NEWS FROM THE STAFF

HAPPY 240TH BIRTHDAY US ARMY
By: Chief Operations Officer, FredRyder@blueskiestx.org

On June 14, 1775, the Continental Congress authorized enlistment of riflemen to serve the United Colonies and thus was born the United States Army. We extend our appreciation to those Blue Skies of Texas residents, staff and contract associates who served our Nation as members of the United States Army – the strategic land power of the Joint Force.

SAVE THE DATE
By: Chief Operations Officer, FredRyder@blueskiestx.org

Mr. Rick Rodriguez, CEO of Brass Real Estate, who recently purchased the land located just to the west of Blue Skies West, will be here on Monday, Jun 8, at 10am in the Roadrunner Lounge. Rick will tell us the plan he and his partners have to develop the land and answer our questions. We will advertise further as the date approaches.

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF RESIDENT SERVICES
By: LoriDeWitt@blueskiestx.org

Save The Date -
Friday, Jun 5 - Market Days, 9am-1pm, CC Rooms
Monday, Jun 8 – Mr. Rick Rodriguez, Land Development Plans, 10am Roadrunner Lounge
Monday, Jun 8 – National Best Friend Day, 1-2:30pm Main Lobby
Wednesday, Jun 12 - Nix Podiatry Health Talk, 10:30am CC1,2
Wednesday, Jun 12 – Smart Driver Course, 12:30-5pm Roadrunner Lounge
Sunday, Jun 14 – Gospel Hymn Sing, 3pm Main Lobby

Golf Cart Parking – When you’re at the Towers, please use the parking spots designated for Golf Carts. Other residents and guests appreciate you leaving car spots for larger vehicles.

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IN MEMORIAM
Mrs. Patricia A. Ladd
Passed away on
May 22, 2015

IN MEMORIAM
Mrs. Violette C. Firth
Passed away on
May 31, 2015

IN MEMORIAM
Col Archie L. Henson
Passed away on
Jun 1, 2015

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Housekeeping Spotlight Item – These weekly items give housekeepers an area of special interest. Housekeepers will still adhere to their checklists, but will pay special attention to the Spotlight Items of the week.
Week of Jun 8 – Vanity Lights
Week of Jun 15 – Gaskets on Refrigerators & Dishwashers
Week of Jun 22 – Trash Cans

Friday “Mall” Transportation –
Friday, Jun 5 – La Cantera
Friday, Jun 12 – Ingram Mall
Friday, Jun 19 – Wonderland Mall of the Americas & North Star Mall

Severe Weather – Attached to this week’s Roadrunner is instructions for residents to follow in case of severe weather. You received these when you moved in, but it never hurts to remind all of us what to do in an emergency situation.

SAFETY
By: LoriDeWitt@blueskiestx.org

What’s the speed limit on Campus? 15mph

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WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS
By: Moving Coordinator, BST West, LisaHawthorne@blueskiestx.org

Please give the following new resident(s) a warm “Welcome to Blue Skies West” in your respective neighborhoods. Their phone number(s) will appear on the in-house channel as soon as they become available.

- Col Gene & Mrs. June Strebel will be moving into temporary quarters #218 today, Thursday, Jun 4 while they wait for their apartment, #438, to be completed.
- Col Michael & Mrs. Connie Connolly will be moving into temporary quarters #2610 on Monday, Jun 15 while they wait for their cottage, #2608, to be completed.

VOLUNTEER JUDGES NEEDED FOR CASTROVILLE JULY 4TH PARADE
By: Public Relations Manager, GraceNewton@blueskiestx.org

The town of Castroville will be holding their Independence Day Parade on Saturday, Jul 4 in downtown Castroville. They have invited Blue Skies residents to serve as float judges for this event. The judging will begin at 8am and will take about 1.5 hours. They are looking for six judges. If you are interested in volunteering as a parade judge, please call me at 568-3338.

BOB’S BLOG
By: Bob

Bob went camping a few weekends ago and, as you can tell by his wet head, he spent time in the water. Funniest part...there’s a small pool that ends up flowing down to a larger pond. Bob was swimming in the larger pond and ended walking up the waterfall to get to the small pool at the top of the hill. He looked like a salmon swimming upstream!

MAINTENANCE

PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE
By: Coordinator, YvetteBrust@blueskiestx.org

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THANK YOU

By: Alice Mechling

I would like to thank all of you for your prayers and the help I received during my short stay at the hospital. Everyone has been so good to me. A special thank you for our nurse here at Blue Skies West who has assisted me with all my needs. Thank you all! My 29 years here have been blessed. God Bless.

THANK YOU

By: Dick Hoover

On behalf of all the Village pescadors, “Thank You” to Terry Freeman who has over the last few years made our lake one of the great bass fishing spots in Texas. Terry suggested stocking the pond with a breeder stock of Florida bass…the largest species of largemouth bass. Not just “talk,” Terry bought thousands of fingerlings and a few “big mothers” for breeding. He bought bags of special food, and you can see him today still feeding these fish; at least one, I’m told, has grown to seven pounds. Unlike the bream, not “Brim” on the signs, we catch and release the big bass. Soon, we’ll be talking about “catching Walter” as in the film, “On Golden Pond.” I suggest we call our whopper, “Ole Terry,” instead.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

By: Sid Spear

Would you like to do something to make yourself feel good and do a great service for some disadvantaged youngsters in the small towns of the Texas Panhandle? In 1980 I established a scholarship for disadvantaged students at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. With the help of my company and several kind friends (including donations by BST West residents), we have sent 57 students though college. These kids hail from small towns such as Carey, Estellene, High Point, Paducah, Purple Hill, Tell, Kirkland, Claude, Rotan, Wellington and etc. They are bright youngsters with few advocates available to help them toward a college degree. The fund needs money due to the escalating cost of education and reduced return on investments. If you would like to help some deserving youngsters go to college, please send your tax-deductible donation to The Sid F. Spear Scholarship Fund, Texas Tech University, PO Box 43082, Lubbock, TX 79409-3082. Many thanks and God Bless.

