

*** *For What It's Worth* ***



Janice Nelson, Editor

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Editor's Comments

“BABY, IT’S COLD OUTSIDE!” And there seems to be no relief in sight, so please stay safe and warm in your homes. Nothing like winter at Alpine Lake. At least we are not experiencing the weather pattern like Erie, PA! I want to personally give a warm thank you to Sheila Amato and Ann Isenock for not only organizing the yearly Christmas Eve dinner at the Boathouse, but for also cooking all the delicious entrees to feed 50 people. This has become a tradition here at Alpine and is a special evening for me and my husband to share with friends who have become family to us. Again, thank you Sheila and Ann for all the hard work and preparation you do every year to make Christmas Eve so enjoyable. Please be sure to read the article from Marketing which has important information regarding trash pickup, the front desk/Lakers Lounge schedule, and more. Bernie and Birgit Stock handed in their last POC report for 2017 and what a year it was!!! Thanks, Bernie and Birgit for all you do for this community! And last, but not least, Clay Rice, our GM, is starting something new at Alpine. Every third Thursday of the month he will be holding an Open Forum for property owners to discuss concerns and suggestions to better our resort. Read more about it in this issue. That’s about it for now. Stay warm, stay safe, and I hope to see you around the Lake....and have a HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR!

The next FWIW will be issued on Friday, January 12th. Please email all articles to me, Janice Nelson, at mamaj11@yahoo.com.

JANUARY CELEBRATIONS

Happy, happy birthday to Trish Birch on the 4th and to Herman Mason and Mac Dobeck on the 5th! Donna Bowers celebrates her special day on the 9th. Warm wishes go out to Charlotte Wiles on the 14th and also to Joyce Wachter and Teddi Cox who celebrate their day on the 17th. Happy Birthday to Michael Maddox on the 21st and Honesty Buczek on the 22nd. Judy Sutton and Peggy Rogers celebrate their special day on the 24th! Happy Birthday to all you January babies!

REMINDER: TERRA ALTA FOOD BANK

There is an ongoing need to replenish supplies at our local food bank so please add your donations to help this worthy cause. There is a box inside the front foyer of the Lodge for your convenience.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM MARKETING by *Michael McGovern*

Preston Sanitation has posted that garbage will be picked up on Saturday, December 30th instead of January 1st.

The Laker's Lounge will be closing at 8pm on December 31st. The regular menu will be available throughout the day. The Evergreene room will open at 9pm for the NYE bash. Tickets are \$25 per person and are available at the Front Desk or can be purchased at the door.

On New Year's Day, the Laker's Lounge will be serving Breakfast from 7am -12 noon. It will close at noon to observe the Holiday.

Alpine Lake Calendar's will be available at the Front Desk on Tuesday, January 2nd. One free copy per household. Additional copies are available for \$2 each.

OWNER OPEN FORUM

The General Manager, Clay Rice, will host an Open Owner Forum on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 10 to 11am. The Open Forum will give owners a chance to meet with the GM to discuss suggestions and concerns that will improve the Alpine Community. The Open Forum is **NOT** a workshop to address a personal item. It will be an information session to review what is taking place within the community. Clay is looking forward to meeting and sharing information that will be useful for the whole resort.

ALPUC NEWS by *Kim Mayne, General Manager*

Hoping everyone had a blessed Christmas and are looking forward to the New Year! December statements are going out today (12-29-2017) and are estimated bills due to inclement weather when meter readings were due. This estimation is based on a 12 month average usage, so please do not be alarmed if you have usage showing but did not actually use water during the time frame of 11-15 through 12-15. Again, it is an estimation which is necessary for the system to render the billing. Please contact our office if you have any questions or need further assistance.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER by *Tom Kinsey*

As most of you know, I've been working on a video as a fund raiser for a scholarship in memory of a friend of mine who was killed in Vietnam. Finally, I finished that video. It features Sammi Roller (Merrie Lee's daughter) and Dave Long performing "Amazing Grace" in the background of a slide show. Please check out the video (enjoy the music)...please contribute...and, **most importantly, please share the link with others...email...Facebook...Twitter...word of mouth.** Thank you for taking the time to watch the video! gofundme.com/SaxonScholarship

MOVIE AND DINNER NIGHT by *Norleen Hoadley*

The first movie of 2018 will be held on Monday, January 8th at 5pm at the Boathouse featuring the recent release, **Logan Lucky**, starring Channing Tatum and Daniel Craig. Trying to reverse a family curse, West Virginia brothers Jimmy (Channing Tatum) and Clyde Logan (Adam Driver) set out to execute an elaborate robbery during the legendary Coca-Cola 600 race at the Charlotte Motor Speedway. This Dinner and a Movie is hosted by Pat and John Laing. They will provide a ham and would like a "West Virginia" cuisine theme. Sign-up sheet will be at the Lodge. (This is a change of date as previously noted because John said you will be home in time to watch the College Football National Championship game!)

