

For What It's Worth



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Editor's Comments

The premier event at Alpine is officially upon us...OKTOBERFEST! It takes much planning and preparation by many volunteers to make OKTOBERFEST possible, but its success is measured only by YOU, the participant. So, bring your family and friends to the Boathouse on Saturday, September 16th starting at noon and enjoy a few hours of great food, beer and wonderfully delicious home-made desserts. And let's not forget the OOMPAH BAND! Also, if you have a hankering for a great breakfast the following morning, mosey on down to the Boathouse around 8am and the men of Alpine, who are the official chefs, will delight your taste buds. Fall and winter activities are trickling in as summer becomes but only a memory. Believe it or not, our first Dinner and a Movie Night is next month. For all you golfers, STROKERS will now take place at 3pm instead of 4pm. Enjoy the cool weather and hope to see you at OKTOBERFEST. Until next time. . . .

The next FWIW will be issued on Friday, September 29th. Please email all articles to me, Janice Nelson, at mamaj11@yahoo.com.

FROM TONY AMATO

Tomorrow I will be leaving for a one month field service aboard the hospital ship m/v Africa Mercy stationed in Douala, Cameroon, West Africa. Before I leave I just wanted to publicly thank all those Alpine residents who unselfishly donated towards my expenses and/or offered words of support and encouragement. Your help and support is greatly appreciated. Support from friends and loved ones back home is vital to the success of our mission. I know I speak for all crew members when I say how very much we appreciate your love and support. Together we can bring world class, life-saving and life-altering surgery to the world's poorest of the poor.

I have a group (69 and counting) of Crew Mates whom I engage in my daily duties on board ship and try to give the feeling of living and working besides me via email journals. If anyone would like to join my Mates, please send me your email to aamatojr@frontier.com so I can add you to my group. There is no cost and no obligation to answer. You can, of course, answer or ask questions and I will do my best to write back.

If anyone would be so inclined to donate towards my expenses, you can do so via the following website: <https://mercyships-us.donorpages.com/crewmates/AnthonyAmato/>

Thank you all so very much. I look forward to seeing you mid-October.

CALL FOR READERS AND VOLUNTEERS at TAEP SCHOOL by Robin White

Readers are needed again this year at Terra Alta East Preston School for the "I Read" program. If you are interested in being a reader, please give Robin White a call at (304) 933-2244. We are in the process of matching readers and teachers/classes, and also setting up a date for a short orientation session.

If reading isn't your cup of tea, volunteers are also needed for the library. Tasks include helping students check out books, shelving books, and cataloging new books. Scheduling is very flexible.

In addition, early morning volunteers are needed to assist with directing traffic through the school parking lot as students are dropped off. The time commitment is from 6:45-7:30 a.m. This is an important job which helps keep our kids safe and prevents traffic from backing up on the highway.

The more volunteers we have, the more we can rotate weeks on duty and the less time commitment for everyone.

Hope to hear from lots of folks willing to volunteer with some of these requests. Thanks!

ALPINE LAKE LEARNING PROGRAM by Norleen Hoadley

Workshop: Culinary Creativity with Chef Chris

Class limited to 12 participants

Tuesday, September 19th, 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Boathouse

Chef Chris from Alpine Lake Lodge will demonstrate the preparation of a meal to delight your palate! On the menu will be Caramelized Scallops with a cilantro and lime beurre blanc, paired with a delicious risotto and a decadent crème brulee finale.

Instructor's Background: Chris Harvey started his career at Silver Tree Inn in Deep Creek Lake. He studied classic French cuisine under Chef Jacques Hortual for five years before attending Pennsylvania Culinary Institute. He has worked in Columbus, Ohio, Pittsburgh, PA and Charleston, WV before returning to Garrett County this year.

Fee: \$12 to be collected *one week prior to the class* for supplies and honorarium.

(Pre-payment and checks can be made to Michele Hall or Norleen Hoadley by the 12th. "ALP" in memo line)

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT by Norleen Hoadley

The first Dinner & a Movie will be Monday, October 9th at 5:00pm at the Boathouse. *The Big Year* stars Jack Black, Steve Martin & Owen Wilson is "a comedy to crow about!" per Pete Hammond, *Boxoffice Magazine*. Three amateur bird watchers are on a quest to spot the highest number of species in a single calendar year. How about a bird theme dinner? Chicken, grains, fruits? Whatever you want to bring is perfect!

REMINDER: CIVIC CLUB OF TERRA ALTA by Charlotte Wiles

The Civic Club of Terra Alta is always looking for new members. Our main goal is to make Terra Alta a better place to live. If you would care to join us in our endeavors, and would like to know more about what we do, please join us on the third Monday of each month at the T.A. Ambulance building at 7pm. We do not meet in January, February or March. We need YOU!!! Call Charlotte Wiles for more information at (304) 789-6371.

