

For What It's Worth



Janice Nelson, Editor

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Editor's Comment

I personally want to thank Sheila Amato and Ann Isenock for organizing a delightful and delicious Christmas Eve/Chanukah Dinner on December 24th at the Boathouse. Not having family in the area, Rich and I were grateful to have spent the evening with very dear people who have become family to us and people we are just getting to know. Again, thank you Sheila and Ann for all your hard efforts! Just a reminder, Movie Night at the Boathouse is Monday, January 9th at 5pm. The feature film is THE ROLLS ROYCE. If you wish to attend, just bring a side dish or dessert, your own drink and dinnerware and enjoy the evening with your fellow Alpine winter neighbors! Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year! Until next year...!

The next FWIW will be issued on Friday, January 13th. 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.



JANUARY CELEBRATIONS

Happy, happy birthday to **Trish Birch** on the 4th and to **Herman Mason** and **Mac Dobeck** on the 5th! **Donna Bowers** celebrates her special day on the 9th and **Wayne Judy** on the 10th. Warm wishes go out to **Charlotte Wiles** on the 14th and also to **Joyce Wachter** and **Teddi Cox** who celebrate their day on the 17th. Happy Birthday to **Michael Maddox** on the 21st and **Honesty Buczek** on the 22nd. **Judy Sutton** and **Peggy Rogers** celebrate their special day on the 24th! Happy Birthday to all you January babies!

POSSUM TAIL FARM

Poosum Tail Farm will be delivering Certified Naturally Grown beef, chicken and eggs to the Lodge on January 4th and 18th from 11-11:15am. Orders can be placed by calling (304) 789-5556. Online ordering is also available. Our meats are pasture raised with no GMO's, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, hormones or antibiotics. Our beef is born and raised on our farm, grass-fed and grass finished. www.possumtailfarm.com

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE LAKE & NEARBY

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.

WEIGHT LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Want to get healthy for the New Year but lack the motivation? We all know how to lose weight. We all need to get motivated and make ourselves responsible for being overweight and unhealthy. A few ladies are forming a weight loss support group here at Alpine. If anyone is interested in joining this group, please attend our first meeting on Tuesday, January 3rd at 10am in the Rhododendron Room. This initial meeting is to discuss our goals and the means to achieve them. So please come with ideas, which we all have, and be prepared to share them.

HISTORY BOOK CLUB *by Rich Nelson*

Are you interested in history? If so, a group of Alpinites meet once a month to discuss a history book in a friendly, sociable atmosphere. We recently met to select the books we'll review in the first half of 2017. The first two books chosen were "Code Warriors: NSA's Code Breakers & the Secret Intelligence War Against the Soviet Union" (January 10th meeting) and "The Yom Kippur War: The Epic Encounter That Transformed the Middle East" (February 14th meeting). If you would like to join us or learn more about the History Book Club, please contact Frank Arnone (304-789-6062) or Rich Nelson (304-698-9650).

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE *by Sally Rocchi and Wilma Rumble*

We will be taking down Christmas decorations on Wednesday, January 4th at 10am. Meet at the Lodge. A Happy New Year to everyone!

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE *by Charlotte Wiles*

The 2017 Alpine Lake Calendars are ready. The first one is free, the second one costs \$2. If you would like one mailed to you, the cost is an additional \$2 for shipping.

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

Nothing new to report except that we had a nice turnout for the Employees Christmas/Holiday Party held at the Boathouse on Saturday, Dec. 17th. Great food and fun was the order of the day, with Santa, Mrs. Santa, Rudolph and Frosty passing out gifts and hugs to about 70 adults and children in attendance. Thanks to all the PO's who helped in any way to make it an enjoyable evening. A special thanks to new PO's Wolf and Michael for suiting up at the last minute. Don't forget Movie Night at the Boathouse on Monday, January 9th with the classic The Yellow Rolls Royce playing. See the flyers at the mail boxes and sign up at the Front Desk.

Happy New Year! Let's hope it's a good one...

ECC *by Kurt Engel, Chair*

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

January 5th and 19th
February 2nd and 16th
March 2nd and 16th

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

SHUFFLEBOARD NEWS by Bob Bayer

The Commish was absent on December 15th (darn work!) and no report was filed. On December 22nd, eight teams participated, the other eight must have been out last-minute Christmas shopping. Playing for the first time this year was Tom Kinsey and Merrie Lee Roller. Tom was in mid-season form...going 2 and out, and was actually rooting for his opponents, Pat and Denise Kerr, in his second game. The Commish strong-arms newcomers, Carla & Zach, from just watching to participating, and they caught on well. Kay pulled double duty, playing with both Bernie and Bob. Playing with eight teams allowed us to play games to 9 pts. rather than 7. Still pitching shutouts were Sheila & Tony, Teddi & Gary, and Kay & Bob. Kay, playing with Bernie, threw for 6 against Tony, and then Bob (unwittingly) pointed the way for Sheila to "thread the needle" for the win. Bob threw 7 for a win and then 8 in a loss! (Methinks Kay was still upset with me for "coaching" Sheila.) Here's the results:

First off, the Commish has to fess up to messing up. In my last report, on December 8th, Michelle & Barry Barra actually claimed 3rd place, by virtue of that ultimate Barry hanger. I should have known Lisa and Curt couldn't have finished 3rd for 2 weeks in a row! (I was obviously looking at that prior week's report.) Sorry, Michelle & Barry, I think Curtis actually reported it that way though! That's my story...and I'm stickin' to it!

