

## NEWS FROM THE STAFF

### 2019 HAGAUER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS

By Darrell Jones, President/CEO



Please join me in congratulating our Hagauer Scholarship Recipients and their sponsoring BST family members:

Austin Hazel (pictured left), son of Wendy Carpenter, Chief Health Services Officer, is attending UTSA and studying Kinesiology. Austin was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship.

Lyric Williams (pictured right), daughter of Maxine Fluellen, Human Resources

Generalist, will be attending Northwest Vista College studying Business Administration and Management. Lyric, until very recently, served our residents in dining services, where she worked for two and a half years. Lyric was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship.

Congratulations to Austin and Lyric. Your focus and hard work helped you achieve the Hagauer Scholarship. Along with the support and love of your family – your commitment to your education will fuel your life's dreams!

### DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

By Darrell Jones, President/CEO

Every year each Blue Skies of Texas campus recognizes a person, persons or organization that has/have contributed significantly to the betterment of Blue Skies of Texas. The award is given either for a sustained period of superior performance, or a specific meritorious act or achievement. Distinguished Service Award nominations may include residents, board members and any friends of BST who have no direct affiliation with BST. Any resident, board member, or staff member of either campus may make nominations. Please submit your nominations to the Resident Services Director, Dave Zeh, containing a brief narrative of the nominee's contribution or achievement, no later than **Sunday, Oct 13**.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
Lt Col Lindsey J. Williams  
passed away on  
Jul 3, 2019

**IN MEMORIAM**  
Maj James E. McKeown  
passed away on  
Jul 15, 2019

**IN MEMORIAM**  
Mrs. Helen P. Fairman  
passed away on  
Jul 26, 2019

## **BIRTHDAY OF UNITED STATES COAST GUARD**

*By Fred Ryder, Chief Operations Officer*

**Aug 4**, marks the birthday of the United States Coast Guard. The Coast Guard traces its founding to Aug 4, 1790, when the first Congress authorized the construction of 10 vessels to enforce tariff and trade laws, prevent smuggling and protect the collection of federal revenue. The Coast Guard is a multi-mission, maritime, military service protecting the public, the environment and U.S. economic interests in the nation's waterways, along the coast, on international waters, or in any maritime region as required to support national security. Happy Birthday and Semper Paratus! [www.military.com/coast-guard-birthday](http://www.military.com/coast-guard-birthday)



## **NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF RESIDENT SERVICES**

*By Dave Zeh*

### **Save The Date:**

**Thursday, Aug 1** – Heritage Committee Meeting, Executive Conference Room, **10am**

**Friday, Aug 2** – Smart Driver Course, BSTW Roadrunner Lounge, **12:30-5pm**

**Wednesday, Aug 7** – DRAC Meeting, CC Rooms, **10am**

**Thursday, Aug 8** - Westover Brass Band, Legacy Room, **3pm**

**Saturday, Aug 10** – Sing-Along Strings Ukulele Band, CC Rooms, **7pm**

**Tuesday, Aug 20** – Low Vision Club, Executive Conference Room, **1pm**

Ice Cream Floats with Broadway Bank, Main Lobby, **1-2pm**

**Tuesday, Aug 27** – Village Voices Rehearsal, BSTW Liberty House, **1:30pm**

**Wednesday, Aug 28** – Resident Council Meeting, CC Rooms, **2pm**

**Wednesday, Sep 4**- Honey, Hats & Chats, Main Lobby, **10am**

**East Main Lobby Refresh** – Work in the Main Lobby began this week with the wallpaper removal and commencement of painting. Then new carpet will be installed along with new furniture as well. Broadway Bank will be relocating to the office next to the Library, and stay tuned for the expansion of the Village Store with new items. Thank you for your patience during the repairs in the Chapel Hallway and installation of new carpet.



**Coffee and Conversation with CEO** - The next gathering will be **Friday, Sep 20**, from **9-10am** in the Legacy Room. Sign-ups will be in CC1 in Sep.

**Women's Empowerment Event** - Thank you to Yolanda King and her team for an outstanding event last week. It seemed all those who attended enjoyed this informative and fun event.

**Project Report** - Maintenance has completed the installation of new hand railing by the Fitness Center, patched the hole in the driveway by the old HCC, repaired a couple of water leaks, and cleaned the air filters in the Chapel. In addition, they installed a new fence in the old HCC parking garage which should eliminate unwanted animal creatures from roaming.

