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Steve Perry  
Tim Webster

### Officers

Steve Perry, *President*  
Thomas Mead, *Vice- President*  
Randy Larson, *Secretary*

**BOD Meeting:**  
**June 22, 2023, 6 p.m.**

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**BOD Committee Workshop:**  
**June 8, 2023, 9:30 a.m.**  
*Both meetings in Ballroom*



## COMMITTEE DIRECTORY

Committee	Frequency/Day	Time	Location
Airport	2nd Thursday	8 a.m.	Planeview Park Pavillion (weather permitting)
Appeals	2nd Tuesday	10 a.m.	S&S Conference Room
ACC	1st and 3rd Thursdays	2 p.m.	S&S Conference Room
Bylaws	2nd Monday	1 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Communications	2nd Monday	10 a.m.	CH Conference Room
Entertainment	1st Wednesday	2 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Finance	Wednesday prior to 4th Thursday	3:30 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Golf	1st Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	CH Conference Room
Horse Owners	June 20, 2023	6 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Infrastructure	1st Tuesday	9 a.m.	CH Conference Room
LRP	Wednesday prior to 4th Thursday	1:30 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Marina	2nd Wednesday	3 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Membership Orientation	1st Saturday & 3rd Tuesday	10 a.m.	Terrace Room or Ballroom
Safety & Security	3rd Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	S&S Conference Room
Sports & Rec (Grounds)	June 6, Aug. 1, Oct. 3, Dec. 5	1 p.m.	PAC
Wildlife	2nd Friday	8:30 a.m.	CH Conference Room

MEETINGS ARE OPEN. PLEASE CHECK WWW.PPOAWEB.COM FOR LATEST INFORMATION BEFORE ATTENDING A MEETING.

### New Member Orientation

10 a.m. in the Terrace Room

To register for New Member Orientation, please contact Sara Lord, Pecan Member Representative at sarahlord@ppoaweb.com or 817-573-2641 Ext. 335.

### JUNE

Saturday, June 3  
Tuesday, June 20

### JULY

Saturday, July 1  
Tuesday, July 18



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COUNTRY CLUB



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75 years and still going strong



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Jay Ann Cox

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## ON THE COVER



### 75 YEARS!

What an accomplishment! The Caldwells are featured in a story on **page 26**. Make sure to read their story and maybe discover their secret to being married for three quarters of a century!

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Steve Perry

Hard to believe that it is June already and our board now has a full first quarter under our belts.

We have all the active committees in place including Long Range Planning. The board is excited about having Long Range Planning committee seated again to help look at the needs of Pecan over the next 5, 10, 15 years with our future growth. I know all of Pecan will be looking forward to seeing what they come back to the general manager and board with.

Now we have infrastructure projects underway, one of which is road projects slated to begin near the end of July. The board would like to thank our Infrastructure Committee for their tenacity and hard work on the roads and grounds projects and helping us see projects come to fruition.

Summer is a wonderful time to spend with family, friends, and to enjoy life. I hope everyone in Pecan will have the opportunity to do so.



PPOA President Steve Perry

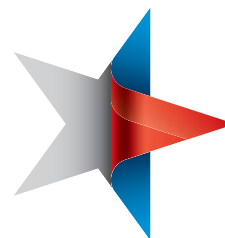


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# MGA SCHEDULE

MGA TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE!

## JUNE

JUNE 1-- PECAN SPECIAL (PSST)

JUNE 10--SPECIAL FUNDRAISER

PICK YOUR OWN FOURSOME--BLIND SCRAMBLE

JUNE 15--4 MAN SHAMBLE

COUNT 2 BEST BALLS (PSST)

JUNE 22--FLORIDA SCRAMBLE (PSST)

JUNE 29--PICK YOUR OWN PARTNER

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# LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION



*By Carol Bishop, PPLGA President*

What a whirlwind May was with the Guys & Dolls bringing in lots of out-of-town players and a good number of our LGA ladies with their partners competing against them. June promises to be an exciting month with Beat-the-Pro on the 6th and who knows, maybe some of us can beat him... If you haven't signed up, you might still have time.

Check on ForeTees for openings. It's always fun and exciting to go to another course and compete against Duff, the best pro around.

Our Member/Member tournament is scheduled for June 19 and 20 and is always fun and a challenge for all participants.

Meanwhile, our regular playday format on the 13th, will be Waltz and the 27th will be ONES. Wonder what that means? It means a lot of fun, so call and ask a friend, or feel free to call and ask me. Looking forward to seeing you on the course.

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# WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS CLUB

## WIDOWS & WIDOWERS CLUB PICNIC

Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at Pecan Plantation RV Pavilion

Mix & Mingle Reception at 5:30 p.m.

Picnic Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Salads, Side Dishes and Desserts will be provided by Club Members.

Meat to be provided by the Club at a per person cost.

### PROGRAM:

Guitarist Carolyn Troland will provide music and campfire sing-along (minus campfire).

Test your skill at Corn Hole, Golf Disc Toss and Chutes & Ladders.

### RSVP TO:

no later than Tuesday, June 20 noon

Caryl Mahaffey at [caryl.mahaffey@charter.net](mailto:caryl.mahaffey@charter.net) (Preferred)

Cell: 817-964-5915

If you have questions, please contact Caryl or any Board Members:

Peggy Wetle - 817-243-8867

Dan Crise - 817-559-5416

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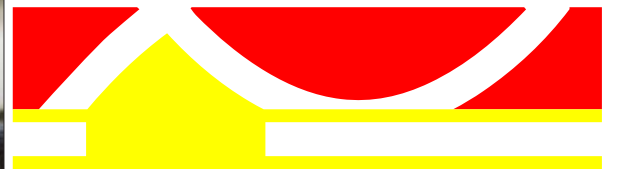
*Widows and Widowers Club meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Our club focuses on meeting new friends, enjoying good eats and entertainment for Widows & Widowers living in Pecan Plantation.*



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Sunday noon to 6 p.m.

Closed Wednesdays.

### CLUBHOUSE POOL:

**Note Special Clubhouse Pool Hours:**

Street Dance: Sunday, July 2 (9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.)

Pool CLOSED: Monday, July 3

Pool Open Tuesday, July 4

Normal Club Pool Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Closed: Every Monday

(Guest fees of \$4 apply to all non-members)

No outside food or drinks allowed at Club Pool

### PAC Pool Hours MAY thru AUGUST:

Open: Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri, Sat, & Sun

6:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Closed: Every Wednesday

(Guest fees of \$4 apply to all non-members)

### SWIM LESSONS AT THE PAC POOL

Session 1: (June 5 - June 16)

Session 2: (June 19 - June 30)

Session 3: (July 10 - July 21)

(8) 30-Minute Classes

Lessons held Mon-Tue-Thurs-Fri

### MOM & TOT (AGES 6 MO. TO 4)

10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Beginners (Ages 3 to 5)

10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Older (Ages 6 to 9)

11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$80/members & \$100/guests

Instructor: Certified Swim Instructor

### DEEP WATER AEROBICS AT CLUB POOL

Starts Thursday, June 1

Tues - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 9:20 a.m.

Cost: \$45/month (16 classes) or \$5/class

Certified Instructor: Leslie Stain

Must pre-register at the PAC.

All payments must be made at PAC.

### PAC GOLF CART DRIVE-IN MOVIES:

Friday, June 9 (9 p.m.) Puss in Boots: The Last Wish (Rated PG)

Fri, July 7 (9 p.m.) A Man Called Otto (Rated PG-13)

**FREE**

### ELECTRIC GUITAR WORKSHOP - AGES 12+

Saturday, June 17

10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

This is for those who can play basic chords on an acoustic guitar and want to learn how to play rock music on an electric guitar. Call PAC for more info.

Limited to 6 people. Must pre-register at the PAC.

### CUPCAKE CAMP (AGES 8+)

July 17, 18, 20, & 21, 10 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Cost: \$40/members & \$45/guests (2nd sibling 1/2 off)

Instructor: Maria Ward

Kids will learn how to make frosting & fondant to decorate cupcakes they bake. They will learn the basics of baking & measuring and color schemes. Fun!

Maximum 10 students - Must pre-register!

**NEW**

### TWO DAY ARCHERY CAMP (AGES 8 - 13)

June 5 and 6 (Mon & Tues), 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$10/members & \$15/guests

Hot Dog lunch and drinks will be provided on Tuesday.

**MUST PRE-REGISTER!** Space is limited to 18 kids.

### TWO DAY AIR RIFLE CAMP (AGES 8 - 13)

June 15 & 16 (Thurs & Fri), 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$10/members & \$15/guests

Hot Dog lunch and drinks will be provided on Tuesday.

**MUST PRE-REGISTER!** Space is limited to 18 kids.

### LET'S SING AND ACT I (AGES 7 - 12)

June 19, 20, 22, & 23, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Cost: \$40/members & \$45/guests

Instructor: Rebecca Faiola

Introduction to musical theatre class with exercises in singing and acting for kids new to theatre.

Sign up at the PAC - Must pre-register!

### LET'S SING AND ACT II (AGES 13 - 18)

June 19, 20, 22, & 23, 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40/members & \$45/guests

Instructor: Rebecca Faiola

Intermediate class studying musical theatre, styles of singing, monologue coaching, and improvisation.

Sign up at the PAC - Must pre-register!

### KIDS SOCCER CAMPS

June 5, 6, 8, & 9

Ages 4 to 6: 9 a.m. - 10 a.m., Ages 7 to 10: 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$35/members & \$40/guests

YMCA Soccer Coach

Meet at PAC Soccer fields. Please bring shin guards, a soccer ball, and water each day.

### FUNDAMENTALS OF ART CAMP - AGES 8+

June 12, 13, 15, & 16

10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Cost: \$40/members & \$45/guests

(2nd sibling will be 1/2 off)

All supplies will be provided.

Instructor: Maria Ward

Kids will be learning various art styles, painting, and using various mixed media.

Maximum 10 students - Must pre-register!

