**TOWN HALL MEETING**

By Meleia Monsey, Sr. Executive Assistant

On Friday, Oct 11, our Senior Staff will hold a “Town Hall” meeting at 10am in the CC Rooms of BST East. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us.

**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.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY US NAVY**

By Fred Ryder, Chief Operations Officer

The United States Navy proudly traces its lineage all the way back to the American Revolution; on Oct 13, 1775 the United States Navy was created. We proudly salute the service and sacrifices of all who have served our Nation as members of the United States Navy. Happy Birthday!


**NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF RESIDENT SERVICES**

By Dave Zeh

**Save The Date:**

Friday, Sep 27 – Flu Vaccine Clinic, Legacy Room, 9am-12pm & 1-4pm
Monday, Sep 30 – BSTW Paving Project Begins (see information next page)
Tuesday, Oct 1 – National Night Out Annual Event, Heritage Park, 5:30-7pm
Wednesday, Oct 2 – DRAC Meeting, CC Rooms, 10am

Deadline: Wednesday, Oct 23@ Noon flyer@blueskiestx.org

Next Publication Date: Thursday, Oct 31
IN MEMORIAM
Mrs. Janet P. Pettit
passed away on
Aug 30, 2019

IN MEMORIAM
Oscar Deary
passed away on
Sep 3, 2019

IN MEMORIAM
Mrs. Iris J. Chronis
passed away on
Sep 11, 2019

Save the Date continued:
Thursday, Oct 3 – Heritage Committee Meeting, Executive Conference Room, 10am
Thursday, Oct 10 – BST East Oktoberfest, Heritage Park, 4-7pm
Friday, Oct 11 – Town Hall Meeting, CC Rooms, 10am
Monday, Oct 14 – Columbus Day (see schedule below)
Friday, Oct 25 – David Rodriguez, Gardening Presentation, BSTW Roadrunner Lounge, 10am
Special Concert, The Red Fiddler, BSTW Main Lobby, 3pm
Sunday, Oct 27 – Residents’ Concert Series, BSTW Main Lobby, 3pm
Thursday, Oct 31 – Employee Halloween Costume Contest, Legacy Room, 11am
Sunday, Nov 3 – Daylight Saving Time Ends, Turn Clocks Back One Hour

BSTW Paving Begins Monday, Sep 30!!! – For those of you who will be going to BST West or have RV’s stored there, the parking lot will be closed Monday morning as contactors will begin working in the Flag pole parking lot, milling and cleaning up. Tuesday they will pave this area and restripe. The area should be open Wednesday afternoon. Contractors will also begin work on the RV parking lot on Monday. We expect this area to reopen on Thursday. We appreciate your patience, and remember safety first!!!

Columbus Day Schedule - Monday, Oct 14, is Columbus Day and is a Federal Holiday. As such, there will not be any mail delivery. Broadway Bank will also be closed. All transportation to Wilford Hall and/or SAMMC will also be suspended as these facilities will be closed for normal appointments. There will be a complimentary shuttle for Comm/BX for BST East at 1-3pm. Medical transportation will be “as scheduled” if you have requested transportation. It is not a Blue Skies holiday so staffing will be as normal.

Maintenance Reminder – To avoid plumbing problems and clogged drains, please remember to only flush toilet paper down the toilets. Other paper products or waste materials should be discarded in the garbage, not flushed.

Broadway Bank Relocation – Broadway Bank has relocated to its new location in the Main Lobby and is open for business. Stop by and see the new office. The expansion of the Village Store will begin soon.
RESIDENT COUNCIL MEETING – The next scheduled meeting will be in late November.

Time Change - It will soon be that time of year again to “fall back” and turn your clocks back one hour for the end of Daylight Saving time. Remember to change the time before you go to bed on Saturday night Nov 2, or if you like to stay up late, the actual time to turn the clock back is 2am, Sunday, Nov 3.

