

The GOLDEN GAZETTE



Treasure of the Hills Senior Center

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TIME TO VOTE

by Mae Duncan



It's election time at TOTH! You do not have to watch TV campaign ads, listen to debates or even register to vote. The only requirement is TOTH membership. Be sure to attend the Meet and Greet Event and get to know the candidates prior to the election. **The Meet and Greet Event will be at the Center on October 3rd at 3 pm along with a free ice cream social!**

Proxy Request forms are available from the Director. A proxy Letter is used to notify the Director in writing of a member's anticipated absence from the Center during the period of early voting and the Annual Business Meeting. The written notification includes the name of the person designated to vote as proxy for you as an absent member. Please take care of this if you know you are not going to be available to vote in person. The deadline for submission of a **Proxy Letter is Monday, October 3rd, 3:00 pm**

Early voting will also be an option. Members may pick up a ballot at the Center and cast their ballot at that time or take it home and mail it in. In an emergency, a member may call the Center and designate another member to pick up a ballot for them. The ballot may be completed and mailed to the Center. **Early voting is Monday through Friday, October 10 – 14, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.**

ALL BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE CENTER BY NOON ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 17TH IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED IN THE ELECTION. NO BALLOTS WILL BE MAILED TO MEMBERS.

The votes will be counted by the Teller Committee and announced as soon as they have completed the vote tally during the **Annual Business Meeting/covered Dish Luncheon on October 17.**

Remember, your vote counts and there is no Electoral College. Just vote before noon on October 17, the votes are counted and it is a done deal! I have not heard of any planned victory party but who knows, if you hear something, please let me know because I don't want to miss a party!

BRIDGE LESSONS

by Ken Birdwell

I will begin a new bridge class on Friday, October 14, from 10:00 am to noon and each Friday thereafter. The classes are for beginner bridge players to intermediate players who need a refresher on the basics. As the class progresses, they will spend the second half of the class in supervised play. The class is free, but the materials are \$10. There will be a sign-up sheet in the reception area. Please sign up so I will know how many to expect.

“BRUNCH and LEARN”

On October 24th at 10:00 am the professionals at Cook-Walden Funeral Homes & Cemeteries will be conducting a fast-paced “brunch and learn” program, which educates people on the benefits of pre-planning. The mood will be light with door prizes and complimentary refreshments. There is a sign-up sheet in the reception area – sign-up now. It’s free.

SALAD/SOUP DAY

by Frank Mignoli

September was the last month for Salad Day until next year. Twenty-four members plus the salad makers enjoyed refreshing salads. Sue Witovec and Marci Gully made different pasta salads but both were delicious. Jan Clark, who recently joined the Senior Center, made an outstanding “Layered Chicken Mexican Salad”. Panera furnished the homemade bread and Naida Williams provided the miniature cupcakes for dessert.

Mike Davison was under the weather and the announcement of no sing-a-long was greeted with a mingling of groans.

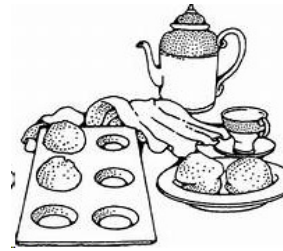
October 12th, the second Wednesday of the month will kick-off Soup Day. Yours truly will be making the soup which will be Homemade Tomato Soup or Italian Wedding Soup or maybe I’ll make both. Come and join us for Soup Day and find out. We’ll have our usual bread provided by Panera with dessert, lemonade and ice tea. All this plus music and songs by Mike and Frank assisting in the sing-a-long all for only \$4. Don’t forget to sign up!

GAME DAY

There will no Monday meetings and/or activities on October 10th due to the **Duplicate Bridge Game Day**. The Reception area will be open for voting.

BREAKFAST

by Bill Van Osten



Come enjoy a Ghoulish Halloween Breakfast on October 22nd at 9 AM. The menu includes: eggs, bacon, french toast, sausage, biscuits and gravy, fruit, cinnamon rolls, and, of course, something new. All you can eat for \$5 (now that’s a deal!!!!)

MOVIETIME

by Joan Parker

“The Four Seasons”

Through winter, spring, summer and fall . . . somehow these friends have survived them all.

