putting a puzzle together. We have two puzzles in progress.

SUPER BOWL POOL WINNERS: 1st qtr. – Tom Pico and Betty Nelson; 2nd qtr. – Bob Gerhard won twice; 3rd qtr. – RoseMary Rustan and Tripp Wright; 4th qtr. (final) – John Nelson and Tess Ficcaglia.

HELP!

Volunteers needed to make chili for the Chili Contest during the 45th Anniversary. (1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes awarded.) Sign up on Anniversary Bulletin Board in Rec Hall. Sue Bentz

ANIMALS PROHIBITED IN ALAMO REC-VEH PARK BUILDINGS

Please do not enter any of the park buildings with your animals. This means not in your arms or on a leash. The Health Department frowns on this. Special exceptions are made for one-time professional picture taking with your animals.

Thank You

A big thank you to everyone who helped make the Elegant Dinner a success. We appreciate you all. *Jim and Janice Davis*

Thank you to Helping Hands for the beautiful quilt and to all for your well wishes and prayers. Lee Brandt

ALAMO REC-VEH PARK COMMUNITY CHURCH

(NON-DENOMINATIONAL)



PASTOR RANDY and SUSAN PARKS

<u>Contact Information:</u> Lot #117 (on 5th Street) Phone: (620) 222–7624 Email: crandyparks@gmail.com

9 A.M. CHURCH SERVICE

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." MATTHEW 5:16

FRIDAYS: • CHOIR PRACTICE (9 a.m.) in Card Room.

- SUNDAYS:
- CHURCH SERVICE (9 a.m.)
- CHURCHWIDE BIBLE STUDY (10-11 a.m. following worship service). Refreshments served.
- *MEMORIAL SERVICE for ARVP Residents* (7 p.m.) in Rec Hall
- <u>WEDNESDAYS:</u> *LADIES BIBLE STUDY* (following the 9 a.m. Park Meeting) Leading the Study: *Kathy Moore and Maggie Biedekapp.*

NOTICE

Please stay away from meter boards. *They're very dangerous!*

FOOD SERVERS FOR DANCES NEEDED Looking for residents interested in serving food at dances – items such as nachos, hot dogs or sandwiches. Not a long-term commitment, maybe only a dance or two; more if you'd like. *See Activity Office*.

SAVE YOUR ALUMINUM CANS!

Please recycle. Place them in fluorescent orange topped garbage cans or drop off at Can Shack next to Range.

REMEMBER: Speed limit in park is **10 mph.** *Keep our residents safe!* **BIKERS, PLEASE USE LIGHTS AT NIGHT.**

If you're under the weather, please stay home until you're not contagious. Your friends and neighbors will love you for that.

Thank You

Helping Hands would like to thank all who participated in the Quilt and Hobby Show.

In addition to residents who enter their handmade items, volunteers who set up tables, chairs and quilt stands, are an important part of putting on the show. We appreciate you all. Alamo Rec-Veh has the best people in the Valley, and we thank you for your support.

Susan Parks Quilt & Hobby Show Coordinator 2018

ABOUT YOUR MAIL ...

Soon many of us will start thinking about heading North for home. DO NOT go to the Post Office to fill out a form for the return of your mail. We do that here at the Main Office. To do this, we need labels. (These are not the return labels you get in the mail from people or organizations looking for donations.) These are the ones in a specific size -- 1" x 2-5/8". If you need some made for you, please stop at the Main Office and leave your correct mailing address. I will be happy to make the labels for you. Thanks. Bea

CARD PLAYERS may pick up schedule of games in Activity Office.



TOURS: Education Laughter Fun New Tour Directors: Carol Norman at Lot 182; (573)-690-2135 and Pearl Hilkemeyer at Lot 169; (573) 253-1952 Sign up for tours on Tour Bulletin Board in TV Lounge area. TOUR PAYMENTS MADE TO CAROL or PEARL.

TOUR GROUPS MEET IN REC HALL BEFORE LEAVING PARK

TUES., FEB. 13 - HILLTOP GAR- TUES., FEB. 20 - (21 & OVER) **DENS** (Cost: \$10) Sign-up and pay for tour by Fri., Feb. 9 at 3 **p.m.** Meet in Rec Hall at 9:15 a.m. See Tour Board in Lounge across from Main Office.

THURS., FEB. 15 – SANTA ANA WILDLIFE REFUGE TOUR Sign-up and pay for tour by Tues., Feb. 13 at 3 p.m. Meet at Rec Hall at 8:45 a.m., Leave park at 9 a.m. Date changed due to weather concerns.

BET YOUR BOOTY PIRATE GAMBLING CRUISE (Cruise runs from 4-6 p.m.) Cost: \$30. Meet at Rec Hall at 1:45 p.m. Craps, Liar's Dice/Roulette and more. (Sorry, no slot machines.) Drink Specials. Fun prize for best pirate outfit. Trade chips for treasure. Grand prize for most chips earned.

Check out new tours on the Bulletin Board in Lounge across from Main Office. If you have ideas for tours you'd like to see listed, please contact Carol or Pearl.





