

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

Cathy Young, Editor

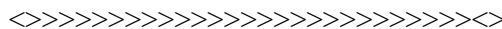


April 18, 2014

Editor's Comments

We had several days of beautiful, warm spring-type weather this past week – interrupted by what locals called “The Easter Snow”...we’ll all be glad when we’ve run out of named snows, but hear we still have the “Service Snow” (oddly pronounced Sar-vice) yet to come. This one is apparently when the Service tree blooms. In any case, we’re much closer to spring weather coming and staying, and everyone who spent winter in Alpine is ready for it. We have lots of information in this week’s issue, so be sure to check out all the happenings and put them on your calendar so you can enjoy what Alpine has to offer. We kick off the season with the ladies’ spring luncheon on May 1st – sponsored by ALLGO, but we encourage ALL LADIES to join us. Our management and staff are feverishly working to have the lodge refurbishing done in time for upcoming events, and we appreciate their dedication. Now, everyone needs to come out and help support their efforts to continue to move Alpine forward. We bid a fond farewell to Denise Moon, thanking her for her many years of service and dedication to Alpine. We wish her success and happiness. All the best, Denise...we’ll miss you.

If you have contributions for FWIW, please email them to me at youngcl2@frontier.com. Or you may use the FWIW box on the counter in the lobby. The deadline to submit items for the next issue of FWIW is Wed., April 30th, and the ***next issue will be published on Fri., May 2nd***. Enjoy reading all the news in your newsletter, which is available in the lobby or on Alpine Lake’s website – www.alpinelake.com; then click on FWIW and choose the date. A special thanks to everyone who sent something for this issue, even with the short notice. ☺



TIMELY NOTICES & REMINDERS...

STEAK DINNERS ON MONDAYS – have been *extended through April*, - **ONLY 2 LEFT!** You can still enjoy a delicious steak dinner, served in the lounge from 5-9 PM, steaks are cut to order. We’ve heard many positive comments about these dinners, so check it out before they end.

NEXT EGG DELIVERIES – Wed., Apr. 30th & May 14th - approximately 11:15 AM
James Stemple, our local farmer, delivers fresh eggs to the Alpine Lodge in the Rhododendron Room, (see dates above). He occasionally also has meat for sale. Please call or email Sheila Amato for more information or to order eggs – (304) 789-5555 or email: brltrans@frontier.com. Can’t beat his fresh eggs - \$2.50/doz. - and so worth it!

SPRING LUNCHEON SIGN-UP – Thursday, May 1st – Noon – Evergreene Room, Lodge
Time is running out, ***so sign up NOW*** – sheet is on front desk of lodge – buffet meal, fashion show, raffle, cash drawing and more. Bring money to join the fun. Individual bills for meal...check out the menu next to sign-up sheet on front counter. See you there!



COMING SOON...

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE – SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH – 6:30 AM – Boathouse

Don't forget this very special service, to herald Easter, being held in the boathouse. The sunrise reflecting on the lake is an amazing sight. Everyone is welcome, regardless of denomination. Put this on your calendar and plan to attend. (No breakfast at lodge this year.)

EASTER MEAL offered from 11 AM to 3 PM at our lodge. Check out the beautiful flyer listing all the menu choices – from appetizers to entrees (served with fresh baked bread & garden salad) and even desserts! Reservations are requested, so call now – there may still be room. Call (304) 789-2481, Ext. 0.

SHRINERS' VIDALIA ONION SALES – Deadline to order was *April 15th* – anyone who ordered onions to benefit the Shriners' can expect delivery sometime the end of April. Thanks to all who supported this very worthwhile organization. If you have questions, call Alpine resident/Shriner member Dave "Mose" Wilson at (304) 789-6821 or email mose@atlanticbb.net.

Thoughts, Prayers & Thank You Messages



This section of FWIW is one of the best loved because it gives us an opportunity to keep up with our neighbors and friends by reporting good news as well as offering support when folks are going through difficult times. Thank you for passing along updates and news.

RETIRING – **Bob Burket** of Rent-a-Hubby Handyman Services...Linda and I are moving to Florida full-time in the next couple of weeks. I will be retiring the business effective immediately, and want to thank everyone for your support over the past 8 years. It has been a pleasure doing handyman repairs, home improvements and lawn care in such a great community. We are excited about our move and looking forward to our new life. We will miss everyone and wish you all well. Thank you. **Bob & Linda Burket**

Please keep **Raelynn Noble** in your prayers. She is 5 ½ months old and was hospitalized last week for 5 days with pneumonia and failure to thrive. Even on an increased calorie diet, she is having a hard time gaining weight. She currently weighs 10 lbs. 13 oz. and has to have treatments every 4 hours. Please pray that this precious little girl will gain weight and be healthy.

Alpine resident **George Evans** is hospitalized in FL with another round of his intestinal obstruction problems. Joan tells us his doctors are hoping to avoid surgery, but he'll need at least another week of monitoring before they decide how to proceed. They had planned to be back in Alpine by May 4th, but this set-back will delay that. We're hoping you get positive news soon.

Please also remember Alpine resident **Charlotte Wiles'** sister, **Shirley Smith** as she deals with some serious health issues, and awaits test results. Thoughts and prayers are with the entire family.

