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Start Making Your Summer Plans to Include GNR in Forest City,IA **German** JanuaryFEST Come join your Texas W Club friends in Fredericksburg for the winter meeting! Details in the Newsletter.

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### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

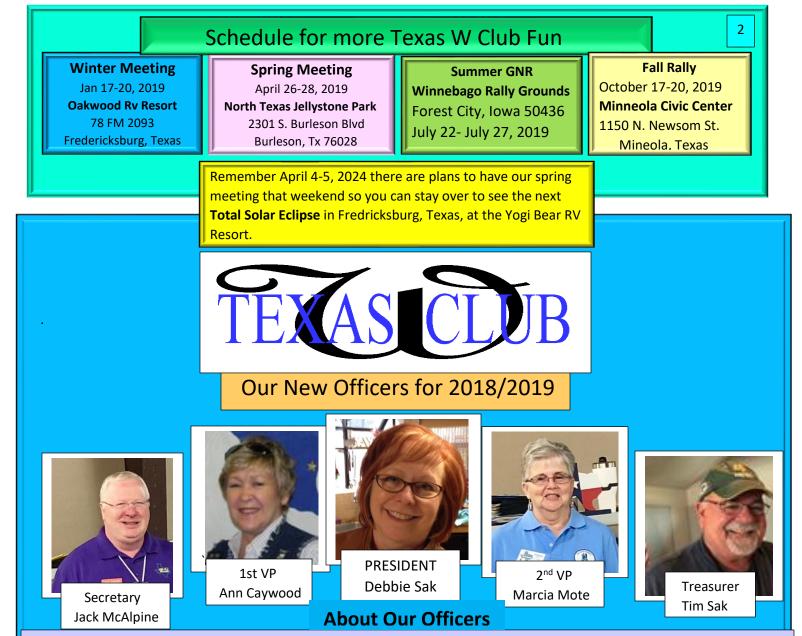
As I write this message to the members, the first thing that comes to mind is the awesome rally we had in October. October was a blast and I would like to thank every one of you in attendance. Of special note, I would like to thank Mike Anderson, Ann Caywood and Tim Sak for all their work on making the rally a huge success. Some of the other major players were John and Sue Kowalyk for their work to get donations for our charity, Center for the Intrepid. Sally Clyburn and Carolyn Hughes for a successful Silent Auction, Kim Thomey for the Hospitality Table, Rick Bailey for Clean Up, Tom and Susan Kovan for Decorating and Games, and Mike Reid for Parking. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Along with the planning of the four TexasW events, there are several projects in the works. The TexasW.org website will undergo a few changes. The membership renewal drive is under way and we still need a volunteer for the newsletter. Mary Lynn Mahoney is retiring from this position and we want to thank her for a job well done. Please contact us if you are interested in being a part of our great team.

The Winter Meeting, "German JanuaryFest" in Fredericksburg is right around the corner and preparations are being made now. It will be January 17 – 20 at Oakwood RV Resort and the registration is on the TexasW website. There are so many things to do and see in the area, it is impossible to list them all. Take a look at <u>www.visitfredericksburgtx.com</u> to plan your free time for this rally. Then meet back up with fellow campers to talk about your adventures, enjoy a wine tasting and participate in the "Hunger Games". You will have to come to share the fun....

Happy Holidays to you and your families,

**Debbie Sak** 



Debbie has been the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice president for several years as well as the GNR Head of Row Decoration Coordinator. As a Bluebonnet Traveler member, a local Texas chapter, she has additional experience for office of President. Deb was the secretary as well as the BBT Newsletter Editor.

Ann has been 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President for two previous Presidents, Gary Rigsby and Mike Anderson. Her local chapter is Bluebonnet Travelers. We are lucky to be heavy on the top in experience.

Marcía has joined the team and will provide a lot of support for her fellow Bluebonnet Traveler's chapter member. Thank you, Marcía, for jumping in as a member of the officer team.

Tím has served two years as the treasurer of Texas W Club and created a portal for all officers to work from for membership information. Tím, like his wife, is a member of the Bluebonnet Travelers.

Our new secretary is Jack and he is a Nor-Tex Travelers chapter member. He has just spent the past two years as the president of this north Texas chapter. **Thank you all for making Texas W a great Club!**  **WELCOME:** Area Representatives: Butch and Val Peters; the following were asked to stand to be recognized: Former State Officers, Former Chapter Officers, Current Chapter Officers, TexasW Members not affiliated with a local chapter, New TexasW Members and First Timers to TexasW meeting. No. of rigs on Ground: 41

#### ROLL CALL OF CHAPTERS: by Ann Caywood

Secretary – No changes and minutes will be filed as written.

Treasurer report – reported by Tim Sak Treasurer's report is not posted publicly. If you need a report, please ask Jack McAlpine or Tim Sak.

#### **OFFICER'S REPORT**

1st Vice-President – reported by Ann Caywood - January 18-20, 2019 at Oakwood RV Resort in **Fredericksburg** April 26-28, 2019 at North Texas Jellystone Park in **Burleson** - October 17-20, 2019 at Mineola Civic Center in **Mineola** 2nd Vice-President – reported by Debbie Sak - GNR was a big success, winning Head of Row for the 7th year, and we have 14 new members.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mike Anderson

2019 Budget was approved by the Executive Board. The GNR budget was increased by \$100 - Gary Rigsby discussed and encouraged everyone to pay their TexasW dues. It's only \$20.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Gary Rigsby presented the slate for election of 2019 officers. Debbie Sak – President; Ann Caywood – 1st Vice President; Tim Sak – Treasurer; Peggy Smith – Secretary.

