

SAHNOAN STAR

Stand Not Between Me and the Sun

Straw Poll

This Saturday, April 8, 2023 is the annual Straw Poll. Come attend the meeting and let your opinion be heard regarding the upcoming Board elections on April 29, 2023.

The meeting will take place at Tara Hall and will begin at 10:30.

YOUR OPINION MATTERS

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Here is the next installment of The Beginning and History of the Sahnos and Star Ranch by Merle and Ditto S.

Gifts From Members

Many early members never hesitated to come to the aid of the Sahnos. It appeared that they all wanted to be a part of the growth at Star Ranch and were looking for what was needed and gave it to the club. A member was a Monsignor and said Mass in his cabin every day, until he went on a missionary trip to Africa and was killed by natives. His Parish had his will and the Sahnos received a healthy amount which included building the tennis court, a gas tractor, print shop, automobile and miles of water lines. A newspaper editor paid for our well. Some members just want to lie in the sun and enjoy the amenities of Star Ranch.

It is hard to recognize all the gifts, new and used, that were given to the club. Today times have changed, members want to enjoy what others have provided. Today our goal is to improve on what we now have.



From the President

We are still working on improving what we have and looking towards the future to keep up with growth. We still have members who donate gifts, large and small to help us keep the club functioning. There are many who give of their time and talents. Thanks to all who have volunteered for the intense work days that helped us prepare for our largest race to date! When you have that many guests on the property, it calls for all hands on deck! We have benefited greatly from our members who have a wide variety of skills from construction to computer network maintenance. Cabin 6 got a much needed renovation through a cooperative effort of Tommy S., Bill M, and Mike M. Then there is our very dedicated food committee that has been knocking it out of the park with breakfasts and food sales during the race. We have all enjoyed the results of Kate M's creative efforts on the walls of the indoor pool. Some donate cash and also pitch in where they see things that need to be done. Thank you to Kirby for taking on a deep cleaning of the indoor shower! I want everyone to know how much their contributions are appreciated. I also wanted to give Kudo's to Linda M. and Melissa S. for their hard work and dedication to ensure the race ran smoothly. Not only did they pull off the largest group of runners to date, but they also managed to get the first of the month billing done one day after the race.

I want to remind everyone about the Straw Poll which happens this weekend. This is the opportunity for all members, whether you have a share or not, to have a say on who they would like to see serve on the Board. This year there are 3 seats open. The three people who currently hold those seats have all decided to run again, that is myself, Ronnie B., and Jamie M. Mark S. has also thrown his hat in the ring. I feel that the current Board has done an excellent job navigating during a number of transitions over the past 2 years. It seems like it takes about 2 years to really understand how to be most effective in a Board position. The mix of skills and the thoughtful consideration of all points of view of this Board has been a blessing to me in the leadership role. The purpose of the straw poll is to let the Council know the will of the membership, and I hope you take the opportunity to cast your vote.

The annual Shareholders meeting and Board elections will be held on Saturday, April 29th. Shortly after the conclusion of the meeting, we will have a dedication ceremony for the re-naming of a street in honor of our dearly departed Wanda H. Her husband will be saying a few words.

Summer is rapidly approaching and I look forward to seeing you all by the pool!

Crystal

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Mark S

Hello Star Ranch Family, I am Mark Sprong, and I would like your consideration and vote as a member of the Star Ranch Board of Directors. Why me and why now? The short answer is that Ronnie is stepping down from the Board and that creates an opening. As for why I am a candidate, I think I can more effectively serve Star Ranch on the business side versus the social side. I have really enjoyed my time on the Council but feel I can provide a higher return on your investment if I were on the Board. The management of resources to include humans and capital is something I do daily in my professional life.

I have 39 years work experience in Manufacturing and Logistics, working my way from entry level to my current position of business manager. Setting timelines to reach realistic goals is ingrained in my work ethic. I earned my BBA Business from UT Arlington in 2012 working full time and going to school part time. I have received awards for identifying problems, proposing solutions, and creating an implementation plan to see the improvements to fruition. My focus is to see "the Big Picture" and set about assisting in getting it done.

I have been a nudist for 12 years. I have been a member of four nude resorts; a full time resident of one, and a past AANR director. I have visited nude resorts from Washington State to Florida. My wife Sandi and I visited Star Ranch many times over the years and became members in October of 2021. We were appointed Council members in early 2022 and stood for election in June of 2022. We were blessed to win that election and have served on the Council since. To say we are proud of the work done by the Council is an understatement. We have a hard working group of folks that execute their duties to the best of our abilities.