RESIDENTS’ ACTIVITIES COORDINATING COUNCIL NEEDS YOUR HELP

By: Forrest Smith

The Activities Coordinating Council (ACC) is funded by contributions from the residents of Blue Skies West. To this end the council will support activities that are
open to all residents to the extent that contributions allow. Some of the activities the ACC fund include:

a. B&A (entertainment only, not the cocktail hour or resident meals)
b. New Year’s Eve party
c. Seniors Day in Austin
d. Library
e. Christmas Activities (not the employee children’s party)
f. Veterans Day Transportation, to name just a few.

The needs of the residents continue to grow. In 2011 the ACC funded $8,700 for resident activities. In 2012 The ACC funded $13,900; in 2013 - $15,000; in 2014 - $19,100 and for this year the ACC approved a budget to fund over $21,000. Currently residents contribute about $1,250 each month. At this rate the annual amount we can expect to receive is $15,000. Obviously this trend cannot continue and be sustained. We are not asking for those who are already contributing generously to give more. Of course we would not refuse any additional. For those of you who are not contributing please consider contributing something each month. Five or $10 dollars would be greatly appreciated. This can easily be done by a monthly allotment. Just pick up a Resident Activities Coordinating Council Monthly Donation Form at the Front Desk, complete it and turn it in at the Front Desk. The amount you contribute will be added to your monthly statement. If you are already contributing, a new form will supersede any form you currently have on file. Thank you very much.

**MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (MOAA)**

*By: Bill Knehans*

The FY16 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) as forwarded to the full Senate by the Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) is saturated with recommendations of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission. For example, the SASC version would reduce commissary funding by 23% and direct privatization studies in five commissaries. This would most likely reduce the days and hours commissaries are open, eliminate 200 positions and reduce average patron savings by at least 2%. Some fear these actions may mark the end of the commissary system as we know it. The House version of this proposal does not include the same severe actions, and the SASC version will have to survive full Senate debate and then be approved by House-Senate conferees. Commissaries are viewed as a valuable benefit and it is hoped they survive this threat.

**BIRD WATCHING**  

*By: Betty Overacker*

On our last two bird walks of this season, the following avian residents were spotted: Painted Bunting, Dickcissel, Yellow Billed Cuckoo and Western King Bird. Many thanks to all who participated and shared their knowledge, sharp eyes and
ears during our bird watching expeditions this spring. The Bob Whites have returned, and were heard behind the Freedom House. These walks will resume next spring. An up-date on the Purple Martin boxes are as follows: The Oaks Pond currently has 97 hatchlings with approximately 18 ready to fledge within the next week, and 11 eggs; the Liberty House boxes have 10 hatchlings and 11 eggs. The Purple Martin boxes will continue to be checked weekly on Mondays at 4:30pm at the Oaks Pond and on Thursdays at 4:30pm at the Liberty House. Continued information on our Purple Martins’ progress, and significant bird sightings will be published. For additional information, please contact Betty at 549-1106.

RESIDENTS’ CONCERT SERIES  
By: Ginny Hallager

On May 17, the residents of Blue Skies were treated to music that truly touched our hearts. Lenny Seidel presented a program of songs that rang a chord with everyone there. The first section included nine themes from “The Phantom of the Opera” which were expertly and seamlessly woven together. Those well-known tunes were recognized immediately and the response as Mr. Seidel concluded that section was electric! The second section of the program included melodies written by Richard Rogers, which are in many favorite Broadway shows. Again, Mr. Seidel’s artistry in weaving those melodies together was breathtaking. Many in the audience were silently singing along with the tunes. “Melodies That Live Forever” brought us tunes we’ve heard for many years which included “Moon River” and “Over the Rainbow.” But, the piece de resistance was “The Godfather” meets Chopin. Mr. Seidel paired Chopin’s “Revolutionary Etude”, opus 10 no. 12, with the theme from “The Godfather” which brought cheers from the audience. Mr. Seidel concluded his program with two numbers where he intertwined hymns with well-known classical melodies. We, in the audience, were so fortunate to have been part of this afternoon. Comments included, “Best ever,” in the concert series. The audience realized how very special a musician Mr. Seidel is, and hoped to have the privilege of hearing him again in concert. Lenny Seidel has two CDs available to purchase for $10.00 apiece. “Finale” includes sacred and classical pieces; “Music That Lives Forever” includes the theme from “Phantom of the Opera.” Please contact Ginny Hallager to order your CDs. dhallager@satx.rr.com or 233-8116.

BLUE SKIES WEST SOCIAL CLUB UPDATE MEETING  
By: Tom Jones

A few months ago a group of residents indicated interest in participating in a proposed Blue Skies West Social Club by renting an individual liquor storage box to be built in the Helen LeMay Room. After meetings with management some progress has been made toward getting the project underway. If you are a new resident and did not have an opportunity to indicate an interest earlier, or a resident who would
like more information, a short update meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Jun 9, at 1pm** in the Roadrunner Lounge.

**FAMOUS KAZOO BAND IN PARADE**  
*By: Frank Sherman, Parade PR*

This year, under the baton of Maestro Jim Peck, the World Famous Kazoo Band (Alright, maybe not “world famous,” but pretty well known around the Blue Skies campus) will be marching in our First-In-The-Nation Independence Day Parade. If you would like to be a part of this world-class organization, please note the following rehearsals: **Tues, Jun 9, at 10am** CC3 and **Tues, Jun 23, at 10am** CC3. Kazoos will be provided and no previous kazoo playing is necessary. For more information call Jim Peck (Phone number is in the BSTW Resident Directory).