Please continue to keep folks we've mentioned here in previous issues in your thoughts and prayers – family of **Doreen Rogers, Mac Dobeck, Dave Crane, Herman Mason, Bob Kertesz, Skip Keppler** and **Pat Hoffman**. We're sure there are others dealing with health issues, family losses and other various challenges. If you know of someone who would like us to remember them in this section of FWIW, please let us know. God bless all.



COMING LATER(mark your calendars now & watch for details)

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH - Sun., May 11th – 11 AM – 3 PM – Lodge

We will be treated to some really good (and different) menu offerings for this special event. Give your head cook a break and enjoy a delicious meal – get a group together and make it a party. You will have a choice of several appetizers, entrees and desserts. Meal includes coffee and iced tea for \$18.95/person (tax & gratuity extra). Reservations are recommended. Call the front desk to reserve your spot. And check the flyer with complete menu options in the mailbox bulletin boards, front lobby and online at www.alpinelake.com.

OPEN MIC – Begins Thursday, May 15th and will be ongoing every Thursday evening **6-9 PM**. Ron Rogers will host - acoustic instruments only. If you're interested in performing, you just sign up before play begins each week. We will continue to offer ½-priced pizza (limit 1 topping/dine in only), as well as other menu options. See the beautiful flyer in the bulletin boards and online. Plan to just come listen and enjoy some good live music, food and fellowship.

ALPINE'S AMERICAN MAH JONGG GROUP – by Katherine Bennington

Our Mah Jongg group will begin Wednesday, June 11 at 12:30 PM in the Evergreene Room. This is a relaxed afternoon...no RSVP...no weekly commitment...no food preparation...just show up as your schedule allows. If you are new to Mah Jongg, we will help you learn the game. Or come by and just check out what Mah Jongg is all about. If you are experienced, we will love to play with you. Feel free to bring your fellow Alpinites or friends from neighboring communities – everyone welcome, even you guys. Any questions, contact me at khbennington@yahoo.com. Thanks.

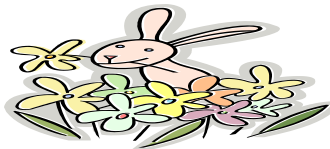
ALI GHAN SHRINE CLOWNS BENEFIT DANCE – Sat., May 10th – 8 PM – Lodge

All you fans of 50s thru 90s music are invited to get your dancing shoes on and come dance the night away to the music of DJ Mark Falkenstien's "Soundmaster Entertainment". Donation at the door is \$10/person – only \$15/couple. Get a group together for a fun evening of music and dancing – support a really worthwhile cause, too. Want more info? Call: 800-752-7179. Hope to see a good crowd there to support the good work of the Shriners. (See flyer in lodge and at mailbox bulletin boards – also attached to this FWIW).

(Also check FUTURE DATES on last page of FWIW for other upcoming events to note)

I glanced out the window at the signs of spring. The sky was almost blue – the trees were almost budding – the sun was almost bright.

-Millard Kaufman, Bowl of Cherries



*Happy Easter –
Happy Spring!*

OUR NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES

TERRA ALTA/E. PRESTON READ ALOUD – from Robin Clutter, Volunteer Coordinator

We will be holding a Volunteer Orientation class at Terra Alta School on Tue., April 29th from 10-11:30 AM for anyone interested in becoming a volunteer reader at our local elementary school. It will be led by Mary Kay Bond, Facilitator for the State of WV. To register, contact Robin Clutter at (304) 698-7774 or email: robin@clutterrealty.com. You can follow us on Facebook at Preston Reads. Please consider volunteering and help a child to love reading!

KINGWOOD VFD BREAKFAST – Next date is Sunday, May 11, 2014 – 7 AM-1 PM

DONATIONS for OAKLAND CIVIC CLUB PROJECT – by Jo Gallagher, Alpine Resident

One of our two on-going projects, Dove Center *Purses of Promise* will conclude when we make another delivery to them in June, and you can still donate until May 24th. We appreciate the terrific response from Alpine Lake folks. You may leave your contributions in the marked box just inside the front door of the lodge, for your convenience.

Our other project: Garrett County Lighthouse *Treasure Chest Store* would greatly benefit from your continued support of donations. The same box at the lodge can be used for these contributions. If you have questions or need more information, please call me, Jo Gallagher, at (304) 789-3189.

SUPPORT YOUR TROOPS – by Brian Bucklew, Alpine Resident

Reminder in case you missed it before.... Cleaning out your closet? I’m looking for unwanted men’s and women’s clothing. I work at Camp Dawson’s live fire Shoot House, and need clothing to dress our Human-Type Targets for realism. We train everyone from your local police to combat soldiers. Shirts, hats, dresses, and unwanted wigs are all welcome. (We don’t need shoes.) Bag up your donations and I will come get them, or you can drop them off on my front porch. Call me at: (443) 388-6114. A unique way to support your troops! Thank you.



CELEBRATIONS

Here are some *May birthdays* we’ve learned about. If you see these folks, be sure to wish them a happy day. Thanks to our Alpine friends who saw our 52nd anniversary note in FWIW and sent cards. Send an email if you’d like to have your special day recognized here. Thanks.

