



Treasure Lake Activities

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"The year is almost over, but bigger things are headed our way for 2018! Your Activities Department has worked hard to bring you the finest and most fun possible this year, so let's review what we did in 2017. In February, we kicked off the season with a Super Bowl Party with snacks. The game was on the big screen in the theater and there were lots of door prizes, too. Our Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance was a huge success and very well attended.

"In March, St. Patrick's Day was celebrated with a fun dinner and dance. We enjoyed the delicious pork steak, cabbage and potatoes.

"April marked the start of our Saturday night dances. *Brian Pendergrass* and *Cody Dooley* alternated every other Saturday night. Easter was celebrated with Easter Egg hunts, music, and lunch at the pavilion.

"The first week in May, we hosted the Bob Walsh Fiddlers' Convention. There was music for four days at the pavilion; and on May 6th, our first band of the year, *Heartland*, played some good old classic country music. In May, our line dance lessons resumed, along with bingo, church services and Sunday Night Gospel Concerts. Friday night dances resumed with special guests: *John Tweed*, *John Sager*, *Willie Nash*, *The Texans*, and many others. May 25th, the outdoor pool opened with a splash and the Memorial Day weekend of events took off with face painters, games, special dinners, a Super Hero Party, featured DJ's at the pool, flag ceremonies and so much more.

"June came in with special guests *Wayne Mas-sengale*, *Melody Hart*, and part of the *Grand*

Band from Grand Country. We hosted a large car show, had a Star Wars Party for the little ones, an Antless Picnic for Fathers' Day and many special entertainers for the pre-fourth of July celebration: *Terry Wayne Sanders*, *John Tweed*, *Duke Mason*, *The Ascension Quartet* and very special guest, *Miss Leona Williams* and her band.

"Wow! July 4th came in with a bang! We had a huge magic show, performances by *The Finley River Boys* and *The Missourians*, a balloon artist, cotton candy, snow cones, and a Special Princess Party contest with Princess Fiona and Shrek! There were two B-B-Q cookouts, a baked potato supper, a giant slide for the children, lots of pop and popcorn, entertainment inside and out of the Clubhouse for days on end. To top off the evening, there was a special tribute to our nation by *Brian Pendergrass*, and, of course, our awesome fireworks display-one of the largest in S.W. Missouri!

"August kicked off with a Minion Party for kids, lots of games, prizes, outdoor pool games, and our regular fun jams, entertainment, Sunday church services, rousing gospel events, and a special dinner in the Lodge.

"September saw a Comedy Show, performed by our Activities staff and Owners. It was a blast! *Brian Pendergrass* took on the personas of *Lucille Ball* and *Jerry Lewis*. Many of our Owners: *Peggy McAllister*, *Hunter Hull*, *Elaine Hughes* and several others displayed their talents! The Wood Carvers Club held their 9th Annual Show at the pavilion. There were lots of beautiful carvings to buy or just admire. There was also a B-B-Q and some great entertainment. As always, Labor Day ended the season with our outdoor pool closing. Miss Treasure Lake Pageant got underway with some of the 'ugliest women' (actually, men) you've ever seen. There was a special appearance by *Terry Wayne Sanders* as *Ada, the Hillbilly*. It was hilarious! He didn't win the competition, but everyone laughed a lot and enjoyed the silliness. A special appearance by *Southern Anthem* made our month very exciting, as they are some of the best entertainers around. A new group, *The Country Express Band*, was introduced . . . and, they were a big hit! (continued on Page 4)

Sales Update

Teresa Hughes

"I would like to thank **Rex and Glenda Martin** for all their hard work this year, doing tours and selling memberships. We sold 154 memberships, gave 212 tours and transferred 165 memberships this year.

"We are looking forward to another great year in 2018. We will be in Kansas City, Oklahoma City, and Springfield for RV shows in January, February and March. Check out Avery Auten and Larry Walker, members of the Board, at the South Texas show.

"Come by or give us a call. Don't forget the cookbooks. They make a great gift! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!"

Winterization

Leave your winterization to the pros! Beginning October 1, Treasure Lake will cover this for \$84.00, plus \$7.22 tax, a total of \$91.22!