**Johnston Library Transportation** – Every second and fourth Friday of the month. Bus departs at **10am** from the Main Lobby.

**Wednesday Shopping** – We depart the East Campus at **1:15pm**. Return pickup is 3:30pm.

**Aug 7** – Target; **Aug 14** – Trader Joes; **Aug 21** – Costco; **Aug 28** – Alamo Ranch

**Friday Mall Transportation** – We depart East Campus at **10:15am**. Return pickup is **2pm**. There is a \$5 per trip transportation fee for this service.

**Aug 2** – La Cantera; **Aug 9** – Ingram Mall; **Aug 16** – Wonderland Mall of the Americas; **Aug 23** – Quarry Marketplace; **Aug 30** – North Star Mall

**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 **Aug 5** – Walls, Switches, Doorplates; **Aug 12** – Door Frames/Tracks; **Aug 19** – Vanity Lights; **Aug 26** – Gaskets on Refrigerator/Dishwasher

## **PROPER TRASH DISPOSAL**

*By Dee Smith, Assistant Director of Resident Services*

I will apologize in advance as I am going to discuss some unpleasant topics:

- We are in the process of having the trash chutes cleaned. Just a friendly reminder to properly bag your trash before dropping it down the chute. Please, do not drop Styrofoam containers, liquids or animal droppings directly into the trash receptacles. It must be properly bagged. Once you release your trash into the chute it travels into a large bin in the basement. These bins are then transported to a dumpster area. Trash not properly bagged will blow out of the dumpsters and around the campus leaving an unsightly mess. Not to mention unsecured trash leaves a mess on the chute walls and creates a feeding and breeding area for bugs and odor problems.
- Remember to clean up behind your pets when taking them outside to take care of their business. This also applies to guests traveling with their pets who may be visiting with you. Bags are available at the Front Desk if needed.



- Please do not feed the birds on your balcony; your enjoyment of watching them feed creates a mess on someone else's patio.
- If you are utilizing the Recycle Bins, please rinse off any food debris before placing the container in the blue recycle bin or blue recycle bag. Glass bottles should be placed in the blue recycle bin or your blue recycle bag. Custodial will properly dispose of these items. Please do not drop them down the trash chute.

Thank you for being considerate of your fellow residents.

## SCAM ALERT

*By Shirley Clay, Resident Counselor*



**“This call is to alert you there is a problem with your credit card....or checking account.”** When you receive an automated call or voicemail like this, it sounds very official and can be scary. But it is a circulating scam. The scammers ask you to call a number and when you return the call, personal information is requested. The information can then be used to gain access to your credit card or financial accounts. If you receive a call like this, hang up immediately. Do not return calls to any numbers given by the caller. Check your accounts online, or call your financial institution directly with the number you usually use to reach them, to see if there has been any unusual activity on your accounts. Most institutions have various means to put alerts on your financial accounts if requested to watch for unusual activity. A resident recently mentioned to me scammers had tried to reach her through calling the Blue Skies front desk. Remember, the front desk will not give out your telephone number to a caller. In this situation, the front desk did take a call-back number which was given to the resident. When the resident returned the call, it was an automated message stating there was a problem with their checking account. This resident hung up immediately!! Be Aware of Scammers' Tactics! Don't let scammers win!

## VIDEOS IN PUBLIC AREAS

*By Kathie Estrada, Director Corporate Compliance*

We've had some inquiries about showing movies in public areas. Unfortunately to do so requires purchase of an umbrella license from the Motion Picture Licensing Corporation. The amount of the fee for the license outweighs the benefit to the small number of requests we receive. This applies even to videos you own or rent. The purchase or rental agreement allows only for viewing in your home. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

## DID YOU WRITE A CHECK TO THE IRS THIS YEAR?

*By Joy Woodruff, Director of Development*

One way to avoid writing that dreaded IRS check next year is to consider a charitable gift annuity (CGA) with the Air Force Villages Charitable Foundation.



In exchange for your gift of cash or appreciated stock, individuals or couples can receive a fixed, guaranteed, partially tax-free lifetime income stream in addition to immediate tax savings.

When someone considers a CGA, they generally have one of two interests. One is the lifetime fixed rate of interest. Two factors determine the interest rate: current age and whether the annuity is written for one or two beneficiaries. With two beneficiaries, the interest rate will be lower.