- May 4 – Concetta Sipes*
- May 13 – Linette Sines*
- May 16 – Len Sipes*
- May 23 – Kathy Berry*
- May 23 – George Evans*
- May 26 – Bob Caudry*
- May 27 – Marilyn Sedlack*
- May 27 – Nancy Gardner*

We missed a very special APRIL birthday in the last issue, so we’ll do it here...

April 17 – Bob “Gunner” Combs – celebrated a “young” 92! Happy Birthday, Gunner.

OF INTEREST TO OUR COMMUNITY

CHECK listings on the last page of FWIW for a complete line-up of activities that are on-going in Alpine, even in winter months. There's something for everyone, so choose your favorites and participate. It's a great way to enjoy your friends and neighbors and do fun things, too.

ALPUC NEWS – *from Kim Mayne, ALPUC*

Since spring has sprung, I thought I would take this time to review some housekeeping items. Did you know that ALPUC can automatically take your payment out of your account monthly at no additional fee? With the changes that have occurred within the postal service, this is one way we can help ensure that your payment is made in a timely manner and your account does not suffer late fees. Otherwise, bills are always due on or before the 20th of each month to avoid late fees. Please call our office for more details at (304) 789-6996 or visit alpuc.com under the Forms tab on our website and print out the customer ACH form that describes the terms and also has the application that we will need to sign you up for this free service. You can also make your payment at the ALPUC Office; After Hours Drop Box located at the office; or by mail.

Just a reminder – if you wish to have your water turned back on/off at the street, please contact ALPUC by email or letter requesting when you want service restored/disconnected. This service will be offered Monday through Friday during regular business hours. You can email your request to alpucoffice@frontier.com; fax to (304) 789-6488 or send your request by mail. Please note that written request is required. Make sure you have the correct email address for our office as we have encountered instances of not receiving a request due to using an old email address.

Annual meeting is quickly approaching us! We invite you to join us at the annual meeting. We will be including an invitation to the meeting and absentee ballot with your April 30th billing.



ALPINE LAKE “LIBRARY” – *by Sheila Amato*

The Alpine Lake “library” has been relocated from the Rhododendron Room to the Mountain Laurel Room upstairs. While this room is still undergoing some renovations, the library has been set up and it is ready for your spring and summer reading pleasure. There are now 5 bookcases, with one of them dedicated entirely to books that children and young adults would enjoy.

Feel free to take one – or many – books to read and share. Returns are not required. If you have books that you would like to donate, please leave them on top of one of the smaller bookcases, and we will shelve them in their appropriate fiction, non-fiction, or children's section. Happy reading!

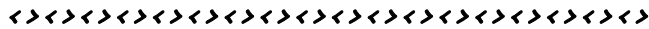
LADIES’ SPRING LUNCHEON – **Thursday, May 1st – Noon – Evergreene Room**

Please sign up at the front desk (or call to have your name added) for this kick-off event, which promises to be another huge success. Buffet meal includes fresh bread, salad, drink and dessert – all for \$15.00 – tax & gratuity included. Cash bar available at extra cost. Bring money to get in on the raffle items, and cash drawing. Fashion show rounds out the “entertainment”. Our ladies’ golf group, ALLGO, sponsors this luncheon, but we encourage ALL ladies to come... golfers or not. Grab a friend, sign up and get ready to enjoy a really fun day! Co-Chairs planning and putting it all together are Connie Shaffer, Charlotte Wiles & Trish Birch. See you there May 1st.

Prepare your grandchildren for income taxes – teach them to eat 1/3 of their ice cream.

Smile....

- Statistically, 6 out of 7 dwarfs are not happy.
- My neighbor knocked loudly on my door at 2:30 AM this morning. Can you believe that? 2:30 AM...luckily for him, I was still up playing my bagpipes (Australian joke)
- I was at an ATM yesterday when a little old lady asked if I could check her balance, so I pushed her over. Sure enough, she was off-balance.
- “Oh, Lord, keep one hand on my shoulder and your other hand over my mouth!”



FROM MANAGEMENT & STAFF

GENERAL MANAGER’S CORNER – by *Freddie Harrison, GM*

Although we are in the middle of April, the golf course is once again shedding its snow. The Country Roads Quilting Retreat will return to Alpine again from the 25th thru the 27th. Just a reminder...we will be serving Easter Specials in the Lounge from 11 AM – 3 PM this Easter Sunday. Reservations are requested – come in and enjoy a terrific meal.

Our staff is looking forward to an outstanding upcoming season, and I have great confidence that all your service needs will be met.

I’m starting to sound like a broken record, but I have more updates on our volunteer work. There was a painting party in the Evergreene Room on Tuesday. The new pickets have also been installed in the Lakers’ Lounge. Thank you again for your continued hard work and dedication to Alpine Lake. It truly is a “diamond in the rough”.

ALPINE SECURITY NEWS – by *Ralph Hauger, Director of Security*

Just to touch base here on SPEED – far too often either one of my officers or I have to put down injured deer, due to being hit by motor vehicles. More often than not, we suspect speed to be a factor in those cases. I do know for a fact that, if you drive the speed limit in the community, you are less likely to hit any animal. So please observe posted speed limits. Happy Easter to all.

Please Note: Once again, we are happy that news from our Management and Staff members requires that we continue on the next page. Linette’s article, which follows below, contains detailed information about new procedures for assessments, boat stickers, changes and employees. It might be a good idea to save it for future reference. Thank you all.