**JUNE BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**  
*By Carolyn Watson*

Who: All BST West residents and guests are invited  
When: **Wednesday, Jun 10**, with Hosted Cocktails at **5pm** and Dinner at **6pm**  
Theme: *Walk into Summer*  
Entertainment: Dance to the music by “Two for the Road”  
Menu: Mixed vegetables salad, shrimp creole, rice, zucchini and crisp bread sticks. Dessert will be bread pudding with sauce. (Sign-up sheet is located in CC3 room for a special diet alternative).  
Pictures: Ruth Ann Jacko and Mike & Pam Westwood are available to take the Birthday & Anniversary pictures from **5-5:30pm** in the Helen LeMay Room  
Seating Time: Doors open for regular seating at 6pm. Those needing extra time for seating may enter at 5:45pm  
Decorations: Dining Room Decorations Committee  
Suggested Dress: Country comfort  
Reservations: The Reservation Chairpersons are Patricia McCarthy (677-8360). Please follow directions and everyone is guaranteed a seat. All those planning to attend including guests, **must** sign the list in the CC3 room. The list will be picked up at **1pm on Jun 5**. If you need to cancel after 1pm Friday, please call Patricia McCarthy. If you cancel after 1pm Monday, Jun 8, please call the Dining Services Office (568-3232). To make a table reservation, call Patricia McCarthy. Table reservations are limited to eight. Come alone and be seated with other interesting people. Reservations are needed for the Singles-Caregivers table. **IMPORTANT**: Reservations are not taken through the Dining Room for this event. Each person **must sign up including guest**.  
Hosted Cocktails: Cocktail Hour for all BST West residents and guests will be held in the CC rooms from **5-6pm**. Your hosts for the evening, who will be wearing colorful and distinctive name tags, are: Tom & Judy Atherton, Sam Benner, James

**SMART DRIVER COURSE**

By: Jim Kniker

AARP has dedicated considerable time and resources to creating the best possible Driving Safety course using extensive curriculum research. The *Smart Driver Course* features the most informative and relevant content from previous editions - updated to reflect the latest driver safety and transportation innovations - bundled with fresh information based on new research, expert recommendations and volunteer and participant insights. Most auto insurance companies give a premium (Defensive Driving) discount to those who complete the course. You must attend the course once every three years to be eligible for the discount. The cost of the course is $15 for AARP members and $20 for nonmembers. We conduct six courses a year at Blue Skies of Texas West. The next course is **Friday, Jun 12, 12:30-5pm** in the Roadrunner Lounge. Sign-up sheets for the entire year are in CC3.

**FISHING DERBY FOR EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS FAMILIES**

By: Russ McCarthy

The employee and contractor fishing day will be on **Saturday, Jun 13**, in all the Blue Skies West fishing ponds.

There will be a Fishing Derby in the Gazebo pond from **8am-12pm**. The Fishing Club will provide prize money to the children for the largest and most catfish and bream caught. Parents can help the children land the fish. You may keep any bass that measure 14 inches or less. If there are any questions, please call me at 677-8360.

**THE SINGALONG STRINGS**

By: Verna Mae Roberson

If you like popcorn or enjoy singing or like to see a bunch of people having a wonderful time, but have never been to one of our monthly sing-alongs, you are in for a treat! **Saturday, Jun 13, 7pm** will be such an evening.

Just sign up at the Front Desk to ride the complimentary bus which leaves at **6:30pm**. Some folks drive over to Blue Skies East; have dinner in the Sky Lounge, then come down to the Legacy Room to complete a great evening.

You may decide you’d like to become a member of the band. We have practice the day before the Singalong at Blue Skies East at 10:30am in CC3; just drop in. The ukulele is probably the easiest musical instrument to learn to play. You can reach me at 673-9721 or vmroberson@me.com

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**Deadline: Friday, Jun 12 @ 4:30pm-Roadrunner@blueskiestx.org**
Blue Skies East is celebrating National Flag Day on **Monday, Jun 15**. The brief proceedings will take place at the Flag Pole promptly at **10am**, weather permitting. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending. This will afford an opportunity to express respect for our flag and love for the liberties it represents. Containers are placed in CC1 at BSTE and CC3 at BSTW for residents to deposit no-longer-serviceable flags for retirement. The celebration will include a ceremonial flag disposal. All collected flags will be properly disposed of later. Following the ceremony, cake and punch refreshments will be served in the Main Lobby. Come and join in with other Blue Skies patriots!

**JUNE GATEWAY CLUB APPRECIATION NIGHT**

Note this month’s "Appreciation Night" has **been moved to the third Tuesday, Jun 16**, at the Lackland Gateway Club to accommodate the Change of Command activities on Jun 23. The cost is $10.50 for Club members and $12.50 for non-members. Good Food - Great Price. Menu: Build your own salad bar, chicken marsala, rosemary roasted pork loin carved, almond crusted tilapia with lemon dill, parsley potatoes, mixed rice, baby peas, and pearl onions, California blend vegetables, freshly baked rolls and breadsticks. Desserts include fresh fruit cups and Boston crème pie. Fun entertainment: Music for your listening and dancing pleasure. All Blue Skies of Texas residents are welcome, and Club members may use their discount coupons. A sign-up sheet for the bus is in the Activity Signup Booklet in CC rooms at both campuses. Please sign-up no later than **Monday, Jun 15**, at noon to ride the bus. **PLEASE NOTE:** If you have signed up for the bus, but have decided to drive or can no longer go please remove your name from the list by Jun 15. The bus will depart **BST West at 4:30pm** and pick up BST East participants at 4:45pm. Return trip will depart the club at 7:30pm. There is no transportation charge for this event.

