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Alamo Rec-Veh Park • 1320 W. Frontage Rd. • Alamo, TX 78516 • email: alamorecvehpark.comVol. 2, Issue 5Activity Office (956) 783 5440 • General Manager (956) 787-8221 or (956) 703-8025 or (956) 602-9056Editors: Barb 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 the Echo email.)

DEFIBRILLATORS: Due to construction, 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

To All Alamo Rec-Veh Park Residents,

We hope you're enjoying your time at our park, as well as our holiday celebrations here. This year we are sponsoring an in-park contest of Christmas outdoor decorating. Four judges will look over your holiday decorations on Dec. 15. When they are finished, we will award prizes for the residents' snazziest decors.

From now on, Wednesday meetings will begin at 9 a.m. sharp. If there are speakers, they will begin their presentation at 8:45 a.m., with the park meeting starting at 9. We would like all residents to attend these meetings. If you need transportation to the Rec Hall, please let us know in the main office.

For all of you who are looking forward to the new 13th month park calendar, they should be back from the printer during the day on Dec. 1. Those who have purchased their calendars in advance will have their copy delivered to their home before they go on sale in the Main Office *(only if they have included their Lot Number on their order blank)*. Remember, these are available for a \$5 donation, and you will discover that the coupons after the December page will more than pay for your investment.

Finally, I want to extend a special thank you to all the volunteers who made my son and his new bride's reception a great one. All of you are appreciated.

Respectfully, Barbara Hamel, Mgr.



JAY & TAMMY will begin hosting the popular Alamo Rec-Veh Park JAMS on Monday, Dec. 12. (Lunch at 11 a.m., followed by Jam at 12:30 a.m.)

FREE WI-FI: There will be 24/7 FREE Wi-fi throughout the park. Time Warner speeds will be better than last year as long as park residents aren't video streaming movies, etc. Residents can bring laptops to the main building because Wi-fi will be available throughout. The Wi-fi password will be available at check-in.

Upcoming Calendar

- **FRI., NOV. 25** -- *8-BALL POOL LEAGUE* (Meet at 12:15 p.m., competition starts at 1 p.m.) Women and men welcome. Sign-up sheets in Pool Hall.
- SAT., NOV. 26 -- TOUR: *MOTORCY-CLE MUSEUM.* (Cost: \$6.) Leave park at noon. (*Note: New inventory every year.*)
- SUN., NOV. 27 CAKE & ICE CREAM (6 p.m.) in Rec Hall. Cost: \$1 per dip with a piece of cake. (Bring your own bowl and spoon.) Need volunteers for month of December and January.
- MON., NOV. 28 -- 9 A.M. AEROBICS CLASS BEGINS. Residents are always welcome and may join the class whenever they choose.
- MON., NOV. 28 -- PAINTING CLASS (camcelled due to low attendance)
- MON., NOV. 28 -- SPAGHETTI LUN-CHEON FOR ALAMO POLICE AND FIREMEN. All proceeds will be donated to the departments equally. (12:30 p.m.) in Rec Hall. Police and firemen will be here. Menu: Spaghetti, salad, roll and dessert. Cost: \$5. Note: Contributions can also be dropped off at the office. (Jim VanTuyl's triple-dare show-your-appreciation challenge: 1). Wave to an officer or firefighter if you're in your car. 2). Thank them for their service if you're on foot. 3). Pay for their lunch if you see them at a restaurant.)
- TUES., NOV. 29 -- TOUR: *RIVERSIDE DREAMER CRUISE* (Cost: \$23, which includes cruise and lunch) at the Riverside Club. One-hour Rio Grande River boat cruise begins at 11 a.m., with lunch at noon. Leave Park at 10 a.m. Meet at Tour Office. (Note: when signing up, stop at Tour Office to choose from lunch selection.) Sign-up needed soon so reservations may be made.

TUES., NOV. 29 – RC QUADCOPTER RACES postponed until Dec. 6.

Calendar . . .

TUES., NOV. 29 -- JACK KAY "LOST IN TIME" CONCERT (6:30 p.m.) at the Rec Hall.

WED., NOV. 30 -- *AMERIGO'S REPRESENTATIVE* in Rec Hall during 9 a.m. weekly Activity Meeting. This person will briefly describe what this organization does in Neuvo Progresso on Christmas Day. Should be interesting!

WED., NOV. 30 -- *FUN NIGHT* (6:30 p.m.) in Pool Hall. Bring food to share if you wish. Sign-up sheets in Pool Hall to help scorers set up teams. Everyone welcome.

