

HVR HIDDEN HIGHLIGHTS

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Board Members

President:.....Roger Giles
Vice President.....Vern Drescher
Secretary:.....Glenna Perry
Treasurer:.....Sara Haney
Directors:.....Marge Ford
.....Dorothy Behne
.....Jim Bowans
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A List of Committee Chairpersons (such as
For Architecture, Maintenance, Dance etc.)
Is posted online and on the bulletin board
Across from the Front Office Counter.

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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

First, Happy New Year to Everyone!

Secondly, thanks to all volunteers (past and present) who assist in any way, big or small, with the park activities. The Park cannot thrive without your help.

Third, Thanks to all candidates who are offering to run for the January Board vacancies. They accept the challenge, knowing they can never please everyone no matter what decisions are made, but are willing to do what is best for the majority. That is all that anyone can do. The well-being and unity of the Park must come ahead of individual desires.

Many rumors and accusations are being tossed around concerning issues from the last meeting. Elsewhere in this newsletter, I have tried to detail what has happened, explain my position as your elected President, and hope that the members will better understand what is happening and why. As always, I am open to discussion with anyone.

Thank you

Roger H Giles—HVR President

January 10 9:30am (Open) Board Meeting

Members can raise concerns or questions.

January 11 9:00am Membership Meeting

(& Voting of new Board Members)

Important Phone Numbers to Remember

Hidalgo County Sherriff.....956-383-8114

AEP for Street Lights.....1-800-672-2231

(Pole Number Required)

For Emergency’s911

Please make sure you tell them you are
In PALMVIEW (Ambulance and Fir

Medical Supplies/ Equipment

We have an area in the new Storage building for medical equipment that has been donated. Please feel free to sign this equipment out for your use. If any question regarding this ask front desk for details.

NOTICE: Activity Room Request

If you would like to reserve the activity room, Please Contact: Kathy Gautier 512-657-5350

Cribbage Tournament Donations

It's HVR's turn to Host!

Cookies, brownies, bars or whatever you'd like to donate are needed for the tournament to be held here on January 16th, 2020. Last year we had 102 players!

Bring items to the hall by 12:00 pm and any leftovers will be given to the Church & Jam.

Questions contact: Linda Fischer @ 715-223-2209 or Joe Roberts @ 956-583-2852.

HVR CHAPEL CALENDAR

Church Services: Fellowship 8:30am Worship Service 9:00-10:00am

Lords Supper: 12/29 1/26 2/23 3/29 4/26 Choir Practice. Wednesdays 3:30-4:30

Bible Study- Leisure Valley, Thursdays 8:30-9:30 am.

Penitas Food Bank – Special Offerings Annual Brunch – March 1, 2020.

Bring a dish to pass 11:30 – 1:00.

Easter – April 12, 2020

Pastor: Cliff Stewart-970-302-7033

Please come join us in worship of our Lord!

January 12th @ 9:00am Church Memorial Service Honoring HVR Residents the have passed in 2019

Phil Meyer	Clyde Fillmore
Jane Fillmore	Phil Winters
Bob Hawkins	Judy Lungo-Beatly
Roy Hamilton	John Armitage
Keith Frelinger	Ray Bevins
Sharon Schnelle	Ron Nimme
Stan Zalner	Lee Dodd
Joe Glissman	Kay Murray
John Haney	Bill Skidmore
Nelle Davis	

(Apologies for any overlooked names)

HVR Breakfast schedule

2nd & 4th Fridays of the month @ 7:30am
1/10-Friday is Biscuits & Gravy 1/24-Friday is Eggs & Ham or Sausage. Come join us!

ATTENTION: NEW OWNERS/RENTERS, YOU MUST REGISTER AT THE HVR PARK OFFICE MONDAY-FRIDAY 9am – 11am

Volunteering Services to HVR

Since the beginning of the Park, volunteering has been the life blood to keep the fees reasonable and the expenses at a minimum.

As a current board, we would like to thank all those who give their time to keep the park running smoothly.

New volunteers are always needed. Please give the office your name and number.

Thank you. Park Board Members

Attention All HVRPOA Members

We have gained a lot of New residents/members to our HVR POA family over the last couple of seasons. Please get out and around to welcome them all! We have the greatest park in the RGV lets show it!