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.

MOUNTAIN HOLLY by Jim Hoadley



If you have noticed an understory tree with bright red berries in the woods around Alpine Lake, it is the MOUNTAIN HOLLY (*Ilex montana*). This small tree is closely related to the more common holly with glossy, evergreen leaves (the Christmas decoration kind). However, the Mountain Holly is deciduous, that is its leaves fall off in the fall. The habitat for Mountain Holly is moist woods in the mountains. This is the first year that I have seen the Alpine Lake Mountain Holly fruit. The tree in the picture is along the Seven Bridges Trail. If you would like directions to where to find one of these trees, please contact me.

ALPINE LAKE DOG PARK by Bev Serpone

The DOG PARK is nearing completion. We planned to have the gates up yesterday, but had some technical difficulties.....the first aluminum gate we tried to install broke. One of the corner welds broke apart before it was completely installed. The gates were returned and will be replaced with stronger wooden gates.

There is still some detail work to attend to; bring in some dirt to fill in several small channels in the park, especially under the fence; order the signs that state the DOG PARK rules and contributors, etc. Also, a large rectangular shade-tarp was donated; however, installation may be postponed until the spring.

We still hope to have the DOG PARK ready to use this month.

REMINDER: INFORMATION COMMITTEE by Charlotte Wiles

The committee is soliciting good quality pictures for the 2018 calendar. Please email your pictures to Charlotte Wiles at wileschar@frontier.com. We hope to have the calendar available by November.

A revision to the Alpine Lake Telephone Book will be out in September. Any additions, deletions or changes should be emailed to vjs_njs3179@frontier.com

PROPERTY OWNERS COMMITTEE by *Bernie & Birgit Stock*

OKTOBERFEST WEEKEND IS HERE! We are ready to enjoy a great day (rain or shine) at the Boathouse. Over seventy golfers will start the day on the course while many others will be back in the kitchen preparing the food to start serving at NOON! Thanks, again, to all who contributed their time and baked goods. I think it's a GO!

Enjoy the food, beverages, music, hayrides, vendors, games etc. throughout the day, and if you are among the many volunteers, don't forget your time to work. (Schedule on the window to the right of the kitchen door.)

The OKTOBERFEST BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED FROM 8AM To 11AM SUNDAY AT THE BOATHOUSE. PLEASE COME and enjoy the WORKS prepared by the MEN OF ALPINE! It's great food and only \$9 for adults/\$4 for children 12 & under.

There will be **NO CARRY-IN PICNIC IN SEPTEMBER** DUE TO OKTOBERFEST HANGOVER and the upcoming BUCKWHEAT FESTIVAL (9/27-10/1) when the world comes to Preston County.

WEEKLY GOLF EVENTS by *Skip Creamer*

Race to the Lake – FINAL 2017

Ken Reel	152	Jack Keim	22
Skip Creamer	151	Steve Steffan	22
Barry Krewson	126	Dan August	18
Carl Donald	84	Bill Felix	18
Keith DeWitt	71	Bernie Stock	16
Fuzzy Corum	66	Howard Witte	13
Gary Horsey	63	Rich Finsterbusch	12
Bill Beck	62	Jim Cox	12
Lough Cosner	59	Clark Sharpless	12
Gary Cox	44	Dave Gilpin	4
Chip Sturm	42		
Jerry Edins	40		
Dave Gallagher	35	Treasure Chest	190

SENIOR MEN'S GOLF

Ken Reel capped off an explosive two weeks earning 36 points in the last two weeks to take the league title and top honors in the *Race to the Lake*. Finishing second, with just one point behind, was Skip Creamer. The top six finishers won prizes, while Chip Sturm won a random draw of all the golfers with at least fifteen points but not in the top six.

STROKERS - August 28th

So strong was the desire to play that fourteen folks of all sizes and shapes showed up tonight in less than ideal conditions. They cheerfully teed off and played only the odd number holes in chilly, breezy conditions. After play the Lodge was warm, the food hot and everyone had such a good time no one was in a rush to leave.

Play will continue as long as Mother Nature allows. Beginning Sept. 18th, show up at 3pm, play begins at 3:30pm. Have a bit to eat that usually begins at 6:30pm. All are welcome.

The question for the free dinner was: Linda Ronstadt had an uncle named Lloyd Copeland. What did he develop in 1953? Answer: The microwave oven. There was no winner.

1st Place

Skip & Dottie Creamer
Chip & Cindy Sturm
Boyd Weiss

2nd Place

Bernie & Birgit Stock
Bob & Peggy Caudry
Rich Finsterbusch

GOLF NEWS & INFORMATION *by Tom Hawkins*

The Golf Shop will be curtailing its operational hours starting September 18th. The shop will now open at 8am and close at 6pm. Please adjust your golfing needs and habits to the new time frame.