The other consideration is the tax deduction available in the year the annuity is established. The factor that drives this deduction is the IRS discount rate. Donors may elect the most favorable rate from the current month or either of the previous two months; the June rate is 2.8%. As an example, a couple, both 74 years of age, establish a \$25,000 annuity. They receive a 5.4% interest rate and a 2019 deduction of \$8,373. Their annual income, which is partially tax-free, is \$1,350.

The interest rate for a 74-year old individual would be 6.1% with a \$10,495.50 tax deduction and \$1,525 annual income.

Your decision to establish a CGA is a gift that keeps on giving beyond your lifetime to impact Blue Skies of Texas, your home, your friends and neighbors. If you would like additional information or a no-obligation, confidential proposal, please call the Development office at 210-568-3206.

## **NOTHING BUNDT CAKES' NEW STORE - SUPPORTING BLUE SKIES!**

*By: JoyWoodruff@blueskiestx.org, Director of Development*



As part of the opening of the new Dove Creek Nothing Bundt Cakes location, co-owners Laura González (pictured) and her husband Mariano decided to donate 20% of proceeds from sales on Friday, July 19. The result was a generous gift to the Blue Skies Charitable Fund. We truly appreciate their initiative, generosity and community spirit. Keep their delicious cakes in mind, to help you celebrate special occasions throughout the year!

## **2019 WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S – SAN ANTONIO, TX**

*By Kurt Riedel, Director of Freedom House*



**Saturday, Oct 19**

Registration: **8am**

Ceremony: **9am**

Walk: **9:30am**

It is time to put away your running shoes and pull out your casual walkers to support our goal of curing Alzheimer's Disease. We invite you to join Team Freedom House as we represent Blue Skies of Texas at this year's walk!

If you are interested, please sign up on the Alzheimer's Association website's Walk Page, or go to:

[https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2019/TX-](https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2019/TX-SanAntonioandSouthTexas?team_id=543142&pg=team&fr_id=12431)

[SanAntonioandSouthTexas?team\\_id=543142&pg=team&fr\\_id=12431](https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2019/TX-SanAntonioandSouthTexas?team_id=543142&pg=team&fr_id=12431)

Search for Team Freedom House and enter your information! Watch next month for details on transportation.

## **LEADING AGE TEXAS 2019 ARTSINSPIRE™ FINALISTS**

*By Shari Proctor, Wellness & Life Enrichment Director*

Thank you to all residents who entered the 2019 **ArtsInspire™** Contest. Blue Skies residents submitted a total of 33 entries for the written and visual arts categories. BST residents brought home 10 wins, including Best of Show. This is phenomenal, as BST competed with at least 12 other Leading Age Texas Communities across the state. Below is the list of our Blue Skies Stars and how they placed:

### **Best in Show**

Gail Coe – “Egypt”

### **Hard Crafts**

First, Ann Albert – “Waves”

Second, Mac McDonald- “Madre E Hijo”

Third, Bob Nettleship- “Shapes and Shadows”

### **Mixed Media**

First, Mac McDonald – “Western Reader”

### **Painting: Alternative**

First, Dottie Wallingford – “Blown in the Wind”

Third, Joy Heslin – “When the Sun Went Down”

### **Painting: Oil/Acrylic**

Second, Doug Frazee – “Planted Stump at Botanical Garden Portugal”

### **Painting: Watercolor**

First, Gail Coe – “Egypt”

### **Soft Crafts: Sewing**

Second, Betty Granheim – “Diptych Wall-hanging: Sunrise #1-Sunset #2”

### **Soft Crafts: Textile**

First, Karen McDonald – “Roxie and Sissy”

## **ANNIVERSARY MILESTONE OF SERVICE**

*By HR Team*

The Human Resources Team (HR) would like to thank the following employees for reaching an Anniversary Milestone of Service with Blue Skies of Texas. Thank you for serving our residents with love and care throughout the years. We appreciate you!

