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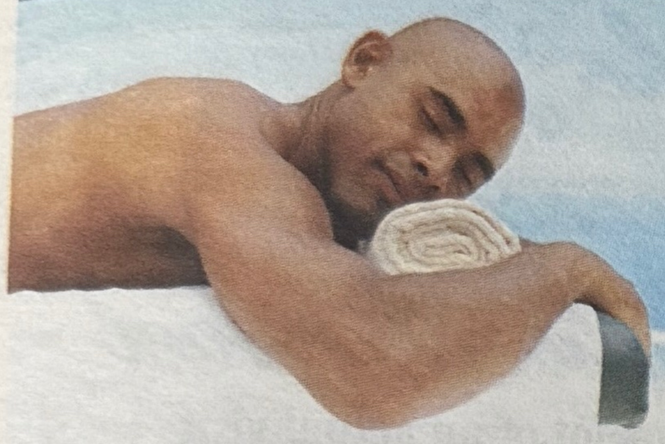

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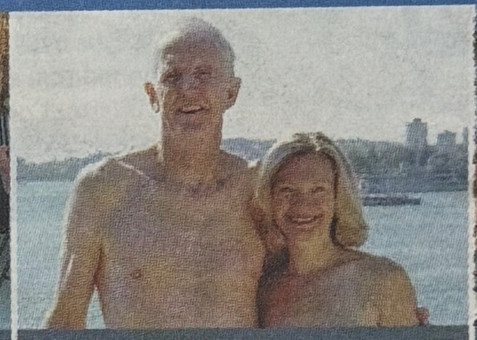

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New size for *The Bulletin*

By James Banttari
The Ledger

It was recently announced that *The New York Times* will be making the move that the majority of U.S. newspapers made in the early part of this decade—a reduction in the size of its newspaper. As *The Ledger* serves as a *Times'* national edition print site that prints *The Bulletin*, we also will be making this change effective with the September issue.

On a national level, *The Times* will be joining the company of newspapers such as *USA Today*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Boston Globe*, and *The Wall Street Journal* in the adaptation of the new size. On a more local level, *The Ledger* will join most of Florida's major dailies in this effort to reduce expenses and enhance the reading experience.

We firmly believe the end result is worth the investment. The resulting product will have the ability to lower printing expenses and showcase a new look to readers. The decrease in weight may mean additional savings. This change will result in a more reader-friendly publication—a benefit to both members and advertisers.



Young at heart members of Prairie Haven beat the dog days of summer.

A trip to the Oregon Legislature

By John Kinman

In late April, Shirley Gauthier, AANR Northwest and Willamettans government affairs chair, alerted us to a bill in the Oregon legislature that was scheduled for a fast hearing with little notice prior to the deadline of April 30 for consideration of new bills in committees. HB 56 was introduced by Representative Cameron. It was aimed at controlling strip clubs and proposed a constitutional amendment which would allow the state or local communities to enact legislation to outlaw such activities. While we are not great supporters of strip clubs, our reading of the proposed bill led us to believe that the language could be used in the future to affect our very existence.

At the urging of the Government Affairs Team (GAT), many Oregon AANR members wrote e-mails and letters to committee members objecting to the bill and asking that our state constitution not be changed. AANR sent informational packets to be distributed to the committee with a very professional position statement. I added my own written testimony.

Sharon Bower and I traveled to Salem on April 30 to testify before the Judiciary Committee. Sharon spoke of the wholesome nature of nude recreation and the fact that she had raised children and grandchildren at The Willamettans. I spoke as both the president of The Willamettans and the American Association for Nude Recreation (AANR) as to how the bill, as written, could have unintentional effects on our legitimate operation. The definitions of "strip," "nude," "club," "performance," and "business enterprise" could be interpreted by government bodies to find us in violation after a night of karaoke singing if some of us were nude.

The sponsor of the bill tried to assure us that it was not aimed at our legitimate activities, but the majority of the committee felt that the wording was too vague. One committee member commented that she had received several e-mails from her constituents not to amend the constitution. The bill was passed out of committee with "no recommendation." Political experts tell us that this means the death of the bill. In fact, the committee chairman wrote to Shirley and advised her that he thought it would go nowhere.

AANR and The Willamettans GAT teams will continue to watch the bill to be sure that it does not resurface. If it does, we will be prepared.

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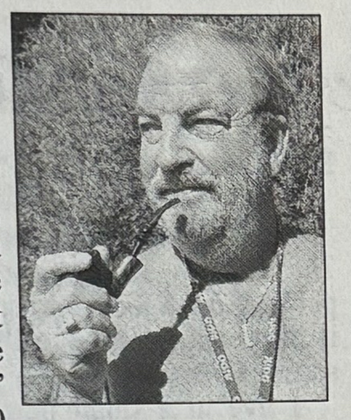

On June 1, *USA Today* ran a half page article entitled "10 Great Places to Leave the Swimsuit at Home" and featured 10 nudist beaches around the world. Perhaps you saw the article or read about it in the July AANR *Bulletin*, the AANR *E-Bulletin*, or another source. While Buzzy Gordon, the writer, quoted me over 10 times in the article, I have to admit that I didn't have all of the information on the tip of my tongue. Carolyn Hawkins and Lynn Von Hagel of the AANR staff; government affairs volunteer Shirley Gauthier; and our PR firm, YPB&R, helped to pull together the information. Actually, we gave the writer information on many other beaches as well. He picked the ones he wanted to feature.

The article starts with the following comment: "Don't look now, but nude recreation is more widespread than you think: 40 million Americans have skinny-dipped in mixed company, according to a Roper poll, and a YPB&R/Yankelovich Partners travel survey revealed that vacationers rated access to nude recreation higher than golf or tennis in choosing a destination." Given the credibility of *USA Today*, articles have cropped up in many other publications since the article was published. The AANR office reported that hits on our Web site spiked significantly following publication. The message that readers heard was that nude recreation is accepted and natural and that AANR is an organization that can give them more information.

Yes, there were a few critics within the nudist/naturist community. Why weren't other beaches featured? Why weren't there better directions to the beaches? Why was an AANR spokesman featured instead of someone from another organization better known for promoting beaches?

In the short time that I have served as your president, I have received a number of suggestions that AANR should do more advertising as opposed to focusing on public relations. It is true that when we buy an ad, we have total control over its content. We don't have to worry about how a reporter will twist our words. We get our message out the way we want it. With public relations we have less control, however, we do not have the heavy cost involved of advertising. Marketing/PR experts tell us that the public tends to trust the word of a newspaper writer more that the paid advertisement. If the article comes out favorable to us, we gain credibility.

Our Marketing/PR team tells me that a half page black and white ad in a national run of *USA Today* would have cost about $75,000. This is about what we pay for our PR consultants for an entire year! You may have noticed that an ad from Travelocity shared the page with our article. Which one do you think people read, and which one was most cost effective?

I feel very fortunate to have a team of PR people who have provided me with training to deal with the press and who screen the many requests for interviews that we receive. Over the past few years, AANR and nude recreation have been the subject of articles in *USA Today*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Forbes*, *The New York Times*, *Time*, and other credible publications. Nude recreation has become "mainstream," and AANR is its "credible voice."

I am also pleased to see AANR mentioned in an article regarding nude recreation in appropriate places on public lands. Those of you who read my articles know that AANR and AANR West were the primary supporters when I was coordinating a legal defense to protect nude sunbathers at Honokohau Beach in Hawaii in the mid-1990s. AANR and its regions have been the major contributor on many other beach issues as well, but somehow a few people still feel that this is not our strong suit. I disagree. Our mission is to "Advocate nudity and nude recreation in appropriate settings, and educate and inform society of the value and enjoyment of such through on-going member growth."

> ***"The article in USA Today added significant credibility to our mission."***

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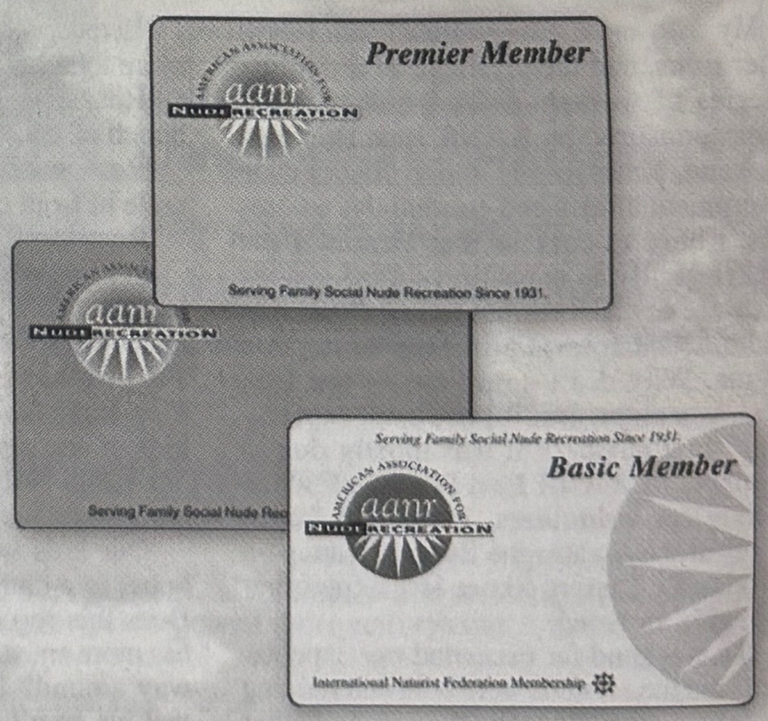

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Letters to the Editor

Respect choices

Dear Editor:

I am pleased to belong to both AANR and to NAAFA, the National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance. I see both groups as promoting being at peace and joy in one's body. NAAFA does a lot of political work (just as AANR does for nudists) to promote basic civil rights and fair treatment for fat people.

The reason that I am writing is that in nearly every *Bulletin*, you have articles about health that have damaging misconceptions and stereotypes and stigmatizing assertions so consistently, I feel that I must say something.

Studies have shown repeatedly that fat people on average eat the same as our thinner counterparts. Studies have also shown that dieting leads to weight gain. I would suggest that it is highly probable that the reason that Americans are getting fatter is that we've been dieting.

As for promoting exercise as a way to be healthy and to avoid obesity which the latest article in *The Bulletin*, "Journey to Health, I Remember When" does, I would like to point out that if one looks around without prejudiced eyes, one will see that there are a variety of people of all sizes being active and a variety of people of all sizes being inactive. Exercising and being active are no guarantee of a slender or even "normal" weight body. While studies have shown exercise to have some benefits in terms of health and longevity at any weight, I also look to my paternal grandfather and maternal grandmother, both of whom lived to be 89 and who never exercised. I wonder about the validity of the big emphasis on exercise.

I enjoy being active and have been an athlete my whole life. I continue to be active and strong and healthy even though my weight has been close to 250 pounds for most of the past 15 years. I'm active because I like to be and because I personally feel good when I am, not for potential health benefits, and certainly not to lose weight. Not everybody enjoys being active, and not everybody benefits from it either. Exercise is actually harmful for some people. Everybody has to choose for themselves what makes them happy and healthy and how to define "happy" and "healthy," for that matter. We need to respect everyone's choices and not shame people either for their choices or for the bodies that nature has given them. We should all be able to celebrate our bodies and enjoy them — no matter what size, shape, color, ability or other variation we are.

Kathy Barron

No skinny nudists

Dear Editor:

Thank you for sending another issue of *The Bulletin*. I enjoy and appreciate each publication. I look forward to seeing what is happening and hope I'll see pictures of some of my old friends.

I live in a small neighborhood of 53 homes. The population consists of mixed ages. Many immediate neighbors range in ages from 40 to 55 years old. Five of them maintain they do not wear clothes within the confines of their properties. Of the five families, two of them have privacy fences and enjoy outdoor nudism.

I always share my *Bulletin* with two neighbors. One of them asked me questions last week that I will present to you: Why are there only overweight people shown in the published pictures? Aren't there any slim or skinny nudists at the nudist parks?

I haven't visited a park in the past few years because of health problems which prohibit me from being in the sun. It was a weekend activity I thoroughly enjoyed. I miss it.

Raymond Harris

Most stress-free vacation since childhood

Dear Editor:

My wife and I recently spent eight days and seven nights at Cypress Cove Nudist Resort and Spa in Kissimmee, Florida, celebrating our second honeymoon. We had joined AANR even before our first nude "adventure."

We drove from the airport with a little nervous apprehension. My wife, more so than I, because it has always been a desire of mine to go nude. After we got checked in, got into our room and out of our clothes, it took well over three minutes to know we were where we wanted to be. I chose a career that is extremely high stress, and the world increasingly feels like it is closing in on me. But I can tell you, that week was the most stress-free I have experienced since I was a kid with no responsibility.

We did a number of things outside the resort but more times than not, we could not wait to get back. The unknown is always what causes one to be apprehensive. Having never seen the Cove except for pictures in *The Bulletin*, and having never had the "natural" experience, I was hoping I wouldn't let my bride of 25 years down in my planning of this trip. It was as if we had entered Utopia. The resort was spotless, well kept, and perfect. What we enjoyed most were our numerous walks in the neighborhood. Seeing all the manicured homes and enjoying the unbelievable quiet was something we looked forward to every morning, afternoon, and evening. My only regret is that we live so far away, but we are already planning our return visit.

Now to the people. I am impressed by the professionalism of the AANR staff and of *The Bulletin*, which we look forward to every month. Upon joining AANR, I immediately felt like part of the family. My phone calls at the Cove were taken with patience, and when we arrived, it was the people who made this a memorable trip. The only person we encountered on the entire trip that was rude was the woman at the car rental (by the way, we took advantage of the car rental discount through AANR) counter at the airport. She could use some time at the Cove.

We just wanted to say thanks to the folks at AANR and Cypress Cove for such a wonderful experience. Thanks to Mel, too, for the directions.

Gary Gafford

Training sessions exceed expectations

Dear Editor:

My wife and I, along with a room full of other folks, had the privilege of attending a series of workshops and training sessions sponsored by AANR East this past weekend, June 16-17, which focused on government affairs and community awareness. I have to confess that I entered the weekend halfway expecting some sessions that were dry as toast but taking them like medicine because I knew they were good for me. Why did I come out in the first place, you might ask, if I had such expectations? In a nutshell, it was mostly due to an appeal by AANR East President Susan Weaver for volunteers. I had met Susan briefly at the Assateague Beach Cleanup on Maryland's Eastern Shore last September and again in April.

