

For What It's Worth



Janice Nelson, Editor

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Editor's Comment

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving with family and friends. Now we are entering the most joyous and busiest season of all! The month of December at Alpine Lake never seems to be without events and activities to partake in, especially for anyone who may live a distance from family, as myself. The following is a list of "holiday" happenings to get you in the spirit of the season: Movie Night at the Boathouse, Property Owners Christmas Dinner and Dance, Christmas Parade in the town of Terra Alta, participation in the Angel Tree, Juliets' Christmas Luncheon, Employee Christmas Party (volunteers needed), a donation to the Terra Alta Rescue Squad and Fire Dept., a donation to the Food Bank, Light Up Night, Christmas Eve dinner at the Boathouse and let's not forget a New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance at SEASONS! Read all about these events and others in this issue of FWIW. (Please see flyers posted on the last three pages.) FYI The December "Live Your Dreams" Newsletter is now available on our website. Stay warm and see you around the lake...

The next FWIW will be issued on Friday, December 16th. Please email all articles to me, Janice Nelson, at mamaj11@yahoo.com. Only use the FWIW box on the lobby counter IF you do not have access to a computer. Please keep your article brief so we can fit all the latest news in each issue. Thanks for your cooperation and participation.

PRAYERS, THOUGHTS AND THANK YOU'S

My wife, Kim, returned home from WVU Hospital on October 21st. She has started dialysis at Hazelton, WV every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. I want to thank all the property owners who have stopped by and passed along their best prayers and thoughts for her. A special thanks to Leslie Walters, Ron & Peggy Rogers and Robin & Dennis White for making us a meal for supper. Thanks again! ~ Joe Heath





HAPPENINGS AROUND THE LAKE & NEARBY

CELEBRATIONS

Happy belated birthday to **Charlie Upole** who celebrated his special day on Dec. 1st. Happy Birthday to **Ann Harris** today, Dec. 2nd. Here's wishing **Gerda Barry**, **Mapel Morton** and **Julia August** a very Happy Birthday on the 4th. **Bernie Stock** celebrates his special day on the 22nd. And a special birthday wish goes out to **Gary Cox** on the 24th. Happy Anniversary to **Marg and Dave Gearhart** on Dec. 4th. Congratulations, everyone. Have a wonderful birthday and/or anniversary!

ANGEL TREE *by Trish Birch*

Alpine Lake's Angel Tree is in the lobby of the Lodge. Instructions are on the back of the angel. Please submit your purchases no later than December 7th. Remember to include your PACKAGE CODE with your purchases. Many thanks for your help. Call Trish at (434) 944-6184 if you have any questions.

JULIETS' LUNCHEON *by Trish Birch*

On Wednesday, December 7th, let's meet at the Lodge parking lot at 11:30am to carpool to Uno's. A sign-up sheet is at the Lodge front desk. RSVP Trish at (434) 944-6184.

TERRA ALTA RESCUE SQUAD AND FIRE DEPT. *by Bob Hart*

We at Alpine are part of the whole community that surrounds us. At times, we have to call upon the local services and expect them to be available and respond to our needs. The Terra Alta Rescue Squad and Fire Department are volunteer organizations that have responded to AL emergencies. They depend upon donations to keep them operational. Please consider donating monetarily to them so when you have such a need, they will be available. Rescue Squad (1124 E. State Avenue) and Fire Department (1120 E. State Avenue) Terra Alta, WV 26764.

REMINDER: TERRA ALTA FOOD BANK

There is an ongoing need to replenish supplies at our local food bank so please add your donations to help this worthy cause. There is a box inside the front foyer of the Lodge for your convenience.

WALL OF HONOR by *Sheila Amato*

Any assistance in locating a working email address or phone number for the individuals listed below would be appreciated. I am trying to track them down for possible inclusion in the veteran's Wall of Honor. The information listed in our phone directory, emergency contact info or assistance provided by Linette and property owners has resulted in non-working contacts so far. Many thanks.