Treasure Lake Annual Meeting

Our 35th Anniversary Grand Celebration took place October 28, 2017, 9:00 AM at the Mickey Gilley Theatre (currently Grand Shanghai Theatre), 3455 West 76.). There were about 1,000 Owners in attendance.

Our Pioneer Club, those persons, who became the very first Treasure Lake Owners (1982 and 1983), were our guests of honor. There were about twenty of these very special friends present.

Our 36th Annual Meeting will be held at the Mickey Gilley/Grand Shanghai Theatre at 9:00, October 27, 2018. See you there!

Treasure Lake's 35th Anniversary Memory and Cookbook

Our own Treasure Lake 35th Anniversary Cookbook was available at the Annual Meeting. It was a big hit, currently going into its second printing! It is available at the Front Desk, or it can be purchased and mailed to you. Contact Reservations: 417-334-1040 x1

Veteran's Wall

"Thanks for your help! The sixth Veterans Wall has been delivered to the Park, and was in place for Veteran's Day.

"Due to huge demand, we have begun taking names for a seventh wall. Each wall holds ninety-three names and at present, we have over sixty names for this one. We have a goal of finishing and installing it by Memorial Day, 2018.

"The cost for engraving is \$50.00 per listing. Call Earlene at 1-800-455-2961 x 254. I will need the name of the person being honored, the branch of service, years served, and rank."

Indoor Pool

As usual, the outdoor pool closed right after Labor Day. However, the indoor pool is open into December (weather permitting). The new heater, at a cost of \$5,000, has been installed and the temperature is a constant, balmy 84-86 degrees.

FRONT DESK

"Happy Holidays from the Front Desk staff! We have had a great year.

"Congratulations to **Mary Halsted** for receiving the Employee of the Month in October.

"Just a reminder to have your membership number and the dates you want to stay, and the type of cabin you need, when you make reservations. Be sure to have your credit card ready.

"When you are moving or doing buy-backs, it would help if you know your site number. Also, please report changes of address.

"Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!" *Teresa Hughes*, Director of Sales

Housekeeping

Update

"Happiness is not an accident, nor is it something you wish for. Happiness is something you design."
Jim Rohn

Wilma Fuller and her band of Merry Experts!

"Just some reminders about our department. We only clean units, whose Owners have checked out. We do not go into your unit to clean, while you are here, unless you request it. We have an array of items for you to use, if needed.

"Housekeeping at Treasure Lake is an awesome job. We are always looking for work campers, so don't forget us, if you're wanting to try out the program. We work as a great team and would love to have you!

"In the units, we leave an envelope

that requests that you, 'Return to Manager.' We value your comments and we would love your feedback. Please take a moment and fill it out, even if you are happy and everything was great. We do read the comments!

"Currently, we are deep cleaning our units and buildings—please excuse the mess. We will be finished by the beginning of the 2018 Season.

"We want you to have a blessed 2018. Be safe and enjoy your families!"

High Speed Fiber Optics

Our long-awaited high speed Wi-Fi is finally a reality! As an introductory special for everyone, the following are the current prices for this service:

\$59.99 - yearly

\$ 9.99 - weekly

\$24.99 - monthly

\$ 1.99 - daily

Please note: These prices will change after the introductory period. Watch for the announcement for the date.



Be a Pineapple!

*Stand tall, wear a crown,
but be sweet on the inside!*



"If you're in the luckiest 1% of humanity, you owe it to the rest of humanity to think about the other 99%"

Pet of the Month

Inasmuch as a great many campers have 'travel buddies,' with whom they travel, it has been suggested that it would be fun to select a "Pet of the Month."

If we pursue this idea, we will need a photo of your furry, scaly, or feathery pet to be submitted along with his/her name for the quarterly Newsletter. Send all entries to carol@tlresort.com or to the Park.

Photos: (Left) Ed McClure with his birthday cake; (Right) Retia Lance and Joanie Jones ready for Halloween.



