## SAHNOAN STAR

Stand Not Between Me and the Sun



From your Sahnoan Family and Friends

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR



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#### President's Message

The leaves are falling, there is a fire in the hall, It is time to wish a Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday to all!

Remember your friends are planning to have a merry and bright time, With cookies and presents and decorations sublime.

Our naked elves are planning food fun and more, Be sure to join us and don't be a bore!

Well so much for my attempts at rhyme, Just come out and have a good time!.

Don't forget about the Big Nude Boat sealed bid event. So far we only have one bid! You could surprise someone with a cool cruise, all you need to do is bid! Details are on the next page and the Star Ranch Website. You do not need to be a member to submit a bid.

Please keep Eric G in your thoughts and prayers. He is putting up a good fight against his cancer but could use everyone's support.

#### Crystal



#### **BIG NUDE BOAT 2024 FUNDRAISER**

Our friends at Bare Necessities Tour & Travel have gifted us with a Cabin on the Big Nude Boat 2024 to use as a fundraiser! This is a Standard Balcony Cabin valued at approximately \$6,000. The prize certificate is based on double occupancy for a new reservation only. Upon presentation of the certificate, the winner will be required to pay the port taxes and prepaid gratuities up front which will be \$504.10 for two. Travel to and from the port city is the responsibility of the winner.

The Big Nude Boat 2024 sails out of Tampa, FL, February 25 to March 3, 2024. The Ports include Costa Maya and Cozumel, Mexico plus Mahogany Bay which is an exclusive Bare port. Cruise details can be found at www.cruisebare.com.

We will be conducting a sealed bid event for this fundraiser. The prize will go to the highest bidder. Only bids above a minimum of \$2,500 will be accepted. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for repairs to the Tara Hall pool and hot tub room.

To participate, write your name, address, and phone number on a piece of paper along with your bid and place it in a sealed envelope. Remember it is a fund raiser, so bid high to win! To prevent a tie, submit a bid that is not a round number. Use all your lucky numbers! Bids can be submitted in person or by mail to the Star Ranch Office. Email entries will not be accepted.

Please address the envelope as follows:

Sealed Bid Fundraiser c/o Star Ranch 166 Eely Rd. McDade, TX 78650

Bids must be received in the office by 5 PM on December 16<sup>th.</sup> Bids will be opened, and the winner announced just prior to the White Elephant gift exchange in Tara Hall. In the unlikely event of a tie, the highest bidders will be given an opportunity to submit one additional bid.

If you have never been on a Bare Necessities cruise you don't know what you are missing! It is a rocking good time with fellow nudists from around the world. There are at least 3 couples from Star Ranch going on this trip so you will have friends to hang with and new friends to make!

Eligibility:

Must be 21 years old.

Must have or be able to present a valid passport that has not expired for the dates of the cruise.

Must be a U.S. resident.

Must comply with Bare Necessities Cruise requirements which can be found at www.cruisebare.com

## Star Ranch "Sleigh Ride"

By David McG.

It's that time of year. Time to hear a blast from the past as a Star Ranch "Sleigh Ride" (hayride) is set to arrive, with plenty of room for kids of all ages! Just like the good old days, a ride with hot chocolate, and hopefully maybe even some snow, or not.

Join us as this "magical ride" travels down the dirt roads and majestic trees of Star Ranch. Crisscrossing the prairies, while singing Christmas carols and drinking hot chocolate. Weather permitting, there could be a few stops on the route and maybe a "warming" place.

Sounds so good and yet it's true. Oh! But it is 2 days before Santa makes the grand appearance in his sleigh. If you would like to enjoy this wonderful ride through the Ranch, bring your family and join in the fun!

Date: Saturday, Dec 23rd, 2023

Time: 3PM

Provided: Hot Chocolate, Marshmallows, Cheer, Christmas

carols, and a Great Time.

Bring: your favorite add-on for your hot chocolate including adult add-ons, blankets, beanies, gloves and jackets.

Don't forever your mug and make sure it's a big mug for the sleigh ride.

See y'all there!



## **Put a Freeze on Winter Holiday Fires!**

**Half** of the home decoration fires in December are started by candles.

**More than 1/3** of home decoration fires are started by candles.

**Christmas** is the peak day for candle fires.

Keep candles at least **12 inches** away from anything that burns.

A dry Christmas tree can burn very hot and very fast.