More FROM MANAGEMENT & STAFF

BUSINESS OFFICE NEWS – by *Linette Sines, Business Manager*

Watch your mailbox for the 2014/15 Assessment billing, which should arrive around May 1st. Remember that ALPOA has contracted with BB&T to more efficiently process assessment payments. When you receive your assessment bill in May, it will come directly from BB&T. A remittance stub will be provided, and it will be VERY important that you return your remittance stub with your payment to ensure the proper account receives credit. **Checks will still be made payable to ALPOA.** All payments must be remitted to BB&T, P.O Box 628207, Orlando, FL 32862, or at any BB&T Financial Center. If you use an online bill pay provider, use the bill pay account number only – do not add any other letters, numbers or identifying words in the account number area. The bill pay number is unique to each property address and payment obligation. If you own more than one property, or if you have more than one payment obligation, you may have different bill pay numbers for each payment. You can also make your payment online via credit card or e-check by simply going to www.BB&T.com/payments and select “Pay Now”. Additional fees will apply for this option.

Assessment bills will be mailed out on or about April 30, 2014. **They will be due by May 16th** – afterward, they will be considered late. You must make payment (full, half year or first quarter) by this date. **Payments for assessments will no longer be accepted at the lodge.** Owners will still have the option to make quarterly and semi-annual payments, if preferred. Please remember that any correspondence should still be mailed directly to the lodge (i.e., address changes, billing questions, auto/boat registration information, etc.) – ALPOA – Property Owner Accounts, 700 W. Alpine Drive, Terra Alta, WV 26764. Payments for 2014/15 **Boat Stickers** (\$42.40/boat – tax included) will still be accepted at the lodge beginning May 1, 2014. This year, boat stickers will be distributed by the Front Desk Staff, so if you are a weekender, you will be able to pick up your sticker the same day you pay for it at the Front Desk.

Alpine welcomes many new **employees** during the month of April. This year, we welcome back **Ann Dunson, Leslee Walters, Matt Layton, Chad Layton & Austin King** to the Pro Shop area. **Hunter Radford**, who worked for us as a server in the dining room last year, has transferred to the Pro Shop this summer, and we welcome newcomer **Tracey Rush** to the Pro Shop Staff. Chester has increased staffing in the Roads & Golf Course Departments by welcoming back **Bob Clark, Dave Moats, Rick Moats, Terry “Spud” Otto, William Powell & Michael Ravenscroft**. The Restaurant area will feature many new faces this summer. We welcome our Kitchen Manager, **Sandy Craver**, Chef **Robert Miller**, and Prep Cook **Earl Shaffer** to work with our existing staff back in the kitchen. **Robert March** will be behind the bar; and **Clorinda Shaffer & Melissa Fitchett** will be additions to our staff of Servers.

The **Country Roads Quilting Retreat** will be held here from April 25-27. This will be the second retreat they’ve held here at Alpine, and we are excited to welcome them back! Remember to make your reservations for the **scrumptious Easter dinner** at the lodge (see attached flyer for the menu). The **“Cut-to-Order” steaks** have been a big hit, so if you haven’t checked out this special – stop by! The month of May will bring some changes to our nightly specials. Effective May 1st, 50¢ wings will now be offered on Mondays, beginning at 4 PM. Wings will now be full-price on Thursdays – however, Pizza will remain at ½ price on Thursdays after 4 PM. Friday nights (beginning May 9th), will be Seafood Night, which will feature several different seafood menu options, which will vary from week-to-week – more details to come. Mark your calendar for May 10th and come out to the lodge to help support the Ali Ghan Shriners’ Clowns (see attached flier).



COMMITTEE REPORTS

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE – by Barb Conway & Wilma Rumble, Co-Chairs

The daffodils along Alpine Drive are up and blooming! If you can't see them in person, check out John Wiltison's picture of them on Facebook. They sure do provide a cheery welcome for owners and visitors alike.

I am in the process of revising letters for the service directory, so now is the time to get information to me about potential new advertisers. Send to: Barbara Conway, baconway@frontier.com We hope to have letters ready to mail by May 1st, so that the revision can be completed for distribution at our Annual Meeting in June. Thank you for your help.

PROPERTY OWNERS COMMITTEE – by Bernie & Birgit Stock, Co-Chairs

April snow is not fooling us! It's time to wake up property owners and start spring here at Alpine Lake. As you most likely know, in addition to other activities, the annual **Kentucky Derby/Fundraiser** will be held at the **Boathouse on Saturday, May 3rd beginning at 3 PM**. As in the past, we will have our Alpine Races (6) for your enjoyment before the Run for the Roses around 6:30 PM, shown on our own large TV in the big room. All 36 Alpine horses have been sold, so the next step is for you to wager on those horses, as well as the Big Race, when you arrive. Odds are you will be a winner. There will be some good home-cooked food available, (food for take-out also), as well as libations for the race fans, at reasonable prices. So, bring your money, your smiles, and your good luck charm for a fun day at the races. (Who needs Lexington?)

Obviously, we need some volunteers to help make things run smoothly, so please call Bernie or Birgit if you can give us an hour or so. Call (304) 789-2443 or email: bbstock2@frontier.com. **Remember: This is for Property Owners & Their Guests Only!** See you there.

