

# NATURES TALES

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## ***We Look Different!***

After Hurricane Dolly redistributed our fence around the Rio Grande Valley, we immediately hired people to rebuild along the existing fence line. They did an extremely good job, and within a couple of weeks our resort was private once again. However, while we had workers who were good at what they did, it seemed an opportune time to build the fence that will be needed when we start to expand into the front area.

This new fence has been completed, which gives Natures a very different look from the road, so we hope that our winter Texan family will not drive past us when they head south again. Having to make a U-turn when driving a big rig is no fun at all!

For our yard sale enthusiasts, we are pleased to tell you that there is still ample room to set up your tables along Monte Cristo road!

## ***From the Mail Room***

*Bill and I want to say thank you to all who have offered their support and good wishes for Bill's speedy recovery from prostate cancer surgery. The doctor has assured us that he was able to get all of the cancer. Bill will be monitored closely for the rest of his life.*

*Bill had his PSA test done at Natures Resort in February, and it was through this test that the cancer was discovered. It is quite possible that this test saved his life! If he hadn't signed up for the lab test, he would not have known that he had prostate cancer as he had absolutely no symptoms. Without this lab test his cancer may have spread by the time that it was diagnosed.*

*We ask that you consider signing up for these lab tests when they are available at Natures Resort or in your home towns.*

***Please, men, get those PSA tests.***

*Bill and Sandy*

## ***Labor Day Celebration!***

Hurricane Dolly had somewhat interrupted the regular festivities. However, during that time when everyone was pitching in to help with the cleanup, some of our ladies prepared many meals for all of the workers, so, in spite of the lack of regular festivities, there were still many gatherings within the clubhouse.

With all the cleanup work complete, Labor Day was the ideal time to put Dolly behind us, and gather in the clubhouse for a

fun celebration with a feast of Church's Chicken, coleslaw and other yummy goodies.

### ***A Facelift for our Roads!***

For some time we have been concerned about our roads. In some areas small cracks were appearing, and in the north east corner (where it had previously been patched) potholes were beginning to form. So while the park was quiet we gave all the roads a facelift.

Those who were in the park at this time had to endure the inconvenience of not just the noise and dust, but also the fact that they needed to wait until the surface had dried before they could drive on it. We do thank our residents for their patience and understanding.

The good news is that the resurfacing and sealing has now been completed and not only do the roads look really good, but this will extend their life considerably.

### ***Upcoming Events***

The Fun Association will soon be meeting to schedule activities through the winter season. In the meantime, watch the activities bulletin board and the impromptu board for daily activities.

- **October 1 – 9:30 a.m.** This will be the first of the weekly “Wednesday Coffee at Al and Joann” – Site #100. Everyone is invited. Bring your own mug and enjoy some friendly fellowship.
- **October 11 – 9:00 a.m.** Fun Association Board Meeting

- **October 12 – 6:30 p.m.** Birthday Celebration with cake and ice cream in the clubhouse.
- **October 13 – 5:00 p.m.** This will be the first of the weekly Soup and Salad dinners. Sign up and check the activities board for the type of soups to be served. Bring your own table service and \$\$
- **October 18 – 9 a.m.** Members Meeting. This is for EVERYONE in the park. Meet in the clubhouse for coffee and donuts, and hear about upcoming events being planned for your enjoyment.
- **October 31** – Halloween Party. Put your imagination to work and surprise everyone with a unique costume!
- **November 22** is the Annual Beer and Wine Tasting Festival. The Fun Association along with hosts Ken and Janet want to remind everyone to bring their local hometown/state beers/wines to help make this an awesome event.

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

It's been a busy time with 'strangers' in the park building fences and fixing roads. Wow, I've never seen so many clothes in my life!

- Summer must be officially over because my Natures family is returning! I'm so happy to see Denny & Raqualla, Roger, Ken & Janet, Jerry K, Tony & Pam, Tom & Sharon, Larry & Lupe, Bruce & Marysue and David.

- With all the rain that we have had, Al and Denny have been very busy mowing. They are fantastic!
- Richard & Connie are also back, so I can stop worrying about the pools. Richard always makes sure that they are sparkling! (I'm not sure what Richard did, but I heard he was running away from Ike.)
- Jim & Peg have added on to their house – again! It looks really great!
- Richard & Barbara have moved onto Site #48. Welcome to Natures!
- Bill D loaded his plate so full of food at one of the community meals that his plate broke in half and all his food fell on the floor! (He could have given it to me, but he didn't)
- Carolann has been working very hard in the Memorial Garden and it looks really pretty. She has also painted the chairs in the Gazebo and continues to poison the ants. Thanks so much Carolann.
- There have been people coming and going in the pull throughs and guest rooms. Dean and Connie are staying with us for a month.
- Raqualla and Denny got married! Congratulations! I think they are a purrrfect couple.
- I'm really looking forward to having all my Winter Texan family back again.

That's all from me!



### ***Natures Fun Happenings!***

Last year Cassandra sent out weekly emails on all the activities and events going on at Natures. This made it easy to keep up with the weekly activities.

Cassandra will be back at Natures around the middle of October and has kindly offered to once again provide this great service for everyone who would like it.

For those of you who are new, the weekly Natures Fun Happenings email notice is sent to all subscribers at the beginning of every week listing the day, time and description of activities/events happening that week at Natures Resort. Updates or reminders pertaining to these activities are also sent out from time to time.

In order to subscribe to this season's Natures Fun Happenings weekly email notice please send Cassandra any email address changes or additions you may have so that she can have them ready to go as soon as she gets here. Send your email address or any changes to [cassandra@2sailmore.com](mailto:cassandra@2sailmore.com).

Receiving the weekly Fun Happenings email is an easy way to keep yourself informed of all the different and many things going on every week here at Natures. I encourage everyone to subscribe to this great service and also extend a huge thank you to Cassandra for volunteering to do it for us again this coming season.

Please note that the email addresses provided to Cassandra for this purpose are maintained in a confidential manner and used only for this weekly email publication.