<b>Employee</b>	<b>Anniversary Date</b>	<b>Years of Service</b>	<b>Department</b>
Jacqueline Morales	Aug 3	1 yr	Vista (West)
Rene Sosa	Aug 6	1 yr	Resident Services (East)



Beatrice Escalante	Aug 8	5 yr	Dietary (West)
Maria T. Diaz	Aug 17	1 yr	Mission Nutritional Svs (East)
Cecilia Lopez	Aug 17	1 yr	Freedom House (West)
Marsha Lloyd	Aug 21	10 yrs	Liberty House (West)
Yukari Nitz	Aug 21	5 yrs	Resident Services (East)
Erica Salazar	Aug 22	5 yrs	The Mission (East)
Manuel Ortiz	Aug 28	10 yrs	Maintenance (East)
Sandra Calvillo	Aug 31	1 yr	Vista (West)
Rachel Williams	Aug 31	1 yr	Vista (West)
Tracy Lee	Aug 31	1 yr	Beauty Shop (West)
Araceli Mendez Delgado	Aug 31	1 yr	Resident Services (West)

## MAINTENANCE

### CATERED LIVING

*By Mercedes Cruz, Catered Living Manager*



Do you have a piece of furniture you need assembled, or something you need repaired? Catered Living can help you with repairing, assembling or moving furniture, additional cleaning, car washing, golf cart preventive maintenance, gardening, grocery shopping and much more!! We also have our laundry service for \$1.50/lb.

Let us know if you would like more information, contact us at

210-568-3285.

### PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE

*By Scott Fischman, Maintenance Director*

Thursday, Aug 1:		Thursday, Aug 8:	
<b>Hi-Rise</b>	Floors 1-2	<b>Hi-Rise</b>	Floor 3
<b>Mid-Rise</b>	Floor 1	<b>Mid-Rise</b>	Floor 2
<b>Cottages</b>		<b>Cottages</b>	1748-1750
<b>The Hills</b>		<b>The Hills</b>	
<b>Health Care</b>	AH: interior common, exterior	<b>Health Care</b>	
<b>Specials</b>	Bistro: interior, exterior	<b>Specials</b>	Hobby Shop: exterior



Thursday, Aug15:		Thursday, Aug 22:	
<b>Hi-Rise</b>	Floor 4	<b>Hi-Rise</b>	Floor 5, exterior
<b>Mid-Rise</b>	Floor 3	<b>Mid-Rise</b>	exterior
<b>Cottages</b>		<b>Cottages</b>	
<b>The Hills</b>		<b>The Hills</b>	
<b>Health Care</b>		<b>Health Care</b>	Mission: exterior
<b>Specials</b>	Maintenance Bldg: exterior	<b>Specials</b>	Vitality/Fit: exterior

**Note:** Pest Control services are accomplished four weeks per month. Thursday, Aug 29, is the fifth Thursday of the month, so no Pest Control services are scheduled.

Maintenance Work Order Submittals: Contact the Work Order Desk, 210-568-3261 or Work Order Email, [workorder@blueskiestx.org](mailto:workorder@blueskiestx.org)





## AIR FORCE VILLAGES CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

**Col and Mrs. James W. Council**

**Ms. Susan Harvey**

*in memory of Col Hubert and Mrs. Madeline Harvey*

**Estate of Mrs. Madeline R. Jacobs**

**The Myra Stafford Pryor Charitable Trust**

provided amazing charitable gifts of \$10,000 or more from June 25 – July 24.

We are also grateful to the following donors who provided generous support!

### **BLUE SKIES CHARITABLE FUND**

Lt Col and Mrs. Edward V. Albert III  
Mr. Josh Aller and Ms. Hillary Dixon  
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*in memory of Col William Goldfein*  
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Col Yale F. Trustin

### **AF WIDOWS ENDOWMENT**

Mrs. Irene L. Carson  
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## AFV CHARITABLE FOUNDATION REPORT, JUNE 25 – JULY 24 (cont'd.)

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Lt Col and Mrs. Norris S. Wynne

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### THE MISSION at Village East

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### VILLAGE WEST FUND

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Mrs. Jessie K. McKinney  
*in memory of Col William Goldfein*  
Col and Mrs. Buzz Parkhill  
Col and Mrs. Allan J. Perry  
Maj Gerald B. Stepman  
Col Yale F. Trustin



