



The Trails End Way

January Newsletter 2022

From Your Editor

Happy New Year! Welcome back to everyone who returned to Trails End this season. We are so glad to see each and every one of you. Have a great season! Just as a reminder, these newsletters are only one of the many ways of keeping informed on the park activities. We strive to provide accurate dates and information but please remember to check all the bulletin boards – main hall, card hall and library. Hilda Galloso, our new Activities Coordinator, would like you to also check the Trails End blog site www.trailsendblog for a complete list of all activities, their times and locations. Note: Those without email can pick up their hard copy of the newsletter at the office.

A special *thank you* to the Secret Santa who delivered homemade cookies this week.... Delicious. Submitted by Connie Senkiw @714

From the Board

Happy 2022! We made it through another year and we're happy to be here in the Rio Grande Valley for another season at Trails End. We expect to see some new and returning faces this month and are anticipating many fun activities for everyone. We finished off 2021 with some special Christmas celebrations. We enjoyed the annual Christmas program. Many thanks to all who participated. This was soon followed by the Christmas Dinner. What a special way to celebrate with exceptional meals and the fellowship of our friends. The Club provided the turkeys and thanks to Encore for providing the hams for this dinner. We had our last general meeting of 2021 on December 13 and took a hiatus for a few weeks. We will meet again on Monday, Jan. 3 at the usual time. We encourage activity chairpersons to be sure to complete activity forms so that Hilda will have up to date information for set-ups

and we won't be double booking meeting spaces. The board has decided to *discontinue* Trails End Logo clothing sales. Encore will be offering items sometime in the future. We will sell out the stock we have on hand at a reduced price. Purchases can be made at Monday meetings. There are many activities that we would like to get started and hope organizers will step up to get things going. We are looking forward to great times at Trails End for the new year. Submitted by Candy Spiker.

Park Activities

Bible Study

Weekly Bible studies and discussion will be held in the Library on Thursdays. This year we will be studying the Book of Hebrews. Submitted by Betty Thompson @ 546 Vera Cruz.

Bingo

Bingo is held every Monday and Thursday in the main hall. Cards are \$.50 each and bingo calling begins at 7:00 pm. Come early so you are ready when the bingo balls start rolling. A **Special Bingo** will be held in the Main Hall on **January 1, starting at 7:00 pm**. All players must buy a minimum of 4 cards for \$3.00. Extra cards are .75 each. Prize size will depend on attendance numbers. Come and join us for some New Year's Day fun. Submitted by Doris Karlstad @ 543.

Bocci Ball

Bocci Ball court is open and anyone can use the court. There are no scheduled playing times.

Canada Day, 2022

Canada Day is taking place on Saturday, February 19th and the theme is Island Paradise. More details will be given on posters and at Monday meetings. Submitted by Fran Jackson @815

Card Games

Bridge, Contract

Contract bridge is held Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Main Hall. No partner is required. For more information contact Cliff Lenz @ 554 Vera Cruz or Peggy Anderson @ 171 South Bermuda.

Bridge, Duplicate

Duplicate bridge is held on Mondays at 12:30 pm in the library. For more information contact Cliff Lenz @ 554 Vera Cruz or Peggy Anderson @ 171 South Bermuda.

Cribbage

Come to the Library on Thursday afternoons at 1:00 pm to play Cribbage. Bring a dime, 2 nickels and a penny.

A cribbage tournament that was held in the Main Hall on December 17, 6:30pm.

Here are the winners:

- 1st Place: Margaret Schmaltz and Chris Pearce
- 2nd Place: Richard Mehtala and Diane Mehtala
- 3rd Place: Floyd Neal and Jim Frost
- 4th Place: Cliff Lenz and Art Kurtz

There is *a need for a volunteer* to run the January, February, and March tournaments. A tournament date of Friday, January 21, has been selected pending a volunteer coming forward. If no one comes forward, there will not be any more tournaments this season. If you are interested in heading future tournaments, please contact Maureen Colburn at 867 Yucatan Street. Thank you.

Eucher

Eucher is played on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the library. Submitted by contact person Cindy Frost @ 932.

Bid Eucher

Weekly Bid Eucher will begin on Saturday, January 8, at 7 pm. Submitted by Wilma Martin @918.

Christmas Program

The Trails End Christmas program was presented on Sunday, Dec. 19 at 7:00 pm in the Main Hall. The choir started off with some happy Christmas music and carols. The audience was asked to join in the singing as well. The second part of the program included the lighting of Advent Candles with readings for each candle, Hope, Peace, Love and Joy. Finally, the Christ Candle was lit as we celebrated the birth of Jesus with a lovely video. Many thanks to all who took the time to participate and also to the audience for their appreciation. Submitted by Candy Spiker.

