

NATURES TALES

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Do you know?

1. Who makes the coffee for you every morning?
2. Who takes care of the plants around the pool?
3. Who waters and keeps the orchard tidy?
4. Who puts up the Trivia question each morning?
5. Who waters the trees in the common area?
6. Who mows all the grass?
7. Who runs the Google Activities so you know what activities are happening each day?
8. Who takes care of the plants on the north and east side of the clubhouse?
9. Who updates the calendar next to the bulletin board?
10. Who takes care of the bulletin board?
11. Who picks up "Winter Texas Times" for all of us to read?
12. Who recycles all the recycle stuff?
13. Who cleaned up the Memorial Garden and now overseas its care?
14. Who makes sure that the sound system is working every time that it is needed?
15. Who are the members of the Fun Activities Association Board?

(Answers on Page 4)

Besides all these people who volunteer on an ongoing basis, we have many people who volunteer to host specific events like dances, potlucks and dinners. There are also many others who volunteer to help the hosts with set-up and clean-up. We also have many people who oversee all the activities we have during the winter season: Exercise, water volleyball, water aerobics, bible study, sewing circle, cards, western dancing, bingo, soup suppers, dominoes, petanque And so the list goes on.

Imagine for a moment what Natures would be like with no volunteers. No coffee, no dances, no soup suppers, no birthday parties, no activities of any kind, and scruffy looking grounds. Not a pretty picture at all.

We realize just how important all our volunteers are, and consider each and every one a very special person. Thank you all so much for your time, talent and effort. Natures Resort would be a very dull place without you.

If you would like to join this elite group and become one of these special people speak with anyone on the Fun Association Board and they will point you in the right direction.

The Expansion Continues....

No, we are not being attacked by giant serpents or underground creatures. The black "snakes" poking out of the dirt in the front section of the park is flexible conduit for the electric cables. Last month we reported that the electric company would only start our project around December 1st, so we were surprised (and very delighted) when they started rolling in their equipment and materials on November 18th.

Although work is progressing we have learned that there is no point in predicting when each stage will be finished. This stage will be finished when the electric company says it is finished! Once the electric is in we will start on the water lines, and this will be followed by the roads.

Once again we would like to thank all of our Natures Resort family for their patience with this ongoing project. We will ALL be glad when it is finished!

Tidbits from Speckles, Natures Proud Cat!

It is so busy I don't know which way to turn! I think that the gate is wearing out because it has to open so many times to let my returning Winter Texan Family in! I'm glad to have them back.

- One day I saw a shed on wheels going on the road through the park. I chased it until I was almost worn out only to discover that it stopped behind Ron and Lynne's new house on lot # 53.
- The Halloween party was very scary till I realized that the scary people were my friends all dressed up. The costumes and carved pumpkins were fantastic.

Best individual costumes: Cindy,
Rebecca, Randy, Tony (Pam)

Best couple costumes: Jack & Jane,
Bob & Jean, Al & Barb, Rick &
Tinka

Best Pumpkins: Pam (Rick), Ken,
Rebecca, Bob & Nancy

- Art & Carol made a very generous donation for flowers to be used to beautify Natures. Thank you so much!
- The Christmas decorations are up and the clubhouse looks pretty. A special thank you to Al & Jean and all their helpers.
- Bill R and Rebecca were in a motorcycle accident. Bill has a broken rib, stitches on his elbows and lots of road rash. Rebecca has broken bones in her ankle and leg and some road rash. I'm so glad that the injuries were not more serious, and hope that they will both soon be feeling better.
- There was music, there was beer, there was wine, there was terrific food (or so I am told, because no one is supposed to feed me!) and there were lots of people all having fun at something called "The Fall Festival".

- Last night Hekzebiah Hawkins threw a party and dance for his darter, Sadie, in that there big barn. Would you believe it? Sadie caught her man! Here is a picture to prove it!
- The Thanksgiving decorations looked great! It's a pity that we couldn't enjoy them longer.
- I never saw so many turkeys and so much food for Thanksgiving! Mike & Robin and all their helpers did a wonderful job and everyone went back home with a full belly.
- The yard sale was a HUGE success. Over \$1,000 was made for the Fun Association. Thanks to Petra and all her helpers as well as all those who donated items.
- Did you know that Dave & Alice's golf cart is bigger than their Smart car?
- You might want to ask Misty about landing on the floor with her legs in the air, as the chair shot across the office when she answered Natures phone!
- I hope that everyone is going to decorate their lots for Christmas. I love all the pretty lights and decorations!

That's all from me. I wish everyone a purrrrrfect holiday season.



The Blood Mobile visited Natures

Thank you to the 26 people who registered to donate blood on November 1st.

Twenty-two eligible donors donated 25 units of life saving blood. This included four donors who donated double red cells.

Our next blood donation day at Natures Resort will be Monday, January 3, 2011.

December Special Events

- 3rd** Hidalgo Lights – Tickets Required.
Leave Natures at 4:15 p.m.
- 7th** Men's Breakfast - 8:00 a.m. See
bulletin board for details.
- 9th** 7:00 p.m. Dance - Music by Diego
- 12th** 6:30 p.m. Join us in the clubhouse for
cake & ice cream as we celebrate
December Birthdays and Anniversaries.
- 18th** 9:00 a.m. Members' Meeting. (If you
are at Natures, you are a member!)
Please attend. Complimentary Coffee
and Donut.
- 21st** 7:00 p.m. Dance - Music by Heartland
Express.
- 25th** Christmas Dinner
- 31st** 7:00 p.m. New Year's Eve Dance -
Music by Ruthi

January 1st New Year's Day Brunch

Weekly Activities

Aerobics Indoors: – 9:00 a.m. Tuesday &
Thursday – Clubhouse

Bible Study: 10:30 a.m. Monday – Gazebo

Bike Rides: 9:00 a.m. Thursday. Meet on the
north side of the clubhouse

Bingo: 6:15 p.m. Clubhouse (Starts at 7 pm)

Camp Fire: 4:30 p.m. Friday. Bring hotdogs
to cook over the fire, buns, chairs etc

Euchre: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - Card Room

Line Dancing & Western Dance: –6:30 p.m.
Wednesday – Clubhouse

Men's Breakfast: – 8:00 a.m. every other
Tuesday – Details on Bulletin Board

Mexican Train: - 7:00 p.m. Monday – Card
Room

Quilting: - 10:30 a.m. Monday – Clubhouse

Sewing Circle: – 1:00 p.m. Friday – Clubhouse

Shanghi Rummy: – 1:00 p.m. Tuesday and
Thursday – Card room

Soup Supper: - 6:00 p.m. Monday - Sign up

Trivial Pursuit: – 6:30 p.m. Thursday – Card
Room

Water Aerobics: – 9:00 a.m. Monday,
Wednesday and Friday

Water Volleyball: Watch impromptu board for
days and times.

Zumba: - 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday &
Saturday – Clubhouse

Check the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse for
additional information. Also remember to
check the Impromptu Board for any last minute
changes or impromptu functions.

Answers to Quiz on Page 1

1. Bill - #78
2. Barb - #48
3. Pam & John - #61 and their team of
helpers.
4. Evie - #83
5. Bill - #78
6. Al - #13
7. Cassandra - #59
8. Richard - #48
9. Bruce - #19
10. Karen - #73
11. Jim - #11
12. Bob - #5 & Bruce - #19
13. Pam & Toni - #67, Larry - #207, Paula -
#106
14. Bruce - #19
15. Ken - #56, Bruce - #19, Jim - #77, Karen
– 73, Petra - #65