Veterans Day - Please join us on Monday, Nov 11, 10am at the Portico for our annual Veterans Day celebration. This is an opportunity for the community to recognize and honor the service of our veterans. I understand this event is one of the highlights of the year here at Blue Skies East!

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.
- Oct 2 – Target; Oct 9 – Trader Joes; Oct 16 – Costco; Oct 23 – Alamo Ranch;
- Oct 30 – New Shopping Center at Potranco/1604

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.
- Oct 4 – La Cantera; Oct 11 – Ingram Mall; Oct 18 – Wonderland Mall of the Americas & North Star; Oct 25 – Quarry Marketplace

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:
- Sep 30 – Ceiling Fans & Air Vents; Oct 7 – Dust Inside Of Breaker Boxes;
- Oct 14 – Clean Ovens; Oct 21 – Walls/Switches/Door Plates;
- Oct 28 – Door Frames/Tracks

SCAM ALERT

By Shirley Clay, Resident Counselor

How to report an attempted scam – Residents often come to me with a telephone number in hand, knowing the number relates to a scam call. Many are exasperated because the call is occurring several times a day, or at odd hours throughout the evening.

- My first direction is to inform the resident not to pick up the phone when the scam number appears on the caller id or if it’s a number they don’t recognize. Scammers usually get tired and move on to make another call when they don’t get a person to answer, since obviously, there is no one to scam.
Some cell phones have mechanisms to block specific numbers, or apps that can be downloaded for that purpose. (Check with your cell phone carrier or your phone’s app store)

The Federal Trade Commission has an online website to report scam attempts. The complaint information is compiled and forwarded to law enforcement agencies for assistance in pursuing scammers. The information is also compiled to advise the public on circulating scams. The website is: https://www.ftc.gov/ then click on “File a Consumer Complaint.” On the next screen, on the left side of the screen, select “Robocalls, Unwanted Telemarketing, Text, or SPAM” to enter a complaint.

If you don’t use a computer and want to file a scam complaint, you can call 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357).

THE NIX CLINIC

By Wendy Carpenter, Chief Health Services Officer

The Nix Clinic has officially notified Blue Skies of Texas of their intent to terminate their contract and operations effective Friday, Oct 25. As many are aware, The Nix Hospital was placed on the market, for sale, earlier this year. Blue Skies has been active in pursuing alternative primary care providers for onsite clinic services to replace The Nix Clinic since the announcement of the sale.

If you are affected by the clinic closure, please contact your BST Wellness team to discuss options available; ensuring you have a plan to avoid interruption in your healthcare. Several providers are available to take over primary care with clinic operations currently in place at Blue Skies East and West.

Recruiting physicians to provide clinic services onsite is not an easy task. For the potential provider, it must be in alignment with their business plan. For some, it must be approved by their managing partners and/or business office leadership. Please be assured, BST continues to engage with a variety of possible providers, to include hospital systems and specialists, in our attempts to secure valuable onsite services for your convenience.

OSCAR DEARY

By Dee Smith, Asst. Resident Services Director

On Sep 3 our Blue Skies East cat, Oscar Deary, who resided on property for over 10 years, was laid to rest after a long battle with kidney disease and other feline health ailments. Oscar initially took up residence at the former Homewood Assisted Living facility located where our Skilled Nursing Facility, The Mission, now stands. When Homewood was demolished in preparation of the Building on Success program, Oscar made his way up the hill to befriend a longtime cottage resident, Kitty Blenis. When Ms. Kitty moved inside during Building on Success, Oscar, being the vagabond he was, traveled a few cottages down and befriended Mrs. Muriel Jones who became his caregiver and best friend until she moved inside. Mrs. Jones along with Maj Chris Johnson took care of Oscar over the years. Oscar has never been on the Blue Skies Meal Plan, and did
not qualify for Obamacare, so these ladies provided him with top-notch medical care at Marbach Road Veterinary Clinic. Due to his declining health over the years, Dr. Martin made sure these ladies knew Oscar’s dietary restrictions and the ladies provided Oscar with his High Protein Special cat food and yearly veterinary visits. You might remember seeing residents and employees sitting and waiting patiently for Oscar to grace them with his presence. His highness would slowly walk around before deciding if you were lucky enough to be allowed to pet him or gently pull his tail. Once you were deemed worthy of his attention, Oscar would trot to the bench to await your arrival.