**More than 1 in every 5** Christmas tree fires were caused by a heat source too close to the tree.

Read manufacturer's instructions for the number of light strands to connect.

Make sure your tree is **at least 3 feet away** from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, candles or heat vents. Also, make sure your tree does not block exits.



Get rid of your tree after Christmas or when it is **dry**.

#### DECEMBER BIRTHDAY DINNER

WHEN: TIME: WHERE:

There will not be a **Birthday Dinner in** December



	December
12/2	Courtney M
12/4	Richard "Stormy" H
12/5	Russell N
12/8	James (JT) T
12/10	Byron M
12/12	Terry P
12/12	Bill B
12/13	Brian W
12/15	Jean M
12/16	Travis L
12/17	Bruce S
12/17	Paul "Red" P
12/19	Liz D
12/19	Scott F
12/20	Jeffrey B
12/20	Pete T
12/21	Connie T
12/22	Regina B
12/22	Gwen Wimer G
12/25	Cristian B
12/26	Nancy R
12/28	Barbara S
12/28	Judy Mc

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	December		January	1	February
12/2	Courtney M	1/1	Roslyn F	2/1	Debra C
12/4	Richard "Stormy" H	1/4	John (Randy) D	2/1	Bill C
12/5	Russell N	1/4	Diane S	2/2	Michael I
12/8	James (JT) T	1/5	Thomas C	2/6	Gary C
12/10	Byron M	1/6	Lorraine A	2/8	John "Paul" S
12/12	Terry P	1/7	Phil A	2/8	Irenen I
12/12	Bill B	1/9	Ashley T	2/8	Ronnie B
12/13	Brian W	1/9	Dennis L	2/9	Ben T
12/15	Jean M	1/10	Rebecca S	2/13	Brian K
12/16	Travis L	1/10	Kathy M	2/18	Jason S
12/17	Bruce S	1/10	Bryan D	2/18	Bonnie M
12/17	Paul "Red" P	1/12	Kathy K	2/19	Paulo G
12/19	Liz D	1/13	Daniel B	2/23	Elbert S
12/19	Scott F	1/14	Bill B	2/23	Jennifer R
12/20	Jeffrey B	1/18	Walt R	2/23	Matthew D
12/20	Pete T	1/18	DA G	2/24	Chris H
12/21	Connie T	1/19	Amelia B	2/24	Timothy Q
12/22	Regina B	1/19	Srabanl "Sabrina" A	2/26	Tracy G
12/22	Gwen Wimer G	1/19	Mark D		
12/25	Cristian B	1/20	Arman Z		
12/26	Nancy R	1/21	Rebecca S		
12/28	Barbara S	1/21	Bennett T		
12/28	Judy Mc	1/22	Hal D		
		1/23	Colleen Q		
		1/25	Isaiah R		
		1/30	Lisa T		
	Nancy R Barbara S Judy Mc	1/31	Jaqualine T		
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	February
2/1	Debra C
2/1	Bill C
2/2	Michael I
2/6	Gary C
2/8	John "Paul" S
2/8	Irenen I
2/8	Ronnie B
2/9	Ben T
2/13	Brian K
2/18	Jason S
2/18	Bonnie M
2/19	Paulo G
2/23	Elbert S
2/23	Jennifer R
2/23	Matthew D
2/24	Chris H
2/24	Timothy Q
2/26	Tracy G

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### \*\*\*ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\* - Click Here For Online Calendars

#### Sunday, December 10

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

#### Monday, December 11 & Tuesday, December 12

OFFICE CLOSED

#### Friday, December 15

6:00pm postponed-Birthdays Dinner

7:00pm Meet & Greet

#### Saturday, December 16

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid	1:00pm Christmas Sing-along
2:00pm Wreath Silent Auction	2:00pm Rock Painting - Tara Hall
6:00pm Potluck	7:45pm Cruise Winner Announced
8:00pm White Elephant Gift Exchange	9:00pm Music in Tara Hall

#### Sunday, December 17

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

#### Monday, December 18 & Tuesday, December 19

OFFICE CLOSED

#### Friday, December 22

7:00pm Meet & Greet

#### Saturday, December 23

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

3:00pm "Sleigh Ride"

