

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Appreciation



- Every Tue, 7:30pm - Emotions Anonymous offers a 12-step program to help people with the stress of daily living. Learn to live a healthier emotional life. Everyone is welcome. There are no dues or fees. Emotions Anonymous is not affiliated with any other organization. Meetings are held at St. Francis By The Lake Episcopal Church on FM 306 at Spring Mountain. For more information, call Carole at 935-3087.
- Every 4th Tue, 6-8pm - The Canyon Lake Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours Mixer is hosted by a Chamber member. Location varies. Networking, refreshments, and door prizes. Call Bonnie at 964-2223 for information.
- Every 1st & 3rd Thur, Noon - The Lions Club meets at the Canyon Lake Golf Club. Visitors are welcome. For information, call 899-2173.
- Every Thur, Noon-1pm - Canyon Lake Rotary includes outstanding speakers on local to international subjects. The group meets at Anchors Landing on Startz Rd in Startzville. Public is welcome. Lunch is included (\$10). For more information, call 899-3205.
- Every Thur, 1-1:30pm - "Looking at The Lake" KGNB 1420AM Radio Show, sponsored by the Chamber, focuses on local issues, news, membership, announcements and events for the upcoming week. It reaches 65,000 listeners throughout Comal, Hays and Guadalupe counties. Members interested in sponsoring shows should call Jaynellen at 964-2223.
- Every 1st Sat, 12-3pm - Vaccination clinic at the Canyon Lake Animal Shelter, located at 2170 Old Sattler Road, behind the Dollar General in Startzville. Call 905-PETS (7387) for information.
- Every Sat, 10am - Book study group reviews Dave Ramsey's Total Financial Makeover at VJ's Fitness Express, 1387 Sattler Rd in Sattler with free workout before or after the meeting for both members and non-members! For information, call Candace at 830-660-5359.
- Mon, May 28 MEMORIAL DAY - VFW Post 8573 in Sattler invites the community to a ceremony at 11:45am to honor fallen veterans. Call 964-3334 for information.
- Wed, May 30 - Opening Day for the Summer Reading Program at Tye Preston Memorial Library. Carnival, entertainment and fun. Call 964-3744 for information.
- Sat, June 16 - Canyon Lake Masonic Lodge Bar-B-Q at 11:30am until 3pm. Call the Chamber at 964-2223 for information.
- Sun, June 17, FATHER'S DAY - Remember Dad.
- Tues, June 26, 6-8pm - Chamber Business Mixer at Security State Bank & Trust in Hancock. Call the Chamber at 964-2223 for information.
- Wed, June 27 - All reading logs must be turned in by 5pm to qualify for prizes at the Library. Call 964-3744 for information.
- Fri, June 29 - Grand Finale Closing Day for the Summer Reading Program at Tye Preston Memorial Library. All prizes will be given away including 12 Grand Prize Bicycles! You must be present to win. Call 964-3744 for information.

My what a difference a year makes! This time last year, there were wild fires compared to this year when thankfully we have plenty of rainfall. This month's cover photo was taken by Gary Poss below the Dam as the flood gates were opened.

Our Canyon Lake Community Profile for this issue features Eleanor Preston, Executive Director of the Community Resource Recreation Center (CRRC). We are also introducing our first *Just For Kids* page that highlights kids and activities that interest them.

Memorial Day is fast approaching and it traditionally marks the beginning of summer and falls soon after this June issue is mailed. But Memorial Day means much more than a three-day weekend. Its history stretches back to the Civil War and continues today as an important reminder of those who have sacrificed and are sacrificing their lives in the service of our country.

With the meaning of Memorial Day and Independence Day so closely woven, we will highlight two veteran's groups in the next two issues. We begin this month featuring the VFW Post in Sattler for Memorial Day and next month the VFW Post in Startzville for Independence Day, as we remember the true purposes of these special days.

In this issue, you will learn about leadership and honor and giving thanks for our freedom. There is also information about home, health, and resources you have close by.

I hope you learn something new today and I hope you enjoy.

If you have spectacular photos of our area, please submit them to info@CanyonLakeViews.com.

