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LIVING LIFE NATURALLY

Natures is Unique because.....

Many people have stories about how they made a reservation for one week at Natures and then stayed for a month, or two or three. There are a number of stories of people who stopped by for a visit and never left! Natures is now their permanent home. There is even a story of one couple who came through the gate, came to the office and said "This is the place! This is where we want to spend our winters!"

So why does this happen at Natures? Is it because we have friendly, outgoing people? We certainly do, but, generally speaking, nudists are friendly, outgoing people. When visiting nudist parks one expects to find friendly, outgoing people so this is not unique to Natures.

We believe one of the reasons we are unique is that our friendliness goes so much deeper than mere friendship. We have become a family here and we care about each other. We help each other, we watch out for each other, we reach out to each other. We share each other's joys as well as the hurts and sorrows. When there is a need people step in to see how they can help. In the past this has even extended to people cancelling vacations to care for someone who needed assistance.

Another reason is because this family of ours considers Natures their home, and, because they want to be proud of their home, they take an active part in keeping it looking good. People will either fix something that needs fixing, or let us know that it is broken. People straighten chairs, wipe tables or pick up a blowing paper. Their pride shows in the

clean and tidy appearance of Natures, and this certainly creates a good first impression.

The third and fourth reasons are the amazing variety of activities that we enjoy here and the Natures' volunteering spirit. These two go hand in hand. We have the usual petanque, water volleyball and shuffleboard, but that is just the start. Dance lessons, quilting, darts, talent show, street party, theme dances, box dinners, breakfasts including breakfast in a bag, all the Fun-in-the-Sun competitions, Wii bowling, exercises, yoga, billiards, water aerobics, garage sales, blood drives, excursions outside the park ... The list goes on and on.

How can we have all these activities without a paid Activity Director? We can because our family steps forward and takes the initiative. People volunteer to head up the various activities and special events and others volunteer to help. Without all this help we would not have this wide variety of activities.

To sum everything up, we are a friendly, caring family that takes pride in our home, and comes together to provide support, activities and fun for everyone. If any one of these ingredients was missing, Natures would not be the special place that it is!

So it boils down to the fact that Natures resort is unique because of the very special people that we have here. Besides being friendly, each and every member of our family plays an important part in making Natures the place where people want to be. The owners of Natures Resort do not take any of this for granted. We appreciate each person here, we are grateful for the help that we receive, we love our volunteers and we thank everyone for

choosing Natures as their home and for doing their part in creating the warm, friendly, caring family that we are proud to be a part of. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you to all our special people!

Tidbits from Cally, Natures Proud Cat



- What a wonderful Easter Dinner we had! Many thanks to John & Delores and Bev & Pam and all their helpers for making this such a successful event. Thanks also go to everyone for bringing such a wonderful assortment of side dishes!
- The annual talent show was a huge success. The clubhouse was packed with expectant spectators who were not disappointed with the variety and caliber the performers. Many thanks to Pete and his helpers for organizing this event and to the performers for making this event possible.
- I thought that I heard an auctioneer in the clubhouse and went to investigate. Sure enough, there was Auctioneer Steve selling off a bunch of box dinners. This event is loads of fun, and we are hoping that it will grow and become an annual activity. Many thanks to Jim & Judy and their helpers for organizing this great event.
- Everyone gathered in the clubhouse to help Dave (Sue) Lot 124, celebrate his 60th birthday. Sue dressed him up in a man-size diaper to remember the sweet day when he was born. Beware Dave! Who knows what she may plan for your 70th!
- What a lot of garage sale stuff all over the tables in the clubhouse! Where did it all come from? The good news is that everything sold, and the total for the two

days was \$1,330.00. Many thanks to Rainy & Sue and their helpers as well as all those who donated items or shopped.

- The clubhouse has changed its look! The Renaissance banners and castle walls were taken down, and replaced by a sky full of kites of all sizes and shapes to celebrate spring! Thanks to Rebecca and her loyal crew who work hard to keep the clubhouse looking pretty. Thanks also to those who donated kites.
- The spring craft show had fewer vendors than usual, but still there was a good variety of high quality items for sale. Thanks to the organizers and the crafters for giving us the opportunity to purchase some unique items.
- A wonderful tradition: Every year we have a dance on St. Patrick's day and every year Ken (Janet), Lot 56, treats all the ladies to a kiss and a green carnation. Thanks to Mark & Patty for hosting this event, thanks to all the helpers and to Ken for the carnations.
- This year the Owners' Appreciation Dinner was catered by JRow who provided a wonderful meal. Thanks to Rebecca for researching and finding this great caterer. Also thanks to Patty for finding and booking The Bushriders to provide music for the dance. It was a great evening enjoyed by all.

I'm really enjoying this job, but I'm looking forward to having a more relaxing time over the summer! That's all from me. Have a purrrrrfect and safe trip home!



Good Bye Again!

It's time to wish all of our Winter Texan family a safe journey home and a happy, healthy summer. We have loved having you spend the winter with us, and look forward to seeing everyone back in the fall.