6:00pm Snacks and Goodies - Tara Hall

8:00pm Music in Tara Hall

#### Sunday, December 24

**OFFICE CLOSES 12:00** 

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

#### Monday, December 25

OFFICE CLOSED

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!** 

1:00pm Christmas Dinner

#### Tuesday, December 26

OFFICE CLOSED

#### Friday, December 29

7:00pm Meet & Greet

#### Saturday, December 30

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

8:00pm Music in Tara Hall

#### Sunday, December 31

**NEW YEAR'S EVE** 

**OFFICE CLOSES 12:00** 

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

5:00pm NYE Progressive Dinner (more details coming soon)

8:00pm Dance in Tara Hall with DJ Travis

#### Monday, January 1, 2024 OFFICE CLOSED HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024! 12:00pm Polar Bear Plunge Tuesday, January 2, 2024 OFFICE CLOSED Wednesday, January 3, 2024 12:00pm Fire Siren & Horn Tests Friday, January 5, 2024 7:00pm Meet & Greet Saturday, January 6, 2024 8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall 8:00pm Music in Tara Hall Sunday, January 7, 2024 8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall 2:00pm Marketing Committee Monday, January 8, 2024 OFFICE CLOSED 5:30pm College Football Playoffs National Championship Game Tuesday, January 9, 2024 OFFICE CLOSED Friday, January 12, 2024 7:00pm Meet & Greet Saturday, January 13, 2024 8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall 10:00am Sahnoan Council Meeting 5:00pm Jam Session 8:00pm Music in Tara Hall Sunday, January 14, 2024 8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall Monday, January 15, 2024 & Tuesday, January 16, 2024 OFFICE CLOSED Wednesday, January 17, 2024 6:30pm Tunes at Tara Hall Friday, January 19, 2024 6:00pm Birthdays Dinner 7:00pm Meet & Greet Saturday, January 20, 2024 8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall 10:00am COG Board of Directors 8:00pm Music in Tara Hall Sunday, January 21, 2024

OFFICE CLOSED

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

Monday, January 22, 2024 & Tuesday, January 23, 2024

#### Friday, January 26, 2024

7:00pm Meet & Greet

#### Saturday, January 27, 2024

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall	9:00am CHILI cookoff begins
2:00pm Chili Judging	3:00pm PIE Contest begins
5:00pm PIE Auction	6:00pm Chili Potluck

#### Sunday, January 28, 2024

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

#### Monday, January 29, 2024 & Tuesday, January 30, 2024 OFFICE CLOSED

#### Friday, February 2, 2024

7:00pm Meet & Greet

#### Saturday, February 3, 2024

MARDI GRAS @ Star

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid	10:00am Decorate Tara Hall
2:00pm Mardi Gras Parade	8:00pm MG Dance in Tara Hall

#### Sunday, February 4, 2024

8:30am Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall



### Reminder

With cooler weather just around the corner, it's time to start thinking about keeping pipes protected, turning off your water, etc. while you are away.

# This & That

## Volunteers Needed!

I am looking for Volunteers for this Fall and Winter to help in the kitchen at Margie's Nekkid Café/Tara Hall. We need cooks, someone to take orders and pass out the orders and clean up (we do have a dishwasher in the kitchen).

Kate is cooking the first weekend of each month, JT is cooking the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, and Fred has offered to help out also. Jean and I will be helping out also.

Please let me know if you can help out, and remember, you get to eat **FREE**. If you want to cook and have a special breakfast meal you like to cook let me know and I will buy the food you need. - Nancy R.

WELCOME new members

**Brad & June F.** 

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 20, @ 10am @ Tara Hall



#### C.O.G. Board of **Directors**

Crystal W President Vice President Ronnie B Directors: Jamie M

> Jean M Bart W

#### Sahnoan Council

Deborah V

Mike W & Jennifer M

John M Bob R

CM J

Mike & Linda G David Mc & Pete T

Treasurer

#### **Star Ranch Staff**

General Manager Linda McC Front Office Melissa S

Mike M Maintenance

Bruce R

Housekeeping Paula T



Eric G



#### Classified Ads

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

Business card ad-\$25

The Sahnoans at Star Ranch is a family -oriented nudist community/club that has been in operation since 1957. Dedicated to maintaining a wholesome and safe environment for the enjoyment of nudist activities, the Club is a member in good standing of the American Association for Nude Recreation (AANR) and AANR-Southwest. You have received this Newsletter because your are either a member of the club or you have opted -in on our website. Please let us know of you do not wish to receive future editions.

The next Council meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 13, at 10:00am @ Tara Hall

### STAR RANCH



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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