South Texas Reunion (continued)

The Annual Winter Texans - South Texas Reunion Event

Our annual event will be held Wednesday, January 31, 2018, at Victoria Palms Resort Restaurant, Donna, Texas, from 11:30 AM - 3:30 PM. Tickets are \$17.00 per person. Reservations and **payment must be received by January 19, 2018.** No payments will be taken at the door.

Doors open at 11:30 AM, lunch will be served at noon. There will be door prizes, a 50/50 drawing, and entertainment.*

Please call in your reservation, so we can provide confirmation of receiving your mailed check. Cash payments may be delivered to our Rio Grande Valley residence after December 1, 2017. No credit

cards, please!

Point of Contact:

Leonard and Deb Fulk
816-590-2350.

% Alamo Rec-Veh Park, Lot #22A, 1320 West Frontage Road, Alamo, TX 78516

**Please note: Event may be subject to change, due to unforeseen circumstances.*

Ticket Office Info

Don't forget: We are the only location, aside from their own Box Office, where one can buy season passes for Grand Country. The cost is comparable. Stop by and get ready for the 2018 season.

We have great prices on the Christmas and New Year's Eve and Day shows, which will begin November 1st. If we can help you with anything, please contact us at 332-2560 or 334-1040 x257.

Rock 'n Roll Café

"Rock 'n Roll has come to the end of another highly successful season . . . Thanks to all our fans! We regret having to shut down a little early this year, but many of our work campers left to go south for the winter, and we did not have the help to be able to stay open.

"I will be looking for work campers in the Café next season. If you are interested, please contact me @ 417-527-0381. I do need my people to commit to the full season, as we are open April through November. Please contact me so I can explain more about the jobs. I would also like to have some feedback from you, regarding your likes and dislikes in the Café. If you have any suggestions on things you would like to see changed or items you would like on the menu, please email me @barb@tlresort.com, and I will review your suggestions.

"I would like to wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season from all of us at the Rock 'n Roll Café. Thank you again for a successful season. We look forward to serving you in the spring of 2018."

Barb McConnell, Dir. Rock 'n Roll Café



"The season for the Lodge breakfasts has ended. Saying "Thank You," isn't enough for all the wonderful help we received from so many volunteers. You are greatly appreciated!

"If you are looking for something to do next season, volunteer at the Lodge. We cook every Saturday and Sunday morning, Memorial Day until the Sunday after the Annual Meeting (in 2018, 10/27).

"You can contact me, Jeannie, at hijones66@gmail.com or call: 402-616-1560: Joanie, call: 402-350-9526. We're always needing volunteers and we have a good time doing it! Have a healthy, happy winter, and a blessed Christmas."

Jeannie and Joanie Jones, Breakfast Coordinators

ANNUAL DUES—2018

Our 2018 Annual Dues notices will be mailed in January. They will be due **June 1, 2018**, but are payable at any time prior to August 1, 2018. After August 1, there will be a past due fee of \$20.00 added each month the account remains unpaid.

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Wilma Fuller, Housekeeping Director, 417-263-1107
Sheri French, Admin. Assistant/Permanent Storage, 417-334-1040 x 259
Earlene Stiles, Admin. Assistant/Collections, 417-334-1040 x 254

(continued from Page 1) "They will return in 2018! *Pastor Pudge & Sister Sludge*, variety singers and comedians rounded out our month with a great show. Our department suffered a tragic loss with the passing of Richard McConnell, who worked in the game room for years. He was the husband of our beloved Barb, who is the Rock 'n Roll manager. He is sorely missed.

"October brought a special appearance of the *Gold Wing Express*. The boys and pops came by for a concert and, as usual, it was amazing! This group is currently performing several times a day at Dixie Stampede for their pre-show. Your Activities department performed another fun show, featuring staff and our talented Owners. The Grand Ole Opry Show showcased many of the country music stars, who have passed away and many, who are living legends. The show was a huge success, thanks to everyone, who makes these shows possible.

