

SAHNOAN STAR

Stand Not Between Me and the Sun

Happy Holidays from Star Ranch



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President's Message

Thanksgiving

The history of Thanksgiving lies in a celebration of the harvest. Such activities were a much bigger part of daily lives years ago. In today's world, food is much more plentiful and only as far away as the local market. As such, Thanksgiving has evolved into a celebration of the blessings in our lives.

We have so many things to be thankful for it is difficult to select what to write about. You all give so much to Star Ranch we could not exist without all of you. We had 38 folks turn out for dinner on Thanksgiving Day. It was wonderful.

We lost two family members this year. Lorraine, of Phil and Lorraine, passed away November 23 and Chris, of Chris and Amanda, passed November 13. Phil and Lorraine are long **term (time)** Star members and residents. Chris and Amanda joined the family a couple of years ago. Death is never easy but both were taken far too soon. Please remember tomorrow is not assured. Cherish every minute.

I have sensed some frustration concerning the hot tub installation. While it may seem like it is only a matter of plugging it in and filling it up, it is much more involved than that. A gas line had to be moved, the AC system for the clubhouse needs to be moved, the patio cover needed to be removed. The power needs to be installed and routed from the power pole in front of the clubhouse to the hot tub site. A fence will be installed around the hot tub to provide you all with a bit of privacy as you enjoy the tub, as well as keeping as much dust out of it as possible. Lastly, a shower will be installed outside, adjacent to the tub. We hope to have all of this done in a couple of weeks.

Updated leases are starting to go out. Rob reports having about 75% of the total sent out. Please sign those and get them back to the office.

Thanks for allowing me to have a voice in steering the ship.

Mark S

The Nude Ukes Entertain in Austin

Thanks to Mark W. – a founding member of the Nude Ukes - we had an opportunity to entertain the residents of Parson's House, an assisted living facility in Austin. We showed up a couple of days after Thanksgiving and were given a very warm welcome.

We had been working on our Christmas repertoire already; so, what better way to bring a smile to the faces of these folks than play and sing some Christmas songs.



As you might imagine, live entertainment in an assisted living facility is something of a rarity; so, we welcomed the opportunity to bring a little something different into their lives.

Our December schedule now includes another Christmas program at a similar facility in Bastrop, plus an opportunity to play at the Elgin Farmer's Market.

Just so you know, the Nude Ukes now includes ten Star Ranchers. We are always looking for people who want to play the ukulele and join us in making music. Let me know if you're interested.

Larry S.



Star Ranch Christmas Yule Log and Sing-Along With the Nude Ukes -- Update

Last month we announced the Nude Ukes were going to host a Star Ranch Yule Log and Sing-Along on **Saturday, December 6**. Unfortunately, the weather has not cooperated. We are still under a burn ban. That means no Yule log or fire outside. So, we're moving inside! Hello, Tara Hall!

We had originally asked the wonderful folks who make up our food committee to participate with some of their delicious holiday food. However, it is my personal opinion that, throughout this past year, we have asked way too much of these two members. I believe they deserve a well-earned break. I think they should be able to enjoy an event at Star Ranch without having to work; without having to go grocery shopping, store food, prepare food, serve food and clean up afterward.

So here's the deal: the Christmas Sing-Along will start **inside Tara Hall at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, December 6** -- just as originally scheduled. If anyone wants to organize a pot luck beforehand, you are free to do so. If anyone wants to purchase and serve food for the members, you are welcome to do that, too. If no one wants to do either, we'll have a food-free event. Nothing wrong with that. Frankly, after Thanksgiving, I could use a few food-free days!

The fun part is, we're going to get together and kick off the Christmas season by singing a bunch of great Christmas tunes. We've got some old standards, we've got some country Christmas songs, we've got some novelty tunes. We've got enough great songs to fill about an hour and a half of your Saturday night.

Come join us and help celebrate the season with song!

Larry S.

All Site Holders:

Leases are being sent out using DocuSign, via email. Almost all have been sent. If you are a site holder and have not seen your emailed lease from DocuSign, please look again.

If you have more than one person on your lease, after the first person completes their portion, the lease will route to the next person to sign. If you are a couple and only have one email address on file with the office, the lease will route back to that same email address so the second person can sign it.

The final stop is with Tim. Once he signs it you will receive an email notification that you can download and save the completed lease. If you have any questions, please contact the office and ask for Rob.

All leases need to be signed no later than December 29, 2025.

Do you have what it takes?

Join those brave enough on Thursday, January 1, at Noon, at the outdoor pool.

There will be hot chocolate available after the plunge!





Join in the fun at the annual

Star Ranch White Elephant Gift Exchange

When: Saturday, December 20, 2025 at 7:00pm

Where: Tara Hall

To participate, please bring a wrapped gift (\$20 MAX) for either male, female, or couple.

Star Ranch Progressive Dinner

Join us for our annual NYE's Progressive Dinner. This event starts at **5PM**, not our usual 6PM.

First, thanks for joining in our fun tradition and for providing a dish or two.