If elected, what can you expect? Transparency, honesty and directness. If you would like to know something just ask. And, if I have a need for knowledge, I will certainly ask. Key performance indicators matter, results matter. If what we are doing is not working, you can expect a change. If the change doesn't work, expect a second change. The only thing consistent to my approach is a desire to succeed. The idea that does not achieve the goal is not failure. Failing to recognize unfavorable results and then refusing to change is failure.

I will remain customer focused. Residents, members and visitors are all customers. My actions will be governed by a desire to satisfy customers. It is my hope that Star Ranch will grow and continue to thrive.

If you were to ask people what kind of person I am, I believe they would say that I am unafraid to address the hard things; from escorting a visitor off the property who overstayed his day pass, to that incident report no one wants to tackle. I have dealt with all the issues presented to the Council.

In closing, I hope I have answered some of your questions about who I am. I am not foolish enough to make promises. We can not predict the future. I think my record on the Council offers a glimpse of what I am capable of on the Board. If you agree, I would love to have your support.

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Crystal M.

I have been a member at Star Ranch for 25 years. I have had the great pleasure of seeing how the Ranch has grown and changed over the course of time and have been honored to serve on the Board for the past two years. During my term, I have taken time to review our corporate documentation to better understand our organization and how we need to change and adapt in the evolving world. I have been involved with the general manager and our other staff and have learned how much hard work it takes from everyone to keep things running smoothly and to solve the daily problems that arise.

In my year as President, I have worked to organize our policies in preparation to revise our outdated leases. I have ensured that we have complete board minutes going back to my first day on the board, that are organized in both electronic and paper formats and are available to the membership. I researched state and federal laws to free up corporate shares for sale. I spent our year of forced savings prioritizing expenditures and planning for projects when the spending moratorium was lifted. As a result, we have paid off the debt on the office building and the large outstanding debt on the line of credit. I have endeavored to work with the Council to improve communications and coordination. One of my roles is to work with all members on problems or concerns. There are many voices and opinions. My strategy is to listen to all and try to find the middle ground that will ensure we can all continue to move forward by working together.

It has been my sad duty to help some of our elder members as their health has declined. I have been honored to learn from Gary H and Wanda H and to try to bring continuity based on all their knowledge and experience to the President's position.

I think we will forever be a work in progress, and I hope that I have been a positive influence on the collaborative process that is essential to the organization's health. I would be honored to renew my commitment as a board member and would look forward to your input and support in the coming term.

For those of you who do not know me well, here is a little bit about me. Mark and I have been married for 42 years this June. He started us in the naturist life when we were still teenagers, visiting places like "The Well" in Canon City, Valley View in Durango, and Mountain Air Ranch near Denver, Colorado. We have made lifelong friends on the many Bare Necessities cruises we have taken to beautiful places around the globe over the past 30 years. I have been a nurse for 42 years and recently retired from my academic position. I love dogs and recently rescued our little Shih Tzu mix, Zoey. She loves to greet everyone at the Ranch and is always excited to ride in the golf cart. We have made the Ranch our full-time home so we have a vested interest in its continued success!

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Ronnie B

I have been a member of Star Ranch since 2001 through 2005 with a brief hiatus due to family concerns, then again from 2007 until now. It's been 2 interesting and productive years since I was appointed to the Board of Directors. At that time, I stated that I wanted to give back to the Star Ranch community that has given us such joy by offering my service. That remains true today: there is so much more remaining to accomplish.

Rumor that I plan to step aside this voting cycle has been greatly exaggerated. I still have much to offer as a director. I will do everything in my power to keep upgrading and improving the facilities for everyone's enjoyment. I will ensure that we make good progress with wise decisions toward maintenance of our club. I will listen to members, residents and guests to help determine the best direction to be taken in the future.

I am confident that we have accomplished a lot over the past two years in the face of situations outside of our control. If you feel similarly, I would appreciate your support and vote to remain a director for Star Ranch. Thank you all, I love you very much.

Jamie M

Hi, I'm Jamie M and I am seeking reelection to the Board of Directors. I have served on the Board for over 2-years, first as Secretary, then an appointed Director, and finally as an elected Director. I wish to continue to serve our community as a member of the Board.