In this heartfelt comedy about three 40-something couples who frequently vacation together, life’s ups and downs take their toll. Their perfect dynamic is forever changed when one friend leaves his wife for a much younger woman. The lines are drawn when they are forced to take sides regarding the new couple, reminding us that friendship is like the seasons – forever changing.

Join us on Saturday, October 8th, at 2:00 pm. It’s FREE, just bring a snack to share.

LEARNING IN THE LIBRARY

We are planning to schedule some informational sessions on topics you would like to learn more about. Some possibilities are help with Apple or Android smartphones, personal computers, etc. We invite your suggestions and will offer these workshops in the TOTH library. You can either write your suggestion on the list posted on the bulletin board outside the kitchen, or call TOTH and ask the receptionist to add your subject. We’ll keep you updated on these as they are scheduled.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE OCTOBER, 2016

SENIOR EXPO A GREAT SUCCESS!

Saturday, September 17th. What a great day. For the second consecutive year with the Cedar Park Recreation Center as our venue, over 400 attendees and vendor representatives visited or manned 47 booths, and more than 60 received flu shots from HEB.

Most of the vendors rated the event as excellent or good. The vast majority will probably participate again and said the attendance was better than they expected. No one thought it was worse.

Thanks to all of our volunteers who helped set-up the hall the day before the event and then put every table and chair back in storage after the Expo closed. Thank you to those who managed the registration and raffle tickets. You all made the event run smoothly.

Over 20 high school student volunteers from the PALS club did a tremendous job in helping vendors bring in their materials as we set up in the morning, assisting with door prizes and surveys during the Expo, then helping the vendors return their things to their cars after the event closed, and then helped break down the hall. They are outstanding young people, and deserve our thanks and appreciation.

Thanks to our sponsors, the City of Cedar Park and Seniorific News. Their promotion of the event helped get the word out.

Blast emails from our friends at Senior Circle were sent to all their members,

A very hard-working, blue-ribbon Committee made the Expo a tremendous success:

Vice President Peter Klein served as Chair, and received outstanding support from his wife, Cindy, Dian and Jim Gardner, Carolyn and Roger Patrick, Nancy Nunn, Naida Williams, Becky Jensen, Peg

Fiehtner, Dennis Domanski and Stan DeRocher. They all deserve credit for going above and beyond, Thanks to them for a fantastic job.

And thanks to YOU, our members for turning out in record numbers to make it a very successful Senior Info Expo. You made it happen.

“The best place to find a helping hand is at the end of your own arm.” Swedish proverb

Mike

CANDIDATES FOR 2017

by Mae Duncan

The Nominating Committee submits the following candidates for the election of the 2017 Board of Directors:

President - Mike Davison
Vice President - Dennis Domanski
Treasurer - Dick Planck
Secretary - Naida Williams

Candidates for the Board vacancies include:

Peg Fiehtner
Jim Gardner
Bill Van Osten

There are 2 three-year term Board positions and 1 two-year term. Candidates will be assigned in accordance with the ballot count.

TREASURER'S REPORT

by Dick Planck

Our income for August was \$5,322.34 and expenses were \$3,381.32. Net income was \$1,941.02. Major sources of income were: Senior Expo - \$3,545.00 and rental revenue -\$1,300.00. Major expenses were: Managing Director - \$1,000, Kitchen/Housekeeping - \$430.27, Special event expenses - \$298.76. Utilities - 295.14, Janitorial - \$285.00.

Our investments increased in value by \$856.78.

Donations for the Homeless

by Carolyn Patrick

I belong to the Austin Humanists at Work, who give away toiletries and other items to Austin's homeless community every month. The list of the needed items changes every month, but below is a list of often-needed items. If you would like to donate to the effort, please contact me at 512-578-5216 or bring your donation to TOTH, where I will collect the items.

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| First aid kits | Women's socks |
| Nail clippers | Razors |
| Lotion | Notepads |
| Insect repellent | Toilet paper |
| Body wipes | Hand sanitizer |
| Men's underwear | Men's socks |
| Sunscreen | Shampoo |
| Conditioner | Toothbrushes & covers |
| Dental floss/floss picks | Emergency blankets |
| Toothpaste | Women's underwear |
| Tissues | Lip balm |
| Soap & body wash | Pens |
| Cotton balls & Q-tips | Hair elastics |
| Deodorant | Combs & brushes |

CRAFTS

Please note that after October crafts will no longer meet at the Center.

