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(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 –

Alamo Rec-Veh Park's 45th Anniversary has turned out to be a celebration that most of us will long remember.

We're so glad that all of you are enjoying the variety of events we have planned for you.

Please note the schedule and meal changes for both Friday and Saturday.

We hope you like the added events to the schedule and that everyone takes time to participate in as many activities as they can fit in their schedule.

Please enjoy the last two days of our anniversary celebration!

Barbara Hamel, General Mgr.



45TH ANNIVERSARY SCHEDULE CHANGES

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

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| 7:00-8:30 a.m. | Pancake and Sausage Breakfast |
| 9:30-11:30 a.m. | RC 'Copter & Drone Fly <i>with Contest*</i> |
| 1:00 p.m. | RC Off-Road Track Races <i>with Contest*</i> |
| 5:00-6:00 p.m. | Gordy's Delicious Chicken Dinner |
| 6:00 p.m. | RC Oval Track Races <i>with Contest*</i> |
| 7:00 p.m. | Fun Bingo |



**EACH RC contest above offers following prizes:*

- **OSPREY DOLPHIN CRUISES FOR 2** (Drawings for participants)
- **\$20 FIRST-PLACE PRIZES** (for contest winners)
- **MYSTERY PRIZES** (Drawings for both spectators and participants)

SATURDAY, MARCH 3

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| 9 a.m. | Morning Social |
| 2-5 p.m. | Back to the Future
County Fair |
| 6 p.m. | Closing Ceremonies |
| 6:30 p.m. | Tripp Wright's Grand
65/25/10 Raffle |
| 7 p.m. | Balloon Release |
| 7 p.m. | Street Dance |



*Join us for our
Closing Ceremony!*

MON., MARCH 5



with
**RANDY
PARKS**
AND
the
**WINTER
KINGS**

*Join us for Lunch and then
stay for Jam at 12:30 p.m.!*



LUNCH AT 11 A.M.
(Cost: \$5)

MENU:

Taco soup with toppings, crackers,
dessert, coffee or iced tea.

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!*

FRI., MARCH 2– FISHING DERBY & SPECIAL RANGE SHOOT END (Derby and Range Prizes awarded at Saturday Closing Ceremony. Need not be present to win.)

SAT., MARCH 3 – THERAPEUTIC WATER EXERCISE CLASS: Classes resume today. They continue on Sat., March 10 and Sat., March 17. Due to expansion we are now offering an 8 a.m. advanced class. Several openings exist in 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. sessions. We use swim noodles as part of our exercises led by a Personal Trainer. He will advise you what exercises are good for you and what exercises you should avoid based on your specific surgeries or conditions. Join us for one week or all three! Contact Barb Zanetti at (586) 438-5115.

MON., MARCH 5– VARIETY COUNTRY MUSIC JAM & LUNCH (Lunch: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Jam 12:30-3 p.m.) in Rec Hall.

Events . . .

(Cost: \$5.) *Menu: Taco soup with toppings, crackers, dessert, coffee or iced tea.*

TUES., MARCH 6 – (Dance) SWEET-WATER (7 p.m.) See Activity Office for info.

THURS., MARCH 8 – CRAFT SHOW with LUNCH (No admission charge) (8 a.m. - 12 Noon) in Rec Hall. Last craft show of season.

THURS., MARCH 8 – SPAGHETTI DINNER (5-5:30 p.m.) in Rec Hall. (Cost: \$6) *Menu: Spaghetti with meat sauce, French bread, dessert, coffee or iced tea.*

SAT., MARCH 10 – BLOOD DRIVE (8-11 a.m.) in Annex. Sign-up sheet on Health Bulletin Board or sign up online.

TUES., MARCH 13 – (Dance) REGAN JAMES (7 p.m.) See Activity Office.

THURS., MARCH 15 – SPAGHETTI DINNER (5-5:30 p.m.) in Rec Hall. (Cost: \$6) *Menu: Spaghetti with meat sauce, French bread, dessert, coffee or iced tea.*

WHAT TO WEAR TO DANCES?

Would those who are bothered by the cooler air at the dances, please bring sweaters or jackets so dancers who are hot are more comfortable? We don't want to lose our nice crowds. Thanks for helping. *Zoe Erickson*

Thank You . . .

A special thank you to the Busy Bees and other gals who helped make quilts for the veterans. The quilts were presented at Thursday's Special Activity Meeting. *Sue Signs*

We are impressed with everyone's participation in ARVP's 45th Anniversary Parade. According to parade watchers, participants' creativeness and enthusiasm were a delight. We know it took time to plan each group's parade entry, to decorate, to make costumes, and to get everyone involved. Hats off to all who helped make this event memorable. We hope everyone had fun. Thank you for being such special people!