Church Services, Non-Denominational

The first weekly service of the season will begin on Sunday, January 2 at 8:30 am in the library. Deacon Bob Waters will be our worship leader. Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Cliff Lenz at 554 Vera Cruz.

Online Church Service is held each Sunday at 10:00 in the main hall. This is a United Methodist service livestreamed from Columbus, Indiana and presented by Candy and Gary Spiker. All are welcome!

Crafts

Those interested in craft creations are invited to come to the card hall on Thursdays from 1 pm to 4 pm. Swim Suit Coverups and Foot holders (for hand and foot) are next. We have lots of space on the calendar for new projects. If you want to teach a craft or learn how to make something – sign up in the card hall or tell me your ideas. Yvonne Bamlett lot 472 Tampico or email ybamlett@gmail.com

Darts

We meet on Wednesday at 4 pm in the card Hall. Contact Hank Vanderzyden @741.

Directory, New

I am working on the *new directory* and need to have the information sheets that I passed out at a meeting a few weeks ago filled out and returned. You can bring them to the January 3 meeting or drop them off at 707 North Bermuda (5th Wheel) a few sites north of the gate. I will also be taking new photographs after the meeting next Monday. This is time consuming and I would like to get started. I will be in the sewing room (MPR) which is adjacent to the pool hall (the building just north of the hall) and I will be there for an hour after the Monday meeting ends. I will also be in there on Tuesday morning starting at 9:15 for another hour. If there are still people to photograph, I will stay until everyone is done. It won't take long as it is a pretty quick process. If this doesn't work, I'd be happy to meet with you at your convenience to take your picture. The sewing room is busy on Monday afternoons and Wednesday mornings but most any other time will work for me. If you need an information sheet you can stop by 707 north Bermuda or contact me at deonsp43@gmail.com or text me at 715-743-2250. Thank you so much for your cooperation! Submitted by Deon Spangler @ 707.

Entertainment

Musical entertainment for the the next two months are as follows:

January 11, 2022 Jason Coleman \$8.00 per ticket

January 25, 2022 The Colliers \$8.00 per ticket

February 8, 2022 Spittin Image \$8.00 per ticket

February 22, 2022 Kenny Ray \$9.00 per ticket

There will be a *Welcome Back Party* on January 15 hosted and catered by Encore in the Main Hall starting at 4:00 PM.

There still is a sign-up sheet in the card hall for the Vipers game on January 27th. Activity Director will start collecting payment after the new year. This consists of the bus ride, meal, ticket to game and a t-shirt. Submitted by Hilda

Exercise Room

The exercise room is open 24/7 and is there for everyone's use.

Friday Jam Sessions

Friday Jam sessions will begin on Friday, January 7th at 1 pm. This is by invitation only, Blue Grass Jam. Approximately, 15 chosen musicians will be on stage each Friday. These talented people will put on a good show. Audience is welcome. See you there! Submitted by Ray Martin @ 618 499 4813 or @ 918.

Golf

All golf courses in the area are open and in good condition.

Tierra Santa

We have 7 tee times for Tierra Santa on Tuesdays and 4 tee times on Thursdays.

They are as follows:

Tuesdays at: 8:50 9:00 9:10 9:20 9:30 9:40 and 9:50.

Thursdays at: 8:30 8:40 10:40 and 10:50.

Submitted by Wil McCallum @ 269

Disc Golf

Those interested playing Disc Golf, should meet us Tuesday at 8 am outside the pool hall. We play at the course located on Bridge Street and 6th street (under the water tower). Contact Hank Vanderzyden @ 741.

Happy Hour

Happy Hour occurs every Friday in the main hall between the hours of 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm. Live entertainment is provided by Felipe De La Cruz. Bring your favorite beverage and a snack to share and come and enjoy the music and some good fellowship time.

Health

Serenity Massage has a sign-up form in the card hall and they will be returning to the library to administer treatment on January 5th at 8 am.

Health Equipment

If you need health assistance equipment like, walkers, crutches, etc. there is some that you can borrow from the park. Also, if you have any equipment that you would like to donate, we will take it. Contacts are Hank Vanderzyden @ 741 or call 815 234 5802 or Don Harper lot 937 or call 319 480 6366.

Ice Cream Social

Ice cream socials will be held on Sunday, January 9, February 13 and March 6. Ice cream will be served in the Main Hall from 6 to 7 pm. Please bring your own spoon and bowl. Terry and Judy Neal can be contacted @ 925 or 956 405 3184.