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FRIDAY NIGHT JAMS

Jam starts at 5:30pm
Food served at 4:00pm
Come and try the new food menus!
10th - Sloppy Joes
17th – Taco Bar
24th – Pulled Pork
31st – Potato Bar

HVR Dance Schedule

January 18, 2020

“Jeff Gordon”

\$8.00

February 1, 2020

“Rick McEwen”

\$7.00

February 15, 2020

“Castaways”

\$6.00

February 29, 2020

“Curt James”

\$7.00

March 14, 2020

“Lindley Creek”

\$8.00

HVR Entertainment Schedule

All shows are \$8.00 Per Person

January 6, 2020

“The Baker Family Band”

Classic Country/ Bluegrass

January 13, 2020

“The Chamberlins w/ New Band”

Classic Country/ Variety & some R&R

January 20, 2020

“The Texans Trio”

Gospel/ Variety

January 27, 2020

“Kody Norris/ Southern”

Classic Country/ Bluegrass

All Entertainment starts @ 7:00PM

Questions call Linda Hisaw
417-337-0617

WELLNESS SCREENING

The Rio Grande Regional Hospital will be here on Wed. January 22, 2020 at 7am to perform blood testing. Testing will be done in our main activity center. There will be a sign up sheet in the hallway 1st bulletin board. A price list of the many blood tests will also be included. For accurate results you must have nothing to eat or drink for 12-14 hours prior to testing. Screening is NOT COVERED BY MEDICARE or most insurance companies. Results will be delivered to the park office in approx. 5 days. Office staff will notify you to pick up. For more information or questions call: Vicki Deno @870-656-6188.

ADDRESSING THE GRIEVANCE ISSUES

Over the years, some lots have been “merged” together into one lot. To do so, this must have both the Architectural Committee’s approval AND be registered as such with the County. Upon doing so, one property tax bill is issued by the county and only one HOA fee is then levied by the Park for the married lots.

These two steps have been done correctly in most cases, but not in all cases. An audit of our credential list showed a dozen or so discrepancies between what county records show and what HVR records show. A letter of grievance was written to the Board to address these issues, and thus the Board was tasked with correcting the situation. After all, that’s the sort of tasks you elected us to do, uncomfortable as they sometimes are! There may be those members who had assumed both steps were done for their married lots, and are only now discovering they weren’t, but there appears to be a few cases where the Park was knowingly mislead on the marriage situation and thus have not paid the required two HOA fees.

In the latter cases, heated discussions ensued on whether the Park should collect (legally-limiting) four years of unpaid fees for those lots. Reaction by Park members was swift, and in several cases, led to verbal attacks on Board Members for simply doing their job in trying to seek a reasonable solution to resolve our bylaw infractions. Two board members resigned over the issue.

At this point in time, the matter has been turned over to our lawyer for his advice on how to proceed from here.

- Roger Giles, President

ELECTION CANDIDATES

PRESIDENT POSITION: **CLOSED**

Roger Giles will complete the 2nd year term

VICE-PRESIDENT POSITION: **OPEN**

TREASURER POSITION: **OPEN**

SECRETARY POSITION: **CLOSED**

Glenna Perry will complete the 2nd year term

DIRECTOR POSITIONS: **1 CLOSED 1-4 OPEN**

Jim Bowans will complete the 2nd year term

Rich Kispough and Don LaRose Resigned

Check Board in MH for Candidates running

HVR’S NOTARY PUBLICS

Lila Helm 7609 Par

(507)377-2008

Sallie Remington 2500 Fairway Court

(509)539-3510

Most commonly requested services:

Warranty Deeds Title Transfers

Affidavits Rental Agreements

Medicare Enrollment

No service fees, but Photo ID is required

BIKER’S CHICKEN DINNER

Thursday January 30th @ 4:30 MH

Advanced Tickets only \$8.00pp AVAILABLE

NOW from any Biker’s Club Member.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

As of now, there is no one to do the Dinner, if you are interested, please contact the office.

THINKING OF RENOVATING?

HVR owners wishing to make any exterior changes to their property (such as awning, deck, shed, concrete etc) **MUST FIRST SEEK APPROVAL** of their plans from the HVR Architectural Committee, then obtain proper permits from the County. Packets which set out Park and County rules and regulations are available at the Office.

PETER PIPER PIZZA Lunch time is changed to 11:30, in lieu of noon.

SCAM ALERTS

In case you missed hearing/reading about these...