A little about me, for those that don't know, I am a husband and a father of two that enjoys the ranch's family-friendly values. I've been a member for a relatively short time but we've invested sweat and financial equity into what we believe is a wonderful community.

I am an over 20-year veteran of the United States Air Force where I held a variety of positions ranging from independent work, to managing small teams and large teams. I was responsible for operations and financial program management of systems with variable budgets ranging into the millions of dollars. Since my retirement from the Air Force, I've started a second career as a lead for a team providing consulting services. I provide technical consulting to our client as well as managing personnel and financial aspects of multiple teams.

I am proud to have served on the Board and ask for your continued support to represent your interests and those of the Ranch.

APRIL BIRTHDAY DINNER

WHEN: Friday, April 21, 2023

TIME: 6:00pm

WHERE: Roadhouse—Paige



April, May, & June Birthdays

April	
4/1	Randy S
4/1	San Juanita H
4/3	Alvin J. G
4/4	Mark W
4/12	Lucienne N
4/12	Pixie Mc
4/13	Fred H
4/14	Marta M
4/14	Nancy D
4/15	Ian W
4/18	John S
4/21	Robert "Dan" F
4/23	Stuart G
4/27	Judith M
4/28	Melissa S
4/28	David W
4/29	Roy E
4/30	Len H
4/30	Charles N
4/30	Kat W

May	
5/2	Kelly E
5/3	Mike K
5/4	Robert B
5/6	Brenda B
5/9	Michelle G
5/9	Nestor S
5/10	Mary L
5/10	Bart W
5/11	Ronald C
5/13	Scott B
5/17	Linda B
5/18	Rick C
5/18	Ivan Mc
5/18	Charles L
5/19	Pat T
5/21	Melanie S
5/24	Ruben J
5/27	Dave M
5/30	Linda Mc

June	
6/1	Sandi S
6/1	Larry T
6/1	Nathan B
6/2	Anthony M
6/3	Deborah V
6/5	Juan H
6/7	Tara V
6/8	Timothy R
6/9	Destin S
6/12	Debbie J
6/19	Marietta D
6/20	David T
6/21	Kelly R
6/23	Jody J
6/28	Chris A
6/28	Stephen T

UPCOMING EVENTS

ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

[Click Here For Online Calendars](#)

<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, April 7 7:00pm Wine & Cheese & more!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, April 8 STRAW POLL 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 10:30am Sahnoan Council Meeting 3:00pm Easter Egg Hunt 8:00pm KARAOKE!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, April 9 Easter 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 1:00pm Easter Sunday Potluck</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, April 14 7:00pm Wine & Cheese & more! 8:00pm Film Festival - Tara Hall</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, April 15 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 10:00am COG Board of Directors 1:00pm Volleyball Fun Day 2:00pm Table Games - Tara Hall 7:00pm Film Festival - Tara Hall</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, April 16 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, April 21 6:00pm Birthday Dinner—Roadhouse—Paige 7:00pm Wine & Cheese & more!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, April 22 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 6:00pm Deck Crawl 8:00pm DJ Dance</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, April 23 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, April 28 7:00pm Wine & Cheese & more!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, April 29 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 10:00am COG 2023 Shareholder Meeting and Elections 7:00pm 9th Running of Sahnoan Downs 8:00pm Dance!!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, April 30 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, May 3 12:00pm Fire Siren & Horn Tests</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, May 5 7:00pm Wine & Cheese & more!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, May 6 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot</p>

Sunday, May 7 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot	
Friday, May 12 7:00pm Wine & Cheese & more!	
Saturday, May 13 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 10:30am Sahnoan Council Meeting 8:00pm KARAOKE!	
Sunday, May 14 Mother's Day 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot	
Friday, May 19 6:00pm Birthday Dinner 7:00pm Wine & Cheese & more!	
Saturday, May 20 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 10:00am COG Board of Directors	
Sunday, May 21 8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot	
Friday, May 26 7:00pm Wine & Cheese & more!	
Saturday, May 27 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND GARAGE SALE	
8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 9:00am Petanque 9:00am Pickleball 12:00pm Water Volleyball 2:00pm Snacks @ the pool	3:00pm Washers 6:00pm Cornhole Contest 7:00pm Sand Volleyball 8:00pm DANCING @ the pool!
Sunday, May 28 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND	
8:30am Poolside breakfast at the Nekkid Parrot 9:00am Petanque 9:00am Pickleball 12:00pm Water Volleyball 2:00pm Snacks @ the pool	3:00pm Washers 6:00pm Cornhole Contest 7:00pm Sand Volleyball 8:00pm DJ Dance @ the Pavilion
Monday, May 29 MEMORIAL DAY	