Spring Road Clean-up Successful!! Last Monday AM, 12 property owners cleaned CR46 from Rt. 7 to CR47 in preparation for the Passover/Easter season. I think some folks (not Alpinites) just wait for us to finish so they can trash it again. Anyway, it WAS clean! Now, let's work on our own roads. Take a bag with you when you walk.

Aluminum cans are still being collected this year. Use the bin by the golf carts. Spring cleaning is a good time to gather things for the **Alpine Lake Yard Sale** in August.

The Property Owners' Committee was very sad to hear of Denise Moon's leaving us. She has helped us in many ways over the past DECADE to coordinate and advertise our many activities – a true Girl Friday in the best sense of the word. She will be missed! Just ask Oliver Luck.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – by Charlotte Wiles, Chair

Don't Forget: We will be publishing a NEW Phone Directory to be done in time for distribution at our June Annual PO Meeting. So, please email any changes you may have to Nina Sheets at vjs_njs3179@frontier.com or Charlotte at wileschar@frontier.com. Do it now so the new book can be as up-to-date as possible. We thank everyone who sent in contact information so that the emergency forms can be up-to-date in case it would be necessary to contact you. There are still lots of folks who have not done it yet, and we ask that you pick up a form at the front desk or go online to our www.alpinelake.com website and complete one. Thank you.



More COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE – by Marty Wright, Chair

Watch for bios on the ALPOA Board of Directors' candidates in the May issue of Alpine Lake's newsletter. Previous issues of FWIW listed the candidates who are running.

Election will be held during our Annual Meeting at the lodge on Sat., June 28th. Additional information about related events will be noted in future FWIWs.

MARKETING COMMITTEE – by Michele Hall & Ronnie Schiffbauer, Co-Chairs

Spring is here, but winter just doesn't want to leave yet! Seasonal residents are beginning their migration back to Alpine Lake to join the rest of us for another great year! Welcome Home. Management has initiated a program to acknowledge employees for their outstanding customer service. Please submit the name of any individual who has gone the extra mile in providing good customer service. This information can be dropped in the comment slot in the front lobby counter.

A short letter and questionnaire to property owners was published in the April Newsletter. This information will be useful for future development of advertising and promoting ownership in our community. Please take a few minutes to reply, either by email to alpinemarketing2014@hotmail.com or complete the form and mail it to: Marketing Committee, c/o Alpine Lake, 700 W. Alpine Dr., Terra Alta, WV 26764. You may also drop it off at the front desk in the lodge lobby – we'd love to hear from you. Thank you.

ECC COMMITTEE – by John Laing, Chair

The question often comes up whether or not a permit is needed for work on a particular driveway. If you are filling in specific holes, the answer is no permit is required. If you are paving or laying down a new layer of gravel over the whole driveway, a permit is required. Many existing driveways interface with the roadway in a way that causes drainage or plowing problems. If a driveway is going to be redone, or a new driveway is being installed, the Alpine Lake maintenance folks want to insure that the finished driveway will not adversely affect snow plowing. This requires a meeting between AL Maintenance and the person doing the driveway work before start of the work. The permit process involves several steps. First, ECC checks to insure driveway does not cross lot boundaries or infringe on easements. If passed by the ECC, the permit request goes to AL Maintenance, which arranges with the person listed as doing the work for a meeting. At that meeting, AL Maintenance explains what the requirements are for culverts and interface with AL roads. Once an understanding is reached on how work must be done, AL Maintenance will provide a copy of the approved permit. Once work is completed, AL Maintenance will inspect the driveway and, if OK, will notify the ECC that the work is done. Driveways should be graded and ditched, so that gravel from the driveway does not wash onto the roadway.

Happiness is as easy as 1-2-3

Step 1: Letting go of the idea that you have to work for it or wait for it – you don't.

Step 2: Letting yourself dream – a wish list is like a happiness magnet!

Step 3: Letting happiness happen! Each day brings so many joys to cherish.

Don't Worry – BE HAPPY!



HAPPENINGS AROUND THE LAKE & NEARBY...

SHUFFLEBOARD NEWS – from Bob Bayer, Shuffleboard “Commissioner”

April 3rd – 2nd largest crowd of the year, to end the season. WOW! 34 wanna-be shufflers turn out for “the most fun you can have here at Alpine Lake...with your clothes on!” Let’s get right to it. Youngs back to “dreadful” status. Tuckers and Bucklews making a surge. And “Commish” stuck with everyday wife. Hangers thrown tonight by C.J., Stan, Janice (with her shirt ½ off) and Brian (with his shirt on), and a rare “double hanger” by Ginger Tucker. Way to “hang ‘em” out there, Ginger (you, too Janice). I want to thank you all for being good sports and putting up with some of my FWIW “banter” throughout this season. I have tried to “dump” on everyone equally!

Results:

- April 3rd:** 1st place: Sheila & Tony Amato (undefeated)
2nd place: Kay & Bob Bayer (Thur. Night Wife...Where for art thou?)
3rd place: Janice & Brian Bucklew (Really?...Them again?)