Gift Card Scams:

“Home-made” bar code strips are placed over the actual bar code on the back of the card. Your money is then deposited to the scammer rather than to the card merchandiser.

Solution: Pick cards from the middle of the stack. Run your finger over the barcode to Facebook “Share this” virus scams
You get a cute heart-touching flowery or “angelic” message that invites you to share with ten or so of your friends. Many of these are RAPIDLY SPREADING VIRUSES and most have POP malware. It is how FB accounts are being hacked. You are likely simply spreading a virus to others, which leads to slower functioning computers, erasure of files, or total crash of your system.
make sure a fake sticker is not attached over it before loading it

Gas Pump Scam

Not new by any means, but we need to be reminded it is still rampant. A scammer’s device is placed over top of the pump’s card device. You stick your credit/debit card into the slot and both devices record your info and collect your payment. Scammer later retrieves his device.

Solution: before inserting your card, pull on the slot device to see if a fake one easily comes off.

“Can you hear me?” Scams

You get a call offering deals on whatever. They ask you if you can hear them or some such question to get you to say YES. They then bill you for unordered (and likely undelivered) items because they have recorded their asking you if you agree to pay this amount and pair it with your earlier recorded YES “reply”.

Solution: Don’t say “yes”, say, “I can hear you” or better still, just hang up.

“Is this your credit card, Sir” Scam

They just “found” this card on the floor and are “wondering” if it fell out of your pocket. You dig in whatever pocket your cards are in to verify you still have yours. Bingo! You have now shown him or his buddy which pocket holds your valuables for pick-pocketing in the next aisle.

Solution: Look at the offered card to determine if it’s yours, not at your own cards.

Solution. It’s so easy! Simply stop forwarding these viral chain letters. And, FYI, God doesn’t bless you and/or answer prayers through these means.

Car “problems”

They tie your wipers together, or egg your windshield, etc. All to get you to stall getting away. While you are busy cleaning up (and not watching around you), they sneak up to “help” then rob you.

Solution: Drive to a well lit and populated location before cleaning the car.

Fear-Inducing Phone call Scams:

Again, nothing new, but apparently there are trusting people who still fall for these calls/emails:

The Fake Utility Company: “You’re behind on your bill and will lose your power if you don’t provide cash or credit card number now....

The Social Security Imposter: Your SSN has been used in crimes and you’re going to be arrested unless you verify...

The Dreaded Computer Virus

You’re about to lose all info and photos, but we can fix the problem on-line from here...

The IRS Warrant

You made criminal mistakes in your past tax filings, and will be arrested/fined unless....

Even the contact number they provide in the email is fake, going instead to a scammer who will be ever so “helpful” to verify/collect your data.

Solutions: That’s not how these places would contact you. Just hang up, or delete the email.

Don’t you wish you could download an “anti-scammer or anti-telemarketer” phone APP that would send small electric shocks back to them as you repeatedly hit your # key!

If you think you’re not getting emails do the following: First check your email spam folder. If you don’t find it in your spam folder, try to subscribe your email again. If you see a message “your email exists” the contact the Email Manager at email-manager@hvrpoa.com If you wish to receive our newsletters, go to our website HVRPOA.COM . Then click on VISITOR INFORMATION. Next, click on SUBSCRIBE. Fill out the information on the form. To submit your information click on SUBSCRIBE. You will receive an email asking you to confirm your request. If you don’t confirm you will not receive emails. Any questions, please contact Ray Fink – 402-733-8972 or email email-manager@hvrpoa.com

TEXAS CITRUS FIESTA FLOAT EVENT

TCF Float Parade will be held in Mission on January 25, 2020. This years theme is “SPACE ODYSSE ADVENTURE”. For more information visit the Texas Citrus Fiesta website at www.texascitrusfiesta.org or you can find it on Facebook, or call (956)5859724 or email at info@texascitrusfiesta.org.

HVR "Weekly" Scheduled Activities!!