The weekend far exceeded my expectations, and the sessions were both entertaining and informative. Both the trainers and other attendees were great folks to spend time with. If you get the chance to catch even one of these sessions at an upcoming convention or other event, it's well worth your time.

If you haven't figured it out yet, GAT stands for Government Affairs Team and CAT stands for Community Awareness Team. Cap Wiz is not a cousin to a certain cheese-like product in a spray can, and it's not something you might find in a litter box. Rather, it's a nifty tool tucked away in the Government Affairs section of the AANR Web site: http://www.capwiz.com/aanr/home/.

John Andersen

More amenities for kids

Dear Editor:

Here are the top three reasons you don't find more teens and 'tweens at nudist resorts:

Reason #3: "I don't like to be around a bunch of naked old people."

Reason #2: "I'm not comfortable being nude in front of other people."

Reason #1: "It's boring!"

We live within a half-hour of three of the largest nudist parks in the country. Not one has a place for kids to hang out and watch TV. Two have no pool table and one has no Ping-Pong table for kids. One doesn't allow kids of any age in the conversation pool or hot tubs. None has regular activities for older kids.

Our kids would rather ride almost two hours to a club that offers all of the above. Does this resort have more kids because it has more amenities for them, or is it the other way around? I don't know, but I do know that we aren't doing much to keep the next generation interested. If the kids don't want to come, neither will their parents.

A recent letter to *The Bulletin* asks why there aren't more pictures of younger people. I think the reason is that there aren't a lot of younger people. Most nudists are older, sedentary people so I like to see progressive clubs work to attract and keep younger ones.

Jim Mahoney

Joining AANR raises self-confidence

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to the invitation to the breakfast on August 11 for Elite Life and Premier members. I won't be able to make it this year, but I'm hoping next summer will be better. I've been an Elite Life member since March 2006, and I am also a member of Rocky Mountain Naturists in Colorado. I'm a part-time nudist because I am on Social Security disability income, and I don't have an automobile to get me around.

I used to be self-conscious of my looks in school. I'm now 47, and since joining AANR my confidence level went up 100 percent. I also feel great about doing nude modeling, thanks to Frank Cordelle's *Bodies and Souls: The Century Project*. I did a recent photo shoot for an oil painting artist and told her the thing about body image in pictures and on canvas is that you can see past the physical and emotional scars and hide them out of the painting/picture.

I am really enjoying the way God intended us to live, within our means and au naturel. My wife and kids, two boys 20 and 21, are not into this lifestyle "yet," but they accept it for me.

I thank God that I belong to an association where I am accepted just the way I am.

David Lacefield

Correction: The photos of Rock Lodge Club that appeared on Pages 10 and 11 of the July issue were taken by photographer Brian J. Ballone. We regret that he was not given the proper credit.

Letters to the Editor are welcomed.

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Legislature

Continued from Cover.

As I reflect on the trip and the e-mails that preceded and followed it, I feel very proud to be a part of AANR and The Willamettans. The volunteers at the national, regional and club level and the staff at the AANR office were an organized team.

> *"We cannot take for granted the freedoms that we enjoy."*

A similar bill was introduced several years ago, and Sharon made the trip to the Capitol then also, along with several other Willies and a paid lobbyist. This time the committee knew who we were and was most respectful of our position. It proves that the dedication of our members to be active politically between legislative sessions has paid off. We need to continue this commitment to government affairs.

We cannot take for granted the freedoms that we enjoy at The Willamettans. Legislation can be introduced that may, inadvertently, threaten our club and nude recreation in the entire state. I encourage all of our members to watch the newspapers and to alert Shirley or me if you see actions at the state or community level that could be a problem for us. *We will respond.*

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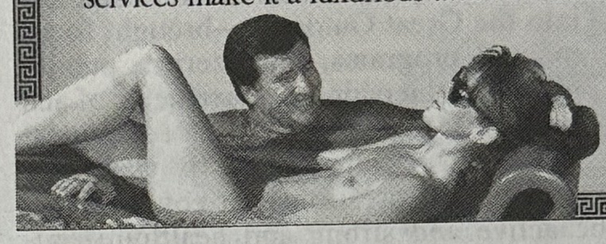

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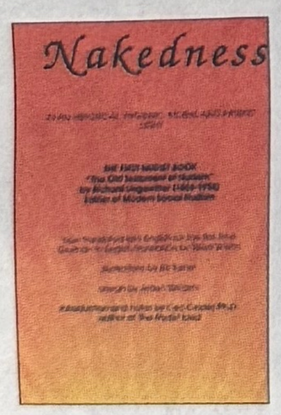

The first nudist book, The *Old Testament of Nudism*, by Richard Ungewitter, has been translated from German into English for the first time.

Why should a book written in German almost exactly a century ago be of any interest to modern readers? The answer is that this book introduced a radical idea into civilized discourse—the conviction that people of both sexes and all ages can associate together "stark" naked without precipitating an orgy.

This book was the first extended exploration the world had ever seen of the cluster of conceptions that formed the basis of the movement, which, originating in Germany, spread eventually to all corners of the Western world. *Nakedness* is the movement's Old Testament, or at least its Pentateuch.

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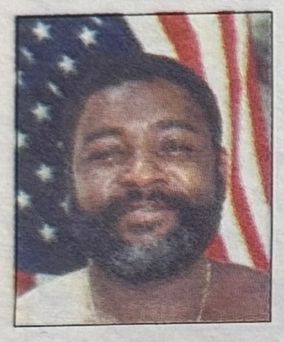

By Alonzo Stevens
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AANR Government Affairs Great Outdoors Week in Washington D.C. was a great success. According to American Recreation Coalition (ARC) President Derrick Crandall, AANR has been a participating member of ARC for 17 years. This year, there were some new faces—Shirley Gauthier (AANR Northwest) with her extensive work in Oregon to adopt Rooster Rock and Sauvie Island and AANR Midwest President Harvey Hanna. Also accompanying me were Patricia Orner (AANR staff) and her husband, Paul; Steve Hubbard (AANR Northwest); Beverly Price (Arizona GAT chair); and Debra Sue Stevens (AANR West). Ray Simpson (AANR East) and AANR East President Susan Weaver joined us for some of the Great Outdoors Week activities. Along with Don Murphy (Maryland lobbyist), the team pulled together and strategically tackled the Hill to spread the word that AANR is the credible voice of reason for nude recreation that speaks for thousands of American citizens and voters, along with multitudes of Canadian travelers.

Great Outdoors Week 2007, June 11-16, brought together hundreds of outdoor recreation leaders for meetings, discussions, and celebrations of significant achievements. This year's theme—Get Outside and into the Great Outdoors—brought focus to youth programs, volunteerism, public-private partnerships, achievements of and future opportunities for the Recreational Trails and National Scenic Byways programs, the recreational forums initiative, and more. Awards honoring the outstanding efforts and contributions of exemplary land management agency employees and recreational community leaders also added to the week's excitement as to what can be done. Can AANR members contribute to public lands of such a magnitude?

Each year the American Recreation Coalition (ARC) coordinates Great Outdoors Week and includes events hosted by more than a dozen federal agencies and national organizations. "By working together with private and non-profit sectors and the general public, we can help preserve our local parks, lakes, rivers, and working lands," said ARC President Derrick Crandall. He added, "We are also encouraging cooperative conservation, innovation, and new technologies to help ensure America's outdoors remain places where families and friends can learn, exercise, and create meaningful memories."

For the fourth year, Great Outdoors Month was proclaimed by President George W. Bush. This year, governors from across the nation—more than 20—joined the president in declaring June Great Outdoors Month in their home states; California was one of those states. To see if your state made an official proclamation, visit the ARC Web site, www.funoutdoors.org, and refer to Great Outdoors Week 2007. Can AANR members help us to have proclamations in all 50 states next year?

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In between the week-long agenda of meetings and forums, your AANR GAT representatives completed appointments with your Congress and Senate legislative officials and their staffers. In California, we were promoting the California Children's Bill of Rights along with presenting the issues that could affect the recreational choices of Americans. We were well received, and many of the offices recognized us from previous visits. These appointments take a huge amount of energy to research and obtain, but the end result is worth the effort. Thank you to the entire team for another awesome Washington, D.C., visit.

Thank you for your continued responses to the GA column. Your positive and negative feedback is essential to keep your AANR Government Affairs Team (GAT) focused and aware. Our obligation though your membership is to understand your concerns and stay connected with the members. We are preparing for the AANR Convention, and next year, GAT will be continuing to build our infrastructure by recruiting volunteers, training our team, and improving our communication network. Remember, "I work for YOU and your voice counts!"

ANRL Goes Digital

Cypress Cove is donating **30 nights** in a Villa Apartment, including all day fees and complimentary use of The Body Works fitness center. The vacation prize package is part of a fundraiser to convert the holdings of the American Nudist Research Library (ANRL) into digital form. The cart and bike shop, D&R Golf Cart Emporium, is donating up to 30 days of golf cart rental, based on availability. There will be coupons included in the grand prize for the massage establishment, hair salon, Fig Leaf Boutique, and the Lakeside Restaurant.

Cypress Cove will allow the winner to divide the prize into multiple segments of at least three nights each. The winner can share it, give away part of it, or donate a portion to his/her own club or region for a fund raiser. Use of the prize is subject to availability of the desired dates, but it may be used through 2010.



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MAHESO hospitality



Members gathered for a photo op with Alonzo.

By Debra Sue Stevens
AANR West GA Chair

In June, before the Great Outdoors Week activities in Washington, D.C., began, we arranged to visit the Maryland Health Society (MAHESO), established in 1933. Our dear friends and MAHESO members, George and Lisa Belle, generously offered to be our chauffeur. We drove through the beautiful Maryland countryside about 30 minutes from Washington, D.C., to MAHESO, which is nestled in 100 acres of pristine woodland and backed by the Patuxent River. The centerpiece of the club is the newly remodeled 30-by-60-foot swimming pool located outside the community clubhouse.

Alonzo and I were greeted by members of the club's guest committee. Being a small club, we were welcomed by most of the members at poolside and instantly felt like part of the MAHESO family. We spent the afternoon relaxing and enjoying the rustic atmosphere of this secluded piece of paradise. Several members asked us questions about AANR and our activities during Great Outdoors Week. Conrad Kohlheyer gave us a full tour of the resort, including his cabin which he fondly calls "The Conrad Hilton." Thank you, everyone, for sharing your MAHESO hospitality with us.

If you find yourself near Maryland, consider visiting MAHESO. We will definitely be going back. For more information, call 410/798-0269 or visit www.maheso-naturally.org.

Education, enthusiasm, advocacy

❑ AANR East hosts GAT training.

By Audrey Weber
AANR East GA Training Coordinator

Do you know what (po)'taters and volunteers have in common? The AANR East GAT does! That insight—shared by Shirley Gauthier—was just one of many valuable lessons learned by the AANR East Government Affairs Team (GAT) as they kicked off their new program with a training session, June 15-17, 2007. Avalon in West Virginia, served as the scenic and comfortable venue for the meeting. When AANR East President Susan Weaver sent out a call for volunteers the response was immediate. More than 30 people responded with interest in being a government affairs state coordinator or part of a state network.

The 18 participants representing Connecticut, South Carolina, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Tennessee, and Virginia were welcomed on Friday evening with a wine and cheese social hosted by Avalon General Manager Bob Smith. Beginning early Saturday morning, the group got down to business in Avalon's newly completed conference center learning about Community Awareness Teams (CAT) from the AANR West government affairs chair Debra Sue Stevens. Alonzo Stevens, the AANR government affairs chair, followed with a discussion about GAT and how GAT and CAT can work together in a community.



Photos by Flutterby Naturally.



The GAT training was a great success.



Next, Patricia Orner of the AANR staff explained how two Web resources, StateNet and Cap Wiz, can be used to help the GAT volunteers track legislation. She explained Cap Wiz can be fine tuned by AANR members so that they can be alerted to pending legislation that may affect nude recreation. To refresh everyone's memory on how a bill becomes a law, Jimmy Corsentino led the group in a hilarious skit on the topic. A session on "Growing Volunteers" was conducted by Shirley Gauthier, the AANR Northwest government affairs chair. Saturday's session concluded with an update from Cheri Alexander about pending legislation in South Carolina.

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Sunday morning started appropriately with a newspaper. Shirley Gauthier taught the participants how to read a newspaper to look for outreach opportunities in the community and information that has the potential to impact social nudism. The training showed the participants a new way to read a newspaper, and how this technique makes it easy for volunteers at a local level to participate in government affairs just by reading the paper with their morning cup of coffee. Kathy Pearson, the AANR Take Pride in America (TPIA) chair, explained to the group how volunteering on public lands, beach, and roadside cleanups, for example, can be announced and reported in the TPIA system. The group agreed that TPIA is a great way to recruit volunteers and obtain public credit for AANR sponsored volunteer hours.

The last event of the training session was a round table discussion on "Where do we go from here?" to grow the AANR East Government Affairs Program. Discussion centered on recruiting and training volunteers, resourcing the program, and networking within the AANR East region. A priority for the AANR East GAT will be to get members in the region registered in Cap Wiz so that they can be alerted to issues in their state or community. All AANR members can register at http://capwiz.com/aanr.

The AANR East state GA coordinators will be seeking volunteers for their state networks. You can expect to see them at club events throughout the summer and fall looking for recruits, but you don't need to wait to be recruited. A list of the current state coordinators appears on this page. Please contact your state coordinator to volunteer or for more information.

Oh, and (po)'taters and volunteers both come in lots of varieties and both need care and cultivation.

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Government Affairs continued.

Positive relationships

AANR government affairs has adopted a number of objectives for 2007, with the first objective being "Advocate for the rights of all nudists, including the freedom to engage in appropriate nude activities on public lands." The second objective being "Proactively educate and partner with legislators, government staff, recreational and community leaders."

Not only were both of these objectives complied with, but I feel were surpassed in our visits to the legislators, staff, and organizations during the Great Outdoors Week 2007. We spent a good deal of time with both our state senators and representatives, but more importantly developed a good relationship with their legislative aides. When the senators or representatives have a question, or want to know something concerning nudism in response to a constituent's question, it becomes important that the key legislative aides have someone to contact who is credible. I feel that we, as a group, developed these steps toward positive relationships with both the elected officials and their legislative staffs.