BOX LUNCH AUCTION & SOCIAL EVENING

SATURDAY, FEB. 10 5 PM TO 9 PM

How IT Works

- 1. LADY (OR PARTNER 1) BRINGS WRAPPED BOXED MEAL (COLD FOOD) FOR TWO (MINIMUM VALUE \$10)
- 2. MAN (OR PARTNER 2) BRINGS MEGA CASH (AT LEAST \$10) TO BID ON A BOX (TO SHARE WITH PARNER 1)
- 3. BOXES TO ARRIVE BY 4:30 P.M. CONCEALED IN BLACK GARBAGE BAG (IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE BIDDERS DO NOT KNOW WHOSE BOX THEY ARE BIDDING ON)
- 4. BIDDING TO BEGIN AT 5:00 P.M.
- 5. SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL PAY FOR THE BOX IMMEDIATELY AND TAKE IT TO THE TABLE WHERE THEY WILL SHARE

- INCIDENTAL INFORMATION
- EVERYONE IS WELCOME (COUPLES & SINGLES)
- SINGLE PARTNER 1 NEEDS TO PREARRANGE FOR PARTNER 2 TO MAKE OR BUY AND SHARE A BOX
- TICKETS AT \$2.50 PER PERSON TO BE PURCHASED EARLY AT ACTIVITY OFFICE
- ICED TEA & WATER, COFFEE AND BOX-WINE WILL BE PROVIDED, OR BYOB
- IF ANYONE WANTS TO COME FOR THE ENTERTAINMENT ONLY, TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT \$5 PER PERSON

GLORIA JEAN

ENTERTAINMENT FROM MINNESOTA

MIX OF MUSIC, HUMOR AND STORIES



POOL HAPPENINGS 9th Annual Owner Pool Tournament Results: 1st, HANK ERICKSON; 2nd, TIM MULLENS; 3rd, JERRY HILKEMEYER; and 4th, WES WRIGHT.

Thanks to all who participated and for goodies brought in to make the event a real success. Special thanks to Mr. Kim and Barbara Hamel for purchasing the trophies and providing cash awards, and to Carol Cox for the many little smokies fixed for us.

HELPING HANDS TABLES FOR SALE!

Seven old wooden tables from the Annex: \$25 each. Please pay for these in Main Office *(cash or check written to 'Helping Hands".)* If questions, contact Martha Morin at (218) 244-2652.

RCR&W NEWS CORNER

THE RANGE:

- Air Rifles now have 2 COMPETITION CLASSES Those powered with CO2 / Compressed Air and Spring Guns or Break Barrels (any gun that you have to cock). Each of these COMPETITION CLASSES will be divided into – Sharp Shooters and Expert. NOTE: Individuals MUST write their name and "Spring" on their target. Otherwise, they'll be scored in the Air Rifle Class.
- FUN SHOOT -- 1-2:30 p.m. on Thursdays (Everyone welcome!)

RC RACING:

OVAL HORSESHOE RACING -

- FRI., FEB. 9 (RACE START AT 10 a.m. with Registration at 9 a.m.) -- Second Race of RED, WHITE & BLUE RACE SERIES at Alamo Palms Race Track. Spectators are welcome. Food and drinks will be available.
- FRI., FEB. 9 Oval Track (5 p.m.)

OVAL TRACK 2/2/18 RESULTS

(2-Wheel) (12 DRIVERS): (A-MAIN) Doug Kortbein -- TOP DRIVER; (B-MAIN) Mike Benoit

(4-Wheel) (12 DRIVERS): (A-MAIN) Gary Morin - TOP DRIVER; (B-MAIN) Mike Benoit; (C-MAIN) Roger Moore

OFF-ROAD TRACK RACING -

• **SAT., FEB. 10** – (1 p.m.)

SAILBOAT & POWER BOAT RACING -

• SUN., FEB. 11 – (1 p.m.) NO LUNCH (Error on monthly calendar)

COPTER & DRONE COURSE -

• TUES., FEB. 13 - (8:30 a.m.-12 noon) in Rec Hall.

WOOD SHOP:

Residents wanting to use the Wood Shop should have their RCR&W membership. (Woodcarvers are exempt during their Monday sessions beginning at 1 p.m.) The Wood Shop will be open Monday thru Thursday from 10-12 Noon.

RC RACING: RED, WHITE & BLUE SERIES FRI., FEB. 9 – Registration (9 a.m.); Racing (10 a.m.) at ALAMO PALMS RACE TRACK

(Spectators Welcome!) Food & Drink Available

Thank You

The *Echo* staff couldn't cover the number of weekly events at Alamo Rec-Veh Park without so many of you contributing valuable information. Of course, our main source of information comes from Activity Office minutes from Wednesday's Morning Meetings, as well as notices and items from the Main Office. The rest of the *Echo*'s information comes from those in charge of group activities in the park. We appreciate your help.

(Note: Since we began putting together the weekly Echo publications, both the Main Office and Activity Office are responsible for proofreading each issue before it goes to press. We thank those responsible for their extra effort.)