[FOOD SIGN-UP FORM WILL ARRIVE SOON IN BOTH A SPECIAL EMAIL AND TELEGRAM POST - LOOK FOR IT!]

For those who are not familiar with a Progressive Dinner, it is a traveling dinner hosted at someone's home. Each course will last about 45 minutes before moving to the next home.

This year's locations are as follows:

At 5:00pm - Appetizer Course will be hosted by Jo Lynn and Ronnie B at site A1

At 5:45pm - Salad Course will be hosted by Nancy and Bob R. at site G-1

At 6:30pm - Main Course will be hosted at Tara Hall

At 7:15pm - Dessert Course will be hosted by Elisa and David M at site S7

We are in need of a few volunteers to assist at the Hall for the Main Course. We will need to meet at the Hall around 6:15. We also need a couple of volunteers to help with cleaning up.

We have a dance in the Hall at 8:00pm with DJ Travis.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY DINNER

WHEN: Friday, December 19, 2025

TIME: 6:00pm

WHERE: Farmhouse Kitchen, Paige



December, January, & February Birthdays

December	
12/2	Courtney N
12/4	Stormy H
12/5	Russell N
12/8	James (JT)
12/10	Byron M
12/12	Stephen G
12/12	Bill B
12/13	Brian W
12/14	Dennis K
12/15	Jean M
12/16	Travis L
12/17	Red P
12/17	Bruce S
12/19	Scott F
12/19	Elizabeth D
12/20	Pete T
12/21	Connie T
12/21	Richard G
12/22	Regina B
12/22	Gwen Wimer G
12/23	Mike R
12/24	Shelly A
12/25	Cristian B
12/26	Nancy R
12/28	Barbara S
12/28	Judy McG
12/30	Jason G

January	
1/1	Roslyn F
1/3	Andi P
1/4	Sherry W
1/4	Randy D
1/4	Diane S
1/5	Thomas C
1/7	John S
1/7	Phil A
1/8	John S
1/10	Daniel J
1/10	Karen K
1/10	Rebecca S
1/10	Kathy M
1/10	Bryan D
1/13	Daniel B
1/16	Lori M
1/18	Walt R
1/18	Da G
1/19	Sabrina A
1/19	Mark D
1/20	Arman Z
1/21	Rebecca S
1/21	Ben T
1/22	Julie B
1/23	Colleen Q
1/25	Isaiah R
1/26	Richard W
1/26	Peggy H
1/28	Elisa M
1/29	Clif P
1/29	Amelia B
1/30	Lisa T
1/31	Jaqualine T

February	
2/2	Michael I
2/3	Amber A
2/8	Kimberly S
2/8	Paul S
2/8	Ronnie B
2/9	Ben T
2/11	Dennis M
2/12	Sue C
2/13	Susan C
2/13	Brian K
2/16	Gregory C
2/19	Paulo G
2/23	Elbert S
2/23	Matthew D
2/24	Lynn B
2/24	Timothy Q
2/25	Russell G
2/26	Tracy G

UPCOMING EVENTS

ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

[Click Here For Online Calendars](#)



Office hours – 9AM to 4PM, closed on Monday and Tuesday.

Office closed early on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve and closed on Christmas Day

Friday December 5

7 pm – Meet & Greet Social

Saturday December 6

8 – 930 am – Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

9 am – Pickleball P.U.G.

10 am – Meet the President – Tara Hall

7 pm – Christmas Sing-along Inside Tara Hall

Sunday December 7

8 – 930 am – Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

Friday December 12

7 pm – Meet & Greet Social

Saturday December 13

8 – 930 am – Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

10 am – Sahnoan Council meeting – Tara Hall

1 pm – Annual Christmas Cookie Contest – Check on the [rules here](#).

2 pm – Christmas Saran-wrap ball game

3 pm – Molkky P.U.G.

6 pm – The 37th Running at Sahnoan Downs

8 pm – KARAOKE with KJs CM & Jody

Sunday December 14

8 – 930 am – Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

Friday December 19

6 pm – December Birthdays Dinner – This month at the re-opened [Farmhouse Kitchen](#) in Paige.

Saturday December 20

8 – 930 am – Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

10 am – COG Board of Directors meeting – Tara Hall

6pm – Window/Door Winners announced

6 pm – Christmas Dinner Potluck – Sign up [here!](#)

7 pm – Wreath Auction
7 pm – White Elephant Gift Exchange
8 pm – DJ Dance

Sunday December 21

8 – 930 am – Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

Friday December 26

7 pm – Meet & Greet Social

Saturday December 27

8 – 930 am – Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

7 pm – Music & Games

Sunday December 28

8 – 930 am – Breakfast in Margie's Nekkid Cafe / Tara Hall

New Year's Eve

Wednesday December 31

5 pm – New Year's Eve Progressive Dinner

A tradition at Star Ranch with four stops ahead of the dance, with the Main Course in Tara Hall.

Join us for our annual NYE's traditional Progressive Dinner.

This event starts at 5PM, not our usual 6PM.