Carl Barry

Robert Thoms

Benjamin Dobeck

Bill and Ellen Weltman

Albert Potter

SAVE THE DATE by *Sheila Amato & Ann Isenock*

The Alpine Lake tradition of Christmas Eve Dinner at the Boathouse continues in 2016. You and your family are invited to share food, drink, conversation and companionship, starting at 5pm on Saturday, Dec. 24th (Christmas Eve). Dinner will be completed in time for those who wish to attend evening church services. More information will be forthcoming in future issues of FWIW.

PROPERTY OWNER'S COMMITTEE by *Bernie and Birgit Stock*

The Holiday season is here. Are you ready? A number of homes have already been decorated. We will miss the Gallagher (Dick & Jo) display of years past. Is anyone up to matching it? I think not....

As everyone already knows, the POC will be having their Christmas/Holiday Party (Dinner/Dance) on Saturday, December 10th starting at 6pm at the Lodge/SEASONS. If you haven't already signed up at the Front Desk (or called in), PLEASE do so ASAP. We need to get a count for the kitchen. The deadline is December 5th (Monday). As mentioned on the flyers, the cost is \$17 per person (which includes the buffet, tax & gratuity). The Buffet Menu includes Stuffed Pork Chop, Chicken Marsala, Rice Pilaf, Scalloped Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, salad & dessert. Again, please consider joining us.

The POC will, again, host the Employee Christmas/Holiday Party at the Boathouse on Saturday, December 17th starting at 5pm. Volunteers will be needed to set up on Friday evening (5pm) and Saturday evening, to help with preparations, serving, cleanup, etc. Please pitch in by calling the Stocks (304-789-2443) for more info.

(As in years past, PO's may freely send a donation to the Committee to help with the gift cards for our Employees: B&B STOCK, 2181 W Alpine Dr, Terra Alta, WV 26764 or just drop it off. Make check to ALPOC/EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS FUND).

Lots of Holiday activities and concerts in and around the area. Take the time to include them in your holiday schedule. Remember, you better be good....

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE by *Sally Rocchi and Wilma Rumble*

Thank you all who helped set up the decorations at the Lodge and other areas. Volunteers at Alpine ROCK! Take down and put away will be the first Wednesday in January (1/04/17). Also called "de-decorating day." Merry Christmas to everyone!

SHUFFLEBOARD NEWS by *Bob Bayer*

We had 11 teams participate Nov. 10th, including a team of "half Witts" in the form of Marilyn & Norleen. (Both had the last name Witt at one time. I can't make this stuff up!) We missed regulars. Lisa & Curtis, who decided it was more important to run off to Vegas to get married, than keep their shuffleboard obligation! But seriously, congrats to you both...we do expect you back next week, though!

Let's get to the highlights and lowlights for the evening. It started with lowlights when Bob kicked off the first game by bumping Sheila not once, not twice, but three times into 5 points for a win. The Rocchis' got skunked by Barb & Bernie. Sam knocks Tony (who returned from his mission...on a mission) into a 6 pointer. Bernie knocks Pat into 3 for a win. (More games are lost than won.) But the worst has to be John knocking his own 3 pointer off the table, but manages to throw for 6 on his next turn for the win. That leads us into the "hanger" highlights: Marilyn (half Witt), Bob (dimwit), Sam, and John. 6 point turns were recorded by John and Tony. 5 pointers included Dave (3X), Tony (2X), Bob, Jim, Norleen, and Sheila. Results to follow.