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION COMMITTEE by Boris Nazaroff

2018 Board of Directors Positions

Two (2) ALPOA Board of Directors positions will be up for re-election on Saturday, June 23, 2018 at the annual meeting. Any interested Alpine Lake property owner in good standing* is eligible to run for one of these positions. Each position entails a term of three (3) years. All interested candidates are encouraged to contact me in any of three ways:

1. Via Mail: Boris Nazaroff, Chair, Nominations & Elections Committee, 700 W. Alpine Dr., Terra Alta, WV 26764
2. Via Telephone: (571) 926-6388
3. Via E-Mail: bnazaroff@gmail.com

Please remember that the deadline for submission of your intention to be a ALPOA Board of Director candidate is 5pm, Thursday, March 15, 2018. If you have any questions regarding the nominations process, please feel free to contact me as indicated above.

* (Good Standing means ((a)) association dues are up-to-date and ((b)) have not been declared to be in violation of restrictive covenants of ALPOA.)

PROPERTY OWNERS COMMITTEE by Bernie & Birgit Stock

This is our last report for 2017. The POC Christmas Dinner/Dance, held on 12/9, turned out nicely with fifty-five P.O.'s in attendance. Good food and music for all.

The Employees Holiday Party on 12/17 also went well, with Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus along with Frosty and Rudolph entertaining the children (and some adults, too). In addition to a nice meal, gift cards (Walmart) were given to seasonal, part-time and full-time employees. Thanks to ALPOA for supplying the meat and beverages and to our PO's for supplying all the appetizers, sides, desserts and help. Again, thanks to all who contributed in any way to make these events successful. Generous donors gave \$1400 to supplement the cost. Blessings....

The POC paid for a log splitter to help supply wood for the maintenance building (and Boathouse, too), saving ALPOA heating and labor costs.

It was a good year the POC. With the help of many volunteers (well over 150), we were able to raise thousands of dollars for community projects and needs. In the process, many good times were had, many friendships were formed, and a bond between our community and those outside of it was strengthened. LET'S KEEP IT GOING IN THE NEW YEAR. SEE YOU ALL FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE AT THE LODGE. DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR DANCING SHOES....

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE by Sally Rocchi

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations on Wednesday, January 3rd. Please meet at the Lodge at 10am. If we are having bad weather, or if it is as cold as it has been this week, we will only be taking down the decorations in the Lodge. The outside projects will wait for better weather.

NEW YEARS DAY POLAR PLUNGE by Jim Hoadley

All ye hearty souls who wish to get 2018 off with a splash—please join us at Alpine Lake beach at Noon on New Year’s Day for the Annual Alpine Lake Polar Plunge. Come early to be sure that you get your spot at the front of the line!

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING by Jim Hoadley

We will be collecting Christmas trees again this year to be placed in the lake. The submerged Christmas trees provide cover for the small fish on which are sports fish feed on. Adding structures in the lake for the feeder fish to breed and live in will increase their populations, which in turn should improve fishing in the lake. When you are done with your tree, please drop it off at the boat ramp next to the boat storage area. If you need help in getting your tree down to the lake, please leave a note at the Lodge. Also, we are in need of concrete blocks to weigh down the trees. If you have any concrete blocks you would like to get rid of, give Jim Hoadley a call at (304) 789-6600.

NATIVE TREES FOR SPRING PLANTING by Jim Hoadley

I will be purchasing native tree seedlings for planting this coming spring. As of now, there are two species ordered: *American Chestnut* and *Canaan Fir*. There are 100 seedlings of each species. My plan is to sell one-half of the seedlings and plant the other half in Alpine Lake common areas. The price of the seedlings for sale will include a surcharge sufficient to cover the cost of the trees planted in common areas. The trees will be 2 year old seedlings; relatively small plants (making for easy planting!). If interested, please call me at (304) 789-6600.

