



OUR TOWN

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**HAPPY
NEW
YEAR
2019**



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Noon-4:00 pm. — Sunday

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Monday-Friday

Closed Wednesday

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OUR TOWN EDITOR NOTES

- ♦ **Note 1** The money from the Business Classified Ads in the back of OUR TOWN goes into our activity fund. Please look at the ads and if you go to one of the businesses, be sure to say you saw their ad in *OUR TOWN*.
- ♦ **Note 2** The ads from the residents which show units for sale or rent, as well as miscellaneous items, are free for residents. All such ads must be turned in to the Business Office.
- ♦ **Note 3** A copy of *OUR TOWN* can be found on totfyi.com
- ♦ **Note 4** Chairpersons and other contributors may take advantage of OUR TOWN to announce and promote your program or activity. This is a great media for alerting people about upcoming events and reporting activities held. A little planning on the part of the writer pays big dividends by answering many questions before they become questions. The who, what, when, where, why and how of an article can inform and help readers make their plans for participation in park activities.
- ♦ **Note 5** Keep the news coming in..... Articles can be turned in to the Activity Office or to Barbara Horne by email, bhorne10@hotmail.com or come by Lot #756. You will save weary fingers by typing the article into the email or attach a Word or Publisher document. All 3 of those formats can be moved into the newsletter with out retyping.

2018-2019 OUR TOWN DEADLINES

* Friday, Nov. 23, 2018 * Friday, Dec. 21, 2018 ;; * Friday, Jan. 25, 2019 * Friday, Feb. 22, 2019 *







Notes from the Office

Here we are starting another New Year. The time sure flies when your having fun. It is so good to see all returning guests to the resort. Again we have many things to entertain you while you're here and we are always open to new ideas. Remember these resorts don't run by themselves, it takes the help of volunteers; so join us in thanking each and every volunteer we have for what they do to contribute to the Activities or functions going on.

Let's welcome in the new year of **2019** with positive approach and being a better neighbor.

Remember the Managers have an open door policy. When you need something addressed or have concerns, if you write a note or letter please sign it so we know who to get back to for further discussion. If you have work requests, please fill out a work order so we are able to track the progress of project as well as assign accordingly to the proper person.

I saw a quote, of all places on Facebook, but I love it and want to share it with you:

It's the Cowboy Motto

If it's not yours, don't take it.

If it's not true, don't say it.

If it is not right, don't do it.

Honor God, Family and Country.

Something to think about and rules to live by. I like it.

I'll close by saying we hope you had a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New year; come join us and celebrate the year with us.

Al, Sue, Eva, Carolina, Shujen, Bob, John and Theresa

THE OUTPOST

Hours: 10 am — 2 pm

New items have arrived including insulated coffee/tea cups, beer wraps, makeup bags, towels, herbal tinctures and salves for pain and wellbeing.

WEDNESDAY

10 TIL 2



AT THE OUTPOST

Hey Gorgeous,
Let's Celebrate!

Afternoon Tea
Friday 12—2
@ The Outpost

Come taste different teas
\$1.00 for 2 tea choices
Herbal, decaf, black
Green, fruit teas and
more...
Iced or hot!
You're Invited.



Rx Here's To Your Health

FIRST RESPONDERS

Please remove this list from the Our Town and put it on your refrigerator or cabinet door. There have been some changes

<u>Lot #</u>	<u>Responder</u>	<u>Phone</u>
968	Joan Cuda	402-212-1655
943	Ron & Joyce Forbes	519-384-5919
333	Roger & Nancy Frank	309-737-4161 & 309-737-4288
714	Ken & Barb Hoff	651-429-5426
70	Kay Schaaf	406.853-6781
185	John & Nancy Schmitz	920-960-2050, 608-445-2029
962	Kat Stagdon	956-460-5542
963	Ron & Deborah Thompson	317-696-7061, 317-502-9837





From your Activity Office

Lavon & Jeannice Walters, Activity Directors
Frankie Meyers, Assistant

Activity Office Hours
9 AM through 3PM
Monday thru Friday
Closed Wednesday



What an exciting first half of the season.

Halloween, Thanksgiving, Potato Bake, Christmas and New Years Eve..... The celebrations were great because of the Volunteers who stepped forward, causing things to happen so I could enjoy these events.

Your park could not function without the volunteers. These folks put a lot of their time and efforts into making our experiences here enjoyable. When you meet a volunteer, say "Thank You".

There are new people in the Tip O' Texas RV Resort this season. Get acquainted with them and invite them to join you in the many activities that keep us busy the whole season.

We have had a very busy three months, so far. From the appearance of our calendar, the next three months will be equally busy. If at any time, you should have a question or concern, do come by the Activity Office and discuss it with us. If we don't have the answer, we will try to find someone who does.

As your Activities Directors, Lavon and I appreciate the dedicated work of the volunteers and the cooperation of all the folks working together who participate in all that is going on here at the Tip O' Texas. You have our Thanks!

Lavon and Jeannice



¹⁶I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ ¹⁹and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3:16-21 NIV)

Change is a popular word these days. Even in the church.

As a church we have a life changing message. We believe that regardless of where you are today you can, with God working in you, change. If I didn't believe that I wouldn't do what I do.

I've seen people change many times and hope and pray it will happen even more! Change can be for good or bad, but the change God works is always good! That is my prayer for you.

But how do we change?

Here are three important principles that can change your life and help you be healthy:

1. **Learn your profound significance to God (v. 17-19).** Know without a doubt that God loves you. I know you can't completely know all of God's love—it says in verse 19 that it *surpasses knowledge*. But keep your focus on the great fact that you are significant to God. When you talk to yourself, remind yourself that God really does love you. Know God would love you even if you were the only person on earth to love.