Oscar was a feral cat and held the much sought-after position here at BSTE as our “Resident Mouser,” and unofficial “Door Greeter.” Several residents and guests would try to pick Oscar up and bring him inside; one visitor accomplished this feat much to the surprise of the Front Desk Staff. Oscar was not having any part of being an “indoor” cat and quickly scurried out the front door. Oscar adopted the last name of one of his beloved residents, Ila Deary, who spent many afternoons enjoying his company on the outdoor bench.

Our deepest condolences to all of those who got to know and love Oscar. If you are so inclined, please consider a donation in Oscar’s memory at your local Animal Shelter or Animal Rescue.

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

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-SanAntonioandSouthTexas?team_id=543142&pg=team&fr_id=12431
Search for Team Freedom House and enter your information! We look forward to walking with you!

Team Freedom House Key Reminders
The morning of walk, all participants are reminded to drink plenty of water, bring a hat, slather on plenty of sunscreen and please wear loose fitting clothing that breathes. We will have bottled water for residents and staff, and we will have a wheelchair and first aid kit on hand if needed.

Transportation Information
Deadline is Friday, Oct 11, for residents to sign-up at the Front Desk.
Bus departs Oct 19 from the Main Lobby BSTW at 7:30am and BSTE at 7:45am.
**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 Blue Skies’ residents with love and care throughout the years. We appreciate you!

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**MAINTENANCE**

**CATERED LIVING**

By Mercedes Cruz, Catered Living Manager

**Tips For Cleaning Golf Cart Windshields** - Looking to clean your windshield on your golf cart? Excellent! Remember though, since golf cart windshields are predominately made of acrylic, you cannot use regular Windex to clean these windshields. If you decide to use Windex or another ammonia based window cleaner, then it will likely damage your golf cart windshield. Acrylic glass windshields can easily be scratched from the use of harsh cleaners and scrubbers. Once damage has been done to a golf cart windshield, it is hard to undo the scratches and cloudy haze left from damaging cleaners and scrubbers.

If you have any other additional golf cart maintenance or cleaning questions, contact us at 210-568-3285. We would love to hear from you!
## PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE

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Maintenance Work Order Submittals
Work Order Desk, 210-568-3261 or Work Order Email, workorder@blueskiestx.org
AIR FORCE VILLAGES CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Estate of Col Charles A. Roberts
White Elephant at Village East

provided amazing charitable gifts of $10,000 or more from August 28 – September 24.

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

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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 September 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

ROTARY CLUB RECOGNITION  

By Bill Jacobs

On Tuesday, Sep 10, Daniel Guerrero, BSTW Dining Room Hospitality Manager, was recognized for “Service Above Self” by the Rotary Club of San Antonio West. The service organization includes a number of Blue Skies residents and used the annual visit of Rotary District Governor, John Hutcherson, to present the award. The Rotary Club meets at BSTW on Tuesdays at noon, and residents are invited to participate in its meetings.

NEW LARGE PRINT BOOKS PURCHASED IN SEPTEMBER 2019

By Anne Bowbeer

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Pictured L-R: John Hutcherson, Daniel Guerrero and Jerry Hardy.
CELEBRATION OF 229 YEARS OF HONORED SERVICE
By Jeanne McNamara, Flotilla Commander/BSTW Resident

Each year on Aug 4, the U.S. Coast Guard celebrates its birthday. This year she was 229 years young!
At Blue Skies, Flotilla 7-4, USCG Auxiliary carries on their many missions and traditions by holding an annual Coast Guard (CG) Birthday picnic. Members of the flotilla and their families met on Aug 3, at the Gazebo located on the property of BSTW for fun and fellowship. In addition, local “Coasties” from our Blue Skies Community, Mrs. Kathy Bader (wife of CAPT Ernie Bader, USCG Academy, ’57 [deceased]) and CAPT Pasquale ‘Pat’ Benigno were able to be with us along with special guest, Rear Admiral James Rendon and his wife, Felicitas (Feli). Flotilla 7-4 would now like to welcome VADM Kent Williams and his wife Geraldine – new residents of Blue Skies to our local CG family.