Season 4 April 14th and 15th 2023

Friday April 14 (Screening 1) 8:00 to 10:00 pm Tara Hall

Don't Jump (11 min) short film

Patricia and Todd clash over a charity skydiving event. After both sides get advice from their friends, will they stay grounded or take the plunge?

(No other info provided by the filmmakers)

Give Till it Hurts (1 hour 25 min) feature film.

A dark comedy set in the 80's about two brothers seeking the return of their inheritance that their deceased mother donated to a televangelist.

Give Till it Hurts Stars Duane Whitaker (Pulp Fiction, Halloween II, and Trafficked), Daniel Roebuck (The Fugitive, US Marshals, and Getting Grace) , and Leslie Easterbrook (Police Academy, Greater, and as a series regular on "Laverne and Shirley")

Directors Bio - Thomas L. Callaway

Tom is credited with over 130 movies and television shows as Director of Photography and with 9 Feature films as director. Tom's Directorial Debut (Broke Sky) won The Grand Jury prize for Best Feature film at the prestigious indie film festival "Dances with Films" in Los Angeles. Tom is a native of Waco Texas and has recently returned to the area but still spends most of his time on sets across the United States and around the world.

OverKill (15min) short film

'OverKill' is a film with a comedic take on a familiar setup: when too-woke-for-their-own-good college kids are terrorized by an unstoppable masked killer, the final girl must outsmart him to survive. Only in this movie, the killer literally cannot be stopped (or killed).

The idea for 'OverKill' came about in 2013 while attending a film festival for another short I had made. My brother, Jason, pitched me the idea of making a slasher movie where the killer won't die...like, literally will not die. Little did I know that his suggestion would keep me busy off-and-on for the next seven years.

Between crew changes, special effects on a shoestring budget and the general difficulty of only shooting at night, 'OverKill' has been the most demanding project I've ever made.

Watching audiences around the world laugh and scream has made it all completely worth it.

Director Biography - Alex Montilla

I've been making movies since high school. When my friends and I took over the morning announcements, we saw an opportunity to make short films for a captive audience...and by that, I mean an audience that literally HAD to watch; the entire school was held hostage by our silliness. Out of necessity, I learned the basics of filmmaking: acting, writing, directing, editing, visual effects, scoring...you name it; I was the Robert Rodriguez of morning announcements.

All of these skills came in handy when I attended the University of Miami's film school. After making the leap to Los Angeles, I've continued to hone my craft by working in the editing room for studio films like "Hot Tub Time Machine" and "The Muppets", on the sets of films like "The Hangover Part III" and as a Producer for ESPN. All the while, I continue to write, direct and edit my own films.

Saturday April 15 (Screening 2) 7:00 to 8:30 pm Tara Hall

Real... Live... (5 min) Nudist short film

Grand Yoke (10 min) Nudist short film

Both "Real Live" and "Grand Yoke" are from producer/director Nicholas Wootton. Here is what he has to say about his films:

Real...Live... documents the 2015 World Naked Bike Ride in Madison, Wisconsin. However, more than just a litany of naked people on bikes, Real ... Live ... is an artistic documentation of the spirit of the World Naked Bike Ride, of the interaction between riders and the viewing public. Shot with one camera on the street, and another within the ride, Real ... Live ... is a new way of capturing at this unique form of public demonstration.

Grand Yoke is the product of a close collaboration between two creative artists and friends, Will Fry and Nicholas R Wootton. The concept for Grand Yoke grew Fry's and Wootton's many debates about art and film, debates battled out in bars, back porches, dinner tables and snowstorms. At last, Nicholas and William settle their competing theories in a ten-minute experimental film. Their plan: Nicholas creates the visuals, William the sound, and they would work independently of each other, never coordinating their work, never consulting with each other. When the work of each was complete, Nicholas's video and William's audio were rendered together into the final film, before either Nicholas or William knew what the other had created.