### ART ROCKS CAMP (AGES 7 - 12)

June 19, 20, 22, & 23, 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Cost: \$45/members & \$50/guests

Instructor: Pam McLean (806-316-4148)

*Kids will explore different ways to create through rock painting, steam punk rocks, mosaics on rock, and pebble critters. All supplies included.*

*Maximum 12 students - Must pre-register!*

### KIDS BEGINNER COOKIE DECORATING

Sunday, June 25, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

\*Children under 7 yrs. old require assistance\*

Cost: \$40 per child

*Kids will be learning beginner cookie decorating skills to a 4th of July themed class. Kids go home with six decorated cookies. All supplies included.*

*Maximum 10 students - Must pre-register!*



### FATHER'S DAY CRAFTS

Sunday, June 11 at 2 p.m.

*Children under 6 will need adult assistance.*

*Limited to 10 children. Must pre-register at the PAC.*



### PRINCESS TEA PARTY

Friday, June 16, seating at 2 p.m.

\$20/person inclusive - all ages welcome!

Location: Clubhouse Ballroom

*Pre-registration required - limited to the first 100 people!*

### MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE

Presents "CINDERELLA"

June 26 - July 1

Auditions are Mon, June 26, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

*This is a free event for children to participate in.*

*Children must be available for rehearsals and*

*performances during the entire week.*

*Rehearsals are: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. and/or 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.*

*Kids must be available for performances on Sat, July 1.*

*Performance times will be 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.*

*MCT will accept children entering 1st thru 12th grade.*

*Audition sign-ups at the PAC. Grandkids welcome!*



### MCT ACTING WORKSHOP

Weds., June 28, 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

*45-minute workshop covering basic tools of actor's trade.*

*Students participate in a variety of fun exercises.*

*Must be participating in MCT play to attend workshop.*

*Sign up at PAC --Open to all ages. Cost: \$5/child*

### ENCHANTED SUMMER DANCE CAMP (AGES 3 - 7)

August 3, 4, & 5, 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Cost: \$75 each

Instructor: Dance Dreams Academy Staff

*The kids get to experience all the fun of being different Disney Princesses throughout each day all while focusing on ballet and tap technique.*

*Kids will be doing crafts and singing songs too!*

*Please bring princess stuff and tap shoes if possible.*

*Sign up at the PAC - Must pre-register!*

### ANNUAL KIDS FISHING TOURNAMENT

Monday, June 12 at 8 a.m.

Meet at No. 10 Golf Course Pond

*All ages are welcome!*

*Bring your fishing pole. Bait will be provided.*

*Medals awarded to the winners of each category!*



### GOLF, TENNIS & SWIM CAMP (AGES 6+)

Session 1: (June 6- June 9)

Session 2: (July 11 - July 14)

Session 3: (August 1 - August 4)

9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (Lunch Included)

Cost: \$170/members & \$185/guests

Register at Tennis Shop - 817-579- 9412

*First day check-in is at the Tennis shop at 8:30 a.m.*

*Bring a swimsuit, towel, hat, sunscreen, water, and pool shoes.*

*Racquets & Clubs provided if needed.*

### "SWING-N-SWIM" CAMPS (AGES 6+)

Session 1: (June 13 - June 16)

Session 2: (June 20 - June 23)

Session 3: (June 27 - June 30)

Session 4: (July 18 - July 21)

Session 5: (July 25 - July 28)

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# EQUESTRIAN UPDATE

By Tammy Dressman

We were so sorry to recently lose one of our long-time boarders, Frank Johnson. There comes a point in life's earthly journey where our bodies start to prepare us for our eventual eternal home with the Lord. Frank's journey had come to the point where he had to face the realization that his horseback riding days had come to an end. Because of his love for his horse, Jig, who still has plenty of rides left in him, Frank sold Jig to a cowboy friend in West Texas, where he knew he would be well cared for, ridden and be with people that would appreciate "the best horse he's ever had" says Frank. If you've had the privilege to know Frank Johnson, you know that even though his heart was heavy, his selflessness and love for that animal would never allow Jig to be retired while still in his prime. Frank, we wish you the very best, peace and comfort in all your earthly days. We are comforted by the fact that when your journey takes you to your final destination, you will be greeted by "well done my good and faithful servant"! You have been a blessing to so many of us, me in particular! Your hugs, prayers and sense of humor will be sorely missed. God speed my special friend!

While we will be losing another one of our boarders, Jack Kent/Errica Tracy, we celebrate the fact that Errica, her husband Drew, and their family have found the perfect horse property and will be moving Takoda to their own place. They were so excited to make preparations for Takoda and have gotten a mini horse, a goat and other companion animals. Their kiddos are so excited to be living the farm life now and we couldn't be happier for them! Jack, Errica and Drew, we wish you guys the very best in your new endeavors!

That said, it means that we will be getting two new boarders as of June 1. These ladies have waited a very long time to get into the Pecan Plantation Stables, and we couldn't be happier for them as well. We will be welcoming new boarders Brenda Tealer and mom and daughter, Kim and Jessica Burton. Brenda will be bringing her mare Coco to the stables. Kim and Jessica will be bringing their mare, Honey. While submission deadlines haven't allowed me to get pictures yet, we look forward to welcoming Coco and Honey and their humans to the stables! So, look

for next month's article where we'll try to have pictures.

As mentioned in our last article, we had a couple of boarders that made a horse and camping trip to a new location in Kennard, TX. Vicky Burns and Tammy Dressman, drove a little over 3.5 hours southeast to TBarS Horse Camp located in the heart of the Davy Crockett National Forrest. Here they met up with friends where riding, camping, cookouts, and games abounded. As you can see from the included photos, these trails nestled in all the pine trees, were just beautiful! I would be remiss if I didn't mention how beautiful the horses are too. The trails are well marked, rock free (no shoes required) and easy, yet beautiful rides. The campsites were one of their favorites of all the places they've gone, providing covered stalls, a pasture for an hour of turnout each day, restrooms, showers, pavilion, and well equipped central indoor room with garage doors lifting to open to the outside. They are excited and look forward to another trip to TBarS soon!

In June, we have boarders that are planning a beach horseback riding trip to Crystal Beach Equestrian Stables. They will be starting out at Parrie Haynes Campground for a 3-day ride/camping excursion before heading south to the beach. As well, planning is in the works for a trip in July to New Mexico where a reprieve from the Texas heat is always a welcomed excursion. I'm sure we'll have plenty of pictures posted on our Facebook page.

Be sure to click on the conveniently included QR code which is a quick way for anyone interested in navigating to the Pecan Plantation Stables Facebook page. We have lots of posts from boarders and others with horsey pics and stuff that might not be included in the Columns magazine.

Be sure to check the PPOA official website – ppoaweb.com where you'll find additional information on committees, meeting times, etc. We continue to remain at full capacity at the stables. If you're interested in getting on the wait list, call the PPOA Business Office at 817-573-2641, ext. 337. For all other stables related questions and information call me, Tammy Dressman, @ 817-614-9744.





## SUNSCREEN ONLY A PART OF GOOD SKIN PROTECTION

The warm weather months serve as an important reminder that the choices you make can help you keep your skin healthy and reduce your risk of developing skin cancer. Experts say that your routine can and should go beyond simply wearing sunscreen.

“Taking care of your skin is absolutely essential no matter your age, skin color, or what time of year it is,” New York City dermatologist, Dr. Rachel Nazarian said. “Shielding your skin from damage from the sun and other sources of free radical production will not only help you look and feel your best in the years ahead, it will ultimately help prevent skin cancer.”

As you hit up the pool, the beach, the backyard and more this season, here are four skin protection tips to keep in mind:

### DO THE BASICS

Use a broad-spectrum sunscreen daily. It’s one of the most basic steps you can take to protect your skin. Be diligent about application and reapply as needed throughout the day, following the directions of the product you’re using.

### GO ABOVE AND BEYOND

UV rays from sun exposure are a major cause of skin cancer because they produce free radicals. The good news? You can neutralize their negative effects with a daily supplement that has antioxidant properties, such as Heliocare Daily Use Antioxidant Formula. Each dose of Heliocare — a dermatologist-recommended, natural daily supplement — has 240 mg of Fernblock PLE technology, an exclusive extract with antioxidant properties from the Polypodium Leucotomos plant. Studies have shown that Polypodium Leucotomos helps to counteract free radicals and decrease their damaging effects.

“Taking a supplement such as Heliocare is a great idea, because unlike sunscreen, it doesn’t wash away,” Dr. Nazarian said. “Incorporating it into your morning routine along with your SPF can help you start the day with peace of mind.”

### REDUCE EXPOSURE

You can greatly reduce your sun exposure by choosing to be in the shade while you’re outdoors, and by wearing a hat and protective clothing. These days, there are special UPF fabrics to consider that offer UV protection. Simply wearing long, loose-fitting clothing that covers your arms and legs can also make a big difference in keeping you cool and protected.

### DON'T WAIT

Finally, don’t wait for a special occasion such as a beach or pool day to take precautions. Exposure to the sun and other damaging elements happens all the time, even when you’re indoors. So be sure to protect your skin from the inside out every day, this season, and beyond.