ROMEO AND JULIET

by Jayne Van Osten

This month, we are going to go back to Gino's Italian Restaurant, located on Cypress Creek Road. Join us for friendship, fun and food on October 11th at 5 PM. Don't forget to sign up for reservation purposes. Due to Daylight Saving Time, November's outing will move to a late lunch at 1 PM to accommodate driving issues until Spring. Hopefully, this will allow more to join our group. Consider joining this friendly group.

BLUE DIAMONDS

by Mary Riordon

The Blue Diamonds will be having their next meeting on Thursday, October 13th at 2:00 pm in the TOTH library. We will be discussing our plans for the Thanksgiving luncheon when the Blue Diamonds will be the hostesses. On Monday, October 24, 2016 we will be lunching at Das Salsas (on 1431) at 1:00 pm. We chose to avoid the last Monday of the month because the 31st is Halloween. All TOTH ladies are invited. Please sign-up if you plan to attend - if you need to cancel please call early to let Helen Jaqua know. In August, 9 signed-up and only 4 attended - is it a memory problem??

Wear Blue!!

from the DIRECTOR'S DESK

In 1994 when I was working for Texaco Chemical in Houston, we had an outside company in for some specialized help. A group of us usually brought our lunch and ate in the breakroom. One day a lady from the outside company came in and sat all by herself to eat. We were the only people in the breakroom so I asked her to join us. From that day on we have been like sisters. We have been through the "thick and thin" of life experiences and remain close to this very day. When we meet new people and they ask how we met, she will always tell this story. It meant so much to her to be included!

Please don't let people sit alone at our functions. We are a "family" at TOTH. Be sure they are included. It gets very comfortable to be with your friends, however, you might be passing up an opportunity to extend kindness to someone that really needs it.

Until next month *Sue*

Hosting the October 17th Covered Dish Luncheon will be the RECEPTIONISTS. Thank you in advance.

BOARD ACTION

by Naida Williams

What a busy, important time for all TOTH members in the next three months of this year!

On October 3rd we will have a “Meet and Greet” the candidates at TOTH. We want all of you to know the people who will be making decisions for making TOTH the best Senior Center in our area!

On October 10 voting begins. If you will be out-of-town at that time, you can appoint a proxy to vote for the candidates you choose. Contact the Director before Oct 3 for details.

Remember, also, to exercise your duty and vote in our national election on November 8th.

If you have interests or concerns that can affect your life as a senior – such as Fraud Seniors Need to be Aware of – computer info – ways we might need to get a better nights’ sleep, etc. – check the sign-up sheets posted on the long board when you enter TOTH, or add your own concerns.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to these new members of TOTH! Let’s remember that at Treasure of the Hills, every member is a “Treasure”.

Geneva “Genny” Canion
Felissa “Fez” Lashley
Perry Joe Maner
Carol Von Rosenberg
Linda Wrigley



MEMORIALS

A gift has been made to the Memorial Endowment Fund in memory of **Dolores Nelson** from Naida Williams.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

These blushing brides and handsome grooms will be celebrating their wedding anniversary in October:

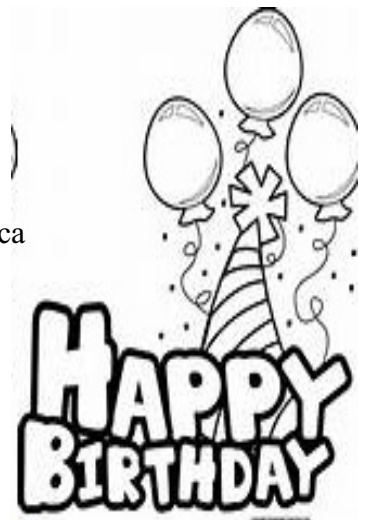
Art and Gisela Barajas - 10/18
Doug and Pat Thomas - 10/26
Mike and Vicky Van Osten - 10/09
Jim and Gerri West - 10/26
Harvey and Janice Wohlwend - 10/04