Saturday

6:30P A1 Dominoes
7:00P MH Dance

Sunday

8:30A MH Coffee
9:00A MH Chapel
3:00P BH Pokeno
4:00P Water Volleyball
5:30P A1 Open Games
6:00P BH Open Games
6:00 MH Open Games

Monday

Morning Trash Pick-up
& Propane Delivery
7:00A A1/A2 Yoga
8:00A MH Dance
8:30 A Shuffleboard
9:00A Water Aerobics
9:00A MH Senior Aerobics
12:30P A1 Mahjongg
1:00P Mixed Billiards
6:00P Ladies Billiards
6:00P A2 Elevens
6:00P A1 Sevens
6:30P BH Hand/Knee/Foot
7:00P MH Entertainment

Tuesday

7:00A A1/A2 Yoga
8:00A MH Dance
8:00A BH Bike Club Coffee
9:00A Water Aerobics
9:00A BH Quilting
11:00A Sodbusters Golf
1:00P Water Volleyball
6:00P A1 Poker
6:00P A2 Elevens
7:00P MH Open Games

Wednesday

Morning Propane Delivery
7:00A A1/A2 Yoga
8:00A MH Exercise/Dance
8:30A Shuffleboard
9:00A Water Aerobics
9:00A Men's Billiards
9:00A BMH Creative
Sewing
9:00A A1/A2 Dulcimer
Class
12:00P A1 Pinochle
1:00P A2 Cribbage
1:00P Mixed Billiards
3:30P Choir Practice
6:00P A1 Sevens
7:00P MH Bingo
Open to Public

Thursday

7:00A A1/A2 Yoga
8:30A Ladies Billiards
9:00A Water Aerobics
9:00A MH Senior Aerobics
9:00A BH Lose it Gals
12:30P A1 Mahjongg
1:00P Water Volleyball
1:00P A2 Samba
1:00P MH Yahoo
5:00P A1 Poker
6:00P BH Elevens
5:30P MH Euchre

Friday

7:00A A1/A2 Yoga
8:30A Shuffleboard
9:00A Water Aerobics
9:00A A1/A2 Dulcimer
Class
10:30A Couples Golf
12:00P MH Stained Glass
1:00P A1 7's (Dirty)
1:00P Mixed Billiards
6:00P A2 Elevens
6:30P Men's Billiards
6:30P BH Hand/Knee/Foot

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JANUARY

SUNDAY

CALENDAR YEAR

CALENDAR MONTH

FIRST DAY OF WEEK

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	01	02	03	04
Chapel Services Coffee & Refreshments 9:00A Message	The Baker Family Band Classic Country/Bluegrass \$8.00pp 7:00PM	Pot Luck - 4:00P Karaoke BH @ 7:00P	HVR Office Closed	Yahoo MH @ 1:00P	Meet The Candidate @ 10am	HVR Park Membership Mtg 9 am
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
Chapel Services Coffee & Refreshments 9:00A Message	The Chanberlins with their New Band Classic Country/Variety & R&R \$8.00pp 7:00 PM	Bingo MH 7:00P	Yahoo MH @ 1:00P	HVR Breakfast 7:30am Friday Night Jam 5:30 Food served at 4:00 Pulled Pork \$6.00	HVR Breakfast 7:30am Friday Night Jam 5:30 Food served at 4:00 Pulled Pork \$6.00	HVR Park Membership Mtg 9 am
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Chapel Services Coffee & Refreshments 9:00A Message	The Texans Trio Gospel/Variety \$8.00pp 7:00PM	Bingo MH 7:00P	Peter Piper Pizza@ 11:30A Yahoo MH @ 1:00P	Friday Night Jam 5:30 Food served at 4:00 Taco Bar \$6.00	Friday Night Jam 5:30 Food served at 4:00 Taco Bar \$6.00	Jeff Gordon Band @ 7:00P
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Chapel Services Coffee & Refreshments 9:00A Message	Wine & Cheese BYOB Pot Luck 4:00P Karaoke BH @ 7:00P	Bingo MH 7:00P	Yahoo MH @ 1:00P	HVR Breakfast 7:30am Friday Night Jam 5:30 Food served at 4:00 Smothered Steak \$6.00	HVR Breakfast 7:30am Friday Night Jam 5:30 Food served at 4:00 Smothered Steak \$6.00	
26	27	28	29	30	31	01
Chapel Services Coffee & Refreshments 9:00A Message	Kody Norris/Southern Classic Country/Bluegrass \$8.00pp 7:00PM	Bingo MH 7:00P	Yahoo MH @ 1:00P	Friday Night Jam 5:30 Food served at 4:00 Potato Bar \$6.00	Friday Night Jam 5:30 Food served at 4:00 Potato Bar \$6.00	
02	03	04	05	06	07	08

GARBAGE/TRASH PICKUP IS EVERY MONDAY AM

PROPANE DELIVERY IS EVERY MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY AM