Nominations from the floor were made for 2nd Vice President - Tricia Bradbury nominated Marcia Mote. Mike Reid nominated Jack McAlpine for Secretary. A secret ballot was cast for Secretary and votes were cast for either Peggy Smith or Jack McAlpine. The following were voted in as new officers for 2019. Debbie Sak – President, Ann Caywood – 1st Vice President, Marcia Mote – 2nd Vice President, Tim Sak – Treasurer, Jack McAlpine - Secretary . The new officers were sworn in by Val Peters.

Debbie Sak called on Mary Lynn Mahoney to discuss finding a replacement for the newsletter.

A motion was made by Carolyn Hughes, seconded by Susan Farley for the meeting to adjourn at 9:56am.

# **APPS for TRAVEL**

Apps to help your trip planning and traveling. Wonderful adventures or relaxing time together use an APP for your travel eas-

- Google Maps
- Oh Range! Park Finder
- Allstays
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- Roadtrippers

- Walmart Parking App
- Sanidumps RV Dump
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- Pilot App
- USA Rest Stops
- iExit

Please email to <u>newsletter@texasw.org</u> any apps you would like to share

# USING SOCIAL MEDIA TO GATHER INFORMATION ON YOUR MAINTENANCE ISSUES AND QUESTIONS.

If you use Facebook, you might want to search for groups that are forming Winnebago Model Groups to ask questions and ask for help solving maintenance and model issues. When you open Facebook go to the top and in the search box, type in Winnebago Vista or Winnebago...(what ever your model is).

FB will find a group with your model.

Tap the box that explains the sight.

Then a blue Join Group will show and there you go.

Some sites will also have the Itasca model that corresponds with the Winnebago model together. Request a member status with the administrator. These are closed groups and require an administrator to okay you viewing the page, where you will be able to participate in discussions.

My personal experience on these sites has been members sharing maintenance issues for help or reassurance that the action being taken has been successful with other owners of their model. You can also find groups that share travel information. Question like can I travel a certain highway in a large unit.

I know so many have worries about FB, but carefully choosing your security settings will help prevent any sharing you do not desire.

Hopefully, at the next rally a round table discussion can take place to share knowledge of web sharing, including Facebook. I will be available too to help you get connected.

Email-mahkelso@aol.com . Mary Lynn Mahoney

# SIGHTS OF FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS

Fredericksburg is the next meeting location with its lovely Hill Country flare. The downtown offers great eating and shopping. You will also find the **National Museum of the Pacific War, Admiral Nimitz Museum, Pioneer Museum, Vereins Kirche Museum** and many **Vineyards** and wine tasting. With beautiful weather there are trails such as **Live Oak wilderness Trail; Lady Bird Johnson State Park;** and **Enchanted Rock State Park** with a view of the surrounding area.

An extended trip while in the Hill Country before or after the meeting allows for more fun. Go a little south to the coast for sun, fun, and fishing. Maybe go to **Garner State Park** for hiking or winter trout fishing in the park.

See you in Fredericksburg for some fun and friendship.



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# How to find a certified Inspector when purchasing a used RV, Travel Trailer or Fifth Wheel

Texan RV Park is not only an rv park, but it is a campus for National RV Training Academy. The Academy offers several classes and seminars throughout the year.

A **5- day level one Inspectors certificate** class is offered. Once the course has been completed, the individual may be registered at NRVIA, National RV Inspector Association.

If you are looking to buying a used RV and you would like it inspected by a certified inspector, go to NRVIA.com web site and locate the nearest inspector and make your arrangements for the inspection.

National RV Training Academy offers **a 3- day class for rv owners**. You bring your RV and stay on the campus grounds, Texan RV Park in Athens, Texas (254) 709-3251 for the Academy.

Thank you Laurie Gaines for the very informative time spent on First aid and life saving tips.









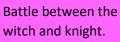




The death of an invading King, Mike Anderson.

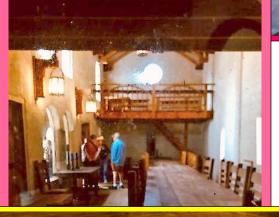
Knight Hood bestowed on John Mahoney, Jack McAlpine, and new TexasW member, Larry Kyle







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The Dragon Challenge was rewarded with a Dragon Tattoo.

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any excuse to raise a class of wine throughout the class







Bean Bag Baseball had a nail biting Congratulations!

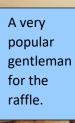
























TX W Winter Meeting "German JanuaryFest" Oakwood RV Resort 78 FM 2093 Fredericksburg, Texas 78624 January 17-20, 2019		
Names of all registrants W	VIT #	
Address City, State, ZIP		
Daytime Phone Email o	o Member  – or -    o Visitor	
Rig Length: Slides Power: o 30 amp o 50 amp Handicap? o Yes o No		
Arrival Date: Departure Date:	o No Rig (staying offsite)	
Food and Supplies Cost: Register by January 1, 2019: 1	1 rig / 2 people \$37.00 \$ 1 rig / 1 person \$20.00 \$	
	1 rig / 2 people \$47.00 \$	
1	1 rig / 1 person \$30.00 \$	
Each Ex	Extra Person \$18.00 \$	
2019 Texas W Dues (\$20 if not previously paid) \$		
Total amount enclosed for meeting $\$$		
Please make checks payable to Texas W Club and mail it, along with this completed form, to Tim Sak, TX W Treasurer, PO Box 16, Magnolia, TX 77353-0016		
Camping Arrangements: All site reservations will be arranged by Texas W Treasurer u form. The RV Park has requested that payment for parking b check-in. Be prepared to pay \$39 per night via Visa, Master 1:00PM and Departure time is 12:00 Noon.	be made by each camper directly to the park upon	