Kitchen

Thank you to all the people who took time from their busy schedules to help with kitchen clean-up. Now that this is almost complete, we are desperately looking for Saturday breakfast and Thursday night supper coordinators. The first supper of 2022 will be on January 6, hosted by Tampico and Jamaica. Check January coming events for more kitchen activities. Contact Pat Karlson, kitchen coordinator, for more information or to volunteer @ 204 595 6595 (please leave message). Submitted by Pat Karlson.

Library

The library is open 24/7. The library is for everyone's use. You do not need to sign out material. Borrowed materials, when returned, are placed on the large circular table. Thank you. Submitted by Betty Gross.

Line Dancing

If you like to move to music, please join us in the main hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Beginner class runs from 8 am to 9 am followed by Intermediate class from 9 am to 10 am. Everyone welcome. Instructor and contact person is Susie Vanderzyden @ 741.

Mahjong

Mahjong is played every Tuesdays and Saturdays at 1 pm in the Card Hall. For more information or to join contact Betty Gross @ 560 Vera Cruz.

Mahjong, National Rules

We play Mahjong, National Rules in the Card Hall every Thursday, at 9:30 am. Submitted by Connie Senkiw @ 714 North Bermuda.

Men's Choir

Peggy Andersen is once again looking for male voices to join the Men's Choir. Practices will begin in January 5th at 3:15 pm in the Main Hall. This choir has been around for close to 50 years. If you are interested contact Peggy Andersen @ 171.

New Year's Eve

There will be a New Year's Eve Party on December 31. Get your tickets from Marie Mackey @ 639 Trinidad or Terry Neal @ 925 Leisure Lane or Floyd Neal @ 922 Leisure Lane. Cost \$5.00 per person. Bring snacks for your table. Submitted by Marie Mackey @ 639.

Painting/Art

We meet Friday at 9 am, in the Card Hall. People paint, draw, talk etc. We have supplies or you may bring your own. Contact Hank Vanderzyden lot 741.

Pool Room

Ladies Pool: The Trails End Ladies Pool times are Tuesdays 3:00 - 5:00 pm and Thursday 3:00 - 4:30 pm. You can play or just practice if you like. This is very informal and all are welcome. We will help you get started, learn some rules and have fun.

Mixed Pool: Mixed Pool is held every Friday evening 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Please arrive 15 minutes early so that I can make up the mixed teams. Because of the popular interest, mixed pool players are on a rotation list. Maximum of 12 teams play on a Friday evening. I email the list of players one week prior to the actual date. If you are new in the park and want to play, I have a contact sheet on the bulletin board requesting your name/s, telephone # and email address. For further information on the above two activities, contact Muriel McCallum @ 269 Jamaica Street or call 403-638-2954.

Pickleball

Please come out and play. If you don't know how to play pickleball, we will show you. We play at 9:00, 1:00 and 7:00 depending on the weather. Please give your phone number to Judy Perras and she will share it with other players. That way if you want to play and no one is out you can contact another person. Submitted by Judy Perras @ 532.

Quilting

Silver Stitchers

The Silver Stitchers Quilting group meets in the MPR on Mondays from 1 to 4 pm. We have 20 plus ladies coming out weekly. Completed projects are displayed at the “show and tell” each Monday at 1:10pm. Some are working the “Warmth of our Stars Quilt” (pattern available) others are working on their own UFO’s (unfinished objects) PHD’s (projects half done) and various other projects at all stages of completion. There is lots of chatter and the exchanging of tips and ideas. Coffee break is always welcomed and the sweet treats are enjoyed by all. Quilting is open to anyone of all skill levels. We get together to share our knowledge and help one another. If you are a beginner or even considering trying out quilting, join us, we have tools, and machines and patient guidance to get you started. This does come with the disclosure that quilting is addictive, can be done in a group or on your own and you will have something to show for your efforts. People like to see items that are made in North America!

Our mystery project will be starting in January

MATERIAL LIST

**6 Fat Quarters (these can be scrappy or coordinating fabrics)

**2 & 1/8th yards of fabric (one solid piece)

**1/4 yd of flannel or batting (this can be any colour/print etc. as it will NOT be seen)

**22 inches of 1 inch wide, non-roll elastic

this is a 4-part project. Come each week to get the next clue.