Sue Sweat, Publisher

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JUNE EVENTS

**JUNE 16, SATURDAY
CANYON LAKE MASONIC LODGE Bar-B-Q
11:30-3pm**

**JUNE 26, CHAMBER BUSINESS MIXER
TUESDAY 6-8PM
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**EVERY THURSDAY LISTEN TO
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1:00 PM 1420 AM Radio KGNB**

Call for more information: 830-964-2223
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Stop by the Visitor Center for FREE Map & Area Activities!

May 8, 2007

Dear Citizens,

Habitat for Safe Seniors needs your help! We have progressed enormously since our inception in 2004. With the progression of our organization, our needs have also increased for funding. Thus far, we have been approved for the Combined Federal Campaign List; we will also be receiving a small grant from an organization out of Houston Texas and our new Senior Center is set up and running. Activities for the Senior Center are in the planning stages and will include but not be limited to having seniors bingo, pot luck lunches, senior games, and others as planned.

While we are waiting on this small grant we need your support in normal operations of our programs. Currently the three programs on going are the Home Repair Program, Yard/Environmental Cleanup Program, our Food Delivery Program, and now our new Senior Center with its activities including a food pantry. Our annual budget is estimated at \$65,000 and we have pledges of less than 33%. Currently we have over 25 backlogged repairs to be completed and make approximately 106 food deliveries weekly to senior citizens in the Canyon Lake area.

If you can help, please make a donation to Habitat for Safe Seniors. We will continue our service to our senior citizens every possible manner. I thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

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Support Plea

Reprinted from the Chamber Newsletter

Freedoms are not free

VFW Post 8573 invites the community to a Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 28 at 11:45am to honor all fallen veterans.

by Ron Plumley

VFW Post 8573 was chartered in 1969 and has a membership of 350 made up of the regular VFW, the women's auxiliary, and the men's auxiliary. The membership works toward the common goals of helping veterans and serving the community. Through their annual Chili Cook-Off and other fundraisers, they were able to give seven \$1,000 scholarships to Smithson Valley High School seniors. The Woman's Auxiliary annually prepares small ditty bags that are taken to the Kerrville Veteran's Hospital. The Men's Auxiliary sponsored a food drive for the CRRC food pantry and helps at various functions. The VFW annually hosts a Thanksgiving Dinner for the community. Last year over

300 people enjoyed a free turkey dinner.

VFW Post 8573 invites the community to a Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 28 at 11:45am to honor all fallen veterans. As citizens of the United States of America, we have freedoms that the rest of the world covets. *But freedoms are not free.* This Memorial Day, take the time to visit the grave sites of the many local men and women who died so you are safe and free in America. *Take the time to say thank you to a soldier.* Take the time to realize how blessed you are to be an American.



Ron Plumley is Commander of the VFW Post, located at 14625 River Road in Sattler, near the intersection of FM 2673. For more information on VFW Post 8573, call 964-3334.

Mediation vs. arbitration

by Carrie E. Campbell, JD

With the courts crowded with an ever growing number of criminal cases, family law disputes and civil litigation, the advantages of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) are easily apparent. However, there are *huge* distinctions between the available options that are significant to your personal and professional business.

The primary methods of ADR are mediation and arbitration. Mediation consists of all the parties to a dispute coming together in a good faith attempt to negotiate a settlement. A mediator gives all sides the opportunity to present their position, then splits the parties into different rooms. Thereafter, the mediator takes turns visiting with the parties, seeking concessions, and working out a compromise. The one-time mediator fee and the cost of legal representation are a limited expense that usually pays off by avoiding litigation expenses. Nevertheless, if not all parties are willing to negotiate or a good faith attempt fails to resolve the conflict, the parties are free to pursue the issues in a court of law.

Arbitration is very different, and often binding so that an unhappy party cannot seek the court's intervention if they don't like the outcome. Arbitration is usually organized by a large association such as the American Arbitration Association. The initial costs to open a case for arbitration is much higher per party than that of a filing fee in the court system which is provided in part by tax dollars. Once initiated, the parties mandatorily share information with each other and the association, then each party selects (and pays for) one arbitrator. The arbitrators then meet as a panel and



each party is given the opportunity to testify and present evidence to the panel. The process is formal and governed by strict time frames and procedural regulations. For these reasons, legal representation is highly recommended through-out the arbitration.

With so many basic contracts including provisions for either mediation or arbitration, it is important to seek qualified legal advice before entering into any agreements which may well affect your rights to a legal remedy.

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