"Our Annual Meeting was held at the Mickey Gilley Theater this year. There was great music and special entertainment by *The Acrobats of Shanghai*, along with tons of door prizes. Many of our employees received special recognition for their particularly outstanding work (see their names, following). As always, the Annual Meeting Weekend featured the Annual Board Cookout, the Halloween Costume Contest, special entertainers like *Red Allen*, *The Abundance Quartet*, *The Texans*, and three nights of the Haunted Halloween Trail. This year, there were 393 'brave' riders! Gather your courage and join us next Halloween!

"The largest Veteran's Parade in the U.S. was held in downtown Branson November 11th. Treasure Lake proudly entered two floats this year. As a guest of honor, Treasure Lake Owner, Pete Dye, one of the few remaining WWII veterans, was given much-deserved recognition. That evening, a special dinner was held in the clubhouse with entertainment, a delicious meal, door prizes and some heartfelt tributes for our vets and their loved ones. Thanksgiving was observed on November 18th and our Christmas Dinner was enjoyed on December 16th. Brian Pendergrass shared his considerable talents with traditional Christmas songs to make the celebration complete.

"Thank you for your continued support of your Activities department. God Bless and join us for an even more enjoyable and fun 2018!" *Becky Phillips*, Activities Director

WINTER WELCOME CENTER HOURS

We are open Monday through Sunday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

TREASURE LAKE AFFILIATIONS

Treasure Lake is affiliated with Tri-Lakes/Branson Chamber of Commerce/CVB, National Association of RV Parks & Campgrounds, Missouri Association of RV Parks & Campgrounds, Coast to Coast, RPI, Coach Owners Association, and Family Motor Coach Association.

Special Employees/Work Campers/Volunteers for 2016-2017

Employees of the Month

November: **Gloria Harbaugh**—Housekeeping

December: **William ‘Brad’ Price**—Park Operations

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February: **Michelle Pomeroy**—Security

March: **Teresa Hughes**—Director of Sales, F.D./Reservations

April: **Barbara McConnell**—Rock ‘n Roll Manager

May: **Rex & Glenda Martin**—Sales/Tours

June: **Wilma Fuller**—Director of Housekeeping

July: **J.C. Comstock**—Security

August: **Montey Anglen**—Park Operations

September: **Caleb Miller**—Housekeeping

October: **Mary Halsted**—Reservations

Employees of the Year

Brad Price & Jerry Evans

Work Campers of the Month

January: **James Whitten**—Game Room

February: **Suzan Wallis**—Housekeeping

March: **James & Naomi Coleman**—Grounds

April: **Jeannie Jones**—Food Service

May: **Joanie Jones**—Food Service

June: **Rhonda Hull**—Activities

July: **Dennis Walls**—Security

August: **Linda Edwards**—Security

September: **Mark Wade**—Park Operations

October: **Pat & Larry Davis**—Memorials/Grounds

Work Campers of the Year

Rhonda Hull & Dennis Walls

Volunteer of the Year

Gary Hull

Employees — Five Years of Service

Tom Smith—Director of Security

Tammy Stouffer—Front Desk/Reservations

Gloria Harbaugh—Housekeeping

Michael Hayden—Front Desk/Reservations

Les Parish—Guard Shack Greeter

Seven Steps to a Great 2018

1. *Write a thank you note.* Once per month, send a *handwritten* note to someone, who has shown you a kindness. It will make you feel good and will mean a lot to that person, too.
2. *Make a list of all the things for which you are grateful.* Remember to include all the small things, which make for a more optimistic outlook. Surprisingly, the small things mean a lot.
3. *Be honest.* Be honest, but don’t destroy yourself with criticism. There is a difference between not lying to yourself and going overboard with self-evaluation.
4. *Seek to be happy, not constantly finding fault.* Happiness doesn’t just happen. It’s a state of mind.
5. *Get rid of clutter in your life.* Physical clutter creates mental clutter.
6. *Let go of unhealthy relationships.* We all have at least one unhealthy relationship. Mentally and *actually* cut that tie.
7. *After careful consideration, make necessary changes!*

A Look Back at 2017!



Below: Hunter Hull at Halloween; Top Left/Above/Right: Christmas lights; Top right: Buck on Park in autumn;; Bottom right: Newly arranged wall in our Library in the Lodge.