On Nov. 17th, we had 11 teams competing again (if you can really call it competition). Kay teamed with both Barb and Curtis (yeah, he's "wifeless" already) and still can't manage a top 3 finish! A couple of "newbies" tonight: Bevia brings "new" boyfriend, Tony, and Cindy brings "old" husband, Wayne. Tonight's antics were like a story of "the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly!" The "good" included Barb with a 6 point turn while knocking Ginger off. Other Barb throws a hanger for a win. Bob throws for 7 to win. Dave throws a hanger and total of 8 for a win. Teddi records a hanger for a win and Michelle gets 6 points with a hanger! There was one more hanger, but we'll get to that in the "ugly" portion of this story. It was obviously a night for hangers. The "bad" included Tony tapping Ginger (his girlfriends' mom...brownie points?) into a 3 for an unearned win. And the Barras (of all people) come out of nowhere to "skunk" Charlotte & Bob. (How did that happen Thursday night wifie?) Now for the "ugly": My buddy, Wayne (and favorite go-to guy to dump on), throws for an "uncharacteristic" 6 points... only for John to throw for 6 points with a hanger to record the win! (There's the other hanger). The best game of the night though had to be the Tuckers getting the Laing "monkey" off their backs. It was a dandy of a match between two of our best competitors! Let's get to the results:

Nov. 10th 1st place: Sheila & Tony Amato (welcome home Tony!)

2nd place: Pat & John Laing (won 1 / lost 1 in championship)

3rd place: Ginger & Dave Tucker (gutsy performance)

Nov. 17th 1st place: Barb & Jim Herndon (not flashy, but consistently solid performance)

2nd place: Ginger & Dave Tucker (again a won 1/lost 1 in championship)

3rd place: Michelle & Barry Barra (wow...that skunking still tastes bad!)

So, we want to invite all to come out and participate in the "Good, the Bad and the Ugly" that we proclaim to be the most fun that you can possibly have here at Alpine Lake. Come sign up by 6pm every Thursday night and arrive early to enjoy the dinner and drink specials in SEASONS Lounge all winter long. Be there or be square!

ECC by *Kurt Engel, Chair*

Here is the ECC winter meeting schedule (Thursdays at 10am):

December 15

January 5 and 19 (2017)

February 2 and 16 (2017)

March 2 and 16 (2017)

Weekly ECC meetings begin again on Thursday, April 6, 2017.

ALPOA BOARD NEWS

BOARD NEWS *submitted by Barbara Conway*

Thank you to all pool/fitness room users for your patience and understanding during the time the area was closed for deck repainting. Work on low areas where water "pools" was done and the epoxy paint that was applied should eliminate any flaking or peeling. During this same period of time, the staff was able to replace cracked pads on the fitness equipment and install a TV in the fitness area. Jeff Delaney (Lodge Maintenance), Shane Livengood, (Recreation Coordinator), and Fred Isenock (Property Owner) completed this project ahead of schedule.

Several other budgeted projects have been brought up for discussion: completion of the exterior walls in the pool area, replacing the incline platform lift in the lobby, and improvements to effectively utilize the third floor rooms. Linette Sines, General Manager, is gathering information to move forward with these plans.

Please remember that according to EPA regulations, tree stumps can no longer be put in our landfill. The information given in our handbook is no longer valid and needs to be updated. Thank you.

Hope to see everyone at Light Up Night, December 3rd, at 6pm. Please bring a dish to share (appetizer or dessert) and your singing voice.

FROM MANAGEMENT & STAFF

Linette Sines – *General Manager*

As of this issue date, the PH and Chlorine levels have been stabilized in the pool; the water, however, is still cloudy. We cannot open the pool until the water is clear enough to see all drains on the pool floor. I remind everyone again to sign in when using the pool and shower before entering the water. Please do not bring food or drinks (other than water) into the pool area. The staff works very hard to keep this amenity tidy and operational but needs your cooperation. Please obey the signs on the Fitness Center doors that state that no one under the age of 16 is permitted without an adult. Also, please do not enter the Fitness Center dripping wet from the pool. The staff and I want these areas to be a place for all to enjoy, and request that everyone be mindful of these rules.

I'm excited to announce a new convenience to Property Owners! Gregg's Pharmacy will now be offering home delivery service for prescriptions or any other item they carry, once a week on Wednesdays, to the Lodge. They will arrive at 3:30pm and stay onsite for 20 minutes for residents to pick up their prescriptions. There will be a \$3 delivery fee, and you must have a charge account set-up with the Pharmacy or provided them with your credit card information. For a \$5 delivery fee, they will bring your prescription right to your home! For more information, contact Gregg's Pharmacy at (304) 789-2200.

