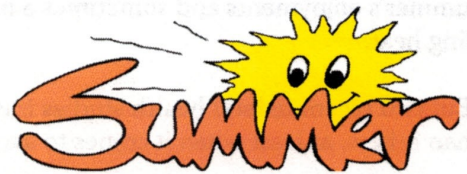


As day turned to night, Saturday, June 30th, the glow started. The Nekkid Parrot became dispensary of all things glowing—eye glasses, bracelets, necklaces, etc. which kept the pool glowing as Matt Cline Band entertained the crowd.

The biggest surprise of the evening was when our beloved Rodney M strapped on a guitar (thanks to Larry S.'s strap and one of Matt Clines guitars) and played 4 crowd favorites. When we thought he headed back home Rod appeared again and played 3 more songs, with the last one being his own patriotic salute to America, "Only One U.S.A."



Eddy G
Paul L
Bruce & Melanie S



Eely Road is "slowly" progressing.

It may take some time however, the crew consists of 1 man!!

70th Annual McDade Watermelon Festival

By Larry S

The McDade Watermelon Festival and I share the same birth year; but, clearly, the Watermelon Festival is in much better shape! What a great day it was for watermelons, cold beer, good food, hot cars, live music, horseshoes, washers, eclectic shopping, kids games, seed spittin' and lots of fun.

With an outstanding group of volunteers from Star Ranch, we sold ice cold beer all day long. It was a little warm, but we had coolers full of ice to keep us chilled. Many sincere thanks to all the Sahnoans who came out to help. We could not do it without you.

The food concession also works so well due to the labor of Sahnoan volunteers. Hamburgers, fresh BBQ and all the fixin's were provided at a nominal cost. With Dave and Mary M. doing all the shopping and the McDade ISD providing volunteers as well, the food concession once again was a big success.

Did I mention this was the 70th Anniversary of this small-town get-together? This year the car show exceeded the space available to it – cars were actually turned away for lack of space. One visitor said it was the best car show he had seen, and he's seen a lot of them.

The live music was terrific, as usual. The Shop Dawgs are a great band and play toe-tapping, foot-stomping country and classic rock music that everyone enjoys listening and dancing to. We've tried to recruit them to play for us at the Ranch, but so far they've been a bit reluctant. We'll keep trying!

If you haven't been to the Watermelon Festival, put it on your calendar for next year. It's always the second Saturday in July. You won't regret it. I guarantee it!



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Why do I have to shower before getting into the Pool?

By Larry S

One of the most frequently violated rules at Star Ranch is the rule that requires us all to shower before we get in the outdoor pool, indoor pool or hot tub. Visitors and members alike are observed entering the water -- unshowered -- on a regular basis.

A recent article in the *Austin American-Statesman* entitled, "Pools, Hot Tubs More Likely Than Lakes to Make You Sick, Studies Find", explains the "why" of why we have to shower. I'll quote from the article:

"Taking a cool, refreshing dip in a lake or swimming pool is one of summer's enjoyments and sometimes a necessary escape from the stifling heat.

"But two recent federal health studies found that some water is better than others, at least when it comes to avoiding waterborne illnesses.

"Of 633 outbreaks nationwide caused by bacteria, viruses or other things floating around, nearly 80 percent of them were traced to water that was treated with chlorine or other chemicals in swimming pools, hot tubs or wading pools. Most illnesses cause intestinal problems and diarrhea.

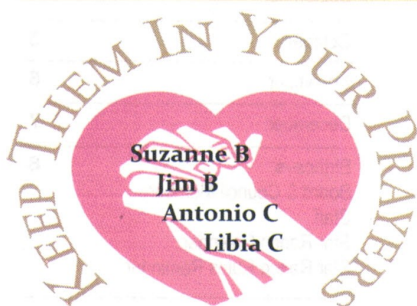
"It really is a communal bathtub. You are sharing water and germs in it with everybody else that is in there."

"The chlorine and other chemicals help neutralize some things, but many outbreaks have been caused by *Cryptosporidium*, a tiny parasite that can survive in chlorinated water up to seven days.

"The source of the problem is human fecal matter. While an accident made by an infant is the nightmare scenario, even the most fastidious adults can be the source if they do not shower before entering the pool.

"We can make a lot of people sick if we don't take precautions."