That final film is Grand Yoke, a resonant clash of sound and vision, a creation of two artists whose collaboration reaches dimensions beyond words, beyond reason, beyond logic, to a unity neither can fully understand, but both know in the depths of their souls.

Director Biography - Nicholas Wootton

Nicholas R Wootton is a filmmaker based in Madison, Wisconsin. His recent film Just God has played in film festivals around the country. He also created Real... Live... an experimental documentary.

Disrobed (56 min) Nudist feature film

Adapted from the hit virtual production, it's Meet the Parents with a twist! Skye is eager to introduce her buttoned-up fiancé Eric to her free-wheeling family at their monthly Zoom happy hour. But she's neglected to tell him that she and her kin are all nudists, and that she's already assured them that he's "one of us." Will their relationship survive? When the clothes come off, will the humor, heart, and humanity of this lockdown parable on love and family remain?

Director Biography - Troy Peterson

Troy Peterson is the filmmaker held responsible for such short films as Never Saw A Goddess Go and Life of Slice. He graduated from the USC School of Cinematic Arts in 2017 and since then has alternated filmmaking with playing elves in national tours and studying with the Groundlings and Second City. His last film, Off To The Races, played several film festivals on the LA circuit and scooped up Best Student Film at the 2018 Studio City Film Festival. He splits his time between Los Angeles and Chicago.

Respect

By Mike K

One of the primary tenets of a nudist resort has always been to respect the privacy and security of the other members. Even in this day and age, some peoples' careers could be ended or seriously impacted if people found out they were nudists. We used to never even know members' last names, and it was a written rule not to even ask for or say a last name. As technology advances at an exponential rate, protecting our privacy is now harder than ever.

Some people don't even try, and that's fine if it's your choice and doesn't impact others around you. Cameras are now everywhere, and a lot of people just accept, embrace, and ignore them. That doesn't work in a family nudist resort.

I now see uncovered cameras all over the place. Hackers and even some of your apps can turn them on anytime. My iPhone has a really annoying "feature" with a camera button on my lock screen that I can't disable or remove. I often accidentally turn the camera on and even take pictures while just handling the phone. My cameras are always covered so I just get black photos and a deeper hatred of Apple. Cars now have cameras all over them, and people often forget they're even there and don't turn them off and cover them when inside the gate. People are incredibly naive about the risks. I worked in Cybersecurity for years, and it's really scary how many vulnerabilities there are and how many ways there are to exploit them. Every bad guy in the world is trying to and often able to get into your stuff. Big Tech companies are also running AI analytics over your videos/photos and sharing your personal information and profile with anyone they want to, including law enforcement and your prospective employers.

A lot of people happily leave their doors wide open and get upset if anyone asks them to clamp down a bit. If you're as old as I am, you probably remember having friends or family members who would literally cuss you out if you asked them not to smoke around you or your kids or even inside your home, and they'd light up anyway. I'm now getting similar responses from some of the camera lovers.

Since not taking pictures of nude people without their permission is the biggest rule at Star Ranch (see signs everywhere) and also a jailable felony (Texas Penal Code, Sec 21.15), people should take this more seriously. There are a lot of ways this could end very badly. How would you like to explain to the FBI, police, parents, parents' lawyers and others why you have nude videos/photos of other peoples' children on your device(s)? Think of the legal expenses, civil lawsuits, shame and future unemployment even if this was just an accident and you weren't convicted.

There are really simple and inexpensive ways to mitigate this problem. You can buy a camera cover for even the latest cell phone cameras on Amazon for less than \$10. I have a \$45 case on my iPhone with sliding covers for all cameras. Car cameras are a little more complicated, but the Office should make sure people know the rules and cover their cameras somehow. The Office could even sell covers.

Please respect the privacy and security of everyone at Star Ranch and keep your cameras covered.

This & That

CALLING ALL DJs

By Mike W

The Council has decided that we will schedule a dance every Saturday between April 8th through October. We need a DJ to conduct a dance for each Saturday (except Karaoke weekends and Sundays some weekends). Let me know what date you can DJ AND pick a theme from below or name your own:

Sock Hop
50s
60s
70s
80s
90s
2000s
BeeGees
Karaoke
Elvis

Beatles
Prince
Chris Stapleton
Willie Nelson
Garth Brooks
Jimmy Buffett
(Parrothead Weekend)
Classic Country
New Country
Motown

The Beach Boys
HipHop
Top 40
Pop
Soul
1967 – the Biggest Year
Vinyl Dance – All LPs
All Requests Dance
Whatever...