**HAM BAND NEWS**

The next meeting of the BST West Amateur Radio Club will be on **Thursday, Jun 18**, at **11:30am** in the Roadrunner Lounge. All are welcome to attend this gathering to participate in this club’s happenings. Please contact Bill for more information. 73 (Best regards in Ham language).

**THIRSTY THURSDAY**

**Date:** Jun 18, 5pm  
**Where:** Sky Lounge, BST East  
**Full Buffet:** 5:30pm - $9.95  
**Soups:** Skinny potato soup and black bean soup.  
**Salad:** Mini salad bar
Entrees: Chicken fajitas and roasted pork loin
Sides: Spanish rice, refried beans, roasted golden potatoes, roasted veggie medley and chef choice vegetables
Entertainment: 5:45pm, Team Trivia 6:15pm

Sign-up sheets will be in the CC rooms on Friday, Jun 5, or contact Ed at (210) 446-0199.

THE MURPHY WEDDING
By: John Murphy

Col Jack Murphy invites you to celebrate the marriage of his son
John Murphy
To
Annie Rau
Saturday, Jun 20, at 4pm in the High Flight Chapel
Following the ceremony, there will be dancing and cake in the Main Dining Room from 5:30-7pm. All residents and staff are welcome!

THRIFT SHOP
By: Wilma Lawson, Manager & Our Wonderful Volunteers

Have you intended to get your stuff to the Thrift Shop but just haven't gotten around to it? Well it is almost summer-time, and that means that the Thrift Shop will be closing soon. Our last day will be Friday, Jun 26.
We have had a record year and it is because of you - , the residents, you have been so generous with your unneeded and unused household items, and our customers (mostly employees) have been so eager to purchase. We appreciate all of the support.
Here are some things to keep in mind if you are donating. We are happy to accept furniture, but with our small space in the Shop we have to keep it in a separate place. Dodie G. (677-0112) handles all of our furniture. If you need a pick-up, please call Jackie in Environmental Services at 568-3241 and arrange a time. It will be taken to the furniture place. If you want to purchase furniture or inquire about a certain item, then call Dodie. For other items, place them in the cabinet outside the Thrift Shop and one of our volunteers will take them inside. If you donate any kind of bedding please attach a note indicating the size. (Twin, Double, Queen or King). During the summer we would like for you to hold on to your donations until August, if possible.

JUNE ART LOTTERY
By: Carol Vandesteeg

Attention Resident Artists of all Media: It’s Art Lottery Time!
Whether you create artwork in your home or in the Art Room/Studio, we invite you to participate in the lottery to draw for wall space to display your work. The sign-up sheet will be posted on the Art Room bulletin board from Jun 12 to Jun 24. If you only want half of the normal display space, when you sign up please note that you are signing up for a half space. The deadline for signup is 5pm on Jun 24. The

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lottery will be held on **Friday, Jun 26, at 11am**. If you are not able to attend that day, you may ask another artist to draw for you. The display spaces you draw will be for June 26, until the Christmas decorating takes place. Current art displays will be taken down after the lottery drawing. As soon as the lottery display space you draw is available, please install your art display. All art must be displayed in the designated areas by the evening of Jun 30. Art must be done by the resident, framed, and in good repair. Gallery wrap canvas does not require a frame, but the edges must be painted. Please be sure your work has your name and phone number attached to the back. For questions or more information, please feel free to call one of the following artists: Dottie Wallingford, 674-2132; Dougie Clarke, 677-8121; Carol Vandesteeg, 677-0672.

### INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

**By: Frank Sherman, Parade PR**

The “First-In-The-Nation” Independence Day Parade will be held on **Saturday, Jun 27 at 9am**. Our parade chairman, Stump Sowada, says we will have over 26 units marching in the parade. He states, “It will be Gigantinormous!” Our Grand Marshal this year is Larry Garrison, who will be joined in the parade by fire, police and EMT units, Uncle Sam, antique cars, military units, scouts, Drum Major, mini horses, drill teams, marching music, and many, many more exciting units. Once again the parade route will be as follows: starting at the RV parking lot on Veterans Loop Rd (the gathering area), it will go past Freedom House and turn left on Freedom Way. The route will then turn right and go past The Vista and Towers 1&2. It will then turn left onto Veterans Loop Rd and turn left again at the Main Entrance, pass under the portico and disband in the east parking lot. So find a shady spot and join the fun! Remember after the parade, hot dogs and cold drinks will be served on The Vista’s front porch – everyone is welcome! It’s a great time to visit with our young Army, Navy, Marine and Air Force folks who will be joining us on The Vista porch. **NOTE:** In case of rain, the parade will be cancelled.

### JULY 4TH CELEBRATION B-B-Q

**By: Warren Moore & Ahia Shabaaz**

The **July 4th** Celebration BBQ program will be from **4:30-5:30pm**. Take-out orders will be dispensed from 5:15-5:30 pm. Dine-in will be from be from 5:30-7pm. The sign-up sheets are located in room CC3. The **deadline to cancel reservations is Friday, Jun 19** or your account will be billed. If you would like to host a table of 6-12 people, please contact Carolyn Sherman (210) 257-8736, or Katie McOrmond (252) 489-1817. There will be two menus, regular and vegetarian. Please note on the sign-up sheet and let your host/hostess know if you would like a vegetarian meal. The regular menu will be: Chicken, pulled pork, beef brisket, sausage, ribs, beans, corn, tossed green salad, a roll and cupcake. The vegetarian menu will be: Shrimp, beans, corn, tossed green salad, a roll and cupcake. For general information and questions, please contact Ahia Shabaaz (210) 910-9273.