## AFV CHARITABLE FOUNDATION REPORT, JUNE 25 – JULY 24 *(cont'd.)*

### MARY O. WOLANIN ENDOWMENT

Col and Mrs. Mike Kulikowski  
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*in memory of Col William Goldfein*  
Maj and Mrs. Frederick W. Glauner  
Dr. and Mrs. Albert S. Hale, Jr.  
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Mrs. Lyn M. Henderson  
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Maj Gen and Mrs. Don Logeman  
Mrs. Geraldine E. Martin  
Mrs. Shirley Stephens Martin  
Maj and Mrs. Clyde C. McCullough, Jr.  
*in memory of Joseph McCullough  
and Clyde McCullough Sr.*

### HIGH FLIGHT CENTER FUND *(cont'd.)*

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Col and Mrs. Larry J. Runge  
Mrs. Sandy Shull  
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Col Yale F. Trustin  
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Mrs. Ann Christie  
Lt Col Kathleen and Mr. Jesse Estrada  
Col John Fucik  
Mrs. Sandra Gonzalez  
CW4 and Mrs. Carl Hallada  
Col and Mrs. Mike Kulikowski  
Maj and Mrs. Louis W. Matamoros  
Mrs. Nelle M. Pope  
Lt Col and Mrs. Bob Rutledge  
Mrs. Jane Stuart  
Capt Joseph C. Wychunas  
Lt Col and Mrs. Norris S. Wynne  
Mrs. Cynthia Yanez

**We offer a special thank you to those individuals listed below  
who donated through the Protestant Church from June 25 – July 24  
to benefit the High Flight Center:**

Maj and Mrs. Kenneth F. Andrews, Jr.  
Mrs. Kathy Bader  
Lt Col and Mrs. James M. Conner  
Dr. and Mrs. LeBaron W. Dennis  
Col and Mrs. Wayne Erwin  
CMSgt and Mrs. Michael L. Farino

Dr. Robert E. Hess  
Maj and Mrs. Clyde C. McCullough, Jr.  
Dr. Valerie Rieke  
Mrs. Sandy Shull  
Lt Col Valerie St. John



## AFV CHARITABLE FOUNDATION REPORT, JUNE 25 – JULY 24 (cont'd.)

As always, we are sincerely grateful for our anonymous donors!

Due to the deadline for this month's resident newsletters, those who have made gifts after July 24 will be recognized in the following report. Thank you!

*We make every effort to prepare a complete and accurate donor listing.  
If you detect an error, please contact the AFVCF office (568-3211) so that we can correct our records.  
Thank you.*

### RESIDENTS' CORNER

#### THANK YOU

*By Mary Goldfein*

Words cannot express my sincere appreciation for the amazing kindness that has been expressed again and again by the entire Blue Skies of Texas community to my family and me at the passing of my husband Goldie. It is still overwhelming to me. Without the support I received from family, Blue Skies staff, friends and neighbors, it would have been even more difficult. I am grateful to call Blue Skies my home, and thank you one and all for your love and support

#### NEW LARGE PRINT BOOKS PURCHASED IN JULY 2019

*By Anne Bowbeer*

Author	Book Title (hardcover except as noted)
Benjamin, Melanie	<i>Mistress of the Ritz</i>
Blake, Sarah	<i>The Guest Book</i>
Cameron, Marc	<i>Open Carry</i>
Cander, Chris	<i>The Weight of a Piano</i>
Cep, Casey	<i>Furious Hours: Murder, Fraud, and the Last Trial of Harper Lee</i> (Nonfiction, Regular Print)
Deaver, Jeffrey	<i>The Never Game</i>
Doiron, Paul	<i>Almost Midnight</i>
Hauck, Rachel	<i>The Mystery House</i>
Healey, Jane	<i>The Saturday Evening Girls Club</i>
Hilderbrand, Elin	<i>Summer of '69</i>
Hyde, Catherine Ryan	<i>Heaven Adjacent</i>
Jackson, Lisa	<i>Paranoid</i>
Koontz, Dean	<i>The Night Window</i>
Littlejohn, Emily	<i>Lost Lake</i>
Macomber, Debbie	<i>Window on the Bay</i>
McCullough, David	<i>The Pioneers</i> (Nonfiction, Regular Print)



Mukherjee, Abir	<i>A Rising Man</i>
Rose, Sarah	<i>D-Day Girls: The Spies Who Armed the Resistance, Sabotaged the Nazis, and Helped Win World War II</i> (Nonfiction)
Thayer, Nancy	<i>Surfside Sisters</i>
Thor, Brad	<i>Backlash</i> (Regular Print)
Weiner, Jennifer	<i>Mrs. Everything</i>