FISHING IN THE BSTW LAKES
By Layne Perelli

Did you know you and your guests may fish in any of the five lakes at Blues Skies West year-round? Our lakes are well stocked with good-sized Bass and plenty of scrappy Blue Gills. Come take advantage of one of Blue Skies most enjoyable attractions. The BSTW Fishing Club will be happy to provide fishing tackle, instructions and a guide to anyone new to fishing. Our Club house is co-located with the Model Hobby Shop, and we are always looking for new club members. A fishing license is not required. “Catch and release” is recommended, using barbless hooks. Species size limits are posted at the lakes.

Note, upcoming event! Fishing is a great activity for your grandkids, and we are planning a special fishing tournament with prizes for them in November (anyone fishing under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult). Stay tuned for more details. For more information or to help feed the fish, contact Layne Perelli or Russ McCarthy (see Resident Roster). Tight lines!

SMART DRIVER COURSE
By Jim Kniker

The next course at BSTW is Friday, Oct 4, 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.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE AIR FORCE PRESENTATION
By Milly Smith

On Monday, Oct 14 at 2pm in the BSTW Roadrunner Lounge, a representative from the Air Force Museum Foundation will be delighted to present information about the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force™ and its role to preserve and share our USAF heritage. Current plans include the opportunity to see reproductions of archival material not normally on display at the Museum. The National Museum of the U.S. Air Force™ is the world’s largest military aviation museum. The Museum has more than 360 aerospace vehicles and missiles amid over 19 acres of indoor exhibit space, highlighting the people and events from the Wright brothers to the Space Age and beyond.

If you plan to attend, we ask that you please RSVP to Michelle Serna in the Development Office (210-568-3290; michelleserna@blueskiestx.org) by Wednesday, Oct 9. We hope you can join us!

“NIGHT TURNED INTO DAY EVENT” By Bill Overacker

Sunday, Sep1, marked the 160th anniversary of the Carrington Event when the Earth was enveloped by an aurora borealis illuminating the night skies. This was the strongest geomagnetic storm known to have hit Earth since the 14th century. Richard Carrington, a British astronomer, viewed a huge sun spot complex from which a gigantic solar flare erupted interacting with the Earth’s magnetosphere and havoc ensued! Telegraph wire experienced increased voltage delivering shocks to its operators and igniting fires. The energy of this event is estimated at 10 billion atomic bombs! Since 1859, 19 minor geometric storms have been recorded. A solar event of this magnitude today would cause widespread electrical disruptions, black-outs and severe damage to the electric grid. Fortunately, our Space Weather Satellites monitor geometric storms and provide alerts to minimize damage. Sun spots have a marked effect on radio communication as it affects radio propagation conditions significantly. This is another interesting aspect of being an amateur radio operator. All are invited to the next BST Amateur Radio Club meeting on Thursday, Oct 17, at 11:30am, at BSTW in Room CC1. Please contact Joel Lichtenstein for more information. 73—(Best regards in Ham language).
**DRAC ANNUAL ELECTIONS**

By Doris Megonigal, DRAC Chair

The Dining Room Advisory Council’s (DRAC) annual election is scheduled for **Friday, Nov 8**, from **10am - 2pm**. Five (5) representatives will be elected by you to serve for two years.

If you are interested in running for election, a sign-up sheet and candidate cards will be available in CC1 from **Friday, Oct 18**, until **Friday, Oct 25**.

The completed candidate card must be turned into the election officer, Doris Megonigal, through internal mail at the Front Desk, no later than **Saturday, Oct 26**.

**MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA LUNCHEON**

By Jim Conner

Thursday, Oct 24, at **11 am**, Blue Skies of Texas Satellite and Alamo Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) will have a luncheon in the Sky Lounge at Blue Skies East. All members of MOAA and other interested residents are invited to attend. The guest speaker will be Maj Gen John DeGoes, Commander 59th A Medical Wing and JBSA Lackland. To make your reservation for this event, you must go to the MOAA Alamo Chapter website to sign up for the luncheon, [http://www.alamomoaa.org/](http://www.alamomoaa.org/), or call 210-288-9955. Bus transportation will be available leaving at **10:30am**.

**LSC “BREAKFAST AT TIFFANY’S” DINNER**

By Lee Wells

The Lackland Spouses Club (LSC) will be hosting a Dinner at the Gateway Club on **Thurs, Oct 24**, from **6–9 pm**. The cost of the dinner will be $25, and your spouses are encouraged to attend.

The theme will be “Breakfast at Tiffany’s.” Wear your black dress if possible. A fashion show from the Thrift Shop and a raffle by Ways & Means is sure to be fun. The menu is a sit-down dinner with a choice of London broil or chicken plate. Dessert is cheesecake with strawberry or caramel topping.

There will be a complementary bus to take us to the club. Blue Skies Members of the LSC must make your reservation to attend by signing up in the BST East or West Activity book in your respective CC Room by **noon on Monday, Oct 21**. I will check the sign-up sheets and submit your reservation at this time. No cancellations after this date. The bus will depart BSTW at **5:30pm** and BSTE at **5:45pm**. The return pickup will be 9pm. Please contact Lee Wells (see Resident Roster) if you have any questions.

**SPECIAL CONCERT COMING**

By Ginny Hallager

On **Friday, Oct 25**, at **3 pm** in the Lobby of BSTW, The Red Fiddler will be performing. Gabriel Wheaton, the grandnephew of Don and Ginny Hallager, is a young musician from Los Angeles making a U.S. Tour this fall playing in venues across the nation. Gabriel is a classically trained violinist who has put a marvelous twist to his performances by using a looper pedal, which records his previous instrumental samples and becomes the background music for his songs. He composes, plays and delights audiences with fantastic rhythms. Come, and be a part of this
new experience in the music world. For more information about this unique performer, go to “Gabriel Wheaton” on the Web to view and hear his many YouTube performances to whet your appetite.

**ATTENTION GREENTHUMBS**  
*By Jim Conner*

On **Friday, Oct 25**, at **10 am**, David Rodriguez, Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Service, will give a presentation in the BSTW Roadrunnerer Lounge on gardening and landscape plants. He will also address container plants for those of you who like to have something on your balconies. This presentation is open to anyone interested.

David has a popular Lawn and Garden show on WOAI Radio on Saturdays, 7-10am if you would like to know what type of information he can cover.

**RESIDENTS’ CONCERT SERIES**  
*By Ginny Hallager*

Here they come! Welcome back Sasha Moutouzkine and his wife, Chloe, for another afternoon of incredible music. They will be performing on **Sunday, Oct 27** at **3pm** in the Lobby of BSTW. You’ve been enthralled with their music for years, and once again they are returning “home” to bring us music that will touch us and bring us to our feet. Join your neighbors for this unforgettable opportunity to hear our own “world renowned musicians,” Sasha on piano and Chloe on the violin.

**OCTOBER GATEWAY CLUB APPRECIATION NIGHT**  
*By Ken Wells*

"Appreciation Night" will be the **last (fifth) Tuesday, Oct 29**, at the Lackland Gateway Club. It will return to the fourth Tuesday of January, April and July. Appreciation Nights not held in November or December. The cost is $12.50 for club members and $15.50 for non-members. Good food - great price. The menu features prime rib with Burgundy au jus (carved), stuffed turkey breast with champagne mushroom sauce, baked tilapia stuffed with crab meat and topped with shrimp and a white wine sauce. In addition, a build-your-own salad bar, vegetables and desserts are included in the menu. DJ LJU will be providing 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, Oct 28, at noon** to ride the bus. 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 Oct 28. 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 7pm. There is no transportation charge for this event.