To learn more and to access additional skin care information, visit [heliocare.com](http://heliocare.com).  
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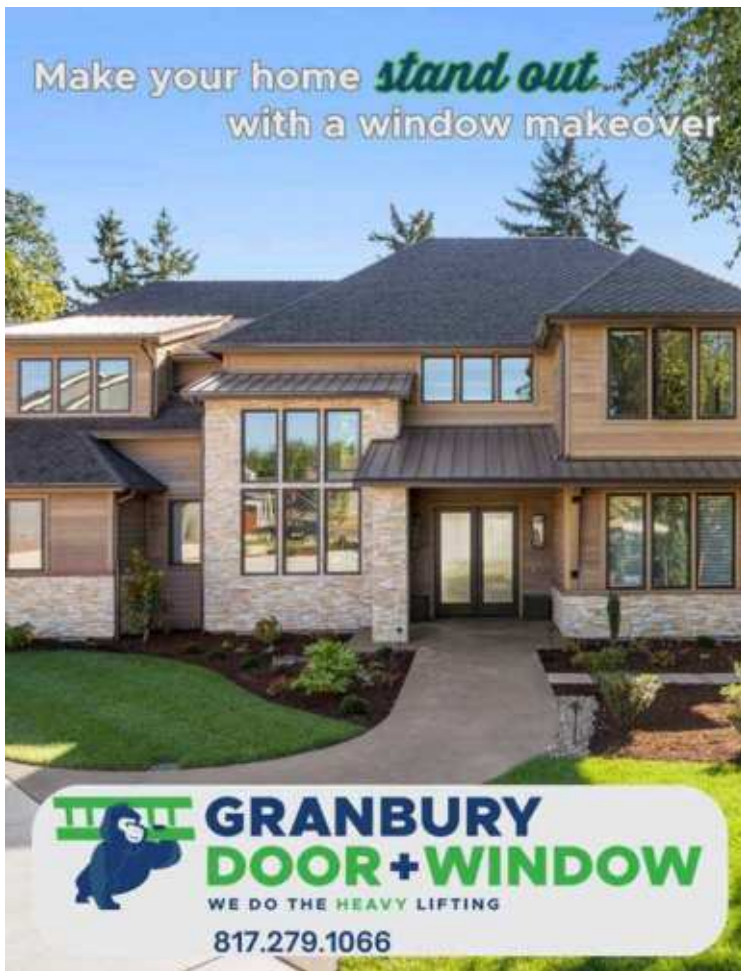
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# COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE



The Communications Committee is working with our new communications director, Jay Arrington, to provide Pecan Plantation residents with information as easily and fast as possible. Per Jay Arrington, "In an effort to improve communications and cut down on inbox clutter, we are experimenting with new ways to deliver information to you without filling your mailbox with multiple E-blasts."


If you do not receive PPOA E-blasts, you need to update your profile page with your current email address on the Member Directory at the PPOA Website at [www.mypooaweb.com](http://www.mypooaweb.com). Secondary members may also be added by updating their profile on the member directory with their current email address. It is our goal to deliver the best news and information in a timely manner that you will find both helpful and enjoyable.

Here are all the many ways to obtain news and information:

- ✦ **Columns magazine** – new and improved and getting better with every edition. This is a must have for referring to phone numbers, committees, activities, and upcoming events.
- ✦ **Facebook** – the official page is Pecan Plantation Country Club, the only page updated by staff at the Clubhouse.
- ✦ **Marquees** – also new and improved. These signs at the gates show residents upcoming events and other information.
- ✦ **Food and Beverage Specials** are sent by E-blast from Chef Jordan on Wednesdays.
- ✦ **Pecan Happenings Eblast** is sent on Thursdays with current community events. The deadline for new submissions is Mondays by 8 a.m.
- ✦ **PECANews**, a new way to let residents in on all the news and events happening soon. PECANews is sent as an E-blast on Fridays. The deadline for submission of any event is Monday by 8 a.m.
- ✦ **Send events** or any other items of interest to Jay Arrington at [Jay.Arrington@PPOAweb.com](mailto:Jay.Arrington@PPOAweb.com).
- ✦ **Pecan Bits** can be found in the Hood County News. Diane Long, a Pecan resident, does an excellent job in providing news about Pecan.
- ✦ **And last, but not least, talk!** Get to know your neighbors and others nearby. Find out what they know and how they know it. Even though this is probably the least reliable source of news, it is still a great thing to get out and meet people!
- ✦ **The QR Code** takes you direct to the PPOA Calendar. If you are logged out, it will first ask for your PPOA login information.



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# FIRE DEPARTMENT

by Kim Skoog

My fellow Pecanians! (Hmmm...is that even a thing?). We're looking for a few good men and women! Winston Churchill said "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give". It's something I've tried to live by in my life. I've tried to teach my children to have a giving and serving heart. Volunteering and giving to our community when they are in need is its own reward. We would love for you to join our family at the Pecan Plantation Volunteer Fire Department.

Our community is growing and our VFD is experiencing growing pains. Of course, we need firefighters. If you have a few days a month to volunteer to come to training and be there as a firefighter, we need you! We also need engineers, who would drive and pump the trucks. We need support personnel. Those members who are there when the firefighters need assistance! Whether you're support personnel or a firefighter, as they say in the theater, there are no small parts. You would be an integral part of the equation. We will train you for these positions.

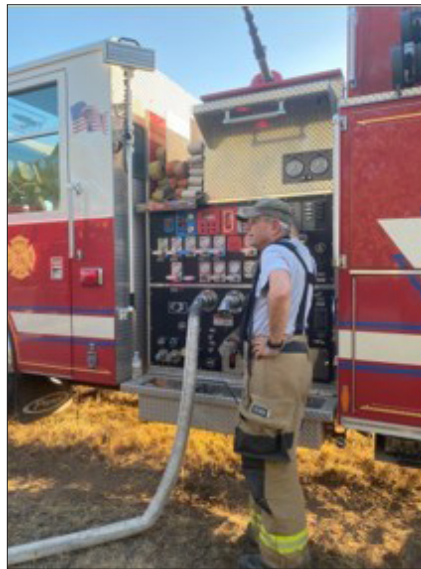
We also need what I call "admin help". Are you a retired firefighter and would like to assist with some training? Are you a person who is good at organizing events? Do you have any special skills or hobbies such as organizing, knowledge of computers and software, publicity, photography, carpentry skills, or painting skills, that you wouldn't mind helping on a special project?

Do you have any skills in grant writing or research? Olivia would love some help!

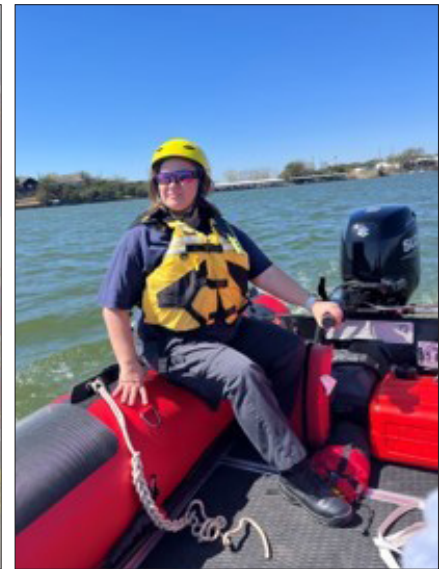
We come from all walks of life. We have members who just graduated high school to those that have been retired for years! I am a mother of four wonderful children. My



Olivia our grant writer



Lt. Wimberly pumping T84



Kim during boat ops training

youngest is 12. You don't have to be available 24/7 to volunteer. You just have to have the heart. Do you have it in you to volunteer a few times a month for your community? If so, please contact Captain Scott Christy at the station or me, Kim.



Above: PPFVD Members Hutchison and Captain Kile

Left: a group photo of PPFVD



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# 3 BEST FRIENDS

## STILL TOGETHER AFTER ALL THESE YEARS



*By Rick Mauch*

**J**on  
Cranford,  
Ben Fairey and Fred

Crawford first met as youngsters eager for their chance to play football for Artesia High School in Artesia, New Mexico. They would go on to create history, along with a bond that lasts to this day as the best friends a person could hope to have.

With Jon at quarterback, Ben at tight end and Fred as the center, they led Artesia to its first state football championship in school history in 1957. It was the first of 30 state titles for the Bulldogs, the most of any high school football program in the United States, with the most recent coming in 2022.

"Artesia football was the glue that held the town together," Jon said.

Though they've moved away, they each keep up with the Bulldogs and will talk for hours about the team. It was the sport that brought them all together to begin with, starting a friendship that continues to this day as they now all live in Hood County, Jon in Pecan Plantation, Ben in DeCordova and Fred in Granbury.

From left, Jon Cranford, Ben Fairey and Fred Crawford have been best friends since they were youths, being a part of the first state football championship in Artesia, New Mexico history. And now they are reunited in Hood County. Photo by Rick Mauch



All three were born in 1940 and are closing in on their 83rd birthday in the coming months. Ben, born in November, was actually a grade behind Jon and Fred, who were born in July and June, respectively, but that didn't stop them from being tight then or now.

### AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

Jon went to college at Eastern New Mexico and got a business degree with a masters in psychology before spending his career in sales marketing. Ben went to SMU, got an accounting degree, and spent 35 years as a certified public accountant in Dallas, and Fred went to Texas Tech, got a degree in industrial management, and had a career in the lumber business.

But they stayed in touch through it all. For example, for two decades, they'd regularly return to Artesia to play in a golf tournament, and of course for class reunions.

Jon was the first to move to Granbury in 2002 from Birmingham, Alabama. Fred joined him in 2006 from Odessa, and Ben in 2008 from Dallas.

Now, they get together on a regular basis, often for lunch or dinner. Fred and Jon were also the best men at Ben's wedding last fall.

"I worked with a fellow who moved here after he retired. We played golf, and you know there's a lot of places to play here," Jon said. "My wife is from Hereford. We like small towns."

Fred came out for a visit and Jon showed him around. On his way back, he said to his wife, "I could live there - and we do."

Then he added with a laugh, "In spite of him, I moved here anyway."

### KIDDING AROUND

Such kidding between the trio is regular. When Fred noted that he also played golf in high school (he was third in state as a senior), Jon quipped, "He played the field, too."

"Fred was always our jokester," Ben said, recalling one particular prank they played on a classmate at the local Dairy Queen.

"Fred was eating an ice cream with pineapple on it and he asked Fred what it was. Fred told him it was a jubilee," Ben said, laughing at the memory. "That guy went up to the counter and told the clerk he wanted a jubilee. She said, 'A what?' He said, 'A jubilee.' She asked him again, and he just kept getting louder and louder saying, 'A jubilee! A jubilee!' Then, he looked around and saw Fred laughing."