FRI., DEC. 1 -- *RAZZLE DAZZLE RED HATTERS FIRST OUTING* (leave park 8:45 a.m.) to travel to Victoria Palms (breakfast), then to outlet mall for Christmas shopping. If you have questions, contact Betty Hunter at (785) 658-6008. Please sign up on bulletin board.

FRI., DEC 2 -- TOUR: *"SWEET ADELINES"* (Cost: \$6) Leave park at 6 p.m. (Concert at Tower Theatre in Weslaco.)

SAT., DEC. 3 – RC & PELLET GUN SWAP MEET / CRAFT SHOW (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) in Rec Hall, Annex and Outside Patio. Features Raffles for RC Car, Pellet Rifle, RC Boat, Quadcopter, and Fishing Pole. Watch RC Demos. Check out Minnow Racing. RC Cars & Trucks for sale (new and used). RC Gun & Fishing Vendors. Residents invited to bring RC Trucks, Cars, Boats, Copters, Accessories and Equipment, as well as Pellet Guns and Fishing Equipment to sell or trade. Craft and Vendor -- \$5 per table. Lunch & Treats for sale!

SAT., DEC. 3 -- TOUR: *McALLEN CHRISTMAS PARADE* (*RESERVED SEATS in VETERANS MEMORIAL STADI-UM*) (Cost: \$11). Leave park at 3 p.m. Please sign up and pay as quickly as possible so we can reserve the seats. Limited number available.

MON., DEC. 5 -- *COMPETITION SHOOT* (Dec. 5-26) at Gun Range. Please sign up soon. *We need a list of everyone who's going to shoot, so Sue can make up target sheets. More info to come.*

MON., DEC. 5 -- TOUR: WINTER WONDERLAND EXTRAVA-GANZA. (Cost: \$1). Leave park at 5:45 p.m.

THURS., DEC. 8 -- *FIRST FUN SHOOT* (1 p.m.) at Gun Range. Shoots are set for Thursdays. Please sign up at range.

MON., DEC. 12 -- WEEKLY JAM & LUNCH. (Lunch at 11 a.m., Jam to follow at 12:30 p.m.)

WED., DEC. 14 -- *LADIES DAY OUT LUNCHEON* (noon) at Harold's Kitchen. Cost: \$10.50. Tickets may be purchased in the Activity Office. Meal includes iced tea but not coffee.

SAT., DEC. 31 -- NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE & BREAK-FAST (Dance 8 p.m.; Breakfast 12:15 a.m.) in Rec Hall. Music provided by Jay & Tammy and Friends. Tickets (Dance = \$10 each; Breakfast = \$3) are available in Main Office and ACTIV-ITY OFFICE. Table reservations available in Activity Office (only). To make table reservations, you must bring your

Needed: HOST FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

IF ANYONE OR ANY GROUP OF RESIDENTS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HOSTING OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY, PLEASE SEE THE AC-TIVITY DIRECTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

The Church Corner

Pastor Cathy Graham

Salt and Light Community of Alamo Rec-Veh Park

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"You are the salt of the earth ... You are the light of the world, a city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden ... Let your light so shine before man, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

• Church services on Sundays at 9 a.m.

• MON., NOV. 28 -- CHOIR PRACTICE (9 a.m.) in Card Room.

• **BIBLE STUDIES** on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. (after *Park Meeting*). Topic: Spiritual Warfare.

• Please check Church Bulletin Board for information about future events.

• Special services will be held on Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Look for Pastor Cathy's letter to park residents to be printed in Dec. 2 issue of the Echo.

dance ticket. See ad on pg. 3.

FRI., FEB. 9 -- TOUR: *JERSEY BOYS.* (Cost: \$69) at McAllen Community Center. (We need to order tickets in a block to get discount.) Please sign up before Jan. 2 because tickets sales will be open to the public after that.

Thank Mou

To all of you who left donations under our patio area, we can't tell you how much the colonias residents appreciated your generous help. *Sincerely, Fred and Lorey Meiers*

DONATIONS SOUGHT

North of Alamo, a small colonias of impoverished residents desperately needs help. (*A colonias is an unnamed community of people, living often with less than adequate housing and utilities.*) Fred and Lorey Meier are collecting donations -- food, warm clothing, furnishings, blankets, etc. -- to help these colonias residents.

Contact the Meiers for more info at Lot 311. If they're not at home, you're welcome to leave your donations in their enclosed patio area.

REGISTRATION CARDS

Everyone is asked to fill out a NEW registration card. We need to update our records with current information such as: your home address, your emergency contacts, vehicle that you're driving, etc. This is needed for office records and mail forwarding.

PLEASE SLOW DOWN. SPEED LIMIT IN PARK IS 10 MPH. THANK YOU.

Rec Hall doors open at 5 a.m. Coffee available.