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The AANR contingent.

National Scenic Byways

On Wednesday morning, June 13, 2007, four members of the Washington DC GAT Team (Shirley Gauthier—NW, Harvey Hanna—MW, Bev Price—W and Hugh Williams—FANR) attended the National Byways Partners Forum.

The information in the forum was very valuable. The third edition of National Geographic's Highways and Byways has just been published and now lists all of the designated National Scenic Byways. This could be an important tool for any of AANR's clubs that lie along one of these Byways. Don't know if you are on one? You can find out by logging onto www.byways.org and looking for a designated byway in your state. Maps are included, and if you find one that is near you, start using the public relations information on this Web site and in the National Geographic book to advertise your club.

The Byways program hopes that folks will slow down, drive off the freeways, and enjoy a few stops along the way. What better way to enjoy a stop than to visit a nudist venue?

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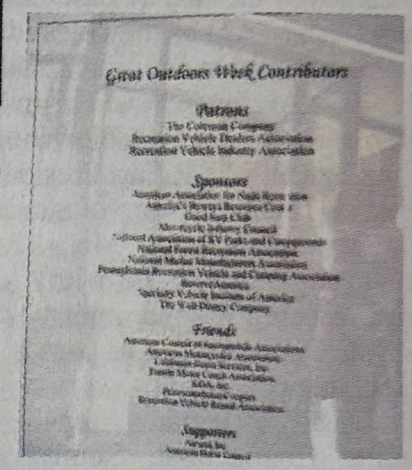
Shirley continues to promote nudity on public lands.

Money well spent

After all the work I had put into Assateague Island for AANR's government affairs the past two years, I was invited to the Coleman Dinner on Capitol Hill. I was delighted since I only live 20 minutes away and it was also a good way for me to finally meet all the government affairs people that work so hard behind the scene to preserve our lifestyle. During dinner, I was asked if I would like to take part in AANR's lobbying efforts in the U.S. Congress and the U.S. Senate. I agreed and was teamed up with Beverly Price and a lobbyist from Arizona. I was able to see Bev in action first hand and get a priceless education that I will never forget.

Ray Simpson
AANR East GAT member



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Proud and pleased

Amid the awe-inspiring, classic splendor of our national capital, I was proud and pleased to number among a very capable and talented GAT team who represented our association well. This held true in our numerous visits to the Senate and House offices of each team member's respective congressional delegations and at functions held by the American Recreation Coalition. I really do believe that collectively we made a very positive impression, demonstrating our sincere and unapologetic desire to position ourselves as an association in the mainstream by partnering and cooperating with those who share common convictions and concerns in regard to our great outdoors heritage and the opportunities it presents us.

Nowhere was this more apparent than at Wednesday afternoon's Recreation Policy Forum. At least seven strong, we placed ourselves strategically around a very large rectangular seating arrangement. The participants were asked to stand and identify themselves and their affiliation. Each member of our group did so. I believe we had the largest representation there.

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Valuable lobbying experience

A most valuable lobbying experience happened at lunch. Bev Price, the Arizona GAT chair, and I were having lunch in the Longworth House Office Building cafeteria when a man asked if he could have one of the chairs we were not using. I said, "Sure, if you introduce yourself."

He said, "Of course. I am Alvin Bargas, president of Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., from Baton Rouge, Louisiana." A blink of an eye and Bev and I were passing out business cards, AANR pins, and AANR nail files. Alvin and his group of about eight were surprised to hear that there is an association of nudists but even more surprised to learn that going nude in Louisiana was not permissible.

One of the first questions they asked was, "How do we get that changed?" The group of contractors mentioned that perhaps it was time to pass legislation allowing nude recreation, as they really need the tourist dollars. Alvin asked if I would mind if he passed on my contact information to a contact he has on the tourism board in Louisiana. Lobbying for AANR was ongoing in D.C. from folks we met in elevators to appointments with senators and representatives.

Shirley Gauthier
AANR Northwest GA Chair

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Jasmine Trail—Rebirth of a nudist resort



Jasmine Trail welcomes visitors.



Teeny takes a call.

By Pete Williams
AANR Staff Writer

When the sun comes up at the Jasmine Trail nudist resort and campground, members and guests gather alongside a one-acre pond and enjoy perhaps the quintessential nudist experience.

It's at that moment, with the dew still fresh on the ground and the silence interrupted only by the ripples of the water or a bird or squirrel rustling in the pine trees above, that the 44-acre property in eastern North Carolina is best appreciated. Occasionally deer, including fawns, will appear.

This scene is what inspired David and Deborah Broughton to purchase the eight-year-old club in March and rechristen it Jasmine Trail. They considered other names, weighing various "Bare Buns" monikers, but decided those names either were taken or did not reflect the resort's natural beauty.

The Broughtons are longtime nudists and visitors to other North Carolina clubs, but had never visited the resort they now own until last summer. When they realized it was for sale, they jumped at the opportunity.

As the owners of a fence company that they plan to sell to devote their full-time attention to the club, they've been able to make many upgrades, including a beautiful electronic gate at the entrance and additional fencing around the pool area. Other new additions include a laundry center, tanning bed, exercise center, pétanque courts—even a popcorn machine and foosball table for the clubhouse.

The pond had seen little use under prior ownership, which puzzled the Broughtons during their visits. Now the pond has been incorporated into the central amenities area and is the site of fishing tournaments and numerous club events. They've set up a small cabin called "The Catfish Shack," where fish are grilled and enjoyed. There are plans to stock the pond with bass that will join the catfish.

"A lot of what we've done is simply repairs and cosmetic changes, but people tell us it's made a big difference," says Deborah Broughton.

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New palm trees have been planted throughout, which might seem unusual for a North Carolina club until the climate is considered. Located midway between Maine and Miami, just 11 miles east of the historic town of New Bern, Jasmine Trail enjoys warm winters, rarely encountering frost.

The club is just a 40-minute drive from beaches along the Atlantic Ocean. New Bern

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Georgie Schuttauf, David Broughton, Erich Schuttauf, and Deborah Broughton enjoyed an afternoon at the club.



It's a catfish.



Carolyn Hawkins and Deborah promote AANR to the visitors.

Photos courtesy of Rodger Whitney.



The Schuttauf children spend some time on the playground.

Spectacular Superbowl at White Thorn Lodge



Welcome to White Thorn Lodge.

By Pete Williams

To its 300-plus members, White Thorn Lodge is a breathtaking nudist retreat nestled in the mountains of Western Pennsylvania near the Ohio border.

It's a perfect place to get away from it all, especially during the late summer months. For most nudists, however, White Thorn simply is synonymous with the legendary "Superbowl of Volleyball," held annually the weekend after Labor Day. No AANR club has a bigger signature event with such a loyal following. From modest beginnings in 1971, the Superbowl has grown into a 2,000-person spectacle featuring upwards of 100 volleyball teams—all of which play nude, weather permitting—and numerous traditions that have become as much a part of the event as the volleyball tournament.

No longer is it just a three-day weekend event. With nudists traveling from all over the country, along with Europe, Australia, and a large contingent from Canada, White Thorn's 200-plus acre property begins filling up the Friday before Labor Day, in effect making the Superbowl an 11-day vacation for some. Through the years, White Thorn members have created more ancillary events to accommodate the early arrivals.

"It seems like the event gets more popular each year," says John Heasley, who along with wife Lisa serves as the club's entertainment coordinators.

White Thorn, located just 10 miles from the Pennsylvania Turnpike, seems a world away from the rest of society. Superbowl attendees coming from the turnpike drive through the town of Beaver Falls and past a mall along Route 251. After that, the route gets progressively rural, and were it not for Superbowl signposts planted along the way, travelers would find it hard to believe that thousands of nudists were gathered nearby.

Though the actual resort grounds are in a remote location, White Thorn—located in the town of Darlington— is within a 90-mile radius of many larger Ohio and Pennsylvania cities, including Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Youngstown, Canton, and Erie.

State Line Road runs uphill through thick woods for nearly two miles, untouched by development. There are no signs of settlement until the top of the hill, where White Thorn appears on the left. Even for longtime nudists accustomed to the sight of mass nudity at places like Cap d'Agde in France or Gunnison Beach in New Jersey, the Superbowl is an astonishing sight, perhaps the largest annual gathering of nudists at the AANR club level.

White Thorn was founded as a member-owned co-op in 1961 on a 106-acre parcel of mostly wooded land that previously was the site of a strip-mining operation. Adjacent land was purchased later, boosting the acreage to more than 200.

As with most nudist resorts, volleyball was a popular pastime from the beginning, and the level of play between White Thorn and teams from other nudist clubs was competitive. In 1971, club members Betty and Wayne Alwine suggested that a tournament be held to crown a champion on a neutral site. The event, inspired by the then four-year-old Super Bowl of the National Football League was called the "Superbowl of Volleyball" or simply the "Volleyball Superbowl."

After the inaugural Superbowl was held in late August, the event was moved to the weekend after Labor Day for 1972, and the date has remained consistent since. The weather usually has cooperated, and the temperature, while nippy during the evenings, has remained warm enough for it to remain a nude event.

The growth of White Thorn is a direct result of the Superbowl, the club's largest fundraiser of the year. In 1973, after $600 was generated by the event, White Thorn paved its first volleyball court.

These days White Thorn has 10 courts that will be used during this year's Superbowl XXXVII: two blacktop tennis courts, two blacktop volleyball courts, and two new sand volleyball courts that are lovingly maintained. Nearby, a grass all-purpose playing field is transformed into four grass volleyball courts for Superbowl.

The resort's other signature facilities include a new hot tub covered with a gazebo built by nearby Amish contractors, four rental cabins, a snack bar, and a 2,400-square-foot clubhouse that serves as the hub of social activity. In recent years, a stone and concrete patio has been added to the clubhouse.

The extra amenities come in handy during the 11-day Superbowl "week." In 2003, White Thorn added an early-bird volleyball tournament on Wednesday and Thursday, along with additional evening entertainment. In 2005, a tennis tournament was added for Tuesday and Wednesday.

This year, there will be a band virtually every night during the stretch. There will be a Mardi Gras party on Labor Day—"the biggest one outside of New Orleans," Heasley says—and a "blender party" in which members and guests bring their own alcohol since the club does not sell any. On Thursday, there will be a Jimmy Buffett tribute band.

As always, there will be organized kids' activities, an arts and crafts show, a corn roast, and a booth selling official Superbowl merchandise. Nudists could fill their days without ever watching volleyball.

Almost everyone spends at least some time courtside, however. Newcomers to the Superbowl often are surprised by the high level of play. Over the years, the event has attracted college players—in several cases entire teams and avid recreational players who play nude only during the Superbowl.

By Friday, the courts are full of teams playing practice games. As hundreds of players

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The clubhouse at White Thorn.



Ready for the luau?



Teams take the court.



Join the fun!



The action begins.



Everyone loves a parade.

Jasmine Trail

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and the neighboring town of Oriental also offer many attractions.

New Bern, founded by Swiss and German adventurers in 1710, was the site of a fierce Civil War battle in 1862. Tryon Palace, built between 1767 and 1770 as the first permanent capitol of the Colony of North Carolina and a home for the Royal Governor and his family, is a popular attraction. The town also is responsible for Pepsi Cola, which was created as "Brad's Drink" in 1898 at Bradham's Pharmacy.



One of the bungalows on the property.

The waterfront town of Oriental is known as the sailing capital of North Carolina since it's the home of more than 2,700 boats—but only 875 residents. It's also the site of a booming community of artists and has a thriving music scene.

Of course, there's plenty to do without leaving the Jasmine Trail grounds. The mostly wooded property includes two new trails that David Broughton created, and deer and rabbit sightings are common.

"The one thing we hear a lot from people is how the air smells good here," says Deborah Broughton. "Maybe it's the pine trees or just simply fresh air."

The club has boosted its membership to about 60 in recent months. One new member was so enthralled with the club that he bought a camper, placed his house on the market, and moved to the club.

As with most nudist resorts, the Jasmine Trail clubhouse is the center of activity. It hosts weekend dances, cookouts, and monthly potluck lunches. It features a pool table and widescreen TV that's especially popular on NFL and NASCAR weekends. The new owners added wireless Internet to the amenities.

The Broughtons plan to expand the clubhouse, and they're working with local officials to obtain permission to install another 20 RV hook-ups to go with the 12 already on the property.

"Other than that, we want to add a couple of cabins, and gradually expand and improve things," David Broughton said. "It will take some time, but we're excited about it. We already have what I think is the best setting anywhere."

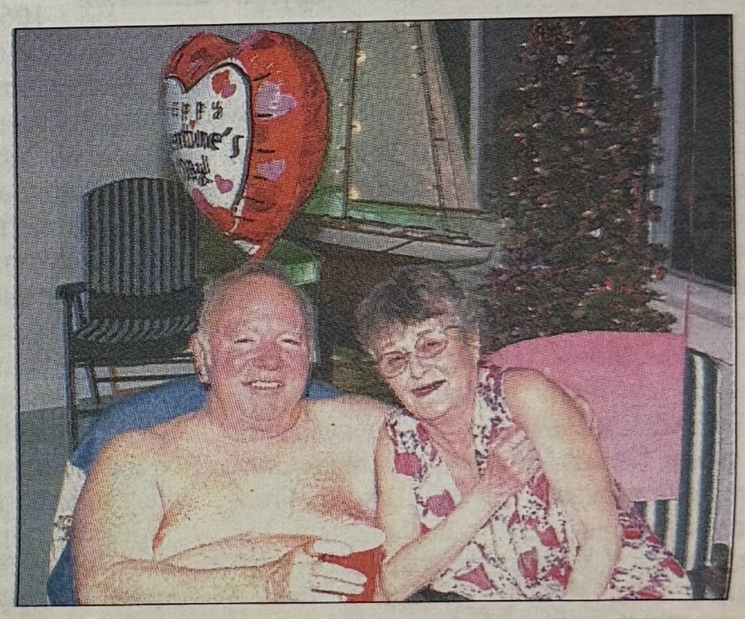
For more information on Jasmine Trail, visit www.jasminetrail.com.



Brunch is served.



Members love to celebrate holidays at Jasmine Trail.





Game Show Night is a popular event.



Members show their enthusiasm for Mardi Gras.

White Thorn

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get ready for the next day's action, spectators watch from lawn chairs and towels, cheering for their favorite teams. Competition, especially in the higher levels, is fierce. Play is always open to any group, but the tournament is dominated by teams from nudist clubs since they have experience in playing nude together. Players in search of a team need only show up Friday evening for a tryout, where they are either picked up by an existing team or grouped into their own.

The games are conducted under the rules of the United States Volleyball Association and officiated by USVBA referees, usually among the only people who can be found dressed at the event. Round-robin play takes place on Saturday, with an elimination format following on Sunday. The goal is to finish by 3 p.m. on Sunday to give out-of-towners enough time to make it home for work on Monday.

In less than 36 hours, more than 800 volleyball games are played. The Alwines, still going strong after 36 years of organizing the event, help direct traffic. So do White Thorn members, many of whom all but open their doors to visitors.

With so many people converging on White Thorn, any available real estate becomes a potential campsite, giving the event a bit of Woodstock flavor.

"People have their yards that they take care of, but during that weekend, if a tent will fit there, you're welcome to camp," Heasley says. "If there's an inch of land, there's a tent on it."

Superbowl weekend is a tremendous social and entertainment value. For just $50 per person—plus an additional charge of $10 per car or more for larger vehicles and trailers—it's possible to attend from Thursday through Sunday.

The event has grown despite little publicity, even in an era of media saturation. The Heasleys say they'd like to receive more media coverage, but recognize that it would be logistically difficult, if not impossible, to allow film crews or still photographers at a time when the resort is packed. Not only that, the resort can only handle so many people.

"We don't want such a large crowd that it gets overwhelming," Lisa Heasley says. "But on the other hand, we're looking at some different avenues to get the word out more. We're hoping by next year we can do some of those things."

For more information on White Thorn Lodge and the Superbowl of Volleyball, visit www.whitethornlodge.org



The Fourth of July celebration was enjoyed by all.



Sharing the mic poolside.

Journey to Health

Catchin' some zzzzz's

By Ron Warne
AANR Staff Writer



"So, is this one of those **7 Habits of Highly Effective People** I keep hearing about?"

North Americans average about seven hours of sleep a night, and as many as one-third report even less than that. Far too many of us take stress to bed. Thinking about the day's events, especially all those unresolved problems at the office, works in direct contrast to the body's need and desire to sleep.

Brain activity is the natural enemy of sleep. A dark, quiet room devoid of any noise and interruptions for at least eight hours a night is the recommendation of sleep experts. Well, that's all very nice, but let's introduce those experts to reality. Kids, pets, overactive bladders, dry throats, constantly moving sleep partners, night noises, and a whole host of other distractions await many of us every single night. Okay, so we all want more sleep, but why is it so important beyond the obvious? Lack of sleep *may* make weight loss and weight control more difficult by altering your metabolism.

A Japanese study demonstrated that children sleeping less than eight hours a night were almost three times as likely to be overweight. A lack of sleep may change hormone levels and thus influence weight gain. Hmmm, more sleep, less weight gain. I'm liking this already. I would love to get more sleep which would leave less time for eating. My personal biggest challenge is not eating late at night while watching David Letterman or Jay Leno. Higher levels of the hormone insulin have also been linked to a shortage of sleep. Insulin promotes fat storage and we know that that has controls over our blood sugar, so extra insulin could make weight loss more difficult, right?

Studies additionally show that a lack of sleep leads to lower levels of the hormone leptin, which also can cause an increased appetite. One more highly suspect hormone is cortisol. Research points to cortisol as being linked to stress. When people feel threatened or stressed their cortisol levels rise in a "fight or flight" reaction. In one study, people whose cortisol levels rose highest in response to stress had more waistline fat—and fat at the waist is related to the greatest number of risks for heart disease and other ailments for both males and females.

A roller coaster ride of sorts occurs when people who are tired eat sugary or fatty snacks to get more energy. A short-term rise in blood sugar occurs which gives a more energetic feeling, but then another energy slump takes place. The extra calories are stored as body fat, and the exhaustion leads to less exercise, fewer calories burned, and more weight gain.

With all that in mind, your action plan for better sleep is:

Get to bed, get some sleep. Your body recharges its batteries at night.The adrenal glands are particularly active. If you are awake, the toxins back up into the liver which then secondarily backs up into your entire system and causes further disruption of your health.

Keep the temperature in the bedroom no higher than 70 degrees F. You sleep better when your body core temperature drops.

Avoid caffeine. This is a no-brainer. Caffeine is a stimulant.

Avoid alcohol. Short term drowsiness is often a side effect of alcohol but it will likely be short lived. Deep sleep is the goal, not drowsiness.

Avoid foods that may give you gas or cause your stomach to toss and turn. Dairy and wheat products or spicy foods often fit into this category.

Don't drink fluids after 8 p.m. or within two hours of going to bed. Anyone over 40 with a weak bladder muscle or males with prostate problems will understand this.

Sleep in your bed and do nothing else (adult activity excluded). TV makes your mind active. Brain activity keeps you awake.

Exercise regularly. Exercise or any physical activity for at least 30 minutes every day can help you fall asleep at night. Some people, however, find that exercising too close to bedtime keeps them awake. You'll figure that out pretty quickly, and if it applies to you, exercise in the morning.

A hot bath or shower before bed may help. When body temperature is raised in the late evening it will fall at bedtime facilitating sleep.

Use flannel sheets or flannel pajamas in colder weather. I don't know why exactly, but it works for me.

Good night.

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Nudist Profile

Don Ardell—Living well



By Pete Williams

Long before "wellness" became a popular corporate and media buzzword, there was Don Ardell, whose landmark 1977 book High Level Wellness: An Alternative to Doctors, Drugs and Disease helped shape the wellness movement.

Ardell has authored numerous books and countless articles on the topic, always in a humorous, anti-establishment style that attempts to dispel myths and better educate the public. But to pigeonhole him as a wellness guru hardly does him justice.

He's a former Division-1 basketball player who took up the sport of triathlon at age 45, and for the last 24 years has been a nationally-ranked competitor in his age group. He's an in-demand, often outrageous speaker prone to arriving on stage in anything from an anatomically-correct bodysuit to a burka. And he's a long-time nudist who has lectured on Bare Necessities cruises—nude, he's quick to point out—and competed in many nude 5K runs at AANR clubs in the Tampa Bay area, which he's called home for the last decade.

"I'm fortunate that I haven't had to work in 30 years," he says.

That's not quite true. Ardell, 69 years old with a lean 170 pounds on his 6-foot-2 frame, maintains a rigorous schedule that would exhaust men half his age. Besides his triathlon training, he travels all over the world delivering talks. He writes a weekly electronic newsletter—the Ardell Wellness Report (AWR)—and his latest book, *Aging Beyond Belief: 69 Tips for Real Wellness*, has just been released and can be ordered at 800/247-6789.

Ardell doesn't regard any of it as work, at least not work in the corporate cubicle sense. Educated as an urban planner, he segued into the world of wellness in his 30s with the assistance of women who helped him get involved in the wonderful world of nude recreation.

"I blame the hussies I was running around with who exploited the beautiful body I had," Ardell quips.

Born in Philadelphia, Ardell went to George Washington University (GWU) on a basketball scholarship and competed against the likes of Georgetown's Paul Tagliabue and West Virginia's Rod Thorn, who went on to become prominent sports executives in the NFL and NBA, respectively.

Ardell graduated from GWU with a degree in sociology and earned a master's in city and regional planning at the University of North Carolina. His career began in urban planning in Raleigh, where he picked up a private pilot's license in his spare time. He worked in Minnesota and eventually landed in the San Francisco Bay Area, where he oversaw health planning councils. There, he was head of a regional planning agency responsible for nine counties and 10 million people. Each day he dealt with politics and bureaucracy, with different agendas competing for medical resources and Ardell and his staff playing the role of referees.

"It was an impossible job, and I just held on for dear life for three years," Ardell says.

Ardell married in college and explored nude recreation with his first wife, who wasn't that fond of it. They divorced in 1974, but remain close, with two grown children.

After the divorce, Ardell began meeting women versed in holistic health, stress management, and alternative healing methods—things that seemed downright unusual at the time.

These free-spirited women accompanied Ardell to nudist clubs, beaches, and other gatherings—"nuderies," as he refers to them.

"These women not only were fun, but they knew more about health than I did," Ardell said. "I knew fitness, but not nutrition. I was able to branch out into broader areas such as relationships and issues relating to happiness, critical thinking, and play. So my personal life was exciting, but work was horrific. Every day was a stressful battle."

Ardell decided to make a change. During his time in Minnesota, he had been awarded a fellowship that gave him three months of free study at any business school in the country. His career had put that on hold, but now he wondered how he might connect the wellness concept to business.

Even though he was well paid at his job, he quit and headed back to school. "I couldn't reconcile being healthy with the work I was doing," he says.

He began a doctorate program at Stanford and finished at a school in Ohio. His dissertation was rewritten for the masses and became his first book. For the last three decades, he's earned a living as a speaker and author.

In 1984, he was invited by a physician friend to help establish a wellness center at the University of Central Florida in Orlando. Ardell moved cross country and discovered that his new friends were into triathlons, not competitive handball, which had become his sport of choice in California.

Ardell dove into the sport, quite literally in the case of swimming. Like many latecomers to triathlon, he finds swimming the toughest of the three disciplines, but has become proficient enough in the water—and dominant as a runner and cyclist—to regularly win his age category. Next year, he'll move up to the 70-to-74 division and has designs on a world triathlon championship, which will take place in Vancouver.

Last year, Ardell began experiencing knee problems that he thought would curtail his triathlon career. He stopped running for months, but recently discovered he could run without pain and plans to compete in a qualifying race for the world championship later this month.

Sometimes he's able to combine triathlons with speaking engagements. Perhaps his most memorable turn as a speaker came during a Bare Necessities nude cruise when he delivered a talk clad only in a top hat and black tie, the remnants of a Chippendale's costume. He's been on four or five Bare Necessities cruises, two as a featured speaker.

He even met his second wife, Carol, through speaking. She had been a longtime subscriber to his newsletter and had attended a seminar in Arizona knowing that he was among the speakers. When she contacted him in 1996 and asked if they could meet for lunch in Orlando, Ardell agreed, even though he didn't remember meeting her at the seminar.

"I figured she was a subscriber to the newsletter so I at least owed her lunch," he said.

Ardell was smitten and soon moved to Tampa, where Carol lived. After more than two decades of bachelorhood, he remarried. These days, the couple lives in booming downtown St. Petersburg, Florida, where Ardell need only walk a short distance each April to compete in the world-famous St. Anthony's Triathlon.

Ardell lectures on such topics as "How to Live Well, Work Effectively, and Die Healthy" and "Why You Should Never Retire— the Payoffs of Eccentricity, Self-Employment and Lifestyle Artistry. (No One Lives Forever But It's Worth A Try!)"

His essays, many of which are published at his Web site www.Seekwellness.com/wellness, promote the idea that practicing healthy behaviors is less costly and a lot more satisfying than relying on sickness care products and services.

It's a philosophy he believes has applications to nude recreation.

"Nudists tend to overdo the notion of body acceptance," he says. "If you're out of shape, I'm not saying you should be made to feel negative about your situation, but do something about it. There's no cultural message in the nudist culture that it's good to be fit as far as I can see. You have to convey this message in such a way that people don't get defensive. It has to be built upon the idea of how much better you'll feel and the higher quality of life you'll have. Accept people who are fat, but encourage them to be fit."

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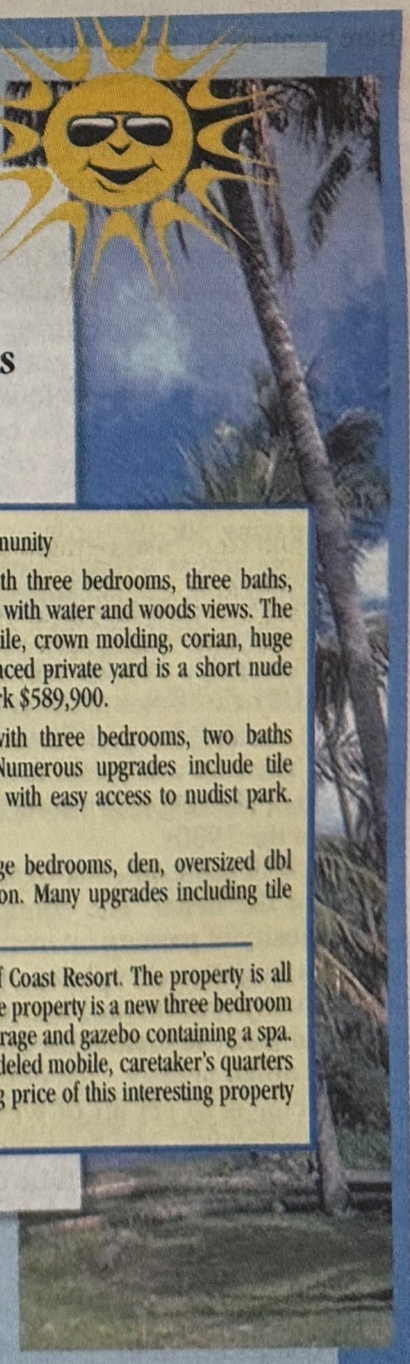

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Antique collectible program



By John Hoefer

Most clubs depend upon their members not only for volunteer maintenance work but also for help on putting on programs of interest to members. Aurora Gardens is no exception, and after enjoying a crafts program on Making Indian Dream Catchers I thought of what I might do that would be of interest. Since retirement, I have dabbled in antiques and even had a booth in an antique mall for six years. Noting the popularity of the "Antiques Roadshow" which airs on public television, I thought something along those lines might work. So I started planning an Antique, Collectible and Stuff Show and Tell program. The idea was to be educational and entertaining without expecting members to bring anything for appraisal.

The task was to gather examples to "show and tell" which could be put in a few boxes and hauled to the pavilion at Aurora Gardens. *Anything big had to be left home, and that included my favorite gasoline pump! To be an antique, it should be 100 years old.* For a real antique I settled on an 1893 postcard from the Columbian Exposition. Among other things I packed to show as collectibles were a 1916 Kodak Brownie Model D box camera, a 1925 Remington Model 1 portable typewriter, and a 1930s Siebring advertising rubber tire ashtray. For stuff, I used a grappling hook, with no name on it, which looked old but wasn't. You really have to be careful with "stuff" because there seems to be always somebody who collects it.

In preparing for the program I had by chance come across a comic postcard at an antique mall which depicted a poor man who had come into contact with poison ivy. What had caught my eye was the sign on the post which said "Nudist Colony." "Poor Bill" might have been a nudist, but you would never have known it. The card was useful to show public perception of clothing-free resorts (read nudist colony) in the 1930s.

There was some interest expressed in a number of the items. The comic card was just a curiosity of passing interest and might have been forgotten except one of the things that caught my eye. On the back of the card it said 10 subjects, so there must be nine more postcards about nudists. One of the goals of any collector is to get all of whatever it is they are collecting. My hunt for the other nine postcards was on. In a little over a year I had found only two on eBay.

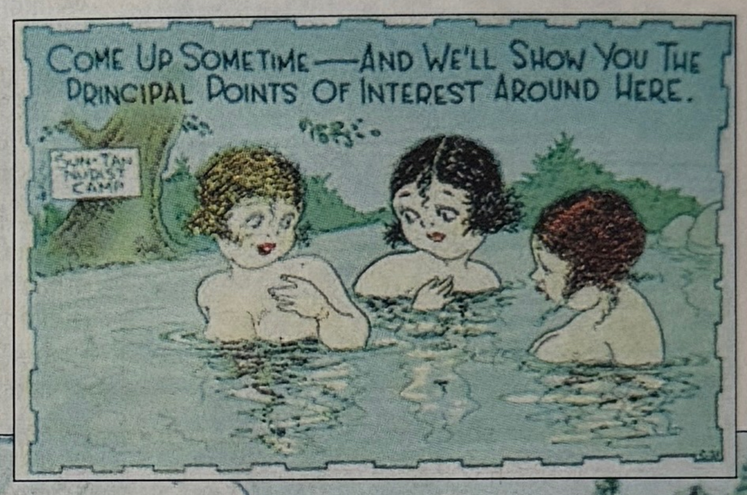
I used a search engine to find more about Curt Teich, the company which published the card. I was fortunate as it was one of the premier companies in the postcard business (1900-1977) and their company archives are maintained by the Lake County Illinois Forest Museum. They have the world's largest postcard collection. They provide a research service, and I was able to obtain photo copies of all 10 cards, plus three others which fit my criteria. The researcher also identified the artist who illustrated the cards. It was Ray Walters, and there is a book on his life and work.

I also found six other postcards on eBay produced by another company, Cardco. The search engine wasn't much help on Cardco, but the place on the card where you put the stamp said "Approved by American Sunbathing Magazine." My search led me to the American Nudist Research Library, located on the grounds of Cypress Cove Nudist Resort and Spa in Kissimmee, Florida. This is where I should have started in the first place.

Helen Fisher, president of the library, has been of help to me and was able to send me a representative sample of nudist postcard photo copies from their collection. While much of their collection is from British postcard companies, there was one from the Manhattan postcard company.

The story might end here as I trudge off looking for more cards, but there is more. The "why" to it all. The collecting of the cards is only part of it. It is nice to possess something, but knowing more about it is the real goal. Seeing the word "colony" on the card of "Poor Bill" clicked something in the back of my mind. The 75-year anniversary of the founding of the AANR and the history of the nudist movement were presented in a special edition of the AANR *Bulletin*. While humor of poking fun at oneself is acceptable, the use of the term colony is not only archaic but is now considered politically incorrect. Thus clothing-optional, clothes-free, naturist, or nudist are debated as more appropriate terms. The thought came to me that by using the postcards as a research tool, one might see some of the changes of the public perception of the nudist movement.









Attracting the younger generation

By Susan Weaver
AANR East President

The effort to attract the younger generation of Americans is universal and not limited to the nudist lifestyle—this was the message conveyed by recent American Recreation Coalition (ARC) events.

The Wonderful Outdoor World (WOW) program and GO USA! are two initiatives involving federal agencies such as the U.S. Forest Service, Department of the Interior, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and recreation organizations such as the American Hiking Society, REI, Hooked on Nature, Good Sam Club, Boy Scouts of America, and Camp Fire USA. Stimulated by the book *Last Child in the Woods: Saving our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder* by Richard Louv, the recreation industry has recognized that in order to have advocates for recreation on federal lands, one must first have enthusiasts.

Two cultural phenomenona are causing a significant reduction in youth participation in outdoor recreation: the increasing demographic of urban concentration; and the prevalence of technology as a spare time activity. With high tech entertainment ranging from computers to iPods, today's youth are not stimulated to search out wilderness recreation such as hiking or camping. Access to rural recreation involves a substantial investment in time and often in money, and fewer families with young children are choosing this for their weekend or vacation options.

A recent Associated Press article regarding the outreach of nudist clubs to attract younger members was reprinted as widely as New Zealand and Russia. The humorous approach taken by the article and subsequent media coverage which included major network news and a segment on the "O'Reilly Factor," imply that this problem is limited to nudism.

This is far from being true, as participants in the ARC Recreation Forums and Recreation Exchange made abundantly clear. The universal problem—attracting young Americans to outdoor recreation—is widely shared by federal government and private recreational businesses and organizations.

At a recent Recreation Roundtable luncheon addressed by author Richard Louv, an effort was made to bring together the two populations most involved to gather ideas for addressing this problem. Tables were arranged so that young people from the Student Conservation Association (SCA) internship program were paired with representatives of recreation organizations. At my own table, we had four SCA interns along with a representative of the equestrian community and Camp Fire USA.

I posed the following questions to these young people: "Here you have three types of recreational experience. Camp Fire USA is designed to appeal to preteen youth; the American Association for Nude Recreation Youth Ambassador program is focusing on college age and older; and the equestrian group has a broad age range but specialized interest appeal. How do we reach you to let you know about the recreational opportunities we offer?"

The most emphatic answer was college presentations, followed by the Internet outlets designed to appeal to young people. Magazines with youth appeal were also possibilities.

My second question to the group was: "Once you have come out to one of our locations, such as one of the 270+ clothing-optional clubs, campgrounds or resorts, what type of activities do you want to find there?"

Unanimously, they expressed the desire to interact with interesting and stimulating people. Unstructured activities were preferred above things they would be expected to participate in. Limited interest in sports was indicated, but only on an "available" rather than "required" basis. All were interested in clothing-optional beaches and hot springs in preference to resorts. And incidentally, all four youth at our table walked away with the handout leading them to the aanr.com Web site.

Input from all the tables was gathered and will be made available through the American Recreation Coalition.



Nudeles Skidoodles

How to hunt for seashells

1. Find a local tide chart.
2. Do a walk by at low tide.
3. Note the high tide line areas that have collected the most debris.
4. Return at high tide or just after on the following morning.
5. Begin combing at those high debris areas you already identified.
6. Collect your shells in plastic, or if possible, nylon mesh bags.
7. Rinse in fresh water at home.
8. Buff and polish the best ones for your collection.

Tips:

During that initial walk by, keep your eyes open for shells, but the early morning return will net more. Serious beachcombers often bring garden variety rakes along with them. Bring along an extra plastic bag for man-made trash; there will be less of it to sort through the following day.

Top five beginning collector shells

1. CONCH SHELLS–The conch is the common name applied to many species of mollusks. Most conchs live in colonies and are found in sand and grassy areas. They are sometimes called the sea cows of the shell world because they are herbivores, grazing on the algae and sea grass.

2. SCALLOP SHELLS–Scallops are one of the few bivalve shells that actually swim. This is accomplished by rapidly opening and closing their valves, sending the shell backward. Most species live in tropical waters, but several live in polar waters. Each half or valve of a scallop features a different coloring/design. The muscle is the part consumed by humans.

3. ARK CLAMS–Ark shells number about 200 in species and come in a variety of shapes and sizes. The outer skin of the ark shell acts as a camouflage, matching the surroundings of its environment looking like stones on the bottom of the water. Ark shells are commonly used as bait as well as food throughout the Caribbean.

4. WHELK SHELL–This large family of 800 species worldwide live in shallow waters and in mud flats. The whelk is an active predator, and pries open a clam or oyster shell by surrounding it with its muscular foot. Tropical whelks tend to be small and are often brightly colored or covered with rows of fine beads.

5. TOP SHELL–This family includes around 180 species found throughout the world. Tops vary in size and color, but all have a pyramidal shape. They are found in tidal rock pools as well as deep ocean depths and feed on seaweed and sponges.



Sea shell tongue twister

Sally sells seashells by the seashore.
She sells seashells on the seashell shore.
The seashells she sells are seashore shells,
Of that I'm sure.
She sells seashells by the seashore.
She hopes she will sell all her seashells soon.

If neither he sells seashells
Nor she sells seashells,
Who shall sell seashells?
Shall seashells be sold?

Shell facts

When a hermit crab needs a bigger shell, it seeks a larger empty snail shell and moves in. Without a shell provided by a snail, it's naked.

We hear the sound of the ocean inside large shells because the shell echoes surrounding sounds, jumbling them and making them louder.

It takes about two years to grow one pearl. Some clams grow pearls as big as golf balls in 10 years' time.

Nudibranch is a mollusk family that doesn't have a shell.

Color pigment affects shell color. An abalone that eats red seaweed produces a red shell.

What are seashells?

A seashell is the most universally identifiable part of a creature known as a mollusk. Mollusks are invertebrate animals (think of a snail) with an unsegmented, basically symmetrical body. Mollusks are descendants from primitive wormlike creatures inched around in the ooze of primeval seas millions of years ago. As dissolving land masses began to feed salts and chemicals into oceans, the first mollusks digested them and eventually used them to build durable shelters.

Today, mollusks not only exist in the ocean, but in fresh water as well as on land. Marine mollusks (commonly referred to as seashells) generally use gills to breath while some terrestrial mollusks (commonly referred to as snails) have lungs. The shell serves as an exo-skeleton to protect the soft bodies against the outside world. The shell is actually only loosely attached and does not provide support or rigidity to the animal. In fact, some mollusks including octopus and squid do not utilize a shell at all.

Regional News

Nudists filmed in the wild



By Dave Landman

JACUMBA, Calif.—Late last October, I received a call from a casting agent inquiring about finding some people to hang around nude with Sean Penn. At that point my curiosity took hold, and I listened to her proposal. It turned out that Sean Penn would be in the Salton Sea area of Southern California, about 50 miles from DeAnza Springs Resort, shooting a movie called "Into the Wild." The movie is based on a true story written by Jon Krakauer about a young man named Christopher McCandless who left everything behind in suburban Georgia to wander the West, eventually ending up in Alaska.

After a few minutes of questions and answers, I found out the following:

- *Yes, they needed 15 to 20 naked people.*
- They needed them for three days.
- They would pay salary, mileage, meals, and lodging.
- They wanted us to hang around nude with Sean Penn, Emile Hirsch (Alpha Dog, ER, NYPD Blue, etc.), and dozens of other cast and crew at a newly built hot spring in the Southern California desert.
- Job description: Pretend it's 1972, you're hanging out in the desert soaking in the hot spring, drinking beer, playing Frisbee, taking naps, sitting around a bonfire, drinking more beer, another soak . . . you get the idea.

To summarize, they were going to pay a bunch of confirmed nudists to hang around the desert with a band of movie stars doing nothing but soaking, eating, drinking, playing, and napping. I told her it would be tough, but I'd try.

Needless to say, I had 50 or so DeAnza and Ultimate Club members say, "I'll be there" by the next morning.

After a few, "Darn, I can't make its" and various other cancellations, at 10 a.m. on November 1, 25 hearty souls were at "base camp," which is a collection of vans, trailers, semis, cook wagons, light fixtures, cameras, port-a-potties, and people.

Our day began after waiting around for what seemed like hours. First we had to sign in by filling out the employment forms. Then came hair, make-up, and wardrobe (for naked people?). When everyone was thrown back into the early 1970s, we were bused to the set, which is where they actually built an oasis complete with two soaking pools, complete filter and heating system, palm trees, boulders, abandoned cars, and hippie buses. They filmed us for hours doing nothing but soaking, talking with friends, playing Frisbee, and anything else we could think of to pass the time. You have no idea how hard it is for someone like me to do nothing for hours. About 5 p.m. we were bused back to base camp for lunch, which was a complete buffet with more food than anyone could possibly eat. After lunch, it was back to the set for a night shoot.

Talk about tough duty. We actually had to sit around a bonfire, sing songs, tell jokes, and pretend we were actually having fun. Oh, there were four or five first-class fireworks shows we had to endure as well.

Around 9 p.m. we went back to base camp and were released until 8 a.m. The only other filming we saw that day was the star, Emile Hirsh, being dropped off in the desert by Hal Holbrook. He was filmed running through the desert for hours carrying a water jug.

The second and third days were virtually repeats of day one except the starting times got earlier and earlier. I can only guess that it was to utilize different natural light settings.

The movie is scheduled to be released September 21, 2007, and according to Mr. Penn, it will be Academy Award quality. I personally can't wait for the appropriate time during the screening to stand up and shout, "That's my butt!"









The cast on location in the Southern California desert.

Bay to Breakers



Larry Ullrich and Donna Allen enjoyed the Bay to Breakers 2007 in San Francisco. Registered participants in the June race/walk were over 70,000 in number. People from all over the world came to see the event, and both sides of the street were packed for the full seven miles with people hanging out of windows, balconies, staircases, and even trees.

Obituary

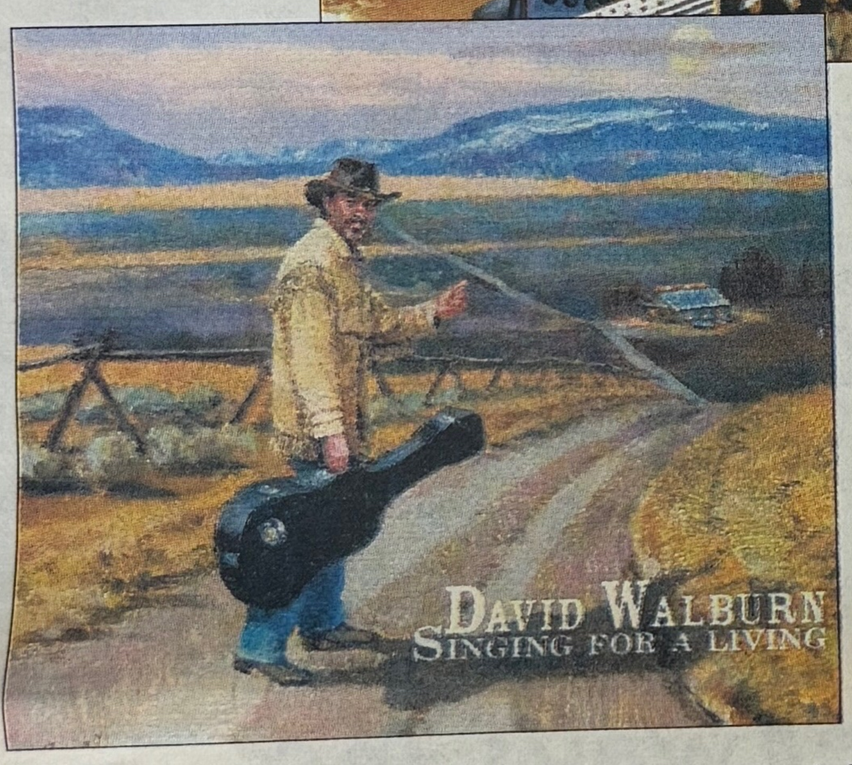


Dale LeMere passed away on June 25, 2007 while on a trip with his wife Jody through Yellowstone National Park. Dale served as vice president of the Northwest region in 1981 and 1982, as an alternate trustee for five years, and as trustee in 1992 and 1993. He was active in his club, Lake Associates Recreation Club (LARC), for many years and chaired the 50th convention of the association, which was held at that club in 1981. That same year he was the recipient of the prestigious Jim Cossins Award, presented to him by President Jim Hadley. Dale is survived by his widow, a daughter, and two sons. He will be especially missed by his many friends in the Northwest.

A song's beginnings

By Chas and Margie Cantlon





WORLEY, Idaho—In 1996, at a Naturist Gathering at Kaniksu Ranch, Lee Baxandall expressed his long-held desire that a professional musician record an original song about the nudist lifestyle. He wanted a realistic song, with no sexual overtones. Not a marketing piece, but a poetic look at the nudist experience. Though he had planted the idea with several musicians over the years, the results he had gotten were less than professional. After a live concert at Sun Meadow in 2005, with no input by Lee or any other nudist, the idea came to life on a country album this summer in Nashville.

In February of 2005, singer/songwriter David Walburn performed his live concert entitled "Cabin Song" at Sun Meadow. Many musicians have performed at Sun Meadow over the past five years, and their reactions to playing before a nude audience have been as varied as their musical styles. While some of them have chosen to perform nude, and many of them have participated in nudist activities off stage (in particular the hot tub), there have been some who have performed clothed as well. The guidelines are simple: the nudists are interested in quality, professional entertainment; if the artists choose to be interested in trying social nudism during their stay, that is up to them.

> *"All nudists had a first time, and most can relate to the emotional ups and downs David experienced."*

David Walburn experienced ambivalence during his visit, and described it to his wife when he returned home. She saw a look she recognized in David's eyes, the "need to write about this" look. She encouraged him to put his feelings down in a song, an idea echoed by several of his non-nudist musician friends. This led to a song about his experience that most nudists will find easy to identify with. It was written with sensitivity and with his tongue very firmly planted in his cheek. The song is called "Put Another Leaf on the Tree."

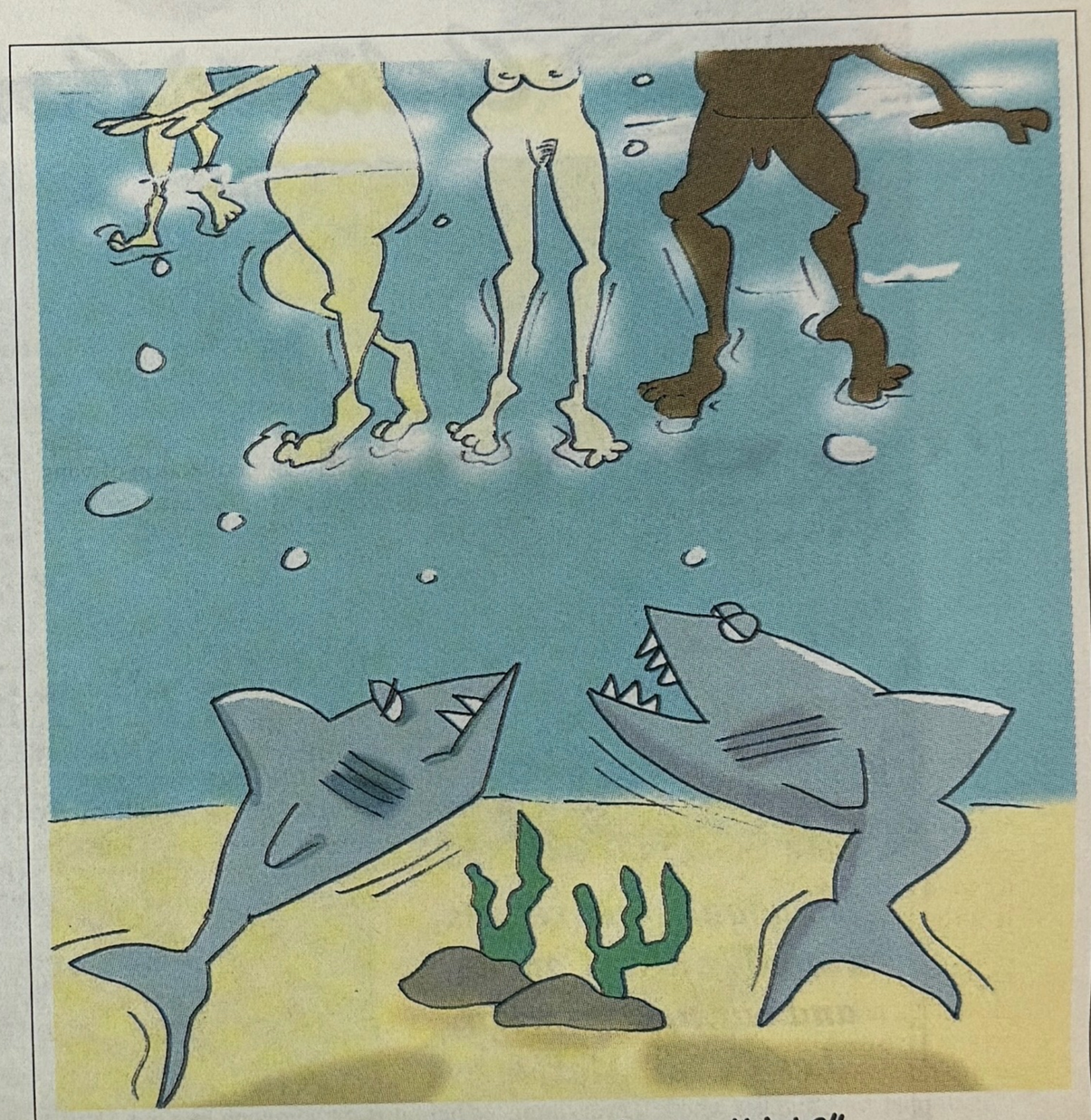
Every summer, David plays six nights a week to an international audience at Many Glacier Lodge in Glacier National Park. He has included "Leaf" in his program for over two years. The response has consistently told him that this is the most popular song in his five-album repertoire.

These writers heard "Leaf" for the first time in February of 2006, when Walburn chose to use it as part of a 12-minute showcase before an audience of professional concert presenters. It stole the show. In February of 2007, he brought the song home to Sun Meadow and performed it as part of an encore live concert. Again, it stole the show, and the audience insisted on hearing it a second time that evening. The song had special meaning for the audience, because the thinly disguised resort in the song ("Full Moon Meadow") was obviously Sun Meadow, and its owners ("Grandma and Grandpa") were clearly in attendance in the form of owners Tom and Linda Janson.

David decided the song had earned a place on his next album, and he spent several weeks recording with a group of professional musicians in Nashville. The album was released on June 12, 2007, and was showcased at the AANR NW Convention in July. This month, "Put Another Leaf on the Tree" will make its debut at the AANR Convention at The Willamettans in Oregon. It will be "performed" by the Rapid Transit Road Show DJs at a dance on the closing weekend, courtesy of Kaniksu Ranch.

All nudists had a first time, and most can relate to the emotional ups and down David experienced, including the final twist of fate. It's never a good idea to give away the ending, but when the refrain begins with, "He was, she was, everyone but me was naked as an old jaybird," perhaps most people would like to know what happens next.

The album, "Singing for a Living," can be ordered on David Walburn's Web site at www.davidwalburn.com. It is chock full of great country music, as well as cut number six—one special song for power relaxers everywhere.



"Hmmm, let me see, leg or thigh?"

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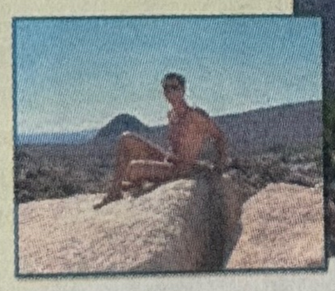



Dear Dave, Helen, Sandi, and Kim,

Thank you all so much for the chance to stay at DeAnza Springs. My wife said she hasn't seen me this relaxed and recharged for years.

Your entire staff deserves a big thanks and they are all very courteous and friendly and the customer service is second to none.

Please give a thanks also to your guests and residents . . . what a great group of people.

I have enclosed a copy of a song I wrote and recorded some years ago for my dad on Father's Day. Please forward this on to your DJ just in case he/she would like to play it on Father's Day and feel free to make copies for anybody who would like one. I am the sole owner of the copyright so no worries about infringement.

Thanks again, that was the most fun and relaxing weekend I have ever had!

Warmest regards,
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Regional News

AANR East volunteers sweep the trade shows

By Susan Weaver

As part of an initiative to enhance public awareness, attract visitors to clubs, and increase membership, AANR East volunteers covered trade shows in Georgia; Washington, D.C.; and New Jersey. The goal was to reach potential members throughout the extensive region by choosing three separate shows in different areas of geographic concentration.The enthusiastic reception at all three locations showed that the region is meeting its goals.

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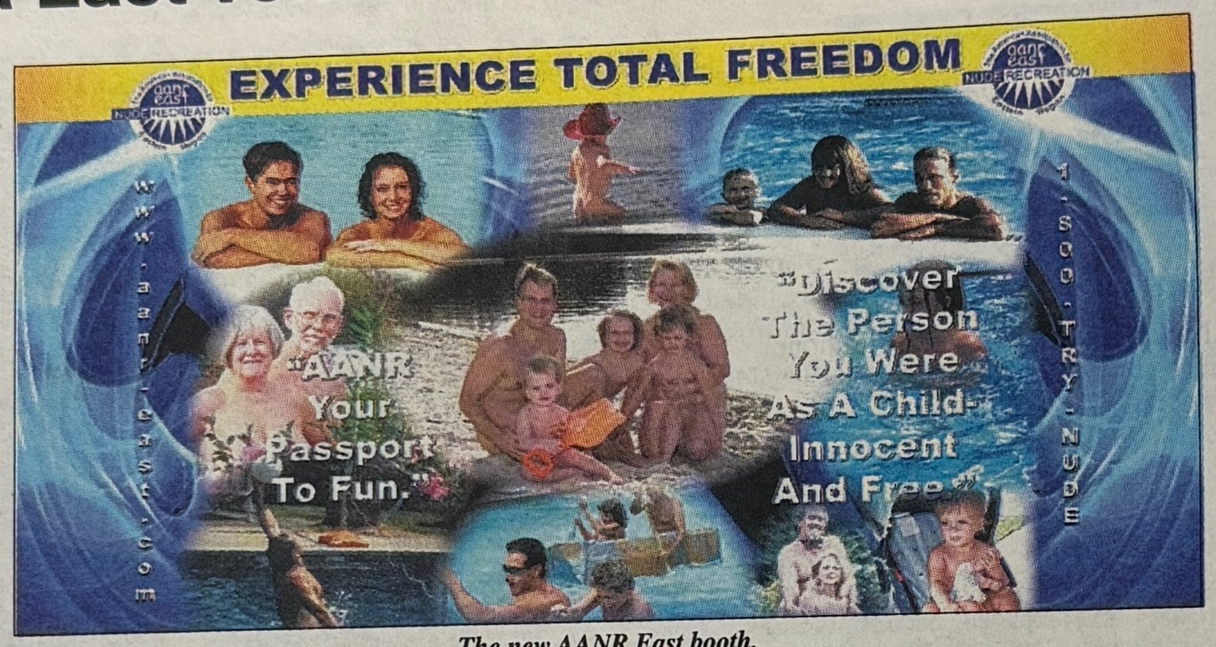

The new AANR East booth.

The new AANR East booth caused heads to spin in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Designed and printed by S-Go Consulting in Spencer, New York, the booth tastefully conveys the images of regular people enjoying the nude experience in a dynamic and personal manner. People who stopped to comment said that the design evoked impressions such as warm, inviting, fun, adventurous, exciting, and family togetherness.

The show attracted record numbers of people, and the AANR East volunteers had fun talking to people and sharing experiences. Two little girls told of their experiences skinny-dipping at a friend's house. This was news to their mother, but she took it well and ended up asking for more information.

AANR East member Cathy McGregor brought her grandson Cody to convey the family aspects of nude recreation—a real eye-opener to many who stopped to talk. Other volunteers included Jim and Peg Lane, owners of Juniper Woods in Catskill, New York, and trade show coordinator Dorene Schumacher and her husband Bill.

The same weekend other AANR East volunteers spread the word at the Adventures in Travel and Tourism Show at the Convention Center in Washington, D.C. There were many interesting activities at the show, including scuba diving, a zip-line, a climbing wall, and constantly changing music and entertainment. A part of the AANR booth was delayed in transit, which gave volunteers an opportunity to point out that it was a naked booth for naked people. This didn't last long, and the new and impressive AANR booth attracted a great deal of attention.

A volunteer team consisting of 12 members of Avalon, Capital Area Family Naturists, Potomac Rambling Bares, and other clubs were kept constantly busy showing recreation enthusiasts that they don't have to go to exotic foreign locations to have fun. Both weekend and vacation travel locations with a variety of facilities and fun activities are abundant throughout the central United States.

A few weeks beforehand, another AANR East team staffed the North Atlanta Trade Center. RVers and campers discovered that there are many clothes-free clubs and campgrounds to add to their itinerary. Many were aware of clubs in Florida and California, but not locally, and were thrilled to learn that there are three AANR East resorts little more than an hour's drive from Atlanta. The warmth and friendliness of volunteers from Paradise Valley, Serendipity Park, Cherokee Lodge and Resort, and Bare Buddies made the AANR East booth the most popular one at the show.

AANR East is always looking for new shows to promote nudism and direct people to clubs in their area. Club brochures help convey the variety of facilities and the many choices of places for getaways. AANR East giveaways make certain that interested individuals have a Web site to provide them with access to additional information. Some clubs provide free day passes to be given to those showing particular interest.



Happy feet and great entertainment

By Wendy Zaske

JACUMBA, Calif.—The 2007 Summer Festival at DeAnza Springs Resort in Jacumba, California, attracted 322 guests on the weekend of June 8-10. Always popular for sports enthusiasts, this year's festival featured three exciting new attractions: a variety of special classes and workshops coordinated by AANR West Director Christina Nixon; an opportunity to donate to a special charity; and the AANR West Regional Finals for the "Ultimate Idol" national karaoke competition.

With "Happy Feet" as the theme, guests were greeted by whimsical cutouts of tootsies of all shapes and sizes. Friday's events began with social hour, where travelers relaxed with residents in the cool setting of the Oasis bar, and owner Dave Landman passed out notepads, stickers, and other goodies related to the theme. For those with more energetic feet, there was a strenuous hike in the surrounding foothills, followed by the irresistible Cajun sounds of Zydeco Patrol who kept the dance floor filled to capacity.

Saturday's events began with a hike; the lawn soon came alive with colorful vending booths, blankets, and friendly pets. The first tournament was horseshoes, followed by water volleyball. AANR West Director Reyna Altman hosted the first workshop, "Women's Topics."

With two teams competing, Olive Dell Ranch was the volleyball winner. Fourteen participants entered the Blongoball tournament. Billiards attracted 13 participants. The Glen Eden team won the open doubles tennis tourney, which had four teams competing. Eight teams competed in water volleyball, with first and second place going to DeAnza teams. Prizes for all sports tournaments were a choice of T-shirts or tank tops in either royal blue or hot pink. Sports chair Lois Perez did a great job of coordinating the sporting events.

That afternoon, a very informative Rattlesnake Safety Workshop took place on the lawn. Other afternoon events included a poetry workshop, photography class, frog races, and a Texas Hold 'Em tournament. Patty Faber and daughter Cyndi were busy keeping the children entertained with craft projects at one end of the breezy patio, while Rod Marshall entertained guests with DJ music and vocals at the other. The outdoor pool provided another alternative for socializing or sunbathing. Hikers had another chance to enjoy the breathtaking Jacumba terrain in the late afternoon, and soon the Oasis came alive again for social hour.

Perhaps the most anticipated event of the weekend, however, was the "Ultimate Idol" karaoke competition at the regional level. DeAnza's amphitheater, located at the west end of the conference center buildings, featured a huge projection screen and plenty of space for outdoor seating. With Jerry Hulse as emcee and AANR West Vice President Brian Spence controlling video effects, the event was quite a spectacle.

Seven singers competed for prizes, which included three iPods and $500 in travel expenses for the first prize winner to attend the national competition. Judges included Kia Momtazi of *City Beat* newspaper, Josh Board of the San Diego *Reader* and radio fame, and AANR West Trustee Walt Stephens. Contestants (whose names were drawn randomly for performance order) included Steve Patrero of Olive Dell, Michelle Stephens of Canyon State Naturists, Fred Timberlake of Shangri La Ranch, Jodi Canin of Mira Vista Resort, Bob Felde of Glen Eden, Ron Walker of DeAnza Springs, and Jeff Clark of Sun Island Resort (Swallows). Each performer sang two songs back-to-back for the first round, then returned in reverse order for the second.



Exploding fireworks light up the sky at the conclusion of the Ultimate Idol karaoke contest.



Jay shows his true colors.



Welcome to the Oasis.



Ladies of all ages loved the pink shirts.



Walt delivers the shoes to Deckers.



The competition was lively during the volleyball tournament.

Photos by David Jones and Wendy Zaske.

The contestants were confident and energetic, representing a wide variety of styles. With so much diversity, it was a tough competition, and the audience buzzed with opinions and observations throughout the night. Eventually, "Happy Feet" got the better of people, and dance floors materialized on both sides of the judging table.

The winners were finally named: Fred Timberlake took third; Jeff Clark took second; and Jodi Canin, with her Janis Joplin sound and lively delivery, will be going to The Willamettans in Oregon for the national competition at the AANR Convention in August. Congratulations and best of luck to you, Jodi—we're all behind you!

The party wasn't over yet. DeAnza's DJ Cody filled the dance floor once again with a mix of karaoke and dance tunes, and when the lounge closed, guests simply moved to the patio and continued chatting well into the wee hours.

Thanks to a suggestion by Walt Stephens, this year's Summer Festival also had a charitable aspect—in keeping with the theme, contributions of "slightly worn" shoes were accepted for Soles4Souls, an organization that facilitates donations to those in need. A total of 184 pairs were collected and dedicated on Sunday morning, after which Walt and Mindy delivered them to Deckers in Santa Barbara. Walt did an interview about the event on KTYD radio, and apparently Matt the DJ joined AANR while on the air.

Several guests enjoyed one more meal in the comfortable Cactus Flower Café or took one last dip in the pool before packing up and heading home. Rod Marshall provided light background music once again, and Reyna Altman presented plaques to Sun Island Resort (Swallows) for having the greatest number of attendees (22 percent), and to Dave and Helen Landman for hosting the festival.

The Landmans are always such gracious and professional hosts. As they effortlessly oversee so many different aspects of club operations, their enthusiasm becomes contagious. Thanks, Dave and Helen, for a very memorable Summer Festival.

For more information about DeAnza Springs, check the Web site at www.deanzasprings.com.

Frog Fest tradition continues

By Cheri Alexander

CHESNEE, S.C.—The last weekend of every July, Carolina Foothills Resort (CFR) celebrates Frog Fest. It has become an excuse for people to visit the park from all over the U.S. and Canada. This year, the festival continued with great people and good times.

Once upon a time . . . but actually it was a Saturday afternoon in August of 2004, a little Indonesian girl named Callista who was just learning to swim and just starting to learn English, was using a float in the pool. This was not an ordinary float. This one was a green and yellow inflatable ring with a big frog head on top and a big happy face.



The frog memorial.

As Callista was taking a nap that afternoon, a beloved CFR lady member borrowed the frog float while partaking in conversations in the pool. All of a sudden there was an extremely loud "boom" that caught everyone's attention. *There was our member standing in the pool with a look of horror on her face. The head of the frog had blown off. Being the concerned adult who had just decapitated the head of a little girl's frog float, she quickly placed the remains in the nearest trash container never to be mentioned again.* Or so she thought!

The next morning the member's husband stepped out of their camper to a horrific site. There was the head of the frog, stuffed, and mounted on a stick at the end of their porch facing their camper. It was like a scene from "The Godfather." The member was called to the door by her husband to see what had been left her; the sight left her speechless.

Having to face the situation, that lovely lady wore her guilt on her shoulder. More accurately, she wore it on her neck in the form of a noose and a large sign that read "FK" for "Frog Killer." For most of the morning, golf carts drove by their place to see her standing by the road, head hung in shame, branded as the "Frog Killer." Of course, it didn't stop there.

> *"You will see frogs decorating almost every campsite at CFR."*

Arriving at the pool later that morning, more awaited the lady. On the pool deck was the chalk outline of the frog that met its untimely death in the pool. To call attention to this site, the area was surrounded by crime scene tape, but the guilt really hit when Callista first uttered her first words in English, "Frog Keellah . . . Frog Keellah." Laughter was continuous at the pool deck for a while, then things became more serious.

Just as things were about to quiet down around the pool deck, the weather heated up. The sun was strong, and thoughts of lunch and cool beverages filled everyone's minds. Just then, from the door of the clubhouse, emerged a Spartanburg County sheriff. Slowly, he made his way over to the lady at the pool deck eventually standing in front of her on the lounger.

"Come with me," the officer stated firmly. The lady sat there in silence for a moment no doubt daydreaming of handcuffs and nude squad car rides and handcuffs. It was one of those painful moments. Everyone else was laughing so hard and for so long, it hurt.

The next weekend the pool was full of frog floats. The "Frog Killer" and her husband were faced with frogs of all kinds on their yard. Every time they would leave their yard, someone else would sneak in and place more frogs in their yard. All weekend long it continued, and for weekends to come, more frogs would appear.

Callista would continue to practice her newfound favorite English phrase "Frog Keellah." To this day, and not just on the special Frog Fest weekend, you will see frogs decorating almost every campsite at CFR. They represent a weekend where politics and petty issues are put aside. Family, unity, and, most importantly, fun become the focal point.

Club Mailings Update

The listing below provides AANR clubs the opportunity to ensure they have received all the printed materials and communications distributed by the AANR office. Any questions should be directed to Nanette Wickersham at 800/879-6833 or fax 407/933-7577.

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Entertainment abounds at AANR East clubs

By Halsie Mesher



Avalon

Join friends at Avalon in Paw Paw, West Virginia, for the 10th annual AvalonFest'07 Music, Arts, and Crafts Festival from August 10-12, 2007. Live entertainment will include Gary Jules (singer/songwriter), SONiA & disappear fear (Folk/Rock), amilia $_k$ spicer (Rock/Pop), Carla Ulbrich (Comedy), Channel Cats (Blues), Dead Men's Hollow (Bluegrass), The Grandsons (Swing), Hot Soup (Folk), IONA (Celtic), Dharma Bums (Folk), and Randall Williams (singer/songwriter). There will be a dance party each night with live bands. Performances will be Friday through Sunday, rain or shine on the lawn at Avalon. For more information, reservations, ticket prices, or directions call 304/947-5600 or visit the Web site at www.avalon-resort.com.

Coventry Club & Resort



Come to the Nude Christmas Celebration on Saturday, August 18, 2007 at Coventry Resort in Milton, Vermont. The celebration includes all-day events with a social hour at a member's campsite with appetizers and eggnog served. There will also be a contest for the best decorated campsite. Children's activities will include making Christmas ornaments for the tree. In the early evening, enjoy a delicious dinner, followed by a dance around 8:30 p.m. with an improv DJ at 9 p.m. For more information, call 802/893-7773 or visit the Web site at www.coventryresort.com and click on Milton, VT.



Pine Tree Associates

Visit Pine Tree Associates in Crownsville, Maryland, for the pig roast and Hawaiian luau on August 18, 2007. The pig roast and Hawaiian luau will begin at 6 p.m. A caterer will roast the pig, and side dishes will be potluck. A Zydeco band will entertain poolside following the pig roast. Please note that tickets need to be purchased in advance. Call 410/841-6033 or visit the Web site at www.pinetreeclub.org.

Sandy Terraces Associates



If you love food, fun, and poker, then plan to visit Sandy Terraces Associates in Marstons Mills, Massachusetts, for Labor Day Weekend from August 31 until September 3, 2007. The Sandy Terraces Associates Poker Evening League Final will take place on Saturday, September 1, 2007. On Sunday, September 2, enjoy a continental breakfast from 8 a.m.-11 a.m. The members' meeting will follow breakfast. At 5 p.m. there will be a steak and shrimp dinner, followed by an auction. The auction will raise money for in-house projects. Visit the Web site at www.sandyterraces.com or call 508/428-9209 for more information.

11th annual Cape Cod beach cleanup

By Bill Falconer

PROVINCETOWN, Mass.—The coalition of volunteers began to arrive shortly after 8 a.m. The RV with registration table had already been assembled in anticipation of meeting past and new volunteers. Flags and banners representing the Naturist Action Committee (NAC), The Naturist Society (TNS), AANR, The Sunchasers, Sandy Terraces, and the Bare Bottom Beach Club fluttered in the morning breeze. The cooking trailer arrived and was set up nearby to later provide hot meals on this so-so day.





Volunteers filled three dump trucks with trash from the beach.

As the assemblage grew, the weather became pleasant but overcast. A meeting with the Cape Code National Seashore chief ranger and officials from the various organizations reviewed concerns of the past year. The meeting included an explanation for the increase in warnings last year which were partially due to double citations. Commitments of non-harassment, except for lewd behavior, and continued communications were agreed to.

I assembled the group for introductions of the coalition officials. The rangers addressed the group with a review of the meeting and instructions for the cleanup. Seventy-five volunteers then headed to the beaches and trails. The noon rendezvous produced three dump trucks full of trash that pleased everyone including the rangers.

The hungry volunteers devoured hamburgers, hot dogs, fries, and sausage grinders provided with donations from NAC, Lake Como Family Nudist Resort, Bare Bottom Beach Club, The Sunchasers, and individual donors. I thanked everyone for another job well done and for giving up a Saturday morning on the beach. Various photos were taken before the volunteers departed.

These continuing good faith events are making a difference. The practice of good beach etiquette will also strengthen our resolve.

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Paw Paw Civil War Encampment - by Walter Loeb and Jesse Gonzales - 6/13/2007

A Civil War Living History Encampment jointly sponsored by the Town of Paw Paw and Avalon Resort was held in the Paw Paw town park on May 19. At the encampment, visitors learned about the way the Union and Confederate soldiers lived, their hopes and dreams, their loves and hardships, and the way they fought.

With the crack of rifles in the air and the booming orders of Union Officers, the participants reminded that West Virginia cast its lot with the Union and became inextricably linked with the bloodiest war in American history. The Civil War Living History Encampment consisted of men in uniform, pitched tents, music and the sound of horses' hooves.

Many of the local citizens were given the opportunity to fire Civil War era rifles (blanks of course) and drill with the group. This was a special treat for the youngsters in the audience to interact with the soldiers.

The Camptown Shakers, a band performing civil war era songs and music, performed two sets to the audience. Members of the band have been in a variety of Civil War movies, such as Glory and Gettysburg.

Members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Paw Paw Volunteer Fire Department prepared and sold food.

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Nudists in call to youth as membership sags

Deep in the woods of northern Connecticut, by a lake with its own beach, the Solair Recreation League has for generations attracted Americans who like to let it all hang out as they get back to nature, writes Philip Sherwell

'For the young - and young at heart' is the proud motto of New England's oldest nudist camp. The naked truth, however, is rather different. Enjoying life au naturel is increasingly the preserve of ageing



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By Christie Smythe
arizona daily star

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A guest ranch-turned-clothing-optional resort is planning to expand ninefold by getting into the time-share business.

Mira Vista Resort, at 7501 N. Wade Road in Marana, is slated to build 114 new time-

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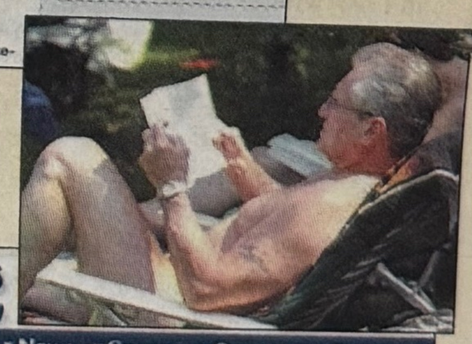
Mira Vista Resort



Sky Farm

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Bernards nudist club's history anything but modest

As oldest active nudist club in the U.S., Sky Farm's history goes back 75 years

By BOB CONSIDINE
Staff Writer

BERNARDS -- Harold was revealing everything but his last name.

He had been a proud member of Sky Farm for 10 years and has since learned to expose the truth about being a clothed person in a naturalist's universe.

"You're the one that stands out," an undressed Harold told a reporter dressed in his business casual. "When someone's here and they have clothes on, they usually draw more attention than the people who are naked."

That's only in the first line of perfect irony for Sky Farm. Despite the fact that many in the surrounding area don't know of its secluded existence and more have never visited, Sky Farm is now the oldest active nudist club in the United States, celebrating its 75th anniversary this year.

And while the idea of going "au naturale" may send some looking for solitary confinement, those who dare to bare actually swear by the freedom they feel.



Our home and naked land

Canada among the 10 most popular destinations for nudists

Misty Harris, The Ottawa Citizen

The True North may be even more "free" than our national anthem implies, if a new list of the world's best clothing-optional beaches is any indication.

According to the countdown, commissioned by USA Today and compiled by the American Association for Nude Recreation, Canada is one of the Top 10 greatest places to "leave the swimsuit at home."



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Canada has been pegged as one of the top 10 destinations for nudists.

Photograph by : Getty Images/American Association for Nude Recreation

Vancouver's Wreck Beach, this country's first and largest legal clothing-optional beach, won Canada a spot on the list alongside such famed locales as France's Cap d'Agde, also known as "the naked city," the Caribbean's postcard-pretty Orient Bay in the Virgin Islands, Florida's Haulover Beach, which attracts a million visitors -- clothed and unclothed -- to Miami every year, and Little Beach, a Hawaiian hotspot where sun worshippers prefer birthday suits to grass skirts.

Carolyn Hawkins, spokeswoman for the Nude Recreation association, says Canada is simply a great place to be naked.

Wreck Beach

Boston Herald.com

Summer Pleasures

Massachusetts is swarming in ocean and freshwater beaches. So why do you go to the same one every summer?

Get out of your beach rut with our summer pleasures guide to some great spots for fun and sand. You don't have to give up your favorites - just resolve to dip your toes in some new waters, at least once this season.

GET NAKED

Sandy Terraces Family Nudist Playground, Marston Mills, Cape Cod. Nudist campground on 10 forested acres by a spring-fed lake. Swimming, canoeing, hiking, sunbathing. Cottage, trailer and RV-site rentals available. Daily rates from $36. 508-428-9269, www.sandyterraces.com

TAKE THE KIDS

Long Hollow Beach, Atlantic Street, Gloucester. Beautiful beach with extended shallow expanse along the Annisquam River and Ipswich Bay. Restrooms, concession stand and showers. Parking: $20 weekdays, $25 weekends and holidays. 978-281-9785, www.gloucesterma.gov

Devereux Beach, Atlantic Avenue, Marblehead (at the causeway to Marblehead Neck). Nice sandy beach with lifeguards. Restrooms, concession stand, even a small playground. Open 8 a.m.-dusk. Parking $6. 781-631-3661

Sandy Terraces Associates

The New York Times — June 19, 2007



Richard Perry/The New York Times

Potluck dinner at the Rock Lodge Nudist Club in Stockholm, N.J. The club, which traces nudism on the site back to the Depression, draws members from New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania and allows visitors only on weekends. Some members own cottages on the club's wooded property around a private lake. This was a weekend dinner for members and guests early in the season.

Rock Lodge Club

. . . and the rest of our clothes, too

AANR PRODUCTS



A Kissed by the Sun Cover-Up

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Tee style is available in coral or periwinkle. Coral has gold embroidery and periwinkle has silver stitching. Tee style has two thigh-high front pockets. Preshrunk cotton or cotton-poly blend. One size fits most.

#421 CC Coral Pocket
#421 CP Purple Pocket

B Authentic Nudist T-Shirt

$13.95 member, $15.95 nonmember
XXL $2 additional

Be in style with AANR's "Authentic Nudist" tee. Navy blue with slogan imprint. 100% preshrunk cotton. Available in M, L, XL, XXL. **#501**

C Nature Trails T-Shirt

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XXL $2 additional

This stylish khaki tee is screened with an authentic-looking "Nature Trails" logo. 100% preshrunk cotton. Available in M, L, XL, XXL. **#502**

D Nudist Patrol T-Shirt

$14.95 member, $16.95 nonmember
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AANR's new royal blue tee with white and gray screen print. "Nudist Patrol" badge featured on the front and "Step Out Of Your Clothes!" imprint featured on the back. 100% preshrunk cotton. Sizes: M, L, XL, XXL. **#443**

E AANR Sun Men's Polo Shirt

$29.95 member
$33.95 nonmember

This khaki 100% cotton pique knit polo is embroidered with a darker khaki sun and AANR. Sizes: L, XL. **#407**

AANR Sun Women's Sleeveless Polo Shirt

$29.95 member
$33.95 nonmember

This khaki 100% cotton pique knit polo is embroidered with a darker khaki sun and AANR. S, M, L. **#408**

F Caution T-Shirt

$13.95 member, $15.95 nonmember
XXL add $2

"Caution! Clothes May Come Off Without Warning" is displayed in bold black letters on a bright yellow T-shirt. Guys and gals will love it. The 100% cotton tee is preshrunk. Available in S, M, L, XL, XXL. **#705**

G Shed Your Threds Tote Bag

$18.95 member
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Carry everything you need in this colorful tote bag. Made of natural-colored canvas and accented with red piping and straps, this tote also features a front pocket to keep books, lotion, or other items easily accessible. **#602A**

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BOOKS, VIDEOS, & DVDS



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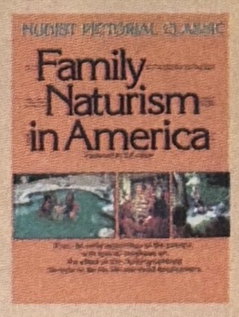
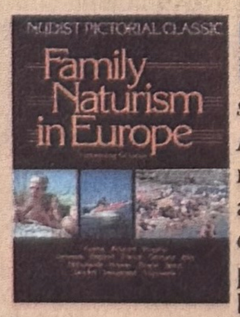


From the nudist movement's early beginnings to the present, with special emphasis on the effect of the clothing- optional lifestyle on family life and child development. Softbound book. **#107**



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96 pages, $24.95

A visual guide to the natural living and vacation attractions in Europe. Full color and black & white photography accompanied by authoritative text. 8 1/2 x 11 Softbound book. **#104**

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63 pages, $21.95



Learn the ABCs the nudist way! This classic look at nudism in the 1960s is a must for every nudist library. The book showcases a variety of nude recreation locations, including vintage convention photos and many clubs throughout North America. 8 1/2 x 11 Softbound book. **#121**



Palm Springs Naturally

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A naturist milestone, and a must-see for every nude recreation enthusiast. Visit four popular Palm Springs resorts: Desert Shadows Inn, Morningside Inn, Terra Cotta Inn, and Turtle Back Mesa. **#554**



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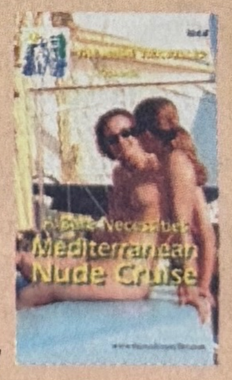

In Volume IV of the Nude Traveller series, you'll see over 40 minutes of highlights from our most recent Mediterranean Nude Cruise aboard *The Royal Clipper*. Approx. 35 minutes. **#548**

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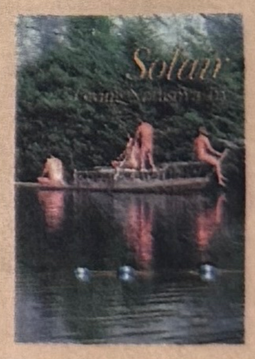
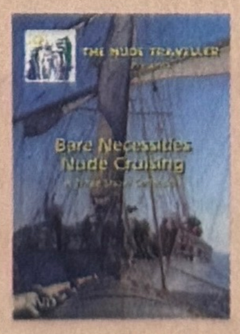


Follow a couple as they try nude recreation for the first time. Questions are answered and special attention is given to women and their concerns about trying nude recreation. Filmed on the grounds of picturesque Solair Recreation League. **#540**



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Club Happenings

The Club Happenings section of *The Bulletin* consists of information that has been submitted by individual clubs. All AANR clubs are listed on the Web site at www.aanr.com. A printed list of clubs can also be obtained by writing the AANR office, 1703 North Main Street, Kissimmee, FL 34744-3396, or by calling 800/TRY-NUDE.

ARIZONA

✦ What is the most popular treat at an **ARIZONA WILDFLOWERS** party in August? It is a sure bet that it is the root beer floats served to all on the designated day. They don't even last long enough to melt in the 110 degree temperatures. And while the Wildflowers are cooling off inside, they also float around to cool off the outside—in the pool, of course! Even standing in the pool for a good, cool conversation is approved. Visitors wanting to "float" inside and out with the Wildflowers may contact them at POB 26465, Phoenix, AZ 85068 for information.

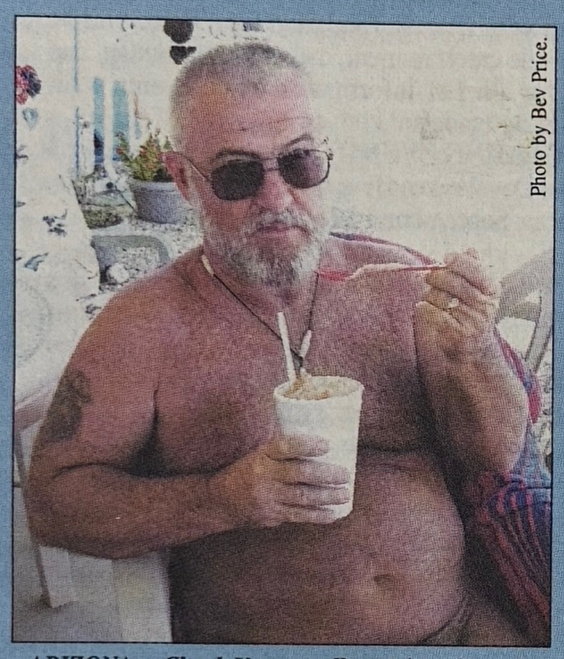
Photo by Bev Price.

ARIZONA —Chuck Unger really gets into the main event of the Wildflower Root Beer Float Party!

✦ Join members of the **BUFF-A-TEERS** in WesWorld's new gazebo on the lake. Magnificent lunches and evening dinners served around the fire ring keep the party going past sundown. Attendance at the bimonthly dinners in various restaurants introduce visitors and prospective and new members to the Buffs. Tans keep glowing as does laughter rolling among friends and visitors at members' weekend pool parties. For fun in the sun, e-mail Buffaters@email.com or call 520/682-6383 when traveling in the Tucson area.

✦ **MIRA VISTA RESORT** is the perfect place to be any time of year. The 14 guest rooms fill up quickly so be sure to book reservations early. August 18 is the Summer Sizzle Pool Party, barbecue, and dance. Please call 520/744-2355 for more information or visit the Web site for events calendar and newsletter at www.miravistaresort.com.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Friday: Karaoke. **Friday and Saturday:** Happy Hour.

COMING EVENTS: August 31-September 3 Labor Day Weekend Event.

✦ Members of the **CANYON STATE NATURISTS** (CSN) are in the middle of an active summer. Events to date include Saturday pool parties, weekend camping trips, as well as a free barbecue and Cajun Food Festival. On Memorial Day weekend, CSN members visited DeAnza Springs Resort to host a body painting contest. In July, the club celebrated Nude Recreation Week in the mountains at Hollingshead Butte. One of the club's favorite events, a chili cookoff, is scheduled for August 11 in the mountains below Flagstaff. For information, call 480/539-6399 or visit the Web site at www.CanyonStateNaturists.org.

CALIFORNIA

✦ Summer got off to a great start with the celebration of **SILVER VALLEY SUN CLUB'S** 19th birthday party. This year's birthday party was one of the biggest in several years. Everyone has a great time listening to the band, dancing, and visiting with old and new friends. The afternoon cocktail party on the island has become an enjoyable and relaxing event. August starts out with members and guests making their favorite ice cream and sharing with everyone after dinner on the patio while enjoying the karaoke on August 4. Those feeling lucky should join members for Casino Night on August 18. Be sure to check out the Web site and calendar for all upcoming events and any changes that might occur at www.silvervalleysunclub.com. For information, call 760/257-4239 or stop by and visit in Newberry Springs.

COMING EVENTS: September 2 Labor Day Weekend, Live Music, Cookoff; **September 22** Spaghetti Cookoff.

✦ Members of **DESERT SHADOWS RESORT** think singer/songwriter Nelly says it best in his 2002 song: "It's gettin' hot in herre—so take off all your clothes!" And baby, ain't that the truth! Members are glad they have three swimming pools to cool off in. Visitors are invited to join in the fun this summer. Don't miss Starry August Nights and dance on August 4. For more information, visit the Web site at www.desertshadows.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Labor Day Weekend Celebration and Dance; **September 29** Friends of Desert Shadows Weekend, Hawaiian Luau.

✦ Planning a nudist getaway to Southern California? Looking for 100 percent sunshine 30 minutes from the beach? Sounds like **SUN ISLAND RESORT (SWALLOWS)**, where visitors will find everything they need to make it a perfect vacation close to everything that San Diego has to offer. Sun Island is offering brand new two and three bedroom homes for sