



# CHATTER BOX

February 2023

## Words from the Pres.....

### *A Word About Coffee & Doughnuts And Saturday Morning Breakfasts*

Did you know that the Activity Club buys the doughnuts and supplies the coffee free to everyone Friday morning? The doughnuts alone cost a little over \$60.00 week. Of course, the Club also provides free coffee at a variety of other activities.

The Activity Club also purchases everything required to host Saturday morning breakfast. As previously reported through the end of December the club is losing money on Saturday morning breakfast.

Going forward: The board will continue to monitor income and expenses associated with Saturday morning breakfast with a goal of at least breaking even. Our intention is to continue to offer eggs, biscuits, gravy, bacon, pancakes, coffee, orange juice and sausage.

**Don't forget the monthly Club meeting on Friday, Feb.10, 9:00 am South Hall.**

Ron Raup – President

## Chatterbox Delivery

Some folks have expressed interest in having the Chatterbox delivered to their home. So, beginning in March we are offering the Chatterbox Subscription Program. For cost of \$1.00 we will deliver the Chatterbox. The cost for the 2023/2024 season will be \$5.00. IF interested, please sign up at the Activity Office. Free copies of the Eastgate Chatterbox will continue to be available at both the North and South Hall. You can also read the Chatterbox newsletter on the Eastgate web site: ([Eastgatervpark.net](http://Eastgatervpark.net)).

## MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

Hope everyone is enjoying the fun and warm weather here in South Texas, well at least warmer than back home. We are in full swing here at Eastgate with activities, tours and just plain relaxing.

Here in the office we are busy working on this season and planning for the next. As part of this planning, those of you in the RV section will soon be receiving a letter from the office asking your intentions for next year. Current residents get first chance to hold their same lot for next season. Please respond to this letter once you receive it, as unassigned spaces will be open to new reservations after March 3rd. So let us know soon to secure your space.

This season is still going strong, so please continue to enjoy all the valley has to offer. If we can be of assistance please stop by the office.

Ron Fischer, Park Manager  
956-423-3137

## A Chance to Give Back

A few weeks ago, Betty Ocholik came to speak at our morning coffee hour about an educational Scholarship program for the children of Progresso, Mexico called **Mable's Children's Refuge**. A yearly subscription amount of \$120 for students in 7th-9th grades, \$260 for students in 10th-12th grade and \$260 for college age students. A \$20 administrative fee is also charged. If you are interested in sponsoring a child or would like more information, contact Betty at 816-294-3477 or email her at [bocholik@yahoo.com](mailto:bocholik@yahoo.com)

**It's what you know after you  
know it all that counts!**

## VALENTINE BREAKFAST

Tom Davis and the breakfast team are planning a special pre-Valentine breakfast on Saturday, February 11th. The menu will include made to order omelets, fried potatoes, orange juice and coffee. Breakfast will be offered from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM for this event only. The cost is \$8.00 per person. Sign-up sheets will be available in the South Hall where you can specify what you would like in your omelet.

## SHOUT OUTS

A SHOUT OUT to Paula Granger, Nancy Banks and everyone who helped make the Reverse Advent project a great success! Eastgate "rocks"?

A SHOUT OUT to Alice and Tom Davis and their team in heading up the Christmas Dinner. Your hard work is so appreciated!

**I've come to the conclusion that I have a memory like an Etch-A Sketch... I shake my head and forget everything!**

## NEW CHAPLAIN

Let's give a big Eastgate welcome to the new chaplain Don Ballew and his wife, Cindy. Make sure you give them a warm howdy!

## Hurry, Hurry Before It's Too Late

The annual Rotary Club Flag Subscription time is going to be over soon. For \$50 you can have a US or Canadian Flag put out on Harrison Ave. in Honor of a veteran that you know. See Margaret in the office to be part of this awesome display.

## Friday Entertainment

Feb 3 Rusty Rierson  
Feb 10 Justin Terry  
Feb 17 Nu-Blu  
Feb 24 Jason Whorlow

## Saturday Dances

Feb 4 Juan Garza  
Feb 11 Roland the DJ  
Feb 18 Roland the DJ  
Feb 25 Roland the DJ

## Park Activities

Feb 4 10am CAF Airforce Museum Tour  
Feb 8 12pm Ladies Luncheon  
Feb 9 9am Pool Tournament-Billiards  
Feb 11 8am-10am Valentines Day Breakfast  
Feb 12 4pm ?? Super Bowl Party  
Feb 18 9am-2pm Spring Craft Sale and Lunch  
Feb 27 5pm Ham and Bean Dinner  
Feb 28 10am Port of Harlingen

Watch the bulletin boards for posters and Facebook for information. The weekly drawings will be continuing. I have some really awesome items. We will be giving away at least 3 items a week. Sign up in the Lobby **every week**.

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