BIRTHDAYS

Celebrating a birthday in October are these TOTH members:

2nd - Jan Clark
3rd - Carol Kitto
4th - Betty Kraft
5th - Harvey Wohlwend
6th - Larry Hagler
8th - Lois Carlson
9th - Jim Repass
9th - Bill Van Osten
10th - Marti Miller
14th - Jean Hinkle
14th - Bill Kitto
18th - Mary Ann Pachoca
19th - Myra Burke
19th - Joe Langston
19th - Brenda Searcy
20th - Bea Harper
21st - Travis Johnson
22nd - Bob Peterson
22nd - Nilla Wotkyns
25th - Maria Endacott
27th - Gaynell Doehne
27th - Minnie Montefusco
27th - Joan Parker
27th - Louis Witte
29th - Gene Miller
30th - Lorraine Mundt





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MEET AND GREET THE CANDIDATES ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 3RD AT OUR ANNUAL FREE ICE CREAM SOCIAL						1
2	3 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 10:00 Ref. Brdg. ✓ 1:00 Bingo 2:00 History Class 3:00 Meet/Greet & Ice Cream Social 6:15 Dup Bridge ✓	4 9:00 Canasta & More 9:30 Dup. Bridge. ✓ 10:00 Rubber Bridge ✓ 1:00 Exec. Cmt 1:00 Cribbage 1:30 Poker	5 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 9:45 Canasta Plus 6:00 Rubber Bridge ✓	6 10:00 Rubber Bridge ✓ 10:30 Mahjongg	7 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 10:30 Bingo Noon Pinochle 1:00 Dup. Bridge ✓	8 2:00 Movie "The Four Seasons" 7:00 pm Saturday Bridge ✓
9	10 10:00 GAME DAY ✓	11 9:00 Canasta & More 10:00 Rubber Bridge ✓ 10:00 BOD Mtg 1:30 Poker 5:00 Romeo & Juliet	12 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 9:45 Canasta Plus Noon Soup Day*** 6:00 Rubber Bridge ✓	13 10:00 Rubber Bridge ✓ 10:00 Cribbage 10:30 Mahjongg 2:00 Blue Dia. Mtg. 2:00 "42" 6:00 Crafts ✓	14 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 10:00 Beginning Bridge ✓ 10:30 Bingo Noon Pinochle 1:00 Dup. Bridge ✓	15
16	17 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 10:00 Ref. Brdg. ✓ 11:30 Covered Dish 1:00 Bingo 2:00 History class 6:15 Dup. Bridge ✓	18 9:00 Canasta & More 9:30 Dup. Bridge ✓ 10:00 Rubber Bridge ✓ 1:00 Cribbage 1:30 Poker	19 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 9:45 Canasta Plus 6:00 Rubber Bridge ✓	20 10:00 Rubber Bridge ✓ 10:30 Mahjongg 2:00 "42"	21 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 9:30 Dup. Brdg. ✓ 10 Beg. Bridge. ✓ 10:30 Bingo Noon Pinochle 1:00 Dup. Bridge ✓	22 9:00 Breakfast***
23	24 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 10 Brunch /Learn. 10:00 Ref. Brdg 1:00 Blue Diamond Lunch*** 1:00 Bingo 2:00 History class 6:15 Dup. Bridge ✓	25 9:00 Canasta & More 10:00 Rubber Bridge ✓ 1:00 Cribbage 1:30 Poker	26 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 9:45 Canasta Plus 6:00 Rubber Bridge ✓	27 10:00 Rubber Bridge ✓ 10:30 Mahjongg 2:00 "42" 6:00 Crafts ✓	28 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 10 Beg. Bridge. ✓ 10:30 Bingo Noon Pinochle 1:00 Dup. Bridge ✓	29
30	31 8:30 Sit 'n Fit 10:00 Ref. Brdg ✓ 1:00 Bingo 2:00 History Class 6:15 Dup. Bridge ✓ <i>Halloween</i>	VOTE Monday, October 10th thru Friday, October 14th 9 am to 3 pm and Monday, October 17th, 9 am to Noon				

✓ - You must sign up for this activity

*** - Reservation required