Maggie Biedekapp

We want to thank friends, neighbors, Pastor Randy Parks and church members here for cards, prayers, and hospital visits to Jeanene. Jeanene had surgery on her foot and has been moved to the Renaissance Rehab Center, where she will stay for 2 to 3 weeks. We can't tell you how much we

LOOKING FOR BOWLERS

Join a group of men and women who love to bowl meet on FRIDAYS at 1 p.m. at Flamingo Bowl (3301 N. 23rd St., McAllen). Contact John Miller at (405) 517-4860 for more info. *Be sure to ask John about the "Red Pin" Bonus games.*

LIBRARY NEWS: Dean and Karen Starks

When you are through with DVD's, save them to bring to our library next year. That goes for current books you have read and puzzles you have put together. All should be in GOOD condition.

LEND A HAND TO HELPING HANDS

Helping Hands thanks all who have contributed in any way to making its 2017-18 season a success.

Anyone who plans to return next season is asked to consider bringing with them donation items such as: gently used sheets, cotton fabrics, dust ruffles, drapes, 4-ply yarn, quilting and crafting books, motel toiletries, small stuffed toys, dolls, Matchbox cars, as well as small items that would sell at Craft Shows. *(Most of these items would be used to make donated quilts for needy organizations here in the valley, as well as for hospitalized or homebound park residents.)* All contributions are appreciated.

appreciate all of you. Our most sincere thank you! *Karl and Jeanene Tendrup*

We would like to thank Maggie Biedekapp, Pat Hall and Maggie and Tripp's dog Clyde for locating Cali Cat at Lot #324 on Tuesday morning. I realize it wasn't easy to keep her there until we could arrive to convince her that she was safe. We would like to thank everyone who prayed for her, kept an eye out or who let us know they thought they saw her. She is home with us again and all is well with her. Thank you everyone. *Les and Donna Sillery*

Thank you for the cards and prayers while I've been recuperating. I'll be in rehab for another 10 days unless a miracle happens. *Judi Swanda*

It's beyond words the thanks we have for everyone and the work that went into the Pool Hall's Fish Fry Dinner. Pool Hall members went beyond their duty to put it all together. We are forever grateful to everyone!

Pool Hall Staff

ALAMO REC-VEH PARK COMMUNITY CHURCH

(NON-DENOMINATIONAL)



PASTOR RANDY and SUSAN PARKS

Contact Information:
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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.

• **MOVIE: "ALL SAINTS"** (7 p.m.) in North Hall. *Free admission and popcorn.*

• **WEDNESDAYS: • 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!*

NOTICE

The price for a GALLON OF WATER at the machine by the Pool Hall is now 30 CENTS.

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.

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.

Please respect your neighbors and their safety by keeping your dog on a leash at ALL times while in park. Also, note that the north end of the lake is NOT a dog park.

ABOUT YOUR MAIL . . .

Soon many of us will start thinking about heading North. 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



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 IN CASH.

TOURS MEET IN TV ROOM ACROSS FROM MAIN OFFICE.

MON., MARCH 5 – FIESTA CRUISE with DINNER (Meet at 7:10 a.m., Leave at 7:20 a.m., Cruise at 9 a.m.) Cost: \$40 includes meal at new Painted Marlin Grille. (3-1/2 to 4-hour cruise. See ship being dismantled. Full bar. Climate-controlled cabin. Taste a sample of wild caught Gulf shrimp on cruise.)

TUES., MARCH 6 – MARINE MILITARY ACADEMY TOUR with LUNCH (Meet at 8:15 a.m.) Cost: \$12. Academy located in Harlingen.

MON., MARCH 13 – HILLTOP GARDENS (Meet at 9:15 a.m.) Cost: \$10. Tropical healing garden and organic farm. Historical home of aloe.



45th Anniversary SPECIAL FISHING DERBY

LONGEST-FISH PRIZE: \$20 CASH

**PARTICIPATION PRIZES (SAT. DRAWING):
OSPREY DOLPHIN CRUISE FOR 2,
plus MYSTERY PRIZES**

CATCH-AND-RELEASE DERBY:

Ends – FRI., MARCH 2 AT 4 P.M.

HOW TO WIN LONGEST-FISH PRIZE:
Measure your fish by laying it alongside a tape measure, take a picture of it, and get the photo to Gary Morin either by contacting him at Lot 307 or text the photo to him at (218) 244-2652. Longest-fish award will be announced at Saturday's Closing Ceremony.



45th Anniversary 50/50 DAILY DRAWINGS

COST: 4/\$2 • 6/\$3 • 8/\$5 • 10/\$7 • 15/\$10

Drawing each day.. (On Tues. and Thurs. the drawing will be at the dance.) Purchase daily raffle tickets in Activity Office. *Must be present to win!*



ALAMO REC-VEH PARK 45th Anniversary Celebration

GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE TICKET INFO:

**100% OF RAFFLE TICKET MONEY TO BE
DISTRIBUTED TO WINNERS AS FOLLOWS:**

- 65% to first-place winner
- 25% to second-place winner
- 10% to third-place winner

**Raffle Tickets may be purchased from
TRIPP or MAGGIE ONLY (Lot #234)**

**Cost for Tickets: 1/\$1 • 6/\$5 • 15/\$10 • 40/\$20
DRAWING: SAT., MARCH 3**

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Everyone celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary (either in 2018 or 2019) will be honored

with a special event to be held Wed., Feb. 13, 2019.