## RESIDENT CONCERT SERIES

By Ginny Hallager

They did it again! The Bazzani Jazz Trio upped their game again this year, their seventh appearance here at Blue Skies. Only they weren't just a trio, they were a quartet with the addition of Kristin Jackson on flute. Kristin and her husband Tyler thrilled us with two numbers in particular: "The Entertainer" with Tyler playing the banjo to Kristin's silver flute; and then Tyler played the guitar as background to Kristin on the Irish flute, made of wood with such a mellow sound. Wow! What a combination. Anthony and Dean were at their best as they gave us such a variety of composers. From Brubeck to Lennon, to Fats Domino, to Joplin, to Monk, and even Beethoven made an appearance! The audience was enthralled and showed its appreciation with a well-deserved standing ovation. Another spectacular afternoon of music brought to you by the Concert Committee and supported by you, our residents. Save the date - **Sunday, Oct 27**, Sasha and Chloe. Be there!

## SMART DRIVER COURSE

By Al Wesson



The next course at BSTW is **Friday, Aug 2, 12:30-5pm** in the Roadrunner Lounge. 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 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. Sign-up sheets are in CC1.

## SING-ALONG STRINGS UKULELE BAND

By Verna Mae Roberson

August is almost here and, as we all know, *In The Summertime* there'll be a *Heat Wave*. But, *Hot Diggity* there'll be an *Itsy Bitsy*, *Teenie*, *Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini* to take your mind off of it. So, dress for the weather and sign up for the **Saturday, Aug 10**, Sing-along at **7pm**. As always, the words and chords will be up on the screen; so bring your stringed instrument and invite your friends and house guests to do the same. If you know someone who would like to try their hand at



playing along with the band, we have a couple extra ukes there in the closet. Hope to see you there!

## ON THE AIR AGAIN!

*By Bill Overacker*



For three months the BST Radio Room was silent. The cause of this was the necessity to remove the G5RV wire antenna, located on Tower 4's roof during our new roof project, which encountered multiple complications causing delays. Many thanks to Joel Lichtenstein, Bob Stuckert and Jim Conner who accomplished the antenna's successful removal. Fortunately during this time, there were no drastic disasters requiring the implementation of radio communication. On Jun 19, Tower 4's roof was adequately restored to safely replace the radio antenna. The delight of BST's Amateur Radio Operators is displayed by the photo of Bill Overacker, Joel Lichtenstein, Walter Hock and Bob Stuckert on the air again in the Radio Room. All are invited to the next Amateur Radio Club meeting at BSTW on **Thursday, Aug 15**, at **11:30am** in Room CC1. Please contact Joel Lichtenstein for more information. 73—(Best regards in Ham language).

## VILLAGE VOICES

*By Diana Greenly*

The Village Voices, under the direction of Nancy Sowada and accompanied by Judy Hooge, are looking forward to an exciting fall and holiday season starting with rehearsal on **Tuesday, Aug 27**. Rehearsals are held each Tuesday, from **1:30-3:30pm**, at Liberty House on the 3rd floor.

BSTE singers can utilize the Village busses to attend rehearsals. New singers, who can read music or learn a part, are always welcome. The Village Voices will sing at the Veterans Day ceremonies and present Holiday Concerts on Dec 5 & 6.

## NOTES FROM THE RESIDENT COUNCIL CHAIR

*By Bruce Wilcox*

Please mark your calendar for the next Residents Council meeting **Wednesday, Aug 28**, at **2pm** in the CC Rooms. Our presentations will concentrate on past actions and planned future activities which target BST East occupancy. We will update as necessary as a result of the August BST Board Meeting.

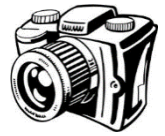
## SAVE THE DATE

*By Kathleen Andrews*

Mark your calendar for the annual Arts and Crafts Fair on **Friday, Nov 22, 10am-3 pm** in the Blue Skies West Lobby. Artisans must be residents of either Blue Skies East or West and items must be made by the residents. More information will be available in the next editions of the *Friday Flyer*.