**The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for
Saturday, April 15, @ 10am @ Tara Hall**

I truly want to thank the Winter weekend breakfast crew Jean, Kate, Gail, and JT. You all helped us have breakfast every weekend for members and guests this winter.

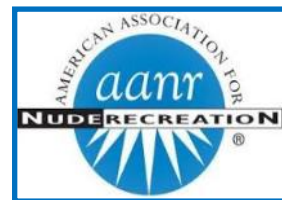
I think it was very successful and I know so many people were happy we were at the hall serving breakfast.

You are all wonderful and I appreciate you all so very much.

Love, Nancy

Thank you!

Thank you!



Classifieds

FOR SALE

TWO BEDROOM HOME AT STAR RANCH (SITE C-14).

Recently (2019) remodeled 2 bedroom/1 bath home with new PEX plumbing and electrical throughout. A new water heater was installed in January 2022. The home also has a nice loft area that could be utilized as an office, extra bedroom, craft room, etc. and a large screened in porch. Other amenities include a large shed, 2-year-old refrigerator, washer and dryer, and a large electric wall oven and electric cooktop. This is a very nice home.

If you are interested and would like more information or a showing of this fabulous home, please give us a call.

Craig {512} 988-1957

Or

Linda {512} 461-6419

FOR SALE - 2020 Forest River Travel Trailer at Camp Site D1

RV model: Cherokee 274VFK

Gross Vehicle Weight: 7,047

VIN: 4X4TCKC22LX141512

Sleeping Capacity: 6

Awnings: 1

Slide Outs: 1

Length: 34

Exterior Color: Silver Grey/Blue
Brown

Interior Color: Grey/



Price: \$25K

Site D1 has a new, electrical pole set-up, an outdoor shower, a golf cart & car port with newly spread gravel, a metal shed, water & septic set-up, and a large yard.

Please contact Teresa Sterling at 512-565-6013 if interested.

COMING SOON!

Moving Sale

Double-wide mobile home sitting at the end of Wanda's Way

Includes:

3 Bedrooms

Fireplace

Spacious kitchen with island

2-car carport

Lengthy ramp

Deck

Morgan utility building

Gardening beds



Abbreviated list of available items for sale:

King-size bedroom set

Teak Dining Table with 6 chairs

Hutch

Buffet

Priceless hanging mirror

Kitchen appliances

Kitchen utensils

Upright freezer

Two-door refrigerator

Westinghouse plasma television

Full-size bed set

Chest of drawers

Bookcases

Shelving units

Artwork

3 four-drawer filing cabinets

2 two-drawer filing cabinets

Numerous small tables

Lawnmowers. Gas and electric

Yard tools

STAY TUNED FOR DATES/TIMES OF SALE



From the Council

STRAW POLL

The Straw Poll will be conducted as part of the regular Council Meeting on April 8, 2023, starting at 10:30AM. This is your opportunity to ask questions of the Candidates and vote for the ones you would like to see on the Board.

The Star Ranch Board election will be conducted at the Shareholders Meeting, April 29, 2023. Only Star Ranch shareholders are eligible to elect the Board at the Shareholders meeting, but anyone can vote at the Straw Poll.

Straw Poll results provide the Council insight as to the wishes of the whole Star Ranch membership when considering how to use their Shares in the election.

Please mark your calendars to come out and participate in the Straw Poll Board Election, April 8, 2023 at 10:30AM.

The day also includes Easter Egg Hunts, a Potluck supper, and Karaoke. We are planning an Easter Egg Hunt for Adults and one for children 12 and under, All you need to bring is a container to collect the eggs in!!!

Hope everyone will make a special effort to come out to support the Straw Poll. Your Council wants to ensure they are carrying your wants and wishes forward in the Shareholders Meeting.



Mark's Musings

Bare Buns 2023

I am uncertain how many of you have competed in team sports but if you did you probably heard: Together Everyone Achieves More. This is a motivational axiom designed to create unity, team building and something beyond self. I am writing this on Sunday night after the Spring 5K race and have really consumed the Star Ranch cool aid. I am going to brag big time on our Star Ranch Team.

It all started with that ice storm we received in Feb. Many clubs after being hit with such a situation may have simply cancelled their 5K with a statement such as this: "due to unforeseen circumstances, we have decided to cancel our Spring Race. We have not sufficiently cleaned up at this point and do not feel like we can be ready for the 5K. We apologize". That is not what happened.