April 10th – Dinner & Closing Awards Presentation

OK...upon further review. At first tally, Commish comes up with a 3-way tie for 1st place for the season. After consulting the official FWIW Editor, she finds a 3rd place tie-breaker that Commish obviously missed. Here’s the run-down from our awards ceremony:

Rookies of the Year: Lots of candidates came to mind as we had many newcomers. The vote came down to Caleb & C.J., and the winners: ***Norleen & Jim Hoadley***

Sportsmanship Award: (or as I like to call it...“we keep showing up knowing we have no chance to win” – ***Tom Kinsey & MerrieLee Roller***

The Most Fun You Can Have Here at Alpine Lake...with your clothes on Award goes to the “Pond Lily Chicks” – ***Barb Conway & Sue Thompson***

Miss Congeniality Award: ***Norleen Hoadley*** (who just has too much fun and lots of outbursts)

Most Improved Team: This came down between the Tuckers and the winners:

Janice & Brian Bucklew

Excessive Celebration Award: Gotta’ be ***Charlotte Wiles***

Individual Awards for the Most Inconsistent Player goes to the only guy who can throw 2 hangers...and still lose...***Wayne Judy***

And **The Most Improved Individual Performance** goes to Wayne’s partner and wife...

Cindy Vantries

The Big Flop Award...our last and most prestigious award goes to last year’s “most improved” winners with 1 win, 1 2nd & 1 3rd place this year: ***Mike & Kathy Andes***

DRUMROLL, PLEASE...**Final Results**, using my 3/2/1 point system with 3 for a win, 2 for 2nd and 1 for 3rd place finish: for the year:

4th place with 12 points: ***The Laings – Pat & John***

3rd place with 14 points: ***The Bayers – Kay & Bob***

2nd place with 16 points: (tied in a dead heat): ***Sheila & Tony Amato and Charlotte Wiles & Bob Bayer***

1st place with 17 points: Once again...and finally reclaiming their crown...

“The Dreaded Youngs” – Cathy & Loring (he’s still shaking his bush!)

(This was Bob’s last “hurrah”, so we’re allowing his report to spill onto the next page this time – see below). ☺



More SHUFFLEBOARD NEWS – from Bob Bayer, Shuffleboard “Commissioner”

Thank you all for participating this year. It has been a very successful and productive year for our group, as well as the Lounge/Lodge, and I thank you all for your support. At the same time, I want to thank Misty, Keyla, Johnny & Buddy and all who helped wait on and cook for and take good care of us on some nasty Thursday nights this winter. I, for one, and I think I speak for our entire group, really appreciate your service and dedication to Alpine Lake. Until next year...keep your clothes on...and “be there or be square” the first Thursday in November! See you then. “Commish”

Editor’s Note: On behalf of our entire Shuffleboard “League” we say a heartfelt “thank you” to Bob for once again leading us through a great season. The sense of humor showed in many ways including the FWIW reports he submitted. Sometimes, we struggled with their “length”, but everyone looked forward to reading them, and feeling almost like they were there, even if they couldn’t be. The food & drink, camaraderie, fellowship, laughter, and cheering each other on, provided good memories for all of us who were involved in any way. Thanks, Bob!!

The mind replays what the heart can’t delete.



More HAPPENINGS AROUND THE LAKE & NEARBY...

“FUN-FIT” CORNER – Compliments of the AM Aerobics Group

We took off for Good Friday but we’ll be meeting on a more regular basis, now that the weather is getting better. Our class size has grown and we enjoy a mixture of step (or not) aerobics, body ball/chair, weights, balance, strengthening and toning and stretches that help work out the kinks. We meet every Mon., Wed., and Fri. at 9 AM for an hour of fun exercising in the Allegheny Room of the lodge, so plan to check it out. Start anytime – you’ll receive a warm welcome! If you have questions or need more information, call our leader Sue Thompson (304) 789-8686. Everyone is welcome – men & women!



I named my dog “5 Miles” so I can tell people I walk 5 miles every day!

LIVE MUSIC AT ALPINE LAKE – Every Friday Night – 8-11 PM – Lodge

Memorial Day through Labor Day – Luke Short, Bill Young, Soul Shine, Scott Alexander, Channel Cats...and more. No Cover – Complete list of dates and bands are listed on page 8 of the April Alpine Lake newsletter. Pull it out to refer to and don’t miss any of the shows. Please support the efforts of our management team by coming to events like these they have planned for our enjoyment. Get involved!



GOLF NEWS - by Caleb Hagelberger, Alpine Lake Golf Pro

ALPINE ICE-BREAKER OPENER – Sat., April 26th – 12:00 PM Shotgun Start

The Golf Shop will be hosting the first member/member tournament of the 2014 golf season on **Saturday, April 26th**. The format of the tournament will be a 2-person best ball on the front 9 and a 2-person scramble on the back 9. This is a handicap tournament and will pay out for first and second place, as well as skill prizes, based on the amount of 2-person teams. Sign-up sheets are in the Golf Shop...sign up and we'll see you at 12:00 PM for a shotgun start.

PS – “If you’re caught on a golf course in a storm and you are afraid of lightning, hold up a 1-iron – not even God can hit a 1-iron!” - Lee Trevino

STROKERS – by Loring Young

Hear the clubs rattle as they come out of the black caverns of the storage area. The roar of moans and groans as clubs are swung about. Alert Security, stray animals and other things that may be in harm’s way. **Strokers will (attempt) to start Monday evening, April 21st**. Show up at **4 PM**, sign the book – the starter will accept bribes if you wish not to play with someone – otherwise, it is pot-luck on partners. Dinner will follow in the lodge, to sooth the bruised egos, hear war stories and see who gets bragging rights. Important: Call the Pro Shop (304) 789-2481 X-4 for “go – no go” on the weather. We play team scramble format, so no pressure – just fun.