Please bring your wedding pictures and think of things that happened on your special day and throughout the past 50 years.

Jot the stories down and give them to Verla Johnson (Lot 265) when you return next season.

HEADING HOME SOON and PLANNING TO CHECK OUT?

REMINDERS:

1. Let the office know **SEVERAL DAYS AHEAD** of time if you plan to leave. We will read your electric meter the day before you leave and have your final electric bill ready.
2. Find that tiny **MAILBOX KEY** and have it ready to turn in when you come to check out. The \$5.00 deposit will be deducted from your final electric bill.
3. Be sure you leave us a supply of 1"x2-5/8" mailing labels, complete with your home address. We will use them to forward all first-class mail to you. Ask Bea Kraus (our mail lady) if you need help with this.

Every Thursday Spaghetti Dinner



5:00–5:30 P.M. in the Rec Hall
COST: \$6.00

MENU: Gordy & Aggie's Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, French Bread, Dessert, Coffee or Iced Tea.



45th Anniversary **SPECIAL RC OVAL (6p.m.) & OFF-ROAD (1 p.m.) RACES**

The following prizes will be awarded at EACH track.

**1ST PLACE LAST-CAR STANDING
 RACE PRIZES: \$20 CASH**

**PARTICIPATION PRIZES (SAT. DRAWING):
 OSPREY DOLPHIN CRUISE FOR TWO**

**MYSTERY PRIZE DRAWINGS:
 All participants and spectators eligible.**

HELPING HANDS TABLES FOR SALE!

Seven old wooden tables from the Annex: \$20 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:

FUN SHOOT -- 1-2:30 p.m. on Thurs. (Everyone welcome!)

RC RACING:

OVAL HORSESHOE RACING –

• **FRI., MARCH 2 – (6 p.m.)** Oval Track (45th Anniv.)

OVAL TRACK 2/23/18 RESULTS:

2-WHEEL DRIVE – A Main (Steve Billings); B Main (Jack Ahlers); C Main (Jerry Henderson); **4-WHEEL DRIVE** – A Main (John Wallace); B Main (Mike Tolliver); C Main (George Gardener); D Main (Roger Moore).

Note: John Wallace set new course record: 4.92

BLUE RACE – (LAST RACE OF RED, WHITE & BLUE SERIES)
 WED., MARCH 7 AT 10 A.M. (VICTORIA PALMS)

OFF-ROAD TRACK RACING –

• **FRI., MARCH 2 – (1 p.m.)** (45th Anniv.)

SAILBOAT & POWER BOAT RACING –

• **SUN., MARCH 4 – (1 p.m.)**

COPTER & DRONE COURSE –

• **FRI., MARCH 2 – (9:30 a.m.)** in Rec Hall (45th Anniv.)

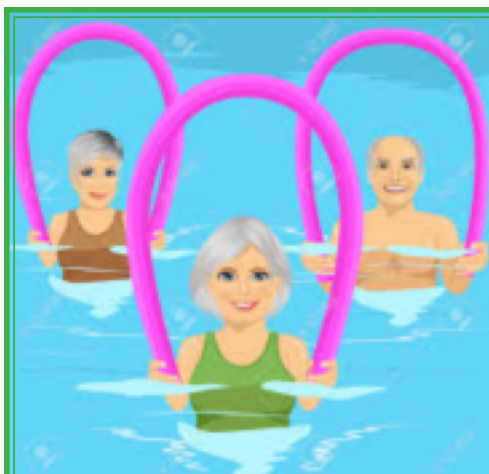
• **TUES., MARCH 6 – (8:30 a.m.)** in Rec Hall.

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.



Why Water Exercises?

- Reduces Joint Pain
- Increases Blood Flow
- Strengthens Muscles
 - Helps Healing
- Relaxes Tight Muscles

SORE KNEES? SORE BACK?

WANT TO BE MORE FIT or MOBILE FOR SUMMER?

Try one Saturday or more . . .

THERAPEUTIC WATER EXERCISE CLASSES

(with ALAMO FITNESS CENTER'S
 AWARD-WINNING PERSONAL TRAINER)

SAT., MARCH 3, 10 and 17

NOT AEROBICS • MEN & LADIES • All Ages
WORK AT YOUR COMFORT LEVEL • \$5 A SESSION

• **8 a.m. ADVANCED CLASS***

• **9 a.m. CLASS** • **10 a.m. CLASS**

TO REGISTER OR FOR INFO: CONTACT BARB ZANETTI
(586) 438-5115 (Lot #325)

***8 A.M. ADVANCED CLASS runs only if enough interest**