The raffle quilt has arrived, and tickets are available from this group. Tickets are 3 for \$5.00 and the draw date is February 14, Valentine’s Day. This King Size Blue and White quilt complete with pillow shams, would make a great gift for the lucky winner, with all proceeds going to the general funds. For more information contact Yvonne Bamlett @403-968-5574 or 472 Tampico or email ybamlett@gmail.com

Quilting, Tye

This quilting group meets Wednesdays at 9:00 am in the MPR. Come out and donate your time and meet new ladies. The quilts are made and donated to those in need as the colder weather comes or stored for a crisis. This Christmas season 30 large quilts went to The First Baptist Church on 6th Ave. in Weslaco and 13 baby quilts went to the Nursery Division at the Knapp Hospital.

If you have fabric or any sewing notions to donate, please see Kay Markes at 847 Yucatan. Submitted by Kay Markes @ 847.

Red Trailettes

The first meeting of the new year is on January 3 at 8:30. All are welcome. Join us for fun and adventure and always a little food. The cost to join is \$3.00 for the year and we meet twice a month plus the outings. The Red Hat ladies are hosting a luncheon for the park on Saturday, January 8 from 11:30 to 1:00. We will be serving hot meatloaf sandwiches with mashed potatoes and cake for \$3.00. All park members welcome. Please come and enjoy good food and fellowship. We hope to see lots of new members for our group – come and meet and make new friends. Submitted by Annette Bradford.

Shuffleboard Courts

Monday Morning Shuffle

Monday morning shuffle will be starting on January 3, 2022. Sign-up sheets have been posted in the shuffle shack. Sign up and join in the fun. If you have any questions contact Orval Larson @ 956 375 2112.

Shuffleboard games are scheduled every day at 9:00 am, 1:00 pm, and 8:pm. The games are open to all. Beginners are welcome. Everyone meets at the courts by the scheduled time. Teams are chosen by draw.

Hoss Collar Shuffling

We meet Sundays at 7 pm sharp. All beginners welcome. Contact Hank Vanderzyden @ 741.

Sunshine Lady

Karen Macking is our new sunshine lady. Karen buys a variety of greeting cards (birthday, anniversary, sympathy, get well, etc.) sets them out to be signed by park residents and then mails them out to the designated recipients. To be able to do this Karen needs us to tell her when someone needs to be sent one of these cards. Karen is usually at the Monday morning meetings or you can reach her @ 442

Thursday Suppers

After some discussion at the meeting, it was decided that Thursday night suppers would return to Trails End. Their frequency and who will spearhead the suppers will need to be decided. A big thank you to Pat Karlson for volunteering to coordinate the kitchen activities. For more information or to volunteer contact Pat @ 204 595 6595 (please leave message).

Trails End Logo Clothing

Trails End clothing line will be discontinued and remaining stock will be sold at reduced prices at our weekly Monday meetings.

Variety Show

Our annual Variety Show will be on February 12th at 7 pm. Come see your neighbors perform skits, songs, jokes, etc. This is a variety show not a talent contest. Come early as seating is usually filled by show time. Sign up with Susie or Hank Vanderzyden @ 741.

Water Aerobics

Water aerobics is a low impact 45-minute cardio workout. Sessions are held Monday to Saturday from 8:30 am to 9:30 am. If the outdoor temperature is below 60 F or it is raining, that day's session will be cancelled. Come and join us for fun and better health. Submitted by Linda Wuethrich #621 or by calling 608 346 6912.

Wood Shop

The Wood Shop is open daily and Ken Thompson is the monitor. If you are interested in woodworking, you can contact Ken @ 546 or check him out in the woodshop. Tickets are being sold for "*The Infinity Table*". The draw date is January 4th. Submitted by Ken Thompson.

Coming Events

- January 3 SkyMed will do their presentation in the Main Hall
- January 6 Thursday Night Supper, Tampico and Jamaica, 5:00 pm
- January 8 Red Hatters Luncheon, 11:30 am to 1:00 pm
- January 9 Icecream Social, 6 pm to 7 pm
- January 11 Entertainer, Jason Coleman, 7:00 pm
- January 15 Saturday Breakfast from 8 am to 10 pm
- January 15 Welcome Back party hosted and catered by Encore in the Main Hall starting at 4:00 PM.
- January 17 Jack Burrows education presentation on Insurance & Financial Services will be followed by a catered BBQ. The sign-up sheets will be posted in the card hall.

January 18 and 20 Shuffle Tournament Luncheons
 January 20 Thursday Night Supper, Trinidad and Acapulco, 5:00 pm
 January 25 Entertainment, The Colliers, 7:00 pm
 January 27 Vipers Game tour

Contact Information Changes/Updates

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Wishing you All the best in 2022 !