When asked when they all first met, Fred said with a laugh, "Eight o'clock. That's when the bell rang."

Actually, Fred and Jon met in elementary school because the alphabet brought them together.

"Being a Cranford and a Crawford, we sat close to each other," Jon said.

Fred recalled the time Elvis came through Artesia as his career was just starting. He stepped out on the balcony of the train's caboose and started performing, which Fred said was



The 1957 Bulldogs, coached by Reese Smith, went undefeated 12-0 and defeated Highland 27-26 in the State Championship, a thrilling finish. The championship game can be viewed on Facebook, Artesia Bulldog Football's page, accessible via this QR code

soon stopped.

"They made him move on," Fred said. "They told him to leave."

"He played Carlsbad one time. I think my sister went to see him," Ben said.

"Carlsbad was our rival," Ben continued. "But we all liked to dance - back then we did the jitterbug - and nearly every Saturday night there'd be a dance in Artesia or Carlsbad and we'd either go there or they'd come to our place."

Ben also recalled that, like many youngsters, there was a share of mischief. He remembers he and some friends would ring the town's large church bell at odd hours of the night before the rope was taken off.

Then, he said with a smile, they would climb up in the bell tower and move the bell and clanger to ring it by hand, ignoring the danger.

"Then they took the clanger," he said. "Nowadays, if the worst thing that happens in your town is kids ringing the church bell, you're doing pretty good."

### THERE'S ALWAYS FOOTBALL

And they will never tire of talking about their times playing football together. Another gridiron adventure involved flying across the state - Artesia is in southeast New Mexico near the Pecos River - to play Farmington in the northern part of the state in 1956. A plane was chartered.

"That was a big deal back then," Jon said. "But it didn't leave Dallas in time, and we didn't make it until Saturday, so we had to play the game Saturday night instead of Friday."

Their state championship team didn't lose a game, defeating a much larger school, Albuquerque Highland, 27-26 in the title game.



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from page 21

“They had more in their freshman class than we had in the whole school,” Ben said. “You’d see their guys and ours and you’d think they’d beat us 50-0.”

“We had a guy who is a retired doctor in San Angelo now, Johnny French, he scored all four touchdowns and kicked three extra points,” Jon said. “But I think Highland had about 10 guys go (NCAA) Division I.”

Fred added, “Jon didn’t play much defense, but he went into the championship game and had an interception to seal it.”

It was, ironically, their second win over Highland that season. They also won 16-10 in the regular season.

None of the trio played football in college. Fred and Ben, who also played golf in high school, don’t hit the links so much anymore, and Jon does sometimes after picking the game up later in life.

Fred still has two nieces who live in Artesia. Jon and Ben have no family there any longer.

“What I have are great memories of a way of life that was simpler and great,” Fred said. “And, of course I still have these two guys.”


And you bet they taught their children and grandchildren the Bulldog fight song. 🐾



ARTESIA		BULLDOGS	
No.	Name	Pos.	Wt.
11	Jon Cranford	QB	139
12	Billy Williams	QB	167



50	Glen Davis	C	161
51	Don Thigpen	C	164
52	Freddie Crawford	C	146
60	David Miller	G	180
61	Richard Vandever	G	171



81	Tommy Hager	E	156
82	Bobby Felton	E	145
83	Bill Siegenthaler	E	162
84	Travis Smith	E	151
85	Benny Fairey	E	153
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# BREAKFAST CLUB

The speaker at the early May meeting was Sandi Walker, president and founder of Second Chance Farm. In late May, we hosted the second in our lifesaving series, CPR for Breakfast Club. This session will tie in with our recent Naloxone training.

Please join us for the upcoming programs scheduled in June and July.

**June 14** — County Commissioner Nannette Samuelson

**June 28** — Dr. James Hurley, President of Tarleton State University

**July 12** — Ben Anthony of Anthony Enterprises and Steve Guy of Patten Companies

**July 26** — Bond Arms



**They're back: A limited number of Pecan Breakfast Club coffee mugs will be available for sale at our meetings. They are \$15.**

## SURVEY

We recently submitted a seven-question survey to the Breakfast Club membership as a measure of our success and to help determine the member requests. Here are the results as of April 27.

**1. I prefer ordering from a menu instead of having a buffet.**

The result is that 80% indicated they would like to return to ordering from a menu as we did before the pandemic. We'll take this result to food and beverage management.

**2. I would prefer a lunchtime program.**

Again, 80% voted to remain as a breakfast program.

**3. I do not get sufficient notice of Breakfast Club meetings.**

Thank you! 100% disagreed!

**4. I don't find the speakers interesting.**

Interestingly, 71% disagreed with this statement. There is still work to be done to improve this area.

**5. I would like to hear from the following speakers.**

I really appreciate those who provided some wonderful ideas for speakers. Keep it up! A few of the suggested speakers are already scheduled while some suggested speakers just never answer their mail! I'll keep working them. Please continue to send your ideas for speakers or any sort of program to PecanBreakfast@gmail.com.

**6. I would like to volunteer to host Breakfast Club.**

We had one volunteer to become a host. Thank you for that!

**7. Are you aware the Breakfast Club has a Facebook page?**

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# BRAZOS RIVER SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

By Cecil Caldwell

Summer is in full swing and vacation time is here for many families and most of our members. Members have continued to fish at various lakes in the region with great success, but as the weather here in Texas gets hot, a lot of the fishing will slow down. While the hotter weather is great for recreation activities on the water, it is not the best time to be fishing. We will be looking forward to fall and some cooler weather to get back on the water. In my case I will be heading to Colorado this summer where it is cooler, to do some trout fishing.

Our members that like to shoot have been making trips to the range about every two weeks as the weather permits. When it is not so great outdoors, they will go to a local indoor pistol range. For the shotgun shooting they shoot a total of 50 rounds. Below are the results for one of the recent shotgun events.

NAME	WEAPON	SCORE
Dan Young	12 Gauge	45
Buzz Taylor	12 Gauge	44
Mac Gillbreath	12 Gauge	44
Milt Schrepel	12 Gauge	43
Tim Fuston	12 Gauge	41
Jim Berzina	12 Gauge	41
Jerry Sprayberry	20 Gauge	37
Rod Bradshaw	12 Gauge	29

As we look forward to fall hunting season, we will be planning for a dove hunt in September. Most of our members do not have season hunting leases so we will be trying to locate some decent dove hunting in the region. If you know of any dove hunting day/season leases available in the north Texas area, please contact me or one of our members. You can contact me by email at [ccald67@gmail.com](mailto:ccald67@gmail.com). Have a great Summer.



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# MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS

By New Member Orientation Committee

**Miles Adams and Laney Sweet**, Ravenswood Road, moved from Durango, Colorado. Miles is a musician, recording artist and music producer with Spadefoot/Miles Adams. He enjoys reading, writing, outdoor activities and all things creative. Laney, who grew up in Pecan, is a birth bereavement and hospice doula self-employed with The Birthing Tree. She loves gardening, music, babies, and is a relentless advocate for social justice. Their children are Emery (11) who was born in Pecan via homebirth, and Natalie (14) who is an artist and writer. They are an artsy musical family that loves to make new friends.

**James Barker**, Westover Court, moved from Bellingham, Washington. James is employed with Lake Granbury Medical Center and enjoys cats, motorcycles, video games, board games and is starting to golf again.

**Bruce and Linda Hallock**, Ravenswood Road. Bruce moved from Colorado and Linda from Amarillo. Bruce is retired from International Construction Management and in his 48 years has worked on major petrochemical power transportation projects worldwide. Bruce enjoys reading, history, cooking, wine, pickleball and travel. Linda is retired from Amarillo. She was born and raised in South Africa and immigrated to the U.S. in 2001. Linda enjoys reading, gardening, bird watching, music, pickleball and travel. They have two children and three grandchildren.

**Jon Heinson**, Tee Box Court, moved from Danville, California. Jon is a retired Broker from USI Insurance and enjoys golf, traveling, stage shows, reading. Jon is interested in joining a lunch group or travel group. He has two children.

**Laine LaBrecque and Clint Sparks**, Ravenswood Road, moved from DeCordova. Laine is employed with Bank of America and enjoys boating and shopping. Clint is retired from framing and now owns and runs the Plantation Liquors and Village Car Wash. Clint enjoys tractor pull and boating.

**Hank and Kelli Landman**, King Air Court, moved from Lake Tahoe, Nevada. Hank is employed with Southwest Airlines and enjoys flying and motorcycles. Kelli is a licensed Realtor in Lake Tahoe. Kelli enjoys pickleball, golf and interior design.

**Roger and Lori Liebelt**, Beretta Court, moved from Hico. Roger is the owner of Biomed Labs in Dallas and enjoys reading. Lori enjoys arts/crafts and her grandchildren. They have three children and 11 grandchildren.

**Jerry and Darla Lyon**, Ellerslie Circle, moved from Granbury. Jerry is employed with ALTOUR and enjoys golf, pickleball and softball. Darla is self-employed with Paluxy Puzzles and enjoys gardening, walking, swimming, and hiking. They have four children and six grandchildren.

**David Meeh and Genie Bishop**, Monticello Circle, moved from Austin. David is the director at Horseshoe Bay Resort in Marble Falls. He enjoys golf and sports. Genie is a consulting veterinarian with Royal Canin Veterinary Diets. She enjoys swimming, gardening, pickleball and horses. They are originally from Oklahoma; David is a Sooner (OU) and Genie is a Cowboy (OSU). They have two children and two grandchildren.

**Brian and Karen Moore**, Bellevue Court, moved from Big Spring. Brian works for the Department of Veteran Affairs. Karen is retired from the Federal Bureau of Prisons DOJ. They both enjoy golf, fishing, camping, riding motorcycles, travel, and their grandchildren. They have four children, four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

**Dan Pepon and Ester Velez**, Westover Court, moved from Granbury. They are both employed with the city of Fort Worth and enjoy fishing, hiking, and boating. They have three children and three grandchildren.