**Deadline: Friday, Jun 12 @ 4:30pm-Roadrunner@blueskiestx.org**
TOUR TO COLORADO SPRINGS, BLACK HILLS & BADLANDS OF SOUTH DAKOTA

By: Charlotte Koch

Ozarkland Group Tours has the above trip scheduled Aug 17-24. Spend first three nights in the Colorado Springs area. You will visit the Air Force Academy, Pike's Peak, Garden of the Gods, Olympic Training Center, Seven Falls and Royal Gorge Park. In South Dakota, visit Crazy Horse Memorial, Mt. Rushmore and the Badlands. Optional airfare from San Antonio to Colorado Springs and Rapid City to San Antonio can be included when booking. For more information, go to ozarklandgrouptours.com or call Rudy at 1-800-551-9968.

NORWEGIAN CRUISE LINES’ 7 NIGHT HAWAII CRUISE

By: Betty Robertson

Ozarkland Group Tours is planning a 7 night Hawaii cruise on the Pride of America, Oct 2-10. Delta Airlines is the transportation to and from San Antonio to Honolulu, arriving on Friday, Oct 2, allowing for a day of sightseeing before boarding the ship on Saturday, Oct 3. Islands to be visited are Oahu, Maui, Hawaii, Kauai and Oahu. This is an excellent opportunity to meet others from the San Antonio area for a time of relaxation and fellowship. For information regarding this cruise, contact Rudy Spann of Ozarkland Group Tours at 1-800-551-9968 or 1-417-549-9958 or visit the Web site: www.ozarklandgrouptours.com.

2015 ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR

By: Jo Dobbs

The annual Arts & Crafts Fair will be held in the Lobby of BST West on Friday, Nov 13, from 10am-3pm. Participants who are interested in displaying and/or selling any of their creations are required to be residents of Blue Skies of Texas (either campus). Mark your calendar for this important event. More information will be available in the next few weeks.
LIBERTY HOUSE
By: Liberty House Admin Assistant, BrandyGarcia@blueskiestx.org

Activities Saturday, Jun 6 - Friday, Jun 12, 2015
Saturday, Jun 6 - Movie in the LH Theater 2:30pm
Sunday, Jun 7 - Bingo in the LH Activity Room 3:15pm
Monday, Jun 8 - Dr. Cavazos will visit LH Residents 9am, Video Lead Exercise 10am
Tuesday, Jun 9 - Video Lead Exercise 10am, Father’s Day Crafts with the Daycare Kids (Weather permitting) 10:30am, Movie in the LH Theater 2:30pm
Wednesday, Jun 10 - Exercise w/Linda 10am, Bingo in the LH Activity Room 3:15pm
Thursday, June 11 - Exercise w/Select Rehab in the LH Lounge 10am, Bible Study in the LH Activity Room 3pm
Friday, Jun 12 - Exercise w/Linda 10am, Cooking Class- Making Ice Cream Cone Cupcakes in the LH Activity Room 2:30pm

Activities Saturday, Jun 13 - Friday, Jun 19, 2015
Saturday, Jun 13 - Ice Cream Social in the LH Lobby 2:30pm, Movie in the LH Theater 3pm
Sunday, Jun 14 - Bingo in the LH Activity Room 3:15pm
Monday, Jun 15 - Video Lead Exercise 10am, Craft Corner - Making Father’s Day Crafts for the Men Residents of LH 2:30pm
Tuesday, Jun 16 - Video Lead Exercise 10am, Movie in the LH Theater 2:30pm
Liberty House Activities Continued
Wednesday, Jun 17 - Exercise w/Linda 10am, Father’s Day Bingo in the LH Activity Room 3:15pm
Thursday, Jun 18 - Exercise w/Select Rehab in the LH Lounge 10am, Bible Study in the LH Activity Room 3pm
Friday, Jun 19 - Exercise w/Linda 10am, Banana Split Social in the LH Lobby 3:15pm

Deadline: Friday, Jun 12 @ 4:30pm-Roadrunner@blueskiestx.org
THE VISTA

By: Activities Coordinator, PaulaQualls@blueskiestx.org

Jun 6, Saturday - Exercise 10:30am, High Flight Chapel 11am, Self-Directed Activity

Jun 7, Sunday - Willow Chapel 9:30am, Sunday Fellowship 11am, Music/Art 10:30am, Movie Time 2-4pm, Self-Directed Activities

Jun 8, Monday - Exercise 10:30am, Short Stories 11am, In-Room Visits 2-3pm, Music/Carlos 3:30pm, Music with Mary Lou Duncan 6:30pm

Jun 9, Tuesday - Exercise 10:30am, Geography 11am, Flying Eagles 1-3pm, Memory Game 4pm, Music with Carolyn Myers 6:15pm

Jun 10, Wednesday - Devotional 10am, Exercise 10:30am, Poker 11am, In-Room Visits 2-3pm, Bingo 4pm

Jun 11, Thursday - Exercise 10:30am, Short Stories 11am, In-Room Visits 2-3pm, Trivia 4pm

Jun 12, Friday - Resident Outing 10-2pm, Exercise 10:30am, Movie Time 11am, In-Room Visits 2-3pm, Happy Hour 3:30pm

Jun 13, Saturday - Exercise 10:30am, High Flight Chapel 11am, Self-Directed Activity

Jun 14, Sunday - Willow Chapel 9:30am, Sunday Fellowship 11am, Music/Art 10:30am, Movie Time 2-4pm, Self-Directed Activities

Jun 15, Monday - Exercise 10:30am, Short Stories 11am, In-Room Visits 2-3pm, B/A Party with music/Frank 3:30pm, Music with Mary Lou Duncan 6:30pm

Jun 16, Tuesday - Exercise 10:30am, Movie Time 11am, In-Room Visits 2-3pm, Bunco 4pm, Music with Carolyn Myers 6:15pm

The Vista Activities Continued

Jun 17, Wednesday - Devotional 10am, Exercise 10:30am, Poker 11am, In-Room Visits 2-3pm, Bingo 4pm

Jun 18, Thursday - Road Runner 10am, Exercise 10:30am, Short Stories 11am, In-Room Visits 2-3pm, Outside Time 4pm

Deadline: Friday, Jun 12 @ 4:30pm-Roadrunner@blueskiestx.org
RELIGION

EPISCOPAL CHURCH
By: Dougie Clarke

There is an Episcopal Service with the Holy Eucharist every Thursday at 3pm in the High Flight Chapel.