2. **Learn to be an authentic person.**

Verse 17 says that Christ is dwelling in your heart through faith. Wow! The God of the universe can really live—through you. He empowers you to change. Won't you put your faith in Him? He also wants to do immeasurably more than you ask or imagine according to His power that is at work within us (v.20).

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3. Learn to live a life focusing on others, not self-centered, but others-centered should be our aim. Note these verses that follow Paul's prayer:

²Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. (Ephesians 4:2-3 NIV)

Put yourself in other people's shoes. Empathy changes our lives, our families, our marriages, our relationships. See life from others' perspective.

If you want to change, God wants you to change you. Remember these principles. Learn to love the life you live.

God Bless you,

Pastor David Lightner



Village Chapel

CHAPEL COMMENTARIES

The Christmas Eve service was beautiful. Great music provided by Bona Malo and Leland Traylor was blended between segments of the Christmas story narrated by Bob Faasen. Bonnie Lynch and her helpers provided the delicious bread pudding for the following fellowship. We plan to continue this tradition.

A variety of musicians will be performing in the coming months. The new digital piano keyboard has arrived; it has many expanded electronic capabilities. The USB port will allow background music to be downloaded from the internet. All its features will allow for additional creativity throughout the years. It is still an 88-key piano and can be played as one without using the additional features. The additional benefit is the savings in never having to tune it.

If you are new to the park or if you have attended other churches in the valley, give us a try. There is no traffic to contend with allowing you to sleep later; not to mention, our pastries are great!

Chuck Strandberg

Village Chapel President



R to L—Nancy Schmidz, Mary Schafer, Jackie Hood, and Marcia Albers

SEWING FOR Ronald McDonald

Ronald McDonald sewing meets the second Thursday of each month. We make and deliver quilts of different sizes for the Ronald McDonald house in Edinburg which help children of all ages up to 18.

We welcome all the help we can get; we have a job for everyone. You can help 1 hour or 4 or 5 hours. The hours are from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Treats are provided and we have a good time.

All donations are accepted and appreciated as we buy all the materials used. We also take donations of childrens' fabrics.

Last year we were able to deliver 50 quilts plus several twin size for the house to use on their beds.

Jackie Hood & Marcia Albers



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Think Spring Style Show

This is a "Save the Date" notice for the "Think Spring Style Show" to be held at noon on the 22 of February, 2019. The style show is being sponsored by the Tip 'O Texas sewing room. All proceeds from the style show will be divided among the four Charitable Sewing Programs in the sewing room. Tickets will be on sale in January and will be sold at the Monday Morning Meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Co-Chairs *Carolyn Adams*
and *Joyce Sauter*



173 YEARS AND COUNTING!



173 years and counting!! That is the combined total number of years these gals have been enjoying the Tip O' Texas. At the table starting at the left are Taima Bergman, 31 years, Joan Gilson and Fred, who wasn't at the lunch, have been here 41 years, Rita Jalovy is 33 years, Lois Doubet is 27 years, and Pat Collier tops the list with 41 years, arriving a short time before Joan and Fred. What a treasure these ladies continue to be in our park.

Story & picture from Sherrie Dickey



The **Red Hat Ladies** will be touring Mozna Chocolate in Hidalgo on Wednesday, January 23. The tour starts at 10 am and runs about an hour and a half. We need a minimum of 10 people and it costs \$8 a person. It's very informative and you get to sample chocolate at the end of the tour. After the tour, we will stop for lunch at Red Lobster.

I will be collecting the \$8 in advance. Look for the sign up sheet on the bulletin board.



Red Hat Ladies are holding their annual Tupperware/Microwave Cooking Demonstration on Friday, January 18th starting at 11 am in Arts & Craft Room.

A microwave cooking class is presented and lunch will be served. There is no charge for this event. Tupperware will be available for purchase, but no purchase is necessary. A percentage of the sales will be returned to the Red Hats for their annual luncheon in March.

Everyone in the park is invited, men, too. Please sign up on the bulletin board as space is limited.



Call Jana Fleming, 309-251-0875 for information.

VIAL OF LIFE PARTICIPANT



LOOK FOR VIAL WITH IMPORTANT
INFORMATION LOCATED ON/IN
REFRIGERATOR

VIAL OF LIFE

Everyone in the park is encouraged to participate in the Vial of Life program with the Fire and Police Departments of Pharr. This program insures that all needed health information will be found in your refrigerator door; thereby you will receive faster response to your medical emergency.

HOW:

1. Pick up your needed materials from:
DeLores Simpson
Lot 954 Desert
612.709.6656
2. Fill out the form. This will only be seen by emergency medical personnel.
3. Place information in the vial, which you then place inside refrigerator in top door bin.
4. Put the magnet on the front or side of the refrigerator door so the emergency people can spot it as they enter.
5. Place the Vial of Life sticker on your entrance door at eye level.

Winter Fun Dinner/Dance

Saturday January 26th

6-9 PM

Main Hall @ Tip O' Texas RV Resort Pharr, Texas

\$ 5.00 a person in advance

Let's have some FUN!

Dinner served at 6PM
Dance starts at 7PM

Pork Roast Dinner with mashed potatoes, gravy, veggie, dessert and a drink.
BYOB— Ice and Concessions available

Get your tickets at the Outpost or the Activities Office.

Dinner by Bob & Alta

Music by JohnnyD Produced by TheresaD