The Beautification Committee has just decorated the Lodge and everything looks wonderful! There are many activities in our area to get you into the Christmas Spirit. The Town of Terra Alta will host a Christmas Parade on Friday, December 2nd at 6:30pm. After the parade, there will be a tree lighting at the community park. Santa will also be on hand with goodies for the children.

The annual Light Up Night at Alpine Lake will be held this Saturday, December 3rd at 6pm in the Rhododendron Room at the Lodge. Everyone is invited to bring an appetizer, dessert or cookies to share. It is a great evening to visit with your neighbors as we officially light up the Lodge for the Holiday season. We have added some additional lights this year to make the Lodge look even more festive!

If any owner would like to purchase and donate gift cards of any type to be used in the employee prize drawing at our Christmas party, you can drop them off at the Lodge any time before December 16th.

ALPUC NEWS by Kim Mayne, General Manager

If you will be leaving your home for the winter and decide to have your water turned off at the meter as part of your winterization process, please contact our office to have that scheduled. We do require your request to be in writing or you can email it to alpucoffice@frontier.com. Please keep in mind under WV law only a licensed ALPUC Operator is able to turn water on or off the meter. Also contact our office if any of your contact or mailing information needs to be changed.

Keep in mind the online service is up-and-running. Several customers are utilizing the service to look up account information as well as pay their billing online. If you need help with the service or have questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office at (304) 789-6996.

The ALPUC office will be closed December 26th for Christmas and January 2nd for New Years. May each of you and your families have a wonderful Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.

FREE CLASSIFIED ADS – “A Service for our Community”

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.

Remember to notify me if your item is no longer available, too. Thank you.

Items For Sale: Nice, sturdy indoor/outdoor bench for \$25. Adjustable Chaise w/thick pads. One for \$25 or two for \$40. Call Marilyn at (304) 789-3134 (10/28)

For Sale: Alpine Lake – 2 adjoining lots – Bavarian 122 & 123 on Redwood Dr. – all utilities available, excellent level building site, low traffic area, not far from beach – lots must be purchased together – motivated sellers are seeking any offers – Call (724) 583-2829 (10/14)

Tax Services: Dorinda Kisner, CPA, and staff providing professional services for individuals, businesses, estates and trusts. Tax planning, compliance, estimated payments, consulting and accounting services locally in Terra Alta. Contact us at (304) 789-6082 or email at questions@kisnercpa.com. (9/30)*

Plowing Services: Driveways: Small- \$20 & \$25, Medium - \$30 & \$35, Large- \$50. Also, decks & roofs – Call Joe at (304) 789-6838 (12/2)

Watch Batteries: Batteries available for most watches – \$1 installed for most or under \$1 if you install it yourself. Contact John Laing (304) 789-6120

Pet Sitting & House Checks. Call Kay Bayer (304) 789-2111



ALPINE LAKE LODGE HOURS

FRONT DESK

Monday – Thursday: 8am – 4pm

Friday & Saturday: 8am – 5pm

Sunday: 8am – 3pm

SEASONS

Monday - Thursday: 4pm – 9pm

Friday - Saturday: 7am – 9pm

Sundays: 7am – 8pm

PRO SHOP

Closed for the Season

FITNESS CENTER

OPEN DAILY from 7am – 9pm

POOL

OPEN DAILY from 8am-9pm



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:

Mondays 10am - 3pm – **Sew Together**, Rhododendron Room

Mon., Wed., Fri 9am-10am – **Power Aerobics** - Lodge

Tues. & Thurs. 8am- **Water Aerobics** - Pool

Wednesdays 10am – **Needlework Club** - Rhododendron Room, lunch follows
6 -7pm - **Jammers** – Rhododendron Room (except the first Wed. of each month)

