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Tip O' Texas
RV RESORT





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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 Nancy Bedsole by email, thebedsoles.njo@gmail.com or come by Lot #776. 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 *

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

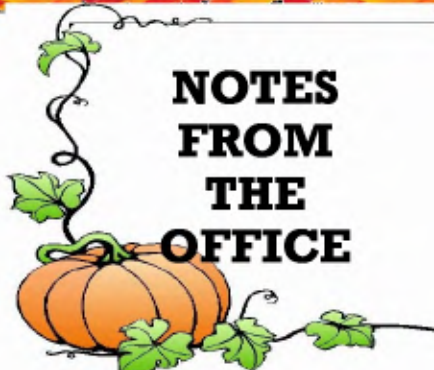


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VETERANS DAY

NOVEMBER 11, 2018

Veterans Day Program
11:00 A.M. Main Hall
Following 9:00 church service



NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Welcome back friends and neighbors. We are happy to have you return. It seems the summer months with all that was done flew by so fast.

Newcomers, WELCOME. Please stop by the office if you haven't had your picture taken and get your picture taken so we can add to our newcomers board,

located in the Main hallway.

Again our staff was busy this season, as well as some outside help to redo a couple of our streets this season we were able to have Mountain, Tropical Trails, Winter, and a portion of Southern. Now with the walkers and bicycles we have good streets around the outer edge of the Resort.

We need to focus on being good neighbors, as well as follow the rules of the Resort, driving in the resort, and remember GOLF Carts are to be driven on the streets, not on the sidewalk.

Be careful outside the Resort as we have a lot of drivers who have their own ideas of what is proper driving and it may not be what we are used to back home, just be careful.

We do have a few new events for everyone to participate or check out. Also don't forget the RC TRACK; we are looking for some interaction of other resorts possible. Should be fun.

We hope you all have an awesome season and enjoy your selves. Remember we maintain an open door policy.



Front Row l-r are Shujen McMurray, Eva Sosa, Carolina Sosa; Back Row l-r Sue Seprion, Al Seprion-Managers Not pictured are the weekenders John and Theresa Desjardins





Almost any time of day you walk by The Outpost, you might see a group of people sitting, standing, talking, enjoying an ice cream or candy bars, or pop. Perhaps some are just enjoying the day or waiting for the bus.

If you want gifts or greeting cards, ice cream or candy, and many other items, come in and someone will be glad to help you. This is where you can buy the Telephone Directory and/or the Photo Directory for only \$1.00 each. And the new Tip T-shirts! (see AD picture next page)

But what is missing?



Oh, the new Outpost Chairman!

This picture from a couple of years ago shows many volunteers to help, but no Outpost Chairman. Would you like to volunteer? Call the Activity Office at 956.787.6461 or email: activitiesoffice@tipotexasrv.com.

This is a great way to get together with your friends and to make new ones!



When you want to learn something,
you need to teach.

Most of us have heard that. But have you heard this:
IF YOU WANT TO HAVE FUN, VOLUNTEER!!!





From your Activity Office

Lavon & Jeannice Walters, Activity Directors
Frankie Meyers, Assistant



Activity Office Hours
9 AM through 3PM
Monday thru Friday

Lavon & I want to thank you for the warm welcome we received as your Activity Directors.

We hit the floor running on Feb. 1st and we are still playing catchup. Please be patient with us as we are still finding our way around the office.

Frankie Meyers is our new Office Assistant and is a great addition to help get everything organized and running smoothly. We will still be needing our staff in our front activity office to answer your questions, sell tickets, stamps, quarters and to be the first person you meet in the Activity Office.

If you have concerns, feel free to stop by and discuss them with us. If we don't have the answers, we will find someone who does.

A great big "THANK YOU" to all the volunteers who have volunteered for the many activities available to keep this park active.

Lavon & Jeannice Walters

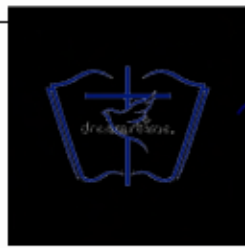
Right—Frankie Meyers, Activity Assistant

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Village Chapel

The Village Chapel provides nondenominational church services at 9:00 A. M. in the Main Hall from the first Sunday of November until the last Sunday in March. Pastor David Lightner, from Windom, Minnesota, leads our services. Pastor Lightner will also administer to any resident in the park who may need consoling, reassurance, or have a special Christian need.

Many talented musicians share their talents each week with their solos, duets, or as a choir member. Perhaps this season you would like to share your special gifts as a vocalist or by playing an instrument.