CURSILLISTAS (CATHOLIC AND EPISCOPALIAN)
By: Ralph Comer

Walk to Emmaus (Methodists) and Via De Cristo (Lutherans) – If you have made a weekend and are looking for a reunion group, please contact me. We meet by the coffee pots behind the bistro at 8:30am on Thursday mornings. If you have any questions, please contact me at 451-5969.

HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
By: Ralph Comer

Would you like a ride to Holy Spirit Episcopal Church? Joanne and I leave at 9:15am on Sundays. If response warrants, the church will send transportation for larger groups. Holy Spirit is an exciting, multi-generational and multi-ethnic Christian community. Come and sample the experience.

CATHOLIC NEWS
By: Juanita Giesler

Saturdays – 11am Mass (For Sunday, by special dispensation of the Archbishop) in the High Flight Chapel.

Saturdays/Sundays - Freedom House: Catholic residents will be visited, beginning about 1:30pm, with Holy Communion and prayers.

Wednesdays - Rosary/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will resume in Sep

Third Wednesdays - Catholic Council will resume in Sep

Fridays - Adoration will resume in Sep

St. Vincent de Paul, Castroville - First Saturday Donations, and End-of-Month Food Plan Donations. Accepting gently used clothing. Please contact Thelma Hall, 677-2214.

Pastoral Ministry - If requesting the services of a priest for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or Anointing of the Sick or for any other need you might have, please contact Catholic Chaplain Carolyn Myers, BCC (cell 954-7411).

AFVII PROTESTANT CHURCH
By: Church Secretary, CarmenPerez@blueskiestx.org

Protestant Services: Sunday, Jun 7 Sunday, Jun 14
High Flight Chapel Pastor Gil Richardson Pastor Wayne Knutson
9:30am and 11am

Deadline: Friday, Jun 12 @ 4:30pm-Roadrunner@blueskiestx.org
Willow Chapel 9:30am    Pastor Wayne Knutson    Pastor Gil Richardson
& Freedom House 10:45am

This schedule is subject to change without notice

Bible Study And Weekday Service Schedule

Tuesday Morning Bible Study is now in recess until the first Tuesday after Labor Day. Connie Wycoff will lead a study of Revelation at 9am in CC1 starting on Tuesday, Sep 8. Everyone is welcome.

Wednesday Midweek Devotional Service - in Willow Chapel at 10am. For more information, please contact the church office (568-3372) or Pastor Gil (262-9550).

Ladies’ Bible Study - Thursdays at 10am in the Liberty House Theater, has concluded. Later in the year a new Bible Study will begin so watch for details. For more information, contact Ginny Hallager (233-8116) or Nita Peck (677-0383).

Liberty House Bible Study - Meets on the first floor of Liberty House on Thursdays at 3pm. Join us as we study how Scripture applies to our lives today. The public is invited. For more information, contact Jim or Nita Peck (677-0383).

Pray For Our Nation - First and third Thursdays of every month at 10am, in the Helen LeMay Room. Residents are invited to pray with others and for our nation.

The Air Force Village II Protestant Church - Is sponsoring a Gospel Hymn Sing at 3pm on Sunday, Jun 14, in the Main Lobby. Everyone is invited to attend. Come join us for this fun and inspirational time. Refreshments will be served. Cookies are needed and greatly appreciated, if you can sponsor or donate, please contact Ritchie Seymour 233-8260.

Church Membership - If you desire to unite with Air Force Village II Protestant Church, you may speak to one of our Pastors Wayne, Gil or Dan.

Welcome!! We encourage you to find a spiritual home in one of the vibrant Communities of Faith here at BST West!

SUNDAY EVENING SERIES  By: Jim & Nita Peck

On the first Sunday of each month, the Thursday afternoon Bible Study Group holds an evening study event in the third floor theater of Liberty House. The current study is “God Heard Their Cry;” a series of lectures by Ray Vander Lann, a noted scholar and archeologist dealing with the Middle East and Biblical Israel. Discussion time and refreshments follow. Our next session will be on Jun 7 at 7pm. You will enjoy it.

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RESTORING GOD  
By: Ren Vandesteeg  
“We have this day restored the Sovereign, to whom alone men ought to be obedient. He reigns in heaven and . . . From the rising to the setting sun, may His kingdom come.”  
A month after the vote was taken, delegates who wished to sign the Declaration of Independence began gathering in Philadelphia on August 1, 1776. That evening, Samuel Adams spoke to those who had arrived, putting into sharp spiritual focus what they had accomplished.  

PRAY FOR OUR NATION  
By: Ren Vandesteeg  
Residents are invited to pray the *first* and *third* Thursdays of every month, *10am* in the Helen LeMay Room.