7pm – **Property Owners Game Night**, Boathouse

Thursdays 6pm – **SHUFFLEBOARD** – SEASONS Lounge

Thursdays 10am - Noon – **Braille Workshop** – Rhododendron Room

Note: **Dump Open:** Tues/Thurs 7am – 4pm & Saturdays 7am-4pm

T.A. Recycling Plant Open: Tues/Thurs 8am–4pm, and Saturdays 8am ‘til Noon

Also – monthly events:

2nd Sunday of each month – 7am – 1pm – **Kingwood VFD Breakfast**

3rd Saturday of each month – 9am – **ALPUC Board Meeting** (meets March, June’s annual mtg., Sept., Nov.)

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month: 7pm - **East Preston Lions Club Meeting**
First Tuesday meeting is held at Shorthorns
Third Tuesday meeting is in the Rhododendron Room



Board Workshop Meeting - Saturday, Dec. 10th at 10am

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

- Fri., Dec. 2nd -** 6:30pm - **Christmas Parade** – Town of Terra Alta
- Sat., Dec.3rd -** 6pm - **Light-up Night** – Lodge
- Mon., Dec 5th -** 5pm – **Dinner & Movie** – Boathouse
- Wed., Dec. 7th -** 11:30am (meet at Lodge parking lot to carpool) – **UNO's**
Last day to submit your purchases for the **Angel Tree**
- Sat. Dec. 10th -** 6pm - **Christmas-Holiday Dinner & Dance @ SEASONS**
- Thurs., Dec. 15th -** 10am – **ECC Mtg.** - Lodge
- Fri., Dec. 16th -** Next **FWIW** published – articles must be submitted by Wed., Dec. 14th
Last day to donate gift cards for employee grab bag
- Sat., Dec. 17th -** 5pm – **Employee Christmas/Holiday Party**- Boathouse (volunteers needed)
- Sat. Dec.24th -** 5pm – **Christmas Eve Dinner** - @ Boathouse
- Wed., Dec. 28th -** Noon – 5:30pm –**Blood Mobile** – at Ambulance Hall
- Wed., Jan. 4th -** 10am – **“de-decorating”** day at the Lodge



DINNER AND A MOVIE AT THE BOATHOUSE

BASED ON AN INCREDIBLE TRUE STORY
SILENT NIGHT



*December Showing
Brought to you
by Tom Kinsey*

**Bring Holiday
Comfort Food
To Pass**
(Appetizer, Casserole, Dessert),
Dishes & Flatwear!

*Hot Holiday Drinks will
be brewing for toasting
& holiday cheer!*

**MONDAY,
DECEMBER 5TH @ 5PM**

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE:

ALPINE LAKE
PROPERTY OWNER
CHRISTMAS PARTY!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10TH
HAPPY HOUR AT 6:00PM
DINNER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
\$17 PER PERSON
INCLUDES BUFFET, TAX & GRATUITY
KIDS WELCOME!

PLEASE SIGN
UP AT THE
FRONT DESK BY
DEC. 5TH



BUFFET MENU:
STUFFED PORK CHOP OR CHICKEN MARSALA
RICE PILAF • SCALLOPED POTATOES
VEGETABLE MEDLEY • SALAD & DESSERT

New Year's Eve DINNER & DANCE



CELEBRATE THE COMING NEW YEAR
WITH MUSIC FROM

The Gamblers

DINNER AT 5:30
INCLUDES:

Cup of Tomato Bisque
Warm Spinach Salad
Prime Rib OR Chicken Chesapeake
Twice Baked Potato OR Rice Pilaf
California Blend Vegetables
Bread
Light Dessert
Coffee, Iced Tea
\$55 per person

DINNER ALSO
INCLUDES:

Champagne Toast
at Midnight
Cover Charge
Hats & Noisemakers

Cost for Dance Only
*(With Champagne
& Hats/Noisemakers)*
\$25 per person

RSVP by Dec 26th

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Hotel rooms available through Alpine for \$55.00