The Village Chapel outreaches to the community by providing funds to the Pharr Food Pantry. Each year our congregation contributes nearly four thousand dollars to feed local families.

Of course, we can't overlook the fellowship following each service. This is the time to meet new people as well as join your friends while enjoying a hot cup of coffee and a pastry.

In addition to our Sunday services, we also have special events and guests:

On Christmas Eve we have a special Candlelight Service at 4 P.M. followed by delicious homemade bread pudding with special sauces.

In February we have a Polka Service when fourteen or so musicians play popular hymns using polka and waltz melodies. This lively foot-tapping service with accordions, guitars and other instruments is popular with many park residents.

Each season we try to feature a nationally renowned gospel group to provide inspirational gospel music. Previously we have had such groups as Forgiven and the Vagle Brothers perform for our congregation.

In addition to Sunday services, Bible studies occur during the week. A meditation chapel is located on the south side of the main building for personal reflections and prayers. The Village Chapel's activities are listed on the church bulletin board at the back of the Main Hall.

Please join us to experience God's glory and His loving grace.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

The Village Chapel Board



The Village Chapel is excited to introduce our new minister, Pastor David Lightener, from Windom, Minnesota. He will bring a variety of Christian experiences to share with the multi-faceted backgrounds of the congregation. Pastor Lightener will minister to the Tip's residents for their needs as well as attend the MMM and lead Bible studies. Come chat with them at the fellowship after the church services (and enjoy your pastry and coffee as well.)

Pastor David's wife, Sylvia, enjoys sewing and has created many artistic stained glass pieces. We look forward to having them in our Tip O' Texas church family. The church bulletin board will display announcements, obituaries, and meditations. Check it out as you walk through the Main Hall.

The Village Chapel board extends an invitation to all park residents to attend the church services in the main hall at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday beginning November 4th.

Our first musical guest will be Eloise Wittaker who will share her musical talents on the marimba. She has performed here for two years, and the marimba is a beautiful instrument to hear. She is the first of many musical guests who will be appearing throughout the church season.

Chuck Strandberg
Village Chapel President

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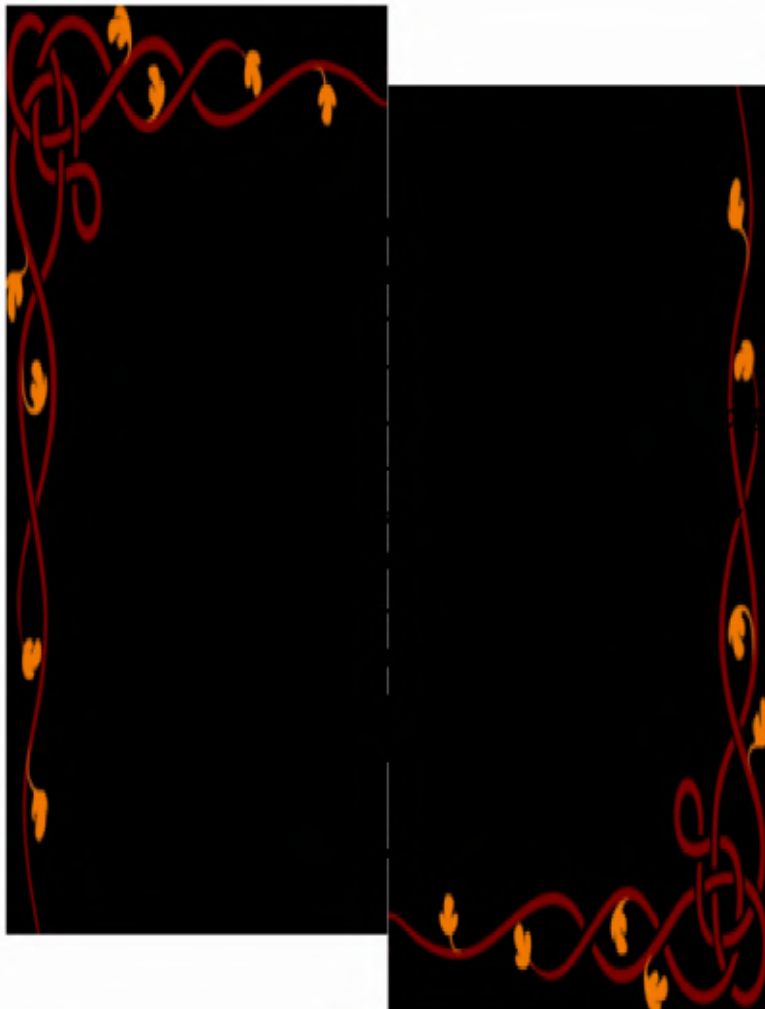
**A wide variety of Bus trips are planned
for the winter of 2018/2019 here at the TIP.**

A few of the trips planned are:

November trips include the Historical Home of Aloe and the Turtle Restoration in South Padre Island. Then in December we will go to the Tuba Concert, Chocolate Factory, and Christmas lights. In January we will shop at the ROPA and thrift stores, go to the Bibleville Concert, and Bull Riding. February brings a fun day at the Zoo in Brownsville and a trip to the Kolache Factory Bakery. March brings up the Cata-maran trip in South Padre Island and Mexico Appreciation Day!