FREE CLASSIFIED ADS – “A Service for our Community”

WINE AVAILABLE: Have more than I need Premium red and white wines. Call Pat at (304) 789-6520. (12-15)

WANTED: Cross-country skis, boots & poles. Sizes; Men 11 or 12; Women 9, 10 or 11. Also, if anyone has snowshoes they want to sell. Call Pam @ (443) 904-7100 or email; pgough106@gmail.com. (12-1)

FOR SALE: 2003 Chrysler Sebring Convertible; Good to Very Good condition; 74,000 original miles; \$3700 OBO. Phone: (304) 789-5972. (11-10)

FOR SALE: 12' 3-person v-bottom jon boat w/oars, new 12V marine battery (never used), deep cell HD battery charger, electric trolling motor, 2 adult life jackets, 2 child life jackets, factory made t-shaped anchors, 20' extension aluminum ladder, Shop-Mate collapsible multi-clamp table, Black & Decker chop saw. Please call (301) 663-8217 for info. (11-10)

Tax Services: Dorinda Kisner, CPA, and staff providing professional services for individuals, businesses, estates and trusts. Tax planning, compliance, estimated payments, consulting and accounting services locally in Terra Alta. Contact us at (304) 789-6082 or email at questions@kisnercpa.com.

Insurance: Carrie See Insurance is located on Alpine Lake Road. We love working with Alpine residents, the homes are so beautiful and well maintained! We offer great rates on homeowners and automobile insurance, annuities and investments, life insurance, and business operations coverage. Give us a call for a free quote! (304) 789-5585 or email us at carrieseinsurance@gmail.com.

Watch Batteries: Batteries available for most watches – \$1 installed for most or under \$1 if you install it yourself. Contact John Laing (304) 789-6120.

Pet Sitting & House Checks. Call Kay Bayer (304) 789-2111

ALPINE LAKE LODGE HOURS

FRONT DESK

Monday - Friday: 7am-3pm
Saturday: 7am-5pm
Sunday: 7am-3pm

FITNESS CENTER

OPEN DAILY from 5am – 11pm

POOL

OPEN DAILY from 5am – 11pm

PRO SHOP

CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

DATES TO REMEMBER (*A handy summary of dates to put on your calendar now*)

Please note that the following events occur **weekly** on the day and time noted:

Mondays 10am - 3pm – **Sew Together** – Rhododendron Room
Mon., Wed., Fri 8:30am-9:30am – **Power Aerobics** – Lodge
Tues. & Thurs. 8am-9am **Water Aerobics** - Pool
Wed. 10am – **Needlework Club** - Rhododendron Room
6 -7pm - **Jammers** – Rhododendron Room (except the first Wed. of each month)
7pm – **Property Owners Game Night**, Boathouse
Thursdays 10am – 12pm – **BRILLE WORKSHOP** – Rhododendron Room
6pm – **SHUFFLEBOARD** – Lounge

Note: Dump Open: Tues/Thurs 7am – 4pm & Saturdays 7am-4pm

T.A. Recycling Plant Open: Tues/Thurs 8am-4pm, and Saturdays 8am ‘til Noon

Also – monthly events:

3rd Monday of each month – 7pm – **Terra Alta Civic Club** – TA Ambulance Hall
2nd Sunday of each month – 7am – 1pm – **Kingwood VFD Breakfast**
3rd Saturday of each month – 9am – **ALPUC Board Meeting** (meets March, June’s annual mtg., Sept., Nov.)
1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month: 7pm- **East Preston Lions Club Meeting**
First Tuesday meeting is held at Shorthorns
Third Tuesday meeting is in the Rhododendron Room

ALPOA BOARD WORKSHOP – January 20th at 9am

COMING EVENTS (Please put on your calendar now – don’t miss a thing – watch for more details):

Sun., Dec. 31st -	9pm - ?	New Year’s Eve Bash – Dining Room – Lodge
Mon., Jan. 1st -	12 noon	New Year’s Day Polar Plunge – Alpine Lake Beach
Wed., Jan 3rd -	10am	“De-decorate” the Lodge
Mon., Jan. 8th -	5pm	Movie & Dinner Night @ Boathouse

Midnight Buffett is included with the Admission Price for the New Years Eve Celebration, along with Champagne Toast at Midnight and Hats and Noise Makers

Pulled Pork

Mashed Potato’s

Seasoned Sauerkraut

Sausage Gravy with Biscuits

Seasoned Home Fried Potatoes

Muffins and Assorted Danish

Coffee

TIRESWING ENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS

2018

NYE BASH

Storm Creek Rising

Formally Guilty Pleasure Band



SUNDAY DEC. 31ST

DOORS OPEN AT 9:00 PM - \$25.00 PER PERSON
HOTEL ROOMS \$50.00

*Appetizers available during the event!
Limited menu available from 4PM-8PM*