LIBRARY NEWS

REMINDER: When returning books, please put them in the baskets. We will shelve them. Donations are welcome. They must be in good condition. Puzzles need to have all of the pieces.

Thank you for your cooperation. Dean and Karen Starks

HELPING HANDS

Helping Hands would like to invite everyone to join us on Tuesday mornings from 8-11:30 a.m. in the Annex to make quilts for the needy here in the Valley. You do not have to sew. We have lots of quilts that need tying, etc.

BUSY BEE QUILTERS

Busy Bee Quilters meet on Friday afternoons from 1-3:30 p.m. We are currently sewing on our own projects but will be having classes and a Christmas party. Come to see what we are doing.

TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

Donated toys will stay in Alamo for needy children. Our collection box is located under the Rec Hall kitchen window. We've always given more than any other Winter Texan park in the Alamo area.

POP TABS • CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS • EDUCATION COUPONS

We are saving POP TABS for the Ronald McDonald House. In addition, we are saving Campbell Soup labels, along with the Education coupons from Campbell products. Our collection containers for both of these items are in the Card Room.

EYEGLASSES: Saving glasses for our Alamo Lions Club. These will stay in the Valley. Bring your used glasses to the Activity Office.



Please reserve a 2017 Alamo Rec-Veh Park Calendar *for me.* Enclosed is my \$5 donation for this new RC&R-sponsored calendar that features special park events, as well as important park information, plus valuable coupons. Pick up in Main Office.

Phone

Name___

Lot No. _____ No. of calendars ____



DEC. 31 – Dance (8 p.m. to 12 a.m.) Breakfast (12:15 - 1 a.m.) DANCE TICKETS: \$10 per person; BREAKFAST: \$3 per person

Breakfast Menu: Scrambled Egg Casserole, Mixed Fruit Cup, Toast and Coffee



TABLE RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE in ACTIVITY OFFICE To reserve a table, you must bring your TICKET to the Activity Office. The following groups NEED participants, players, spectators, etc. *Go to a meeting, game, or activity just to see if it's a good fit for you.*

Group Leaders: You will need to submit info for this column by Tuesday at 5 p.m. every week. Please be brief. Copy will be edited.

RC Racing To Begin ...

• Friday, Dec. 2 -- 1 p.m., Oval Track Racing in front of Main Office (11 a.m. Practice, 12 noon Lunch) Bring your RC cars or just come down to watch. Lunch will be on sale at noon. Proceeds help to defray track upkeep and updating facilities.

Sunday, Dec. 4 -- 1 p.m., Sailboat Racing at the dock. (12 noon Lunch) *Menu:* All-beef hot dogs, chips, brownies, a variety of sodas and water will be on sale for participants and spectators.
Tuesday, Dec. 6 -- 8:30 a.m., Quadcopter Racing in Main Hall. Bring your helicopters and drones. *Bakery fare and coffee will be on sale during the Tuesday morning races.*

2016-17 REMOTE CONTROL RACING AND RIFLE RANGE DONATIONS:

(The following donations give you access to ALL RC and Gun Range competitions and activities for the 2016-17 season. There's NO separation for individual activities.) Please get your donations in soon. Dues help to fund RC, Gun Range and Fishing events.

Annual Couple: \$50 *OR* Annual Single: \$35 donation Monthly Couple: \$20 *OR* Monthly Single: \$15 donation

UPCOMING TOURS

Sign-up for all tours in Tour Office or in Main Hall on Tours Bulletin Board. Meet in the Rec Hall before the tour unless otherwise indicated. Watch for new tours (posted) because opportunities often open for park residents. *For info, call Tour Directors Marion Peterson at (651) 307-3104 or JoAnn Langseth at (612) 719-0350.*

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PACKAGE DELIVERY INFO

When ordering anything to be delivered to your lot here, be sure to use the correct lot number. If you're on the blacktop use an A before your lot number, use an F for F section, and B for B section.



at ALAMO REC-VEH PARK in REC HALL, ANNEX and OUTSIDE PATIO

SATURDAY, DEC. 3 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Jeaturing ... CRAFT SALE with park resident items and outside vendors

- RAFFLES: RC Car, Pellet Rifle, RC Boat, Quad-Copter, and Fishing Pole
- RC Demos
 Minnow Racing
- RC Cars/Trucks/Boats and
- Copters for sale (new and used)
- RC, Gun and Fishing Vendors

Bring RC Trucks/Cars/Boats/Copters, Accessories and Equipment, Pellet Guns and Fishing Equipment to sell or trade.

-- LUNCH and TREATS FOR SALE! --PUBLIC INVITED \$5 per table. For info, call (262) 914-7100

Just in time to pick up holiday gifts!



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