Dec. 22nd 1st place: Sheila & Tony Amato (Sheila with 6 for the win)
 2nd place: Teddi & Gary (Moving up the ranks...thanks to Teddi)
 3rd place: Kay & Bob (had to sleep on the couch)

All are invited to join us on Thursday nights throughout the winter season. Sign up by 6pm in the SEASONS Lounge. Come early for dinner specials.

ALPOA BOARD NEWS

BOARD NEWS submitted by Barbara Conway

With the New Year almost upon us, many property owners are contemplating resolutions relating to various personal goals. Should one of your goals for 2017 be to be more involved in your community, joining one of our standing committees is an excellent way to keep that resolution. Another way to participate would be to record your special areas of knowledge with our Registry of Expertise. These property owners are consulted whenever they may have information that can assist the Board of Directors or Committees with questions or upcoming projects. Of course, registering as a candidate for one of the three Board positions up for election in June will insure you stay involved.

Another resolution might be to resolve to ask a neighbor if they have considered signing up for Prodigy. In many cases, personal contact can help explain the service offered, and add another name to our list of potential customers.

Happy New Year! May 2017 bring health and prosperity to all our POs, and a successful year to Alpine Lake.



FROM MANAGEMENT & STAFF

Linette Sines - *General Manager*

Snow is on its way, but if you don't want to spend the weekend inside, there is plenty to do in the local area this weekend.

The First United Methodist Church in Terra Alta (located on State Avenue - Route 7) will be hosting a free spaghetti dinner from 5:30pm to 7pm on Friday December 30th.

On Saturday, SEASONS will be hosting a New Year's Eve Party with entertainment by *The Gamblers*. Dinner will be served beginning at 5:30pm. Dinner includes a cup of Tomato Bisque, Warm Spinach Salad, Prime Rib or Chicken Chesapeake, Twice Baked Potatoes or Rice Pilaf, California Blend Vegetables, Bread, Light Dessert, Coffee, Iced Tea and a Champagne Toast at midnight for \$55 per person. Be sure to call SEASONS at (304)789-6679 to make your reservation.

Are you looking for a great activity for LEGO lovers of all ages? Do you want to experience LEGO Robotics hardware and push your creativity to the limit? If so, you may want to take a trip to Accident, MD this Sunday and have fun building Sumo Wrestling Robots using LEGO MINDSTORMS. SuGO teams form at 1pm, and build until 3pm. Teams can be families or friends and no experience is necessary. All equipment is provided, and help is available for rookie teams. At 3pm, teams move to the arena and the SuGO bots battle it out tournament style. For pricing and more information, visit <http://www.visitdeepcreek.com/events/details/sugo-sunday-lego-robotics-01-01-2017-16136>.

Please remember that the towels in the pool area are for hotel guests only. The cost of these towels are built into their room price, and when owners use those towels, it costs the association money and also leaves us short on towels for our guests. Owners must bring their own towels to the pool area.

Enjoy the upcoming holiday weekend and live your dreams at Alpine Lake! 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.

For Sale: Bought more than I need! Frozen breaded oysters, two pound bags \$25. Like new, TWO canvas folding camp chairs with arms and cup holders. \$30 for the pair. NEW IN BOX: Empire NON VENTED 24" log set 34,000 BTU WITH remote control, easy hookup. \$550. NIB Pro Lift easily adjustable for most heavy lawn equipment. Steel construction, hydraulic power. Cost \$200. Sell/ make offer. Bought too much: Adult unisex diapers/briefs and underpads. If interested, call (304) 789-6520 (12/30)

Rental Needed: Looking to rent a fully furnished house/condo for two people for the months of June – August 2017. Please contact with details at jim.sandy.teets@gmail.com, or by phone (304) 698-9063. (12/30)

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.

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 - Friday: 3pm – 9pm

Saturday & Sunday - 12pm – 9pm

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



Next Board Workshop Meeting - Saturday, January 21st at 9am

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

- Tues., Jan. 3rd -** 10am – “**Weight Loss Support Group**” in the Rhododendron Room
Wed., Jan. 4th - 10am – “**De-decorating**” day at the Lodge
11am – **Possum Tail Farm** - Lodge
Mon., Jan. 9th - 5pm – **Movie Night** @ the Boathouse featuring **The Rolls Royce**
Fri., Jan. 13th - Next **FWIW** published – articles must be submitted by Wed., Jan 11th