SPORTS, GAMES AND SCORES

DARTS ASSOCIATION  
By: Tom Carter  
A regulation dart board has been donated and installed in the Billiard Association/Dabblers room. I’m interested in forming a BST West Darts Association with regularly scheduled tournaments. If you’re interested in throwing darts, please contact me at 210-860-5873 or twcarter@satx.rr.com. If we have enough participants, we’ll meet to decide when we throw, type of games played, etc. To practice throwing or have a personal game, checkout the billiard closet key from the Front Desk, and use the darts in the large jar on the closet shelf. See you at the toe line.

GOLF RANGE CLOSED DURING MOWING OPERATIONS  
By: Don Hallager  
The Golf Range at BSTW will be closed whenever mowing operations are being conducted. The mower operator does not have any protection, such as a cage, so a sign will be placed on the practice mats to remind people not to hit any balls during that time.

ROADRUNNER GOLF  
By: Katherine Rajczi  
Along with the rest of Texas, Mother Nature has not been good to the golf course. When it gets very wet the carts are restricted to the cart paths. This is a little hard on our golfers since they don’t seem to be as young as they used to be. For those of you who aren’t golfers, this means you have to walk from the cart to your ball, where ever it is, and then back to the cart which is carrying your clubs. It can end
up being way more exercise than we bargained for. Because of this, the number in our group playing for the last few weeks has been very limited. You will see this from the scores.

**Monday, May 18**, Individual - Three golfers teed off (normal on a Monday would be 12 to 15). John Brooks took 1st with a 70 and Bill Miller 2nd with a 71. John Rehm just provided extra prize money for the day.

**Tuesday, May 19** - Today there was even less players (Not even enough for competition). Jim Kniker started but only played 9 holes. John Brooks was the only one to play a full round. Congratulations John.

**Thursday, May 21** - Today the group was back to three players. However they did not have a competition. It was our standard three: John Brooks, Bill Miller, and John Rehm back out to play. Hopefully they all had a nice day.

**Monday, May 25** - Since I have no scores for today I am assuming they did not play.

**Tuesday, May 26**, Individual - Four golfers teed off together. Bill Miller had the best day with a net 68 closely followed by John Brooks with a 69. The other two members of the group who were not having such a good day were Jim Kniker and John Rehm.

**Thursday, May 28**, Two Best-Ball - The team of Bill Miller, Ginny Hallager, and John Rehm were first with -11 on the front, -10 on the back for a total of -21. The team of John Brooks, Jim Kniker, and Gene Kircus could only manage -8, -6, for a total of -14.

The Roadrunner Golf Group would like to encourage any other golfers out there to join us. You may play just for fun; either nine or eighteen holes, or join our competition for a little more excitement. Contact John Brooks, me, or any of the others you see here in our weekly report, for more information.

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**BRIDGE RESULTS**

*By: Ellen Parkhill, Reporter*

**Saturday, May 16**
1. A. Wood  
2. J. McKinney  
3/4. (tie) L. Girton/C. Wycoff  
5. R. Comer

**Monday, May 18**
1. D. Neubrand/A. Wheeler (slam)  
2. D. Fouss/A. Wesson  
3. B. Linn/D. Wise  
4. P. Higginbotham/E. Kendrex  
5. Skucas  
Slams: Siefkens, I. Landry/J. Reedy

**Thursday Nite, May 21**
1. Parkhills  
2. E. Jackson/B. Linn  
3. Skucas  
4. R. Comer/D. Wise  
5. Bighams (Grand Slam)

**Saturday, May 23**
1. V. Roberson  
2. B. Tanguy  
3. D. Wise  
4. L. Girton  
5. B. Van Dine
Monday, May 25
5. B. Linn/D. Wise

Thursday, May 28

BST WEST PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION  By: Tom Carter
Great News!! Medina Base Fitness Center is making available two Pickleball courts in an air-conditioned gym. We will begin playing there Tuesday, Jun 16, at 9am. Car Pools can be arranged. Otherwise, join us on the tennis courts from 8-10am on Thursdays and Saturdays to play Pickleball. For further information, contact Ralph Comer, 451-5969; Helen Vanderneck, 677-0252; Don or Debbie Christian, 334-0959; or Tom Carter, 860-5873.

WRIGHT PAT MAH JONGG  By: Martha Wesson
Come join us! It’s never quiet, slow or boring in CC3 on Tuesday afternoons, that’s for sure!

MAH JONGG  By: Gayl Ganskow
If you are familiar with the card game Gin Rummy, you have a head start to understanding "Mah Jongg (MJ)." There are no playing cards here because in MJ you mix, pick, discard and arrange your tiles in combinations for a winning hand. The ideal game is played with four players; however, two or three players can play and have a great time as well. Come and enjoy! We play three times a week, no sign up, just show up.
Playing Session: Wednesdays, 1-3:30pm in CC3, All B & A Days - 2nd Wed of each month in Card Room 112, the Card Room is located across from the Thrift Shop on the first floor. Fridays from 1-3:30pm in CC3, and Saturdays from 1-3:30pm in CC2.

BST WEST BILLIARD ASSOCIATION NEWS  By: Robert Yanke
9-Ball, Tuesday, May 19: With 9 players, we decided to play singles and Wild Bill took the first game with Chicago on a 9-ball tap-in. Miller Lite trumped over Dutch in the second with a long 9-ball shot and T-man won the third over Tommy Gun on a lag. Irish Pat and Ski went at it in the fourth with Ski winning on a 2-ball combo on the 9. In the fifth, Big John prevailed over Wild Bill on a lag. Next, T-Man chipped in an easy 9 against Lite, which pitted him against Big John who won on a 2-ball run to the 9. Irish Pat fought his way through the losers’ bracket to take on Big John for the finals, beating him twice to win the tournament. Great shooting Irish Pat!
8-Ball, Saturday, May 23: ☺ Eleven players today. Irish Pat/Pro and Chicago/Tommy Gun led off with a Chicago/T. Gun won in a 2-ball run to the 8. Next, Wild Bill/Ski and Swede/Big John’s game ended in a good lag by Bill/Ski. Chicago/T. Gun met T-Man/Tom Cat and won with an easy ball-in-hand shot on the 8. Swede/Big John lost in the first losers’ game and Dandy Don took Swede as his partner and they won their game against Wild Bill/Ski on a tap-in. But Wild Bill/Ski fought through the loser’s bracket to take on Chicago/T. Gun who won the tourney on a BIH gift shot on the 8.