**VETERANS DAY CEREMONY**  
*By Jim Conner*

On **Monday, Nov 11 at 11am** there will be a Veterans Day Ceremony at BSTW by our main flagpole.

This year’s Honoree will be Maj Gen (USAF Ret.) Abe Dreiseszun, for his participation in the first daylight bombing raid over occupied...
Europe. If you would like to honor him you can do so by making a contribution to the AF Villages Charitable Foundation. Forms for submitting your gift are available at the Front Desk, Corporate Offices or contract Jim Conner. On your gift please note it is in honor of Abe Dreiseszun. He will be presented a certificate with names of the contributors by our CEO, Darrell Jones.

Our Distinguished Guests for this Ceremony will be the residents of The Vista, Liberty House and all WWII veterans. A separate ceremony will be held at the Freedom House Lobby at 1pm for Freedom House residents.

All Blue Skies West residents and staff are encouraged to attend, and Blue Skies East residents are welcome to join us. If you are a veteran and have a uniform or any part of it that is symbolic of your service please wear it.

The first part of the ceremony will recognize our departed residents, then the Air Force National Champion Junior ROTC Drill Team from John Jay High School, will perform followed with songs by the Village Voices.

After the ceremony, please visit with our Distinguished Guests and the JROTC cadets. The cadets will be eating lunch with us in the Dining room, and we will need singles/couples to host one or two cadets. If you are interested in hosting a cadet, please call/email me (see Resident Roster).

In case of rain or cold weather the ceremony will be held in the BSTW Main Lobby.

**ATTENTION ALL ARTISANS**

The Arts and Crafts Fair will be on **Friday, Nov 22**, from **10am-3pm** in the Blue Skies West Lobby. If you wish to reserve a table, please call Kathleen Andrews for an application form (see Resident Roster). The deadline for returning a signed application is **Thursday, Oct 31**. This is an excellent opportunity for our newcomers to display and/or sell some of their creations.

**ANNIVERSARY AND BIRTHDAY PHOTOS**

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**

Blue Skies East Hobby Shop is available for use by all residents of the Village. The day-to-day management of the facility, equipment and supplies is accomplished by Volunteer Residents. Currently, Bob Knapp graciously fulfills this task for all of us. In addition, Tim McKinna, Wayne Roberts and Carl Kelley may be called upon for access to the shop, and any assistance needed for operation of equipment, location of supplies and general shop upkeep (see Resident Roster). The
shop may accept resident’s small items such as, lamps, small appliances, and craft items for repair. The shop ventilation system is limited; however, individual residents may choose to repair or refinish furniture of moderate size, but the Volunteer shop personnel will no longer accept furniture items for repair/refinishing. The shop volunteers do not expect to be paid for the work, but suggest you make a small donation to the White Elephant as they provide the finances for the shop supplies. Please call the Hobby Shop at 210-568-5297 or any of the volunteers listed above if you have an item they can help with or if you are interested in participating in the shop operation.

**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** in the Village Main Chapel. Mass is celebrated on a rotating basis by the priests from St. Vincent De Paul Parish. The pastor is Rev. Hugo Maese, M.Sp.S, and the Parochial Vicar is Rev. Gerardo Cisneros, M.Sp.S.

**BST East Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Room #114** - The Blessed Sacrament is in repose in this Chapel which is open 24 hours a day to all residents and staff for quiet prayer and meditation. On **Wednesdays at 1pm**, all are welcome to join us in the Chapel to recite the Chaplet of Mercy and the Rosary.

**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** – Bible Study will be held on the 3rd Sunday of each month, at **2pm** in the Legacy Room.

**Pre-Service Coffee** – Held on the **last Sunday** of each month at **10:15am** in the Legacy Room. Please join us for “A Cup of Joe” and fellowship!

**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.