## **ANNIVERSARY AND BIRTHDAY PHOTOS** *By Norris Wynne & Sonja Williams*

Dig out your favorite old picture for sharing with your Blue Skies neighbors. Send your photo through the front desk internal mail to Norris Wynne, Apt 709, **prior to the 27th** of the month before your Birthday or Anniversary. We will post it on the Birthday and Anniversary display in the lobby as well as on the in-house television channel. *Please write the name and the date as well as your apartment number on the back of the photo.* The original will be returned to you. Remember, the deadline is the 27th. Thank you, Norris and Sonja.



## **HOBBY SHOP**

*By Bob Knapp*



At the Hobby Shop, we repair items for residents of the Village. We do not expect to be paid for the work, but request that you make a small donation to the White Elephant as they provide the monies for our supplies. We repair lamps and small appliances, as well as repairing, painting, and refinishing furniture. We work mainly with wood, but have done some work with other materials. If we can help you with any of these items, please call us at the Hobby Shop: (210) 568-5297. We do not have regular hours each day; so please call our home numbers (see Resident Roster). Alternate contact is Tim McKinna, if you don't catch us at the Hobby Shop.

## **RELIGION**

### **EPISCOPAL SERVICES**

*By Johnna Baladez*

Please join Fr. David Archibald for services on **Wednesdays at 2pm** in the Main Chapel, and on **Wednesdays at 3pm** at The Mission in the Mockingbird Household.

### **CATHOLIC NEWS**

*By Pat Steffen*

**Catholic Mass** - is offered each **Sunday at 1:15pm**

Mass is celebrated on a rotating basis by Father Hugo and Father Armando from St. Vincent De Paul Parish.

**Holyday - Thursday, Aug 15**, is the feast of The Assumption. Mass will be celebrated in the Main Chapel at **10am**.

**BST East Blessed Sacrament Chapel** - The Chapel, Room #114, is open 24 hours a day to all residents and staff for quiet prayer and meditation. As you enter the Chapel, on top of the small cabinet to your left, there is a journal for your prayer intentions.

**Catholic Chapel Association** - If you would like to be included on our Catholic Chapel Association email list, please send your email address to the following, [steffen.pat@gmail.com](mailto:steffen.pat@gmail.com)

## **PROTESTANT CHURCH SERVICE**

*By Carol Frazier, Chapel Administrator*

**Pastor** - Pastor Kerry Haynes

**Protestant Services** - We invite you to our worship services each Sunday. We encourage you to find a spiritual home of faith here at BST East!

**The Mission Worship Service** – Held each Sunday at **9:30am** at The Mission in the Multi-purpose Room.

**Sunday Worship Service** - Held at **11am** each Sunday in the Main Chapel.

**Monthly Sunday Afternoon Bible Study** – Will resume in September.

**Pre-Service Coffee** – Will resume in September.

**Church Membership** - Interested in joining AFV I Protestant Church? If you desire to unite with Air Force Village I Protestant Church you may transfer your membership or request dual membership whereby you also retain membership in your present church. If you do not belong to a church, you may join by profession of faith. If you have belonged to a church, you may also join by reaffirmation of faith. For more information, please speak to Pastor Kerry, a Church Board Member or stop by the Chapel Office for assistance.

**Church Information** – For additional church information, such as donating flowers for a Sunday Service and Lobby display, church financial reports or a list of current Church Board Members, please see the clipboards displayed in the CC Rooms Information Center. We also have church and service information posted weekly on the In-house channel.

**Chapel Office** - The Chapel Office, located in the Executive Offices, is open for all Church business **Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9am-1pm**; Phone 210-674-3361.

## **JEWISH SERVICES INFORMATION**

Sabbath Eve Service meeting is held on **Fridays** at **4:30pm** at Lackland's Airmen Memorial Chapel.

## **SPORTS, GAMES AND SCORES**

### **BRIDGE**

*By Marilyn Carter*

Attention Bridge players! If anyone would like to join us to play Bridge, please call me. We play every **Thursday** at **1pm** in CC1. Come join us.

### **MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES NIGHT**

*By Ed Albert*

Join friends for Mexican Train Dominoes games on **Wednesdays** at **6:30pm** in the Game Room of Blue Skies East. It's easy to learn, no stress and a fun game. We





may also play other games from time to time. Equipment is furnished, and we usually finish by 9pm. Open to all residents and guests.

## **BINGO**

*By Esther Wright*

Come One! Come All! We need at least 10 players to play each week, but the more the merrier. See you **Tuesdays** at **7pm** in the CC Rooms.