**Rene Solano and Liliana Vasquez**, Ailensor Court, moved from Stephenville. Rene is employed with Green Lynx Inc. and enjoys car detailing and spending time with family. Liliana enjoys cooking, fishing, baseball/softball and crafting with the kids. They have two children.

**John and Jeanie Tirsch**, Pinehurst Drive, moved from Utah. John enjoys fixing and building cars. Jeanie is employed with Quest Diagnostics and enjoys bridge, mahjong, pitch, traveling and playing with their pups.





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Couple of kids still having fun together

# 75 years later

by Rick Mauch

**B**ob Cordell smiled and said of his longtime marriage to his wife Juanell, "We started out as a couple of kids from poor families."

Be that as it may, they are rich in love now and have been for more than three quarters of a century. They will celebrate 75 years of being married on June 9, followed by a party on June 11 at Pecan Plantation, hosted by their three sons and two daughters-in-law.

Bob, 94, is from Graham and Juanell, 92, is from Graham. They first met when her dad took a job in Graham in the early 1940s, and though they only lived there for a year, it was enough for her to capture Bob's heart. When her family moved back to Hamlin, Bob would go see her and the relationship blossomed.



"I kinda liked him too," Juanell said with a smile. "He was a very handsome young man. It was love right away."

While she was in Hamlin they lived only about three-fourths of a mile apart. They also attended church together. But they never went to school together as she was two grades behind him.

Still, as Bob said, "It grew into a lifetime love story. We set the wedding, things got going and they've been going ever since."

Bob went to work in the oil patch in 1951, working for Conoco.

"I thought I could make a little better living for my family. We started our family early," he said. "It was the last job I ever asked for. I continued with Conoco for the rest of my career."

Their life together has taken them all over the U.S. and the world. They even lived in Egypt and Scotland. As golfers, Bob recalled playing one of the most legendary courses in the world while in Aberdeen, Scotland.

"Cecil (their oldest son) came over and we played," he said, adding that he plays with Cecil and their middle son Jerry almost every week now. They have a youngest son, Matt.

Bob and Juanell have seven grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Also while in Aberdeen, the Juanells helped build an international Baptist Church. They are now members of Lakeside Baptist in Granbury.

"We couldn't buy property to build a church, so we leased property for 100 years. I'm not sure what's gonna happen in 2083 when the lease is up," Bob said with a chuckle.

They also spent some time living in Egypt. Bob recalled guards outside the church.

"We never had a problem, though," he said. "But if we'd left the country we probably couldn't come back."

During their time there they also journeyed up Mount

Moses, or Mount Sinai, the place where Moses received the 10 Commandments from God.

"That was very special," he said.

They moved to Hood County in 2001. Cecil had settled here about a year earlier in Pecan.

"He told me Pecan is a perfect place to live," Bob said. "So we decided to get closer to the kids. Juanell suggested it and I'm glad she did."

Nowadays they regular play 42 dominoes together. They also took up golfing together years ago, and Bob still plays regular tournaments at Pecan. Juanell was president of the Nutcracker Women's Golf Association in 2008.

And they've been to the historic Masters Golf Tournament together several times.

"I took the game up and she said she didn't want to be a golf widow, so she started playing," Bob said with a chuckle.

They are a team in the utmost definition. For example, Juanell likes to drive and Bob doesn't. They bought a Camaro convertible two years ago and love taking drives together.

"We had a Corvette up in Colorado. We'd take some wine and go out by the river," Juanell said, recalling one of their many favorite memories.

Bob added, "It takes a lot of give and take. We have never had a serious argument. It's a matter of patience. It's a partnership."

They've also fought through health challenges together. Juanell had a stroke in 1980 and defeated breast cancer in 2009. Bob had a heart attack two years ago and has had knee replacement.

Through it all, however, they keep each other strong.

"It's just unbelievable when you think about all the things we've done together," Juanell said. "You need to do things together as a couple, and that's what we do and plan to continue." 🌱







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By John Ingram III  
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Yay, summer is here! Be sure to check out our summer junior camp schedule for your child or grandchild. We offer eight weeks of camp fun, so you're sure to find something to fit your schedule.

Heads up! "Tennis on the Lawn at Pecan" is returning in July, with grass court tennis (and maybe wooden racquets) for your tennis enjoyment (details to follow).

Thanks to all who helped serve the world-famous PPTA sno-cones at the May Street Dance. We all had fun and helped raise money for the Association.

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**I - June 6 - 9**

**II - July 11 - 14**

**III - August 1 - 4**

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**D - July 18 - 21**

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By the time you read this, we will have hopefully had a successful Memorial Day Street dance with lots of volunteer-manned snow cone booth sales. If not, please step up and be recognized at the Independence Day Street dance! An hour of your time once in a while would noticeably lighten the load for the current volunteers! PPTA clothing orders are still being taken as well!

See you on (or off) the courts!





# ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

The Entertainment Committee has been busily working and planning to keep fun activities coming your way. On June 16, 2023, we will be hosting Two Stepping and Tacos. Our Chef Jordan will provide a Taco Buffet. This will include a Taco Bar, beans, rice, salad, chips, queso, guacamole, salsa, and churros.

Then the wonderful Texas Backroads Band will provide the music for Country Western dancing. All of this for only \$30. We will begin serving at 5:30 p.m. with music to follow shortly after. So, put your boots on and come and join us for a fun evening. Reservations required.

Be sure to have our Annual 4th of July Party on your calendar. We will begin with the parade, and then move on to the club house for food and a street dance. Rumor has it that Who's Oscar will be playing that night. If you were at the club for New Years Eve, you will remember them! So, start planning your parade entries and come on out to the party!



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# EMS

*Pecan EMS responded to 83 calls for service as of April 29.*

*By Brandl Stephenson BA, LP, NRP, FP-C, Chief, Pecan Plantation EMS*

Good day, everyone! You may be asking why I am presenting April numbers when we are in June. Simply put, the lead time on these articles has been stretched to around six weeks so, at the time of writing, we're not in May yet. Regardless, we continue to be busy!

I would like to congratulate Nathan Delaney EMT-P. Nathan recently passed his examinations for paramedic. The education process alone is long, stressful, and difficult, with success rates less than 25%. Nathan has dedicated nearly all of his time over the past two years to his education, working around covid restrictions, work schedules, and clinical hours. Please join me in congratulating him on his accomplishment.

We currently have four employees in paramedic school, and I am very excited to observe and assist them on their path to getting their own 'red patch' (in Texas, the paramedic patch is red. EMT is blue).

As summer begins to break, schools release their charges back into the proverbial wild. Families are planning vacations, people are getting out more, and temperatures are climbing. It's a time of activity and movement and, in Texas, it's all done in high heat and humidity. Remember to stay hydrated, wear sunscreen, and maybe, just for a bit, take a break during the hottest parts of the day. Heat exposure can quickly turn into a

medical emergency, with signs and symptoms ranging from:

- ✦ Dizziness
- ✦ Muscle cramps
- ✦ Weakness and fatigue
- ✦ Heavy sweating
- ✦ Nausea and/or vomiting

Your temperature may be normal or only slightly elevated, so don't rely on it for diagnosis!

Please take a moment and remember those who serve, both at home and abroad. Your prayers and well-wishes really do carry weight, and are greatly appreciated.

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# A *June* to Remember



- June 1, 1843** Snow fell in Buffalo and Rochester, New York, Cleveland, Ohio and other places.
- June 1, 1938** Superman Comic was published.
- June 1, 1971** Ed Sullivan's final show.
- June 2, 1692** Salem Witch Trials began. By 1693, 200 were accused, and 19 were convicted and executed.
- June 3, 1969** The last episode of the original Star Trek television series aired on NBC.

**June 4, 1942**

WWII's Battle of Midway in the Pacific Theater lasted from June 4-7, a decisive victory for the U.S.

**June 6, 1944**

The WWII Allied Forces invasion of Normandy, France, was launched by troops storming the beaches and paratroopers dropping from the sky.

**June 6, 1998**

"Sex and the City" premiered on HBO.

**June 8, 1992**

World Oceans Day was established at the UN's Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro.

**June 8, 1966**

NFL and AFL announced plan to merge by 1970.

**June 9, 1934**

Disney's Donald Duck made his debut.

**June 12, 1987**

President Ronald Reagan challenged Russian President Mikhail Gorbachev to tear down the Berlin Wall.

**June 14, 1775**

The U. S. Army was formed.

**June 15, 1215**

Magna Carta was signed by King John, establishing that royalty and government are not above the law.

**June 18, 1983**

Sally Ride became the first woman in space.

**June 20, 1867**

President Andrew Johnson announced the purchase of Alaska from Russia for \$7.2 million.

**June 22, 1847**

Hanson Gregory created the first doughnut.



**June 23, 1868** American inventor Christopher Latham Sholes received a patent for the typewriter. Actor Tom Hanks has a collection of over 250 and travels with at least two.

**June 24, 1938** A 450-ton meteor hit Chicora, Pennsylvania. The only reported casualty was a cow.

**June 25, 1876** Lt. Col. George Custer and the 7th Cavalry were wiped out by Sioux and Cheyenne fighters at the Battle of Little Big Horn.

**June 25, 1984**

Prince released his album "Purple Rain."

**June 26, 1498**

The toothbrush was invented in China.

**June 27, 1859**

The song "Happy Birthday to You" was first sung.

**June 28, 1894**

Labor Day was established as a holiday for federal employees.

**June 28, 2007**

The bald eagle was removed from the endangered species list.

**June 29, 2009**

Financier Bernie Madoff was sentenced to 150 years in maximum security for conducting his infamous Ponzi scheme.

**June 30, 1908**

A giant fireball, most likely from an air burst of a large meteoroid or comet, flattens 80 million trees in Yeniseysk, Russia.



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# FOOD AND BEVERAGE EVENTS

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There's always something happening at Pecan Plantation. Here's just some of the fun events planned for members in 2023. For more information, please call Brenda or the front desk at 817-573-2641.