We did what we always do, we went to work. I vividly remember Linda and Mike M on the tractor, Bruce and Pete on saws for days. Member after member stacking brush. Mike M burning brush like ten different times. Rob and Marietta tying brush on Joe's tractor for transport to the brush pile. Ronnie was all over the place cutting, piling and or directing to one extent or another. Bruce was in a basket cutting down widow maker branches. For you smaller folks, let me assure you that when you are the size of Bruce and I, getting in a basket to go airborne is not our idea of fun. Mike M and Bill M spent hours fixing power lines. You see, much of the power at Star is on our own distribution network. When a line comes down, we don't call the electrical vendor, we fix it. Steve O never seemed to rest. Every time I looked up, he was headed to the brush pile with a trailer load.

With that as a back drop, we knew we had the race coming. But not just a race of 60 runners, 80 runners or 100 runners. We had 200 registered and had 182 participants. Just to be clear, that means more parking, more registration, more food, more water and just more everything. You would think with such numbers we may stumble. Not a chance with this bunch. Jaimie's team parked the cars, Jennifer's team processed the registrations, Larry's team kept everyone running the right direction, Mike M had water covered, Nancy R had the food in tip top shape. Crystal and her team had medical covered, Byron was out front handling security and we had the finish line ready to rock. Special shout out to Mike W for holding a QR code for over an hour so that runners could access results, Jennifer M for cutting transponder straps off runners ankles and to Marta for passing out water at the finish line. Finally, we had a cheering section to show our love for the runners consisting of Sylvia, Jo Lynn and Cathy.

At one point, we discovered a power issue at the Parrot. Bill M, Mike M and Pete T swing into action. After changing a breaker, it was decided the cooling unit would not get fixed immediately. They decided to pack it in ice and use it as a static cooler. Long story short, customers were not impacted, service was not disrupted. Just another game day issue that was

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addressed by the team seamlessly. At another point, Mike M discovered he was short on water crew staff. He reached out to Cat and Dave W who immediately stepped up. Another issue addressed.

In summary, I did not hear a single complaint all day Saturday. Not one. That alone says a ton. Such results do not happen on their own. Experience matters and it obviously makes a difference. Linda, Melissa and the entire team scored big in Spring 2023. The reason Star Ranch is such a success is the members. No one manages game day better than the Star Ranch Team. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Mark S

The Nudists' Bill of Rights

As law-abiding citizens who are friends of nudism, including many members of the American Association for Nude Recreation, we proudly affirm that we have and are entitled to exercise the following rights. These are self-evident and based on the Constitutions of the United States and Canada, the laws of those countries, and their court rulings.

- 1. Nudists have the right to hold their values and beliefs.*
- 2. Nudists have the right to petition and be heard by their governments.*
- 3. Nudists have the right to responsibly enjoy nudity within their homes and on private property.*
- 4. Nudists have the right to exercise decision-making in the upbringing of their families in a manner consistent with their beliefs and without interference from others.*
- 5. Nudists have the right to assemble in the nude within appropriate settings.*
- 6. Nudists have the right to decisions about what constitutes acceptable nudity to be made free from considerations of age, gender, marital status, religious beliefs, ethnic origin, or sexual orientation.*
- 7. Nudists have the right to responsibly enjoy being nude within appropriate locations on public lands.*
- 8. Nudists have the right to be free from adverse actions by their employers as a result of their lawful enjoyment of nudity when away from work.*
- 9. Nudists have the right to experience accurate, life-affirming portrayals of the human body in all its stages as depicted in the performing arts, the fine arts, literature, and human history.*
- 10. Nudists have the right to be treated as law-abiding citizens.*

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The Board recently approved the reinstatement of ads in the Sahnoan Star, our monthly newsletter.

Please send your finished ad as a .jpeg file to Jennifer at jkm8765@gmail.com

Ad rates are as follows:

Full page ad—\$80

1/2 page ad—\$60

1/4 page ad—\$40

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**The next Council meeting
is scheduled for
Saturday, April 8th,
at 10:30am @ Tara Hall**

Note from the Editor

Deadline for newsletter submissions is the 25th of each month. If you have an idea or submission for the newsletter, please email me at jkm8765@gmail.com. Jennifer M.

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