First, thanks for joining in our fun tradition and for providing a dish or two. For those who are not familiar with a Progressive Dinner, it is a traveling dinner hosted at someone's home. Each course will last about 45 minutes before moving to the next home.

8 pm – New Year's Dance in Tara Hall

Welcoming 2026!



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Wednesday December 31, New Year's Eve

5 pm – Progressive Dinner

Four courses (appetizers, salad, dessert – entrée served in The Hall). Meal progresses every 45 minutes.

8 pm— New Years Eve Dance with DJ Travis

Happy New Year 2026! Thursday January 1

12 noon – Polar Bear Plunge

Hot chocolate to follow!

Friday January 2

7 pm – Meet & Greet – everyone is welcome to join us in Tara Hall!

Saturday January 3

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie’s Nekkid Cafe

Put your jacket on and come on out for breakfast with friends.

7 pm – Music and Games in Tara Hall

Sunday January 4

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie’s Nekkid Cafe

Friday January 9

7 pm – Meet & Greet – everyone is welcome to join us in Tara Hall!

Saturday January 10

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie’s Nekkid Cafe

10 am – The January 2026 meeting of the Sahnoan Council. Everyone is welcome!

3 pm – Molkky

7 pm – The 38th Running at Sahnoan Downs

8 pm – KARAOKE! w/KJs CM & Jody

Sunday January 11

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie’s Nekkid Cafe

Friday January 16

6 pm – Birthdays Dinner Location TBD

Saturday January 17

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie’s Nekkid Cafe

10 am – The January 2026 meeting of the C.O.G. Board of Directors will take place in Tara Hall.

8 pm – Music and Games in Tara Hall

8 pm – Darts Tournament

Sunday January 18

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie’s Nekkid Cafe

Friday January 24

7 pm – Meet & Greet – everyone is welcome to join us in Tara Hall!

Saturday January 25

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie’s Nekkid Cafe

It’s time for the Star Ranch Annual Chili Cook-off and Pie Contest and Auction.

Chili and Pies just make sense when it’s cold outside!



[Click here to enter your Chili](#)

[Click here for Chili Cook-off Rules](#)

[Click here for Pie Baking Contest Rules](#)

9 am – Chili Cook-Off begins

2 pm – Chili judging – winners announced at the potluck dinner

3 pm – Cutoff time for Pie Contest entries

3 pm – Pie judging – winners announced at the potluck dinner

5 pm – Pie Auction

6 pm – Chili Cookoff and Pie Contest potluck.

Come by Tara Hall and experience all the savory flavors of the 2026 Chili Cookoff!

[Click here](#) to let us know what you'd like to share.

8 pm – Music and Games in Tara Hall



Sunday January 26

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie's Nekkid Cafe

Friday January 30

7 pm – Meet & Greet – everyone is welcome to join us in Tara Hall!

Saturday January 31

8 pm – Music and Games in Tara Hall

8 pm – Billiards Tournament

Sunday February 1

8 – 930 am – Breakfast – Margie's Nekkid Cafe

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Thoughts

Please keep the families of Lorraine A and Chris D in your thought and prayers as they navigate these difficult times through the holidays.

Prayers

WELCOME
new members
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Christine & Steve H

Araceli & Juan A

Gregory C

Jennifer Y & Jason G

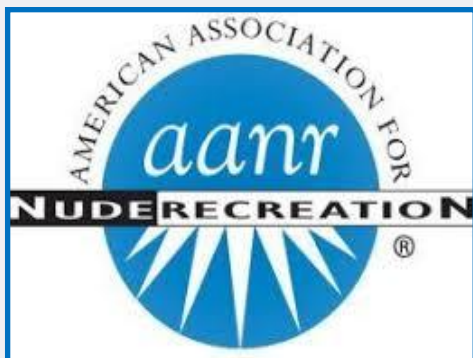
Josh & Lewis W

This & That

**Star Ranch After Hours Emergency
Phone Number
512-269-1433**

**The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for
Saturday, December 20, 2025 @ 10am @ Tara Hall**

Listen to "StarCast", the Official Podcast of the Star Ranch Nudist Club
on these podcast platforms



C.O.G. Board of Directors

President	Mark S
Vice President	Mark B
Directors:	Jamie M
	Jean M
	Bart W
Treasurer	Mary L

Sahnoan Council

Mike W & Jennifer M
Pete T
Rhum C
Sherry L & Richard W
Lori & Dennis M
CM J
Dan H

Star Ranch Staff

General Manager	Tim V
	Linda McC
Front Office	Sandi S
	Rob D
Maintenance	Mike M
	Bruce R
Housekeeping	Moe V

Thoughts

Mike W

Ray M

Craig Mc

And

Prayers

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 you are either a member of the club or you have opted-in on our website. Please let us know if you do not wish to receive future editions.

**The next Council meeting
is scheduled for Saturday,
December 13, 2025
at 10:00am @ Tara Hall**

STAR RANCH



McDade, Texas

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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