NEWS OF A YOUNG GOLFER

Nick Barrett, grandson of Alpine residents, **Skip & Dottie Creamer** just completed a tour as the top ranked amateur on the Fusion Minor League, earning his first monetary prize. He competed against a field of professional golfers, beating many of them. Besides “popping their buttons” with pride, Skip & Dottie note that Nick’s success speaks well for our Alpine Lake Jr. Golf Tournament, which he played in for several years. Way to go, Nick!!

FLOWERS OF THE MONTH...here are a few more flowers that might say something about you, if it happens to be your birth month. Flowers are beautiful, resilient and timeless symbols of hope & vitality. Jan. thru May were in last FWIW - this covers the remaining months. Enjoy.

JUNE – **Passionate rose** – No other flower is more passionate than the rose. Romantic & loving, you surround yourself with friends & family and have a keen eye for beauty.

JULY – You’re an **openhearted delphinium!** With elegant blooms & lush hues, the delphinium symbolizes an open, sensitive nature. Kind & nurturing, you lead with your emotions.

AUGUST – You are a **strong gladiola** – derived from the Latin word for sword, this flower’s spiky stalk exemplifies strength. Stress-proof & determined, you work to reach goals.

SEPTEMBER – **faithful aster!** Symbol of enduring love – you wear your heart on your sleeve; and exude fidelity and trustworthiness.

OCTOBER - You’re a **royal marigold** – symbolic of grace, marigold is a royal flower in India. Earthy yet richly-colored bloom reflects your grounded yet sophisticated allure.

NOVEMBER – **cheerful chrysanthemum!** Symbolic of happiness & optimism – just as the mum brings a pop of spring-like color to fall, you bring life and joy wherever you go.

DECEMBER – You’re a **festive poinsettia** – the red & green poinsettia is all about good cheer. Just as it has 2 distinctive colors, you have 2 sides – exuberant, fiery ‘red’ and the laid-back, serene ‘green’.

ALPINE LAKE LODGE HOURS
EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2014

FRONT DESK -

Sunday – Thursday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Friday & Saturday - 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM

THE EVERGREENE DINING ROOM – Closed for Renovations

LAKERS' LOUNGE -

Sunday – Thursday – 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Friday & Saturday - 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM

FITNESS CENTER - DAILY – 6:00 AM – 10:00 PM

PRO SHOP- Open DAILY (watch for hours)

*Note: Our Alpine Lake website is: www.alpinelake.com
Phones: (800) 752-7179 or (304) 789-2481*

*If you have constructive ideas, use the SLOT IN FRONT DESK COUNTER
to let our Staff know. Your input is important to us. We LISTEN.*

REMINDER – Wed. Nights – LADIES' NIGHT (1/2 price drinks/appetizers)
Thur. Nights: 1/2 PRICE PIZZA
Daily LUNCH & DINNER Specials



CHECK OUT THE NEW MENU ITEMS OFFERED BY OUR TEAM...

MONDAY NIGHT STEAK DINNERS – extended thru April!

2 FOR \$20 DINNERS Available Sunday – Wednesday

(all menu items also available for \$12.95 for individual meals)

WEEKDAY LUNCH SPECIALS (\$8.95 each – change daily)

Complete listing of all Menu Choices are Available at the Lodge & Online



FREE CLASSIFIED ADS - "A Service for our Readers"

Editor's Note: Ads will run in 4 issues, and then be deleted, unless new ones are resubmitted. This will be accomplished by inserting the date the ad was first run, with new ads at the top of the listing.

Service ads requesting longer-term might consider using the bulletin board at the lodge in the basement hallway or the Beautification Committee's Alpine Community Directory. This Directory is published annually at a very nominal fee for advertisers and is a valuable resource to residents looking for services they need because it is distributed free at the front desk to anyone requesting a copy.

We appreciate your help to make this section of FWIW beneficial to our readers. Thank you.

Tax Services: We provide a wide spectrum of services, including but not limited to, tax preparation for individuals, businesses and estates. We also provide tax planning (including as leases) and estimated payments, payroll and all related taxes & reports, W2s, 1099x, financial statements, Public Service Commission (PSC) annual reports, Business Personal Property Returns, Raffle & Bingo annual reports, non-profit procedures, and sales & use tax returns. Call Dorinda Kisner, CPA PLLC – (304) 789-6082 or email: Dorinda@kisnercpa.com. (4/18/14)

For Sale: 1969 Chevelle Malibu 2-door Sports Coupe, 350 automatic one-owner, fully-documented paperwork, original bill of sale & window sticker, etc. 89,000 orig. miles \$8,500. Also: 1996 Chevy S-10 4x4 pick-up truck, V6 automatic, includes contractor's cap \$2,500. Misc. needlework supplies, charts, fabrics, etc. (prices vary); Cross-Country skis, poles & boots, used twice \$75.; Snowshoes – brand new \$35. Call Bob or Linda (304) 789-5097 (4/18/14)