June 6 – Summertime Buffet & Bingo

July 2 – Independence Day Parade starts at 6 p.m., followed by street dance, midway games, food court and more until 10 p.m.

July 18 – BBQ Buffet & Bingo

August 15 – Pizza 'n Pasta Buffet & Bingo

Sept. 4 – Labor Day Street Dance

Sept. 12 – 'Breakfast for Dinner' Buffet & Bingo

Oct. 24 – Halloween Buffet & Bingo

Nov. 14 – Southern Night Buffet & Bingo

Dec. 5 – Home Cookin' Buffet & Bingo

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# PICKLEBALL NEWS

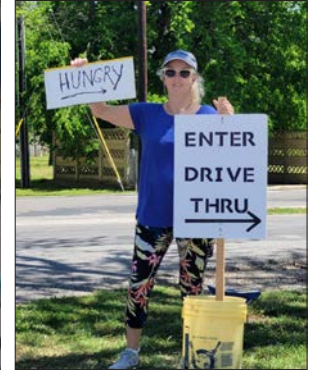
The association is proud to offer a pickleball/swim camp this summer for children ages 8-12. The camp will be July 10-14 from 1-3 p.m. every weekday except Wednesday. There will be pickleball instruction for an hour and supervised swimming at the PAC pool for the other hour. The camp is limited to 12 kids. Cost is \$80 for PPPA members and \$100 for PPOA members. Additional information and sign-ups are available at the PAC.

Beginning May 26, open play indoors is from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday (no play on Wednesday when the PAC is closed). Clinics for those new to pickleball continue to be offered on the first Monday of the month from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

The Pecan Ladies pickleball group will take a break from afternoon play during the summer months. They will resume in September when GISD is back in session.

A reminder to those playing on the outdoor courts, a reservation is required. Please contact the PAC for information about the online registration system.

The PPPA greatly appreciates all of the community support at the April garage sale. Thirty-four pickleball members worked together to serve breakfast and lunch to Pecan residents and visitors in an effort to raise money for the association.



These wonderful volunteers of the Pecan Plantation Pickleball Association sold food to residents and visitors at the annual garage sale in April as a fundraiser for the association.



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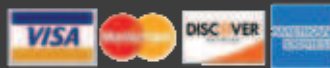
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# BLUEBIRDS

By Mary Lou Wood | Photos by Karen Gomez

Severe weather, destruction of nesting habitat, and heavy competition with sparrows and starlings have caused a decline in the nation's bluebird population. Although the pressure is not as drastic in Texas as in the north and east, this member of the family needs a helping hand.

Three species of bluebirds - eastern, western, and mountain - make their home in Texas during various times of the year. All are close in size, 6 ½ to 7 ½ inches, and weigh about one ounce.

Most common and widespread is the eastern bluebird, *Sialia sialis*. Although it is considered a partial migrant, it winters throughout most of Texas. Heavily wooded forests are suitable for these birds' needs.

The male has a bright blue back, rusty breast and throat, and a white belly and underneath area. Coloration of the female is much duller and paler. The young have mouse-gray backs and white speckled breasts characteristic of thrushes. A tinge of dull blue in the wing and tail gives a hint of the bright colors they will wear one day.

During courtship the male ascends fifty to a hundred feet and floats down to flutter around the female. He may offer her food as he woos her with songs. Finally, she flies into the nest he has chosen and accepts it and the male. She lays four to six light blue eggs. The incubation is a 12-day period and is done by the female. Both parents feed the nestlings. When the young become fledglings and are able to leave the nest, the male takes over so the female can prepare for a second brood.

About three-fourths of bluebird's diet are insects, such as beetles, grasshoppers, and caterpillars. Berries and other fruit make up the rest of their menus. Food preferences make the bluebird one of those species considered beneficial to people.

All species of bluebirds are cavity nesters; they nest in holes in trees, shrubs, fence posts and bird houses.

Bluebird predators are sparrows, cats, wrens, mice, squirrels, snakes, cold weather, hawks, and woodpeckers to name a few.

Bluebird life span is 6 to 10 years.

*"The bluebird carries the sky on his back."* - Henry David Thoreau.

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# ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL AND PPOA COMPLIANCE

## ACC REPORT

The number of new home permits issued during April 2023 increased a bit from last month's total with the ACC approving (3) New Residence Construction Permits, (23) Miscellaneous Construction Permits, and no Construction Revisions or Permit Extensions. The ACC construction permit list currently contains (41) active permits for new homes under construction and (48) active miscellaneous permits for various other improvements.

The following new homes were approved to begin construction during April 2023:

Address	Sq/Ft Living Area	Owner	Builder
2217 Middlewood Circle	1816	Steve Guy	John Moore
2305 Candlestick Drive	3637	Khaleel Ahmed	Rafeeq Ahmed
3721 Tremont Lane	2837	Walter Hardin	Ryan Rodriguez

## COMPLIANCE CORNER

During April 2023, the Compliance Office received 60 calls and 12 emails reporting possible compliance issues, eight calls and four emails regarding vacant property maintenance, plus 601 calls and 88 emails requesting ACC, plat/lot, rules, C&R or construction information.

Since the installation of storm shelters becomes subject of many questions during this time of year, Section 15.3 of PPOA R&Rs contains all necessary information regarding storm shelter installation and construction permit requirements.

An ACC-approved construction permit is required for any type of underground or aboveground storm shelter that will be installed external to a home or other existing structure regardless of whether it will be detached, attached, or constructed as an integral addition to the structure. However, no permit is required for a shelter or safe room that will be constructed or installed completely inside or beneath a home or other existing structure on the property. Any member with an existing or new storm shelter is strongly advised to ensure the address and exact location of your shelter on the property is listed with the Hood County 911 Addressing Center so they can direct first responders to check the location for anyone possibly trapped inside the shelter after a catastrophic event.

HOME SALE NOTE: Upon the sale or transfer of home ownership by any other means, Section-17 of PPOA Rules & Regulations requires residential property to be in compliance with all applicable elements of PPOA's Governing Documents. If ownership is transferred with an existing non-compliant issue, the new owner will be responsible for bringing the property into compliance. When it is requested by a title company, lending institution or prospective buyer, PPOA will perform a compliance inspection and return a report stating whether or not the property is in compliance and detail any deficiency if it is not. Since compliance certification requests are frequently received only a few days before the scheduled closing date, we remind members contemplating the sale of their home to help avoid any last-minute surprises or delays by contacting Membership Services at the PPOA Business Office to arrange an early inspection by Code Enforcement to identify any existing issue that may require corrective action.

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# AUXILIARY NEWS

By Lana Robinson

The PPVFD/EMS Auxiliary is excited to report that it raked in over \$4,100 for firefighters and emergency responders in the recent communitywide garage sale in Pecan.

“We want to thank our community for such generous support. Ninety-five percent of our items were donated by neighbors inside and outside Pecan,” said Donna Bullis, Auxiliary co-president, who graciously held the garage sale at her home, adding that the Auxiliary plans a repeat in October.

Now, it is full speed ahead in preparation for the 2023 Auxiliary Golf Tournament set for Saturday, June 24, at the Pecan Country Club and pavilion. Cost is \$65 per person. You can sign up at the Pecan Pro Shop (817-573-2645). A four-person scramble is planned. Golfers have three hole-in-one opportunities – a 2023 KIA car, provided by Van Griffith KIA, a \$10,000 hole-in-one prize offered by Pecan Financial Services LLC, and a \$10,000 hole-in-one prize provided by Wings, Etc. Winners will receive Pro Shop credits: 1st - \$300, 2nd-\$200 and 3rd - \$150. Fun pre-tournament games; mulligans will be sold. Box lunches provided.

Hole sponsorships accepted through June 9. Call Lana Robinson, 254-495-1717, for details.

Golf tournament raffle tickets are on sale now all the way up until the drawing on game day. You need not be present to win. Tickets for high-end prizes, which include merchandise, products and/or services valued between \$275 and \$600, will be sold for \$20 each or 6 for \$100. Some of these packages include: Hilton Garden Inn Date Night with Granbury Live tickets and meal at Christina’s Restaurant; DriveXotic experience (eight laps in a race car) at the Motorsport Ranch in Cresson; Pizza in the Park Party with Fire Chief Dave Paxton (firetruck onsite); Bonds Arm Stinger RS/.22 handgun; airplane ride/tour for two piloted by Steve Bloomquist and meal at Hard 8 BBQ in Stephenville; beautiful handmade patriotic napping quilt by Georgia Crane; two tickets to the “So Happy It Hurts Tour – Bryan Adams w/Joan Jett and Blackhearts”; 52 Quart Insulated RTIC Maroon & White Cooler, donated by ARIES Building Systems; and a Captain Kirk Tiki Cruise for four with meal from Mesquite Pit delivered to boat.

This year, there is a Special Category Raffle Prize – a Casa Con Vista AirBnB package for eight at a four bedroom / 4.5 bath vacation home on Lake Palo Pinto valued at \$1,100! Tickets for that prize are \$25 each or five for \$100. High-end prizes are numbered and buyers have a choice of the item(s) they want a chance to win. Standard raffle tickets for prizes with a value less than \$275 are \$5 each or five for \$20. These are random drawings. Be sure to watch social media or call Julie Logan at 727-252-3702 to find out when and where tickets will be sold.

The Auxiliary’s next meeting is set for 7 p.m., Monday, June 5, at the EMS building located at 9518 Monticello Dr. Come at 6 p.m. to enjoy a potluck meal and social time before the meeting. All Pecan residents are invited to attend.