9-Ball, Tuesday, May 26: 😊 The Pro is back but has had a minor medical ride to BAMC for a three-day rest? Ha! Anyway, today we had ten players and Pro lost the first game to Wild Bill who made a small run. Ski won the 2nd game on a setup and Chicago won the third game with a three ball run. Big John made a lucky 9 ball to win the 4th game. Wild Bill beat BB to go undefeated into the finals. In the lower level, Pro woke up and won three games but was put out by Tricky who saw light at the end of the tunnel! Tricky took six games in the lower level to convince us that he is getting better all the time! Congratulations Tricky on a beautiful come-from-behind tournament win! You left us all in your dust!

8-Ball, Saturday, May 30: ☺ With ten players for 8-ball, we played partners. First game Big John/Lite beat Tomcat/Wild Bill and then Chicago/T-man beat Dandy/Ski and then Chicago /T-man advanced to the finals undefeated. In the losers’ bracket, Big John/Lite wanted another chance at the undefeated Chicago/T-man. Big John/ Lite had a good first game and were leading the 2nd game when they made the 8 ball and then scratched on the same shot which lost the game giving the tournament to Chicago/T-man. Congratulations Chicago/ T-man
RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

- Flashlight, Extra Batteries
- Filled Water Jugs
- Weather Radio with Alarm (Battery Operated)

The Front Desk will be making announcements over the PA system throughout the storm to provide instructions and keep you informed of the weather situation. Additionally, BST West has a siren on property and, time permitting; it will be sounded prior to Severe Weather/Life Threatening Emergencies. The siren will sound a steady tone for three minutes and resound periodically for the duration of the threat. The “all clear” signal is a three minute fast wail.

TORNADO WATCH: Tornadoes and severe thunderstorms are possible.

TORNADO WARNING: Tornado detected; take shelter.

IN THE EVENT OF A TORNADO WATCH OR SEVERE WEATHER WATCH YOU SHOULD:

1. Tune into the weather radio or local television stations for continuous weather reports.
2. Have flashlight and a supply of water ready in anticipation of utility disruption.
3. Secure balcony or patio furniture and/or bring other loose objects inside.
4. Unplug all unnecessary electrical equipment.
5. Do not open windows.
6. Close blinds and/or curtains.
7. Road travel is not recommended unless absolutely necessary.

If a TORNADO WARNING is issued:

1. Go to one of the following areas:
a) Go to the nearest stairwell and remain there until you receive further instructions over the public address system.

b) Go to the Resident Storage area for your tower located in the Lower Level.

2. Stay away from windows.

3. Continue to monitor weather reports.

If a TORNADO STRIKES and you are in your apartment:
Go to an area away from windows (e.g. inside closet) and wait for the storm to pass.
Protect your head.

If a TORNADO STRIKES and you are outdoors:
Lay flat on the ground or in a nearby ditch and shield your head with your arms.

After the storm has passed, call or come to the Front Desk to report any injuries or damage.

SHOULD SEVERE WEATHER STRIKE ON CAMPUS:

Remain as calm as possible.
Please keep calls to the Front Desk to a minimum.

- If you are in a common area, move away from any windows, and go to the nearest restroom, inside hallway or stairwell. These are interior rooms and will provide the greatest safety.

- Remain in your apartment or wherever you’ve found shelter until given the “All Clear” by staff.

- In the event your apartment has sustained heavy damage and once the “All Clear” has been announced, you may proceed to the Main Lobby/Front Desk area for assistance.

- Above all, don’t panic. BST West staff will immediately start canvassing the area.

- If you are injured or trapped, use your pendant to alert authorities.
EMERGENCY PROCEDURES – Blue Skies of Texas West

SEVERE WEATHER READINESS - THE GARDENS, OAKS, AND LAKES

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5. If the weather situation presents no immediate danger and you would feel more secure, Gardens, Lakes, and Oaks residents are welcome to come to the Village Center-proceed to the lower level hallways near resident storage (these hallways are clear of windows).

6. Road travel is not recommended.

7. Do not open windows.

8. Close blinds and/or curtains.
If a Tornado warning is issued:

1. DO NOT venture outside your home.
2. Stay away from windows.
3. Continue to monitor weather reports.

If a Tornado strikes and you are in your home:
Go to an area away from windows (e.g. inside closet) and wait for the storm to pass. Protect your head.

If a Tornado strikes and you are outdoors:
Lay flat on the ground or in a nearby ditch and shield your head with your arms.

After the storm has passed, come by the Front Desk (call if you are not able to safely navigate your way to the Towers), report any injuries or damage.

SHOULD SEVERE WEATHER STRIKE ON CAMPUS:

Remain as calm as possible.

- Please keep calls to the Front Desk to a minimum.
- If you are in a common area, move away from any windows, and go to the nearest restroom, inside hallway or stairwell. These are interior rooms and will provide the greatest safety.
- Remain in your apartment or wherever you’ve found shelter until given the “All Clear” by staff.
- In the event your apartment has sustained heavy damage and once the “All Clear” has been announced, you may proceed to the Main Lobby/Front Desk area for assistance.
- Above all, don’t panic. BST West staff will immediately start canvassing the area.
- If you are injured or trapped, use your pendant to alert authorities.