For Sale: 17' Aluminum Canoe with 2 paddles & 2 seats, excellent condition. \$375 OBO. Call Jay (443) 562-6570 or email jaybee2838@gmail.com. (4/18/14)

For Sale: Equity Little Herbie 2-cup electric food chopper \$10. Call (304) 789-2737 (4/18/14)

Wanted: If you're disposing of an artificial Christmas tree, consider donating it to the Beautification Committee to be repurposed into swags for next year's Alpine Christmas decorations. Call Barb Conway (304) 789-2654. (4/4/14)

For Sale: DESA propane non-vented working fireplace insert 24" w/artificial log set and extra parts. No electric or exhaust pipe needed; has built-in thermostat. Easy hook-up to your propane line; only used 2 seasons; still works very well. \$95. Call Pat 789-6520 or mr.p@bigfoot.com. (4/4/14)

For Sale: New in Box Pro-Lift for lawn mowers, lawn tractors, snow blowers. Rugged steel construction, raises unit up to 22" in height; lifts up to 350 lbs./axle; easy assembly; has adjustable wheel span of up to 48"; safety lock; rubber-padded platform prevents scratches; non-slip foot pedal for effortless lifting; hydraulic power; easy to maneuver & adjustable for wide variety of machines. Cost \$200/Sell \$170 or MO. 789-6520 or mr.p@bigfoot.com. (4/4/14)

Pet Sitting – Call Kay – (304) 789-2111. (4/4/14)

For Sale: Oval/Round Oak table with 6 chairs. \$350. Call (304) 789-5557 (3/21/14)

Dates to Remember - (*A handy summary of dates to put on your calendar now*)

Please note that the following events occur **weekly** on the day and time noted:

Mon., Wed. & Fri. - 9-10 AM – FUN-FIT Aerobics Classes, Lodge, Allegheny Room

Mondays – 10 AM- 3 PM – Sew Together, Boathouse

Mondays – 5-9 PM – Monday Night Steak Dinners (continue through April) - Lounge

Mondays – 4:00 PM – Stokers' Golf Scramble (begins 4/28 weather permitting)

Wednesdays - 10:00 AM – Needlework Club - Rhododendron Room, Lunch @Noon

Wednesdays – 4-7 PM – Ladies' Night, ½ price appetizers/drinks – Lakers' Lounge

Wednesdays – 6:00 PM – “Jam Sessions”, Rhododendron Room

Wednesdays -- 7:00 PM – Property Owners Game Night, Boathouse

Thursdays – 10 AM-Noon – Braille Workshop – Rhododendron Room

Thursdays – Keep enjoying ½-price Pizza – (1 topping/eat in) – Lodge/Lounge

Fridays 1-4 PM – Artist/Craft Group, Rhododendron Room, Lodge

Note: Dump Open: Tue/Thur 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM & Sat. 7:00 AM-4:00 PM

T.A. Recycling Plant Open: Tue.-Fri. 7 AM – 4PM, and Sat. 8 AM until Noon

Also – monthly events:

2nd Sunday of each month 7 AM – 1 PM – Kingwood VFD Breakfast

3rd Saturday of each month – **9 AM – ALPUC Board Meeting** (meets June, Sept., Nov.)

10 AM – ALPOA Community Board Meeting (see note below)

NEXT ALPOA MONTHLY BOARD MEETING - Sat., APRIL 26, 2014
10 AM - Lodge (Note change from April 19)

COMING EVENTS:

Sun., April 20 – 6:30 AM - EASTER – Sunrise Service (nondenominational) – Boathouse

No Breakfast after Sunrise Service – Easter Special Meal – 11AM - 3PM - Lodge

Sat., April 26 – Alpine Member-Member Ice Breaker Golf Event – 12 PM Shotgun Start

Mon. April 28 – 4 PM – First Stokers Scramble (weather permitting) – meet at Pro Shop

Tue., April 29 – 10 AM – Read Aloud Orientation, Terra Alta/E. Preston School

Wed., April 30 – 11:15 AM – Next Egg Delivery, Rhododendron Room

Wed., April 30 – Noon – Deadline for Next FWIW

Wed., April 30 – Alpine Lake Assessment Bills Mailed to Property Owners (by BB&T)

End of April – Vidalia Onion Orders Delivered

Thur., May 1 – Noon - ALLGO Spring Luncheon, Evergreene Room, Lodge

Fri., May 2 – Noon – Next FWIW Published

Sat., May 3 – 3 PM - KY Derby/PO Fundraiser – Boathouse

Sat., May 10 – 8 PM – Ali Ghan Shriner Clowns Benefit Dance, Lodge

Sun., May 11 – 11AM-3PM - Mothers' Day – Special Meals – Lodge

Sun., May 11 – 7 AM – 1 PM – Kingwood VFD Breakfast, Kingwood

FUTURE EVENTS: (Please put on your calendar now – don't miss a thing – watch for details)

Thur., May 15 – 6-9 PM - Open Mic Begins, Lodge

Fri., May 16 – ALPOA 2014/15 Assessment Payments Due (see Linette's report)

Sun., May 18 – Pro's Par 3 Tournament – PM Shotgun Start, Pro Shop

Wed., June 11 – 12:30 PM – Mah Jongg - Lodge

***PARTING SHOT - Be thankful for the bad things in life, for they opened
your eyes to the good things you weren't paying attention to before.***