Along with the shorter hours it will be necessary to start limiting the starting times for 18 hole and 9 hole rounds. It is very difficult to have players on the course in the dark and then have the cart personnel working in the dark to clean and secure them. Keeping this in mind, you should try to start your 18 hole round no later than 2:30pm and 9 hole rounds should be started by 4pm. This will enable you to play at a good pace and allow the Player Team to do its job when you return.

For future reference keep this handy.....

SHOP HOURS Open 8am Close 6pm
Start 18 holes...2:30pm
Start 9 holes....4:00pm

CALL FOR TEE TIMES (304) 789-2481 ext 4

The new CHAMPIONS for 2017 have been added to the appropriate plaques in the Golf Shop...Stop in and give a look...you too can add your name...just PRACTICE and PLAY!

The Member Scramble, Senior Men's League, and ALLGO are all still on the Tee Sheet. They are still going out to play. Why not join them and still play some great golf as the Fall Season is with us now? You will have a lot of WINTER to sit at home and vegetate until SPRING is BACK!

The END OF THE SEASON GOLF SALE is going on. Stop in for great savings on golf merchandise. Special discounts for the Golf Memberships as well as the ALPOA Members and the Public, too. We have golf apparel, rain suits, rain pants, some wind shirts as well as wind jerseys for men and women. SAVE NOW! Ask our experienced staff to help you decide.

“STAY and PLAY “Golf Packages are now being offered by Alpine Lake Golf Course and the Alpine Lake Hotel. Do you have friends that might like to come and enjoy some time away...stay in the hotel and play golf?

Call us or stop in the Golf Shop and inquire about the new GOLF PACKAGES for weekdays or weekends.

AN UPDATE FROM THE BOARD by Barb Conway, President

ROAD CLOSING! On September 18th, Alpine Drive will be closed from Baneberry Lane (just beyond the Lodge) to Rhododendron Drive (at the right turn on Alpine toward the Boathouse). All traffic should use alternative routes to avoid this area, which will mean using East Alpine Drive to exit our community. Please allow additional travel time to account for this detour.

Weather conditions will impact the completion time for this project but Alpine Drive should reopen in one to two weeks. We regret any inconvenience to our property owners, but to achieve state compliance, modifications to the section of Alpine Drive bordering the dam must be made.

Thank you to all property owners who supported the Evergreene Dining Room and Lakers Lounge this spring and summer. We have collected sales data over the summer, and combined it with data from past years to adjust our operations accordingly. Therefore, with fall just around the corner, starting on Monday, September 18th, our hours of operation will be reduced, following the schedule below:

Lakers Lounge, open from 4pm until 9pm, Monday - Thursday
Lakers Lounge, open from 4pm until 10pm, Friday
Lakers Lounge, open from 12 Noon until 10pm, Saturday
Lakers Lounge, open from 12 Noon until 9pm, Sunday
Evergreene Room, open from 7am until 9pm Friday, Saturday
Evergreene Room, open from 7am until 2pm Sunday

There are a number of events scheduled which may modify this timeline of operations. As an example, if a WVU football game starts at noon, the Lounge will open at 11:30am. Lounge closing times may also be modified based on established guidelines. Thank you again for your support.

ALPUC by Kim Mayne, General Manager

We are already seeing the benefits of the new line replacement on Woodbine. On Labor Day weekend our automated system alerted us that we were losing water from the Davis Tank. We immediately called the staff in to work; all hands on deck!

We quickly located the leak and because of the valves placed along the new line this allowed our staff to isolate the leak affecting only customers on two streets. Service was restored to all other customers in just over an hour. This isn't always the case as the location of the break will dictate the customers affected.

The Woodbine Project took several years of planning and preparation. It has already proven to be extremely helpful in the event of a water main leak. Whenever we can lessen the impact of a leak on our customers, it's a big win for all. We thank our customers who were without water until the afternoon for their patience and understanding.

We cannot predict when we will have a main water line break. When it happens, please keep a few things in mind.

- a. It is always our goal to have your service back on as soon as possible.
- b. We will communicate updates to those affected, including boil water advisories.
- c. Ensure your email addresses and telephone contact information is up to date.
- d. Please check our website at www.alpuc.com as this is our official form of communication.
- e. Lastly, we ask for your patience, while our staff assesses the situation and repairs the leak as quickly as possible.

FREE CLASSIFIED ADS – “A Service for our Community”

MOVING SALE: 237 Aster Circle, Alpine Lake Resort, September 22nd. & 23rd. 8am-4pm both days.