## 2023 PPVFD/EMS AUXILIARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

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(Once hole-in-one prizes are won, no other player may win them)

### Raffle with Many Valuable Prizes

Location: Pecan Plantation Golf Course

When: Saturday, June 24, 2023

Time: 1:30 PM Shotgun Start Registration Begins: 12:00 PM

Pre-Golf Games: 12:30 PM Format: 4 Person Scramble

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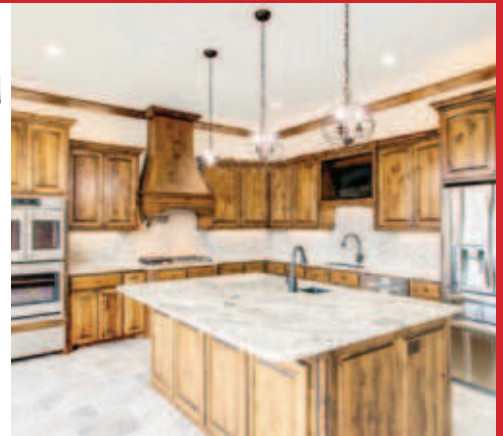
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# ART MATTERS

Last month, the Pecan Plantation Art Guild held its first "Pop-Up" art show for 2023 at the 19th hole. It was a beautiful day to wander around and experience some of the talent of our Pecan artists. There was something to appeal to everyone's taste.

Our workshop was presented by Sarah Clawson. She demonstrated poured resin cheese boards. It was beautiful and interesting. Some of the videos are available on the PPAG Facebook page.



We have two very important events for the Pecan Plantation residents each year. First is the Fine Arts Fair to be held on July 14-15 at the Pecan Clubhouse. This will be a very special event, so please mark your calendars!

The other event is the annual Gallery of Homes. We all look forward to this event! It will take place on Friday September 29 from 4 – 8 p.m. Details to follow!

This month's Artist of the Month is Linda Parks. You can see all our events and updated schedules by scanning the QR Code on this page.

We look forward to seeing all our neighbors at the upcoming Fine Arts Fair!



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# PECAN PLANTATION WOMAN'S CLUB

by Sandy Hoelting, President

Pecan Plantation Woman's Club just finished another successful year enriching friendships, serving, and donating to our community, raising, and donating funds to five charities, and giving scholarships to young ladies to further their education! What a successful year! We thank Carol Herrick for her fine leadership this past year!

As we look forward to a new fiscal year beginning for our organization, we are excited to be celebrating our 45th Anniversary of Pecan Plantation Woman's Club! A lot of years have passed since the women of Pecan Plantation had a vision to bring women of their community together so they could meet one another and enjoy their friendships. That developed into bus trips out of the area, shopping trips, excursions, lunches, dinners, games, and so much more. As the years passed, the women started decorating Pecan Plantation at Christmas, involving their husbands in events, and before long, they began raising monies for charities and scholarships. As they say, "We've come a long way, baby!"

If you haven't attended one of our meetings, we would be honored to have you join us. Do you have questions or need information? Email me at [sandyh9911@gmail.com](mailto:sandyh9911@gmail.com) or call me at (501) 922-7464. We also invite you to experience our relaxing and casual monthly luncheon meetings from June through August, aptly labeled "Summer Chit Chat". The first of these will be Thursday, June 15, at 10:00 a.m. in the Pecan Plantation Clubhouse Ballroom. We look forward to having you join us.

We're very excited about the 2023-2024 fiscal year. A new board of officers is in place, and we are eager to begin our work and events for the year. With everybody's enthusiasm, we will make our 45th anniversary the very best year ever.



From Right to Left, seated: Sandy Hoelting, President, Gerta Howell, Vice President, Standing from right to left: Judy Scott, Secretary, Charlotte Brooks, Treasurer, Kathie Schoepf, Asst. Treasurer, Carol Herrick, Parliamentarian, Not Pictured – Oneta Bergman, Historian

## *Pecan Plantation Woman's Club* *June Chit Chat Luncheon. June 15, 2023*

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Thursday, June 15, 2023

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Cancel by noon Tuesday, June 13th

Standing Reservations not in effect during summer months.

# RECYCLING

Residents of Pecan Plantation have three collection points for recycling.

Visit the Collection station at 6907 Cottage Court, off Ravenswood near the Stables.

- LAST SATURDAY of each month from 8 a.m. to noon. Bring recyclable items, branches and bulk trash.
- WEDNESDAYS from 4-6 p.m. Only branches and recyclables are accepted.
- Never accepted at this location: refrigerators, TVs, tires, paints or other hazardous materials.

Call the Operations office 817-408-3511 for more info.

**2** Pecan Plantation's Tennis Shoppe recycles aluminum cans, with proceeds benefiting Pecan tennis. All cans should be rinsed and free from residue.

**3** Hood County Citizens Collection Station is located at 244 Bray St. Call 817-579-3288 for hours and information. This location does accept glass, aluminum and metal cans, cardboard, paper and most plastics. Follow the QR code for a detailed list and instructions on what and how to recycle.



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## ARCHERY & AIRGUN CLUB

Contact [pecanarcheryairgunclub@gmail.com](mailto:pecanarcheryairgunclub@gmail.com).

**June 6** Meeting at the Range, 7 p.m.

## ART GUILD

Contact [ppartguild@gmail.com](mailto:ppartguild@gmail.com).

**June 13** Meeting at PAC, 10:30 a.m.

**June 28** Makers Open Forum at EMS, 1-4 p.m.

## BRAZOS RIVER SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

Contact Cecil Caldwell, [ccald67@gmail.com](mailto:ccald67@gmail.com).

**June 8** Meeting location TBA, 6 p.m.

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Contact Ron Liddell, [ronliddell@gmail.com](mailto:ronliddell@gmail.com).

Meeting, Clubhouse Terrace Room, 9 a.m.

**June 14** – County Commissioner Nannette Samuelson

**June 28** - Dr James Hurley, president of Tarleton State University

**July 12** – Ben Anthony of Anthony Enterprises and Steve Guy of Patten Companies

**July 26** – Bond Arms

## BRIDGE

Contact Sharon Green, 817-559-2974.

**June 7** Play in Terrace Room, 10 a.m.

**July 5** Play in Terrace Room, 10 a.m.

## COMMUNITY GARDENS

Contact [ppoacommunitygardens@gmail.com](mailto:ppoacommunitygardens@gmail.com).

**June 10** Garden Workday

**June 20** Membership Meeting, 6 p.m. in the garden, bring friends!

**July 2** 4th of July Fundraiser. Shifts available 4:30-7:15 p.m.; 7-9:30 p.m.

**July 8** Garden Workday

## GREEN THUMB GARDEN CLUB

Contact Shar Bogard, [skbogi1@gmail.com](mailto:skbogi1@gmail.com), for first Monday Front Circle workdays.

**June 5** Workday at Front Circle, 8 to 11 a.m.

**July 3** Workday at Front Circle, 8 to 11 a.m.

Contact Linda Kunzman, [lindagogo@msn.com](mailto:lindagogo@msn.com) for last Tuesday Back Circle workdays.

**June 27** Workday at Back Circle, 8 to 11 a.m.

**July 25** Workday at Back Circle, 8 to 11 a.m.

## VFD AUXILIARY

Contact Lana Robinson, [robinsonsgranbury@yahoo.com](mailto:robinsonsgranbury@yahoo.com).

**June 5** Meeting at EMS, 7 p.m.

## WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP

Contact Caryl Mahaffey, [caryl.mahaffey@charter.net](mailto:caryl.mahaffey@charter.net).

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	Actual YTD	Budget	Variance
Operating Revenues	\$ 3,956,803	\$ 4,070,119	\$ (113,316)
Cost of Goods Sold	<u>\$ (522,216)</u>	<u>\$ (562,977)</u>	<u>\$ 40,761</u>
Gross Operating Profit	\$ 3,434,587	\$ 3,507,142	\$ (72,555)
Labor, Taxes & Benefits	\$ (2,162,064)	\$ (2,319,046)	\$ 156,982
Other Operating Expenses	\$ (1,188,120)	\$ (1,268,976)	\$ 80,856
<b>Net Operating Income/(Loss) Before Depreciation</b>	<u><u>\$ 84,403</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (80,880)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 165,283</u></u>

**RESERVE & REPLACEMENT FUND**

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	\$ 3,137,880	\$ 3,137,880
Fund Deposits	\$ 339,924	\$ 1,061,305
Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ (367,580)</u>	<u>\$ (2,583,991)</u>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<u><u>\$ 3,110,224</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,615,194</u></u>

**NEW CAPITAL FUND**

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	\$ 207,162	\$ 207,162
Fund Deposits	\$ 136,476	\$ 349,218
Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ (7,148)</u>	<u>\$ (91,960)</u>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<u><u>\$ 336,490</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 464,420</u></u>

**ROAD & DRAINAGE FUND**

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,347,968	\$ 1,347,968
Fund Deposits	\$ 717,030	\$ 1,729,028
Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (2,125,000)</u>
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# RV CLUB NEWS

By David Kroon

As we enter the summer months of June through August, our club takes a recess from monthly meetings and group travel. Many of our members travel individually, or some travel in small groups to escape the harsh heat of the Texas summer. I know one group of couples is traveling through Colorado and Wyoming with a destination of Grand Teton National Park and then to Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area in Idaho. I look forward to their pictures. Another small group of couples are headed to Red River New Mexico for a week followed by a few weeks in Ruidoso.

Advance planning is the key to trips such as these. RV travel has become so popular that it is often difficult to make reservations due to availability. If you are going very far to the north, the parks and RV campgrounds are closed in the winter so you have to make reservations by email or leave a message on their phone and hope they will call back. I've made my reservations a year in advance, but some parks won't allow more than six months in advance. For our rallies, I always encourage our members to make their reservations as soon as we get the destination site information to them in order to guarantee a site.

Looking back to April, our trip to Oklahoma City did not disappoint. Museums rich with Oklahoma history were enjoyed by 38 travelers including some rally first-timers in the group. I've shared some pictures of the fun we had.

