

# NATURES TALES

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## *Welcome!*

Everything is happening so fast at Natures that it is hard to keep up! I am most grateful that we have Speckles making note of all the arrivals, departures and general 'gossip'. As the thermometer up north decreases, the number of Winter Texans traveling south increases. A hearty welcome to all our returning family. It's wonderful to have you home with us again. To those who are visiting Natures for the first time, we welcome you to our Natures family.

Do take a moment to look at the activities board next to the mailboxes in the clubhouse. This newsletter gives you an overview of the December activities, but the activities board will give you all the day to day activities as well as details of upcoming events. We encourage everyone to jump right into any activities that interest you. New faces are always welcomed, and it's the quickest way to get to know people.

If you would like a weekly email on the upcoming activities, then please contact Cassandra - #59 – or email her at [Cassandra@2sailmore.com](mailto:Cassandra@2sailmore.com), and she will keep you updated with the numerous activities in and around the park. Our thanks to Cassandra for volunteering to do this great service.

## *New Things!*

New things keep appearing at the 'New' Natures. Just in case you think that you're having a problem with your eyes, let me assure

you that your vision is not impaired. That blur that you keep seeing is just Bill S and his band of merry helpers zipping around everywhere building, fixing, making and creating!! The latest is new lighting for the clubhouse, and the outdoor kitchen designed and built by Bill S and assembled on a new cement slab on the west side of the pool area by Bill and our wonderful volunteers. This newest addition should enable us to have some wonderful outdoor potlucks and other interesting activities.

## *Great News!*

We extend our grateful thanks to Frank who has spent countless weeks, days and hours on Wi-Fi research to find a system and a company that we could rely on to give us good service and uninterrupted internet. We are glad to announce that the Wi-Fi system is now up and running. We thank you all for your patience and trust that everyone will enjoy this free service.

## *Volunteers*

The owners would again like to thank the many volunteers for all the work that they have done in and around Natures as well as the work to improve and promote the activities at Natures. It is this volunteering spirit that has changed Natures Resort to the 'New' Natures Resort, a place where people become friends, and friends become family; a place where we

care about each other, and where we can relax and have fun in a happy, friendly and congenial atmosphere.

Speckles, our proud Natures cat, makes mention of some of the more noticeable acts of volunteerism, but there are others that are not so obvious, yet are just as important. Many folks simply pitch in when they see a need. People wipe down tables, empty the cigarette butt cans, straighten tables and chairs, clean up the kitchen, help with various activities even though they are not official hosts and so much more. Although these things may seem small, and perhaps the people doing them hardly realize that they are helping, these are the things that unite everyone at Natures into a family. These are the things that turn a camp ground into a resort. These are the things that make Natures special.

So Thank You! Your volunteering spirit is noticed and you are appreciated. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

### ***Tidbits from Speckles!***

I am exhausted! There are so many things going on that I have NO time to laze around in the wonderful Texas winter sunshine. But I enjoy being busy and watching everyone have a good time!

- That big cement truck has spent a lot of time here pouring concrete pads for Danny & Raqualla - #3, Serge & Carol - #8, Jack & Cassandra - #59, Danny & Jan - #84, Norm & Kat - #76, Rick & Pam - #79 and Rene & Marie - #207.
- The cement truck also poured a new bike pad on the east side of the clubhouse, as well as a pad for the new outdoor kitchen and for another sunshade on the west side of the clubhouse.
- Jack & Cassandra - #59 have a fantastic new park model. Congratulations!

- I'm good at climbing, but you should have seen Denny - #3 shimmy to the top of the 30 ft. Wi-Fi tower so that he could paint it. Wow! That was amazing! He also painted the flag pole, and Jim & Peg - #50 donated a new United States flag for the pole as well as a Texas flag for the clubhouse. Thanks guys!
- I heard that s-cat-folding (a kitty jungle gym?) was to be erected in the clubhouse but then Denny - #3, Al - #13, Bill - #51 and Rene - #207 climbed all over it saying "let there be light" and used it to hang the new HUGE chandelier with its satellites – and they took it down before I had a chance to play on it. The new lights in the clubhouse look fantastic.
- A new, high fence has been installed south of Lot 100 to keep out the two and four legged trespassers.
- All that ugly cement outside the north fence has been removed. Yeah!
- The Welcome Home sign and fountain look really pretty with all the flowers that Jim & Judy - #10 planted.
- Al - #13 helped with planting queen Palm Trees: 3 south of the petanque courts, 3 on either side of the Welcome Home sign and six at the end of the driveway at Monte Cristo Road, giving our entrance a stately look.
- The exercise room looks great now that Jim - #50 painted it. Thanks Jim!

That's all from me. We're looking forward to a purrrfect December!



## **WHAZZUP**

### **By Cassandra**

There are a lot of things happening here at Natures Resort. Every week more and more folks are arriving to enjoy the warm winter and renew the warm friendships. And that is just the beginning!

November was a great kick-off to a fun season. A few of the highlights were the first of many weekly NR Poolside Happy Hours, a great Fall Festival! BREWSKIS & BRATS party, a Thanksgiving Feast that had record breaking attendance, and a very fun Kountry Karaoke joint event at Sandpipers.

December has a number of equally fun events in the works. A few of these are:

- A Bike Ride in the NABA Butterfly Park including a guided tour;
- A first-ever MRFNS (make room for new stuff) NR Yard Sale;
- A Hypnotic Night and Dance with hypnotist Frankie Z with Sandpipers members as our guests;
- A yummy Holiday Cookie Exchange;
- A first-ever Adopt-A-Family for Christmas Project;
- A super delicious Christmas Dinner;
- And a fun and crazy Christmas Gift Exchange.

Of course there are many more things going on in December. A new email notice is being sent to every requesting NR Member with up-to-date weekly happenings so you have all the information at your fingertips and don't miss out on all the fun. Also, the NR Bulletin Board has been reorganized so you can find the details, dates, hosts, and other pertinent information to the many events quickly and easily.

So that is WHAZZUP at Natures Resort in December.