WANTED: Wanted; Legacy smart phone loaded with Android version 4.3, that I could use off line 'Voice to Text.' Please email haltecf@frontier.com (9-15)

FOR SALE: Bought too much, 1/2 inch OSB 2 pieces 24 inches by 8 feet both pieces \$16.00. Call (304) 789-6520 (9-15)

FOR SALE: File Cabinet Tan Metal, 15" wide, 18" deep, 52" high, 4 draws. Okay condition. Only \$10 Call Allan at (304) 789-2290. (9-15)

Fire Wood for Sale: Seasoned hard wood delivered and stacked, \$70 a load, 8 ft. truck bed. Call Joe at (304) 789-6838 (9-15)

NEEDED: Does anyone have experience selling items on eBay? Please call Allan at (304) 789-2290. (9-1)

SITTER NEEDED: Hello everyone! It's Heather from the water office! I am expecting a little girl in October and by mid-November I will be in need of a full-time babysitter so that I can return to work. I typically work Monday thru Friday from 8am to 4pm. I would only need someone to watch my little one during those hours, no weekends, no holidays and, of course, days that I take off I would not need a sitter. Please call me at (304) 698-2952 if you would be willing to help me out and we can discuss pay and questions you may have. Thank you all so much in advance for your consideration! (9-1)

WANTED SEWING MACHINE - Does anyone here have a simple sewing machine that just sews forwards and backwards, and zig-zags, and does not have a bunch of fancy stitches I'll never use? I need it mostly for mending and making cat blankets for my cat shelter. I don't sew new clothing, I just mend them. Please call me, Lorrie MacArgle, at (304) 789-6710 if you have an older model machine you are not using. I will pay a reasonable price for a good working machine. (8-18)

Yard Work Services: “Have Truck Will Travel” – mowing, weed eating, lots cleared, power washing, painting & staining, gutters cleaned. Call Joe Heath or Joe Heath, Jr. at (304) 789-6838 (8/4)

Items for Sale: Table-top band saw on dedicated stand with portable shop vac - low priced at \$25, Weber Propane Grill in good working condition - low priced at \$50. Old Town Fiberglass Canoe Wood interior 12 x 3.6 ft. “Still Water” model extra stable with 2 paddles, 2 life vests and removable wheels for easy transport - low-priced at \$350. Contact Allan Melmed (304) 789-2290 (8/4)

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 carriesinsurance@gmail.com.

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.

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

Effective 9/18

FRONT DESK

Sunday – Thursday: 8am – 4pm

Friday & Saturday: 8am – 7pm

FITNESS CENTER

OPEN DAILY from 5am – 11pm

POOL

OPEN DAILY from 5am-11pm

RESTAURANT

7am – 9pm Friday & Saturday

7am – 2pm Sunday

LAKERS LOUNGE

4pm- 9pm Monday-Thursday

4pm- 10pm Friday

Noon – 10pm Saturday

Noon – 9pm Sunday

PRO SHOP

OPEN DAILY from 8am – 6pm (weather permitting)

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** – Boathouse

3pm - **STROKERS**

Tuesdays 7pm – **Bocce Ball** – Bocce Ball Court

Mon., Wed., Fri 8:30am-9:30am – **Power Aerobics** – Lodge

Tues. & Thurs. 8am-9am **Water Aerobics** - Pool

Wed. 10am – **Needlework Club** - Rhododendron Room

Tennis – Tennis Courts

6 -7pm - **Jammers** – Rhododendron Room (except the first Wed. of each month)

7pm – **Property Owners Game Night**, Boathouse

Thursdays 8:30am – **ALLGO** – 9am tee-off

Friday 6pm- **Open Mic** – Mt. Laurel Room – Lodge (1st Fri. of each month thru Sept.)

Saturday 9am – **Pickle Ball** – instruction and play @ the Tennis Courts

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 MEETING – September 23rd at 10am

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

Sat., Sept. 16th -

8am - **GOLF SCRAMBLE**

12pm - **OKTOBERFEST**

Sun., Sept. 17th -

8am-11am - **OKTOBERFEST BREAKFAST @ Boathouse**

Mon., Sept. 18th-

3pm - **STROKERS**

Tues., Sept. 19th -

2pm-4pm - **Culinary Creativity with Chef Chris – Boathouse**

10am - **Recreation Board** meeting at the lodge

Fri., Sept. 22nd -

12pm-5pm – **Blood Mobile – TA Ambulance Hall**

Wed., Sept. 27th -

9:30am – **Alpine Learning Program** wrap-up mtg. – Rhododendron Rm.

Thurs., Oct. 5th -

10am-12pm – **Braille Workshop** resumes in Rhododendron Room

Mon., Oct. 9th -

5pm – **Movie Night** - Boathouse