

Thanksgiving and Christmas Newsletter



With our spring outing to Palo Duro in the rearview mirror, the Alamo Winnies were ready for a fun filled couple of months after the hot summer month's break, celebrating Thanksgiving and Christmas with our Winnebago friends.

In November we met at Riverside Parkview RV Resort to celebrate Thanksgiving, being hosted by Al and Marilyn Polzin. We've camped there for Thanksgiving many times and always enjoy revisiting the park. The staffs are friendly and even help out with issues on our RVs. This year we had a pumpkin carving contest and campground employees did the judging. We played games, watched the World Series, visited the Winter Festival in Utopia (where a movie by the same name was filmed) and several of us trekked to Lost Maples State Park to see the beginning of fall colors. The weather was great, in fact down right warm, and that made the long weekend even more enjoyable

In early December we gathered to celebrate Christmas at Oakwood RV Resort in Fredericksburg, hosted by Dave and Elaine Davis. We picked a great weekend (and just missed the snow and freezing temperatures that hit the region a few days later). A cook's Lunch Out was done at the Rathskeller Restaurant. The restaurant is in the basement of the old Keidel Hospital, built in the 1800s and the basement served as the hospital's morgue! Mmmm, lunch was delicious. We made a trip out of town to sip some wine with Santa at the 4.0 Wineries and to tell the jolly old man what we wanted for Christmas. The Fredericksburg Christmas parade was Friday evening and several of us ventured downtown with tons of other people to watch it. We had two potlucks, a German themed Winnie Wurst Fest (with various wursts made right in Fredericksburg) and our usual Christmas Party and gift exchange. With all the German food, surprised we weren't speaking German. The club house and many of our rigs were decorated for the holidays. Every afternoon we had a social hour at one of the rigs. Besides the human Alamo Winnie Members, our canine members also participated (we haven't invited our feline members for obvious reasons...yet). The Alamo Winnies also voted to make a donation to Wreaths Across America for the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery to honor our fallen warriors.

Special guests joined us in Fredericksburg, Winnebago owners, Jerry and Carey, who did the Lewis and Clark Expedition earlier in the year with other members of the Alamo Winnies. Jerri and Carey are trying out being Winter Texans this year. While in Fredericksburg they were invited to ride in the parade and also adopted a dog, Augie from a local shelter.

Now the Alamo Winnies are preparing to host the Texas W in Bandera and participate in the Chili Cook Off! We're also practicing for the planned Jenga games, a game our group plays at almost all our get togethers.