So, there you have it. At Star Ranch, we have rules to protect our members and visitors. This is one of them. Yes, it's a pain sometimes. No, we don't want anyone to get sick. Please shower. Every time. Oh, and if you're thinking otherwise... yes, this means you, too. Thank you.



Another night of music!

July 7th was Karaoke Night at the Nekkid Parrot. Thanks go out to Roy F for hosting this event.

Labor Day Schedule

Sept 1—3

Saturday:

8:30—10 AM	Breakfast
9 AM	Petanque
1 PM	Water Volleyball
2 PM	Snacks at Pool
	bring some to share!
3 PM	Washers
6 PM	Dinner
8 PM	Dance

Sunday:

8:30—10 AM	Breakfast
9 AM	Petanque
1 PM	Water Volleyball
2 PM	Snacks at Pool
	bring some to share!
6 PM	Dinner
8 PM	Music at the Pool

Monday:

8:30—10 AM	Breakfast
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FILM FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Friday Sept 21:

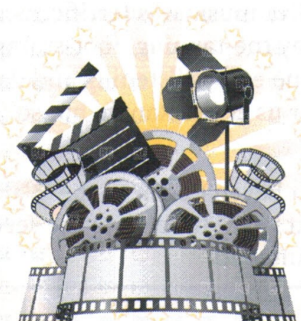
- 4:00 PM Reception and music at outdoor pool
- 8:00 PM Screening Spoken Word and Search Engines
- 10:00 PM Music by the Pool

Saturday Sept 22:

- 8:30 AM Breakfast
- 10:00 AM Short Film (40 minutes) Tara Hall
- 1:30 PM Sci Fi and Foreign Films (2 hours with short break)
- 6:00 PM Music by the Pool
- 9:00 PM Nudist Films (by the Pool)
- 11:45 PM Adults only Films in Tara Hall

Sunday Sept 23

- 8:30 AM Breakfast
- 9:45 AM Awards Announcement at end of Breakfast



August 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 8:30–10 am Breakfast 11 am Poker Run 1 pm Water Volleyball 2 pm Snacks at Pool—Bring snacks to share Music at the Pool
5 8:30–10 am Breakfast	6	7	8 6 PM Pot-luck Music with Phil & Phriends	9	10	11 8:30–10 am Breakfast 10 am Cash Petanque—\$25 Buy-in 2 pm Snacks at Pool—Bring snacks to share Decorate cooler contest Music at the Pool Cool the Pool!! (use bags of ice only)
12 8:30–10 am Breakfast	13 Left Hander's Day!	14	15	16	17 6 pm Birth-day Dinner <i>Luigi's</i> in Elgin on Main Street	18 8:30–10 am Breakfast 10 am Board Mtg 2 pm Snacks at Pool—Bring snacks to share 2:30 pm Mexican Bingo Music at the Pool
19 8:30–10 am Breakfast 10 am Council Mtg	20	21 Senior Citizen's Day	22	23	24	25 8:30–10 am Breakfast 11 am Washers—\$5 Buy-in 2 pm Snacks at Pool—Bring snacks to share Music at the Pool
26 8:30–10 am Breakfast National Dog Day	27	28	29	30	31	

September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8:30—10 AM Breakfast Labor Day Schedule on Page 2
2 8:30—10 AM Breakfast	3 Labor Day	4	5	6	7	8 8:30—10 AM Breakfast
9 8:30—10 AM Breakfast	10	11	12 6 PM Potluck with Music by Phil & Friends	13	14 6 PM Birthday Dinner TBD	15 Anniversary Weekend 8:30—10 AM Breakfast 10 AM Board Mtg Naked Race—Time to be Determined
16 8:30—10 AM Breakfast 10 AM—	17	18	19	20	21 Film Festival Schedule on Page 2	22 8:30—10 AM Breakfast
23 8:30—10 AM Breakfast	24	25	26	27	28	29 8:30—10 AM Breakfast
30 8:30—10 AM Breakfast						

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
					8:30—10 AM Break-fast	
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8:30—10 AM Break-fast				6 PM Birth-day Dinner TBD	8:30—10 AM Break-fast 10 AM Board Mtg	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
8:30—10 AM Break-fast 10 AM Council Mtg					8:30—10 AM Break-fast Halloween Party	
28	29	30	31			
8:30—10 AM Break-fast						