More trips are scheduled. Trips, dates, and times will be posted in the Activities Office, printed in Our Town. on bulletin boards, and announced at Monday Morning Meetings when bus use is scheduled.

Barbara Chappell

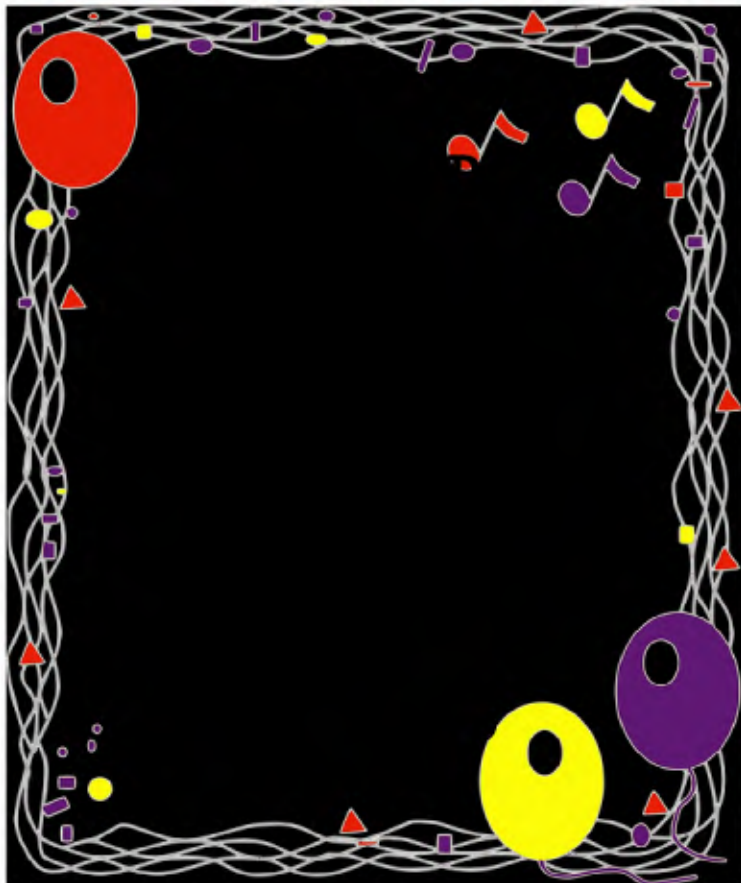


MAKE THE CHANGE

Buying a concession, paying for a trip, or buying a bingo card requires cash. However, buying a \$1 can of soda or a bingo card with a \$50 or \$100 bill can't be done. Often a \$20 bill can't be broken as there is not enough change in the till box.

Solution: Go to the bank and get 50 one-dollar bills and five-dollar bills. The large denominations are great for travel, but unhandy in the park.





Clara McMillian gathered code numbers from Coke products all summer and presented them to Marilyn Strandberg. Marilyn will record the numbers onto the Coke redemption site where Coke will redeem them into cash designated to Harvest Christian School in Riverside, CA. This is where Mahala, Marilyn's granddaughter, attends school. The money will be used for classroom supplies, rewards, and field trips.

Clara collected 5 1-gallon stuffed sacks of bottle caps, over 250 12-pack box ends, and 33 codes from cases of Coke products from the Tip, her friends, and especially from the Shriners Club.

Marilyn would like to thank all who donated the Coke codes and hope that those who drink Coke products will save them for her. She is especially thankful for Clara who not only saves these items for Marilyn, but also saves coupons and box tops for various organizations, donates clothes and household items to the poor, and works in the Pharr Food Bank to help distribute meat and groceries to the needy. Clara and Dale (who spent many years transport-



EARLY COFFEE
Are you an early riser?
Once again we are looking forward to solve all the problems of the world each morning, Monday through Saturday in the Hobby Shop. Coffee is usually ready by 5:45 A.M. We will start toward the end of November.

MORE STARS FOR CLARA'S CROWN