Our May mini-rally was in our very own Shady Campground May 21 through 24. Several members camped there and other members joined as they were able. Of course there was food, golf and shopping as well as games played in the park. An always fun favorite was the Black Pot dinner where many of our camping members prepared a special entrée or desert

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For information on the Pecan Plantation RV Club, contact David Kroon at [dk1341@swbell.net](mailto:dk1341@swbell.net)





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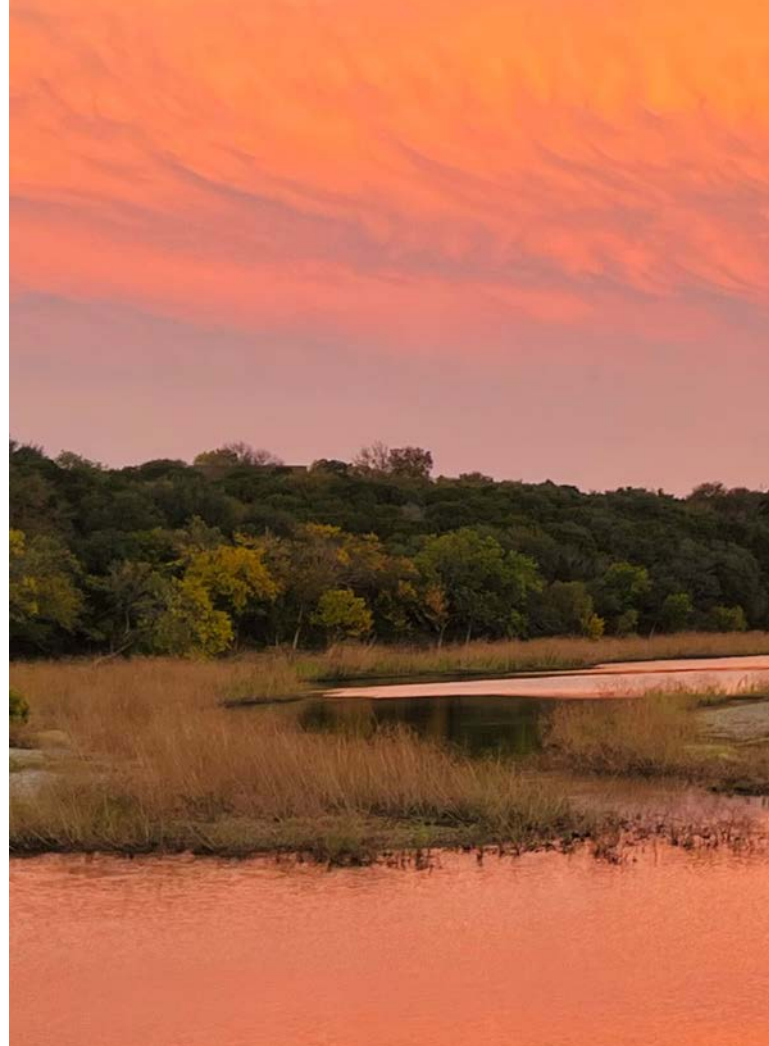
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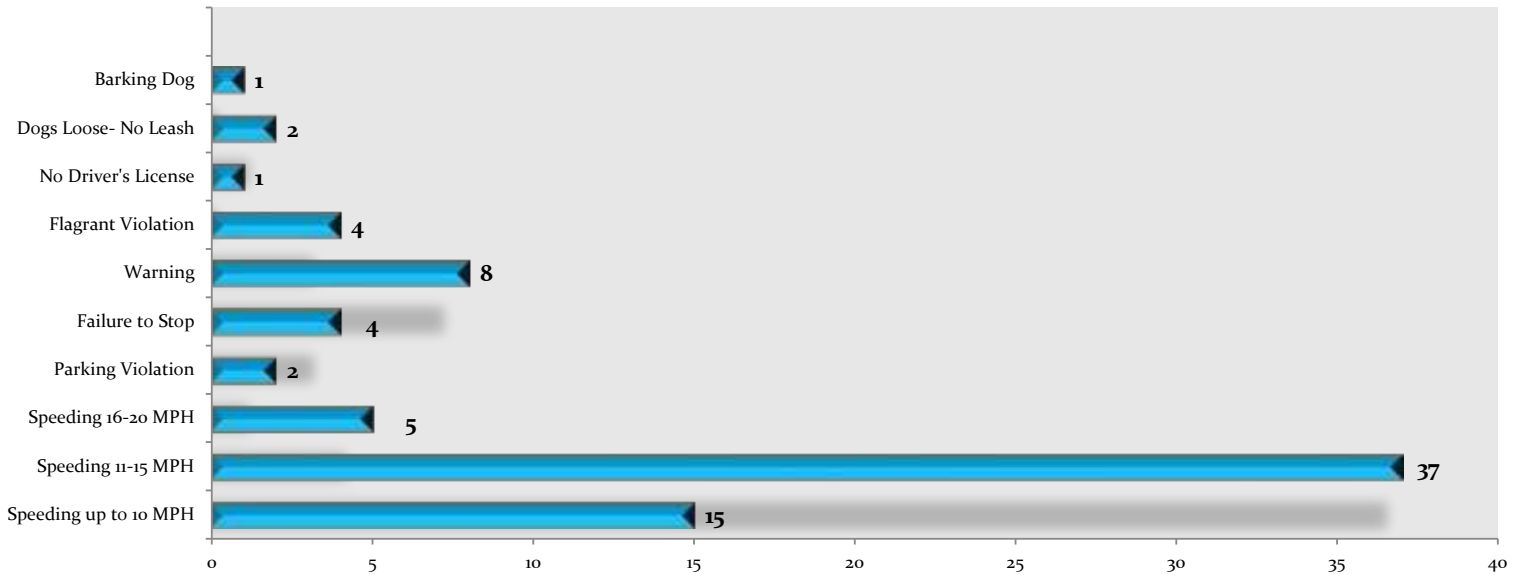
- Cherokee - 2
- Colonial - 1
- Falls Beach - 1
- Marina - 1
- Monticello - 12
- Orchard - 4
- Pinehurst - 3
- Plantation - 28
- S. Longwood - 1
- Wappoo - 1
- Weatherby - 1
- West Wedgefield - 13
- Wedgefield - 2
- Westover - 1

## Breakdown by Violator Type

- Member/ Guest - 57
- Contractor/ Vendor - 14



**Citations April 2023**  
**Total: 71 Citations**  
**8 Warning Citations**



# SECURITY PATROL ACTIVITY

## April 2023 Highlights

**04/03** Security was dispatched to the PAC pool concerning alleged inappropriate behavior by two adults. The security officers determined both appeared under the influence of some substance and were asked to leave the pool to prevent further disturbances. The two individuals complied and left without any further issues.

**04/08** Security performed a welfare check on a resident near Westover. The resident was found immobile, and the security officer contacted Hood County Dispatch for medical assistance. EMS arrived and handled the situation, assisting the resident.

**04/09** While on mobile patrol, a security officer located an occupied vehicle parked near a park after 10 p.m. with lights off. As the security officer approached, the vehicle began traveling toward a large ditch until it was stopped by the officer to avoid an accident.

While speaking with the driver, the security officer observed several opened alcoholic beverages inside the vehicle and there was an odor of alcohol on the driver's person. The Hood County Sheriff's Department was contacted and Sheriff deputies were dispatched. The driver refused to provide identification to determine authorization to be on the private property. A passenger in the vehicle became confrontational with the security officer. Sheriff deputies arrived and detained the driver and passenger. Both individuals were later released to another person who had arrived to take the driver and passenger home. Deputies confirmed the presence of the open alcoholic beverages and located a firearm and knives in the vehicle.

**04/14** Security responded to a traffic accident on Monticello involving a vehicle and an ATV. The vehicle was stopped and preparing to turn into a driveway when the vehicle was struck by the ATV from behind. The Hood County Sheriff's Department responded and handled the accident.

**04/15** A resident on Taxiway reported the theft of a lawnmower. The lawnmower was with an edger and had a sign in place indicating both items were for sale together at \$100 and to place money in the mailbox for the purchase. An older man with grey hair, wearing a yellow shirt, with a boy who appeared 10 years old, were observed loading the lawnmower into a golf cart and driving away, leaving behind \$20 in the mailbox. The resident was advised to contact the Hood County Sheriff's Department for a report. Please contact the Security Department with any information on this incident.

**04/15** Security was dispatched to the 19th Hole at the Clubhouse concerning an assault. The Hood County Sheriff's Department was contacted. Upon arrival, both involved members were identified and a report was filed with law enforcement. The security department assisted the assigned Sheriff's Department investigator on the incident. The PPOA issued Flagrant Violations and a member suspension.



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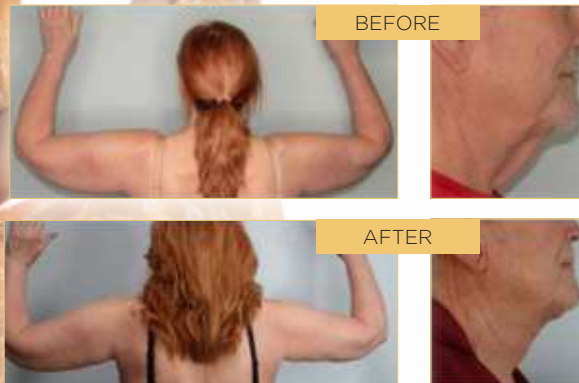


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## From the desk of Rick Lantgen

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Last month was our Mother's Day Buffet serving our members, guests, and their families in honor of all moms. This month we will pay tribute to Dad's with a Father's Day Brunch with three seating times on Sunday June 18.

Hopefully everyone came out and enjoyed Pecan's Memorial Day Street Dance! Next month we will be having the July Street Dance and Parade on Sunday July 2. Make plans to be part of the parade with your decorated bikes, golf carts, car, horse, or a float.

Don't forget to try The Pit at the Marina with a nice cold beverage this summer. Chef Jordan, Blake Sanders and their respective teams have transformed the Marina for all to enjoy.

With all the activities we have planned this summer I hope you and your family are able to come on down and enjoy.



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	7/15 & 7/16	★ Anniversary Event
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NOV.	11/18	Thanksgiving
DEC.	12/2	Gifts & Grilling Party





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