NOVEMBER 2018

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6 PM Potluck &
Music with Phil
& Phriends

6 PM Birthday
Dinner TBD

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Breakfast

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1 PM Thanks-
giving Dinner
in Tara Hall

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Breakfast

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Breakfast

December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8:30–10 AM Breakfast
2 8:30–10 AM Breakfast	3	4	5	6	7	8 8:30–10 AM Breakfast
9 8:30–10 AM Breakfast	10	11	12 6 PM Potluck with Music by Phil and Phriends	13	14	15 8:30–10 AM Breakfast 10 AM Board Mtg
16 8:30–10 AM Breakfast	17	18	19	20	21 6 PM Birthday Dinner TBD	22 8:30–10 AM Breakfast
23 8:30–10 AM Breakfast	24 Office Closed at Noon	25 OFFICE CLOSED 1 PM Christmas Potluck	26	27	28	29 8:30–10 AM Breakfast
30 8:30–10 AM Breakfast	31 OFFICE CLOSED at Noon Progressive Dinner New Years Eve Dance					

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August	September	October	November	December
Bruce D 8/1	Jordan S 9/1	Luke T 10/2	Diane H 11/1	Russell N 12/5
Cat P 8/1	Belinda A 9/4	Jeanie O 10/6	Russell S 11/1	Benny B 12/6
Gary H 8/2	Mike McC 9/5	Cody H 10/7	Judy L 11/2	Bruce S 12/7
Carrie J 8/2	Paul O 9/5	Bill G 10/8	Carolyn M 11/10	JT T 12/8
Henry F 8/3	Kurt D 9/5	Lottie H 10/14	Lynn D 11/12	Terry P 12/12
Tim H 8/5	Crystal W 9/6	Greg S 10/17	Caleb L 11/13	Heather N 12/12
Joe R 8/6	Peggy L 9/6	Ehtel M 10/19	Gary B 11/13	Jean M 12/15
Jennifer M 8/7	Jennifer H 9/6	Heather K 10/19	Elena S 11/14	Libia C 12/16
Eddy G 8/8	Gary C 9/9	Melvin T 10/26	Erin S 11/14	Travis L 12/16
Ardeth S 8/24	Kim D 9/10	Charlotte M 10/29	Kat S 11/15	Stephen G 12/17
Mike M 8/24	Nikki L 9/10		Allen N 11/18	Roy F 12/18
Genie C 8/31	Mark B 9/10		Mike An 11/19	Pete T 12/20
Myrle S 8/31	Mike Ad 9/11		Nan B 11/23	Richard G 12/21
	Dina P 9/13		Ann D 11/25	Tommie N 12/27
	Craig B 9/15		Bill H 11/27	Judy M 12/28
	Jamie M 9/18		David P 11/30	Robbie M 12/28
	Joe W 9/19			
	Mike W 9/25			
	Pat W 9/28			
	Bob R 9/30			

Sahnoan Council

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Dina P
Debra V & Tim S
Pete T & Lisa H
Craig & Linda M

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Roy F Maintenance
Mike M Maintenance
Jean M Housekeeping
Dina P Housekeeping
Rod M Finance Officer
Pixie M Office Manager
Carla W Front Office
Linda M Front Office
Deidra F Front Office

Star Ranch Rules Reminder

Members and Visitors Please Sign In

No Open Fires or Charcoal Grills

Sit on a Towel if Nude

MUST be Nude in Pools and Hot Tub

Take a Shower Before Entering Pools or Hot Tub

No Photos of Any Kind

No Piercing Below the Waist; No Sexual Clothing Allowed

MUST Have a Valid Drivers License When Checking in the Office and Please Only 10 MPH

No Pets Inside Pool Fence or Tara Hall/Café Unless a Proclaimed Service Dog; Pets Must be on a Leash

Children Under 14 Must Be Supervised by an Adult at All Times; Must Wear Swim Diaper if Not Potty Trained

No Smoking or Vaping Inside Tara Hall, Margie's Café, Rental Cabins, Exercise Room

Quiet Time Sunday Thru Thursday is 10:00 PM—8:00 AM; Friday and Saturday 12:00 AM—8:00 AM

Noxious or Offensive Behavior Prohibited

No Illicit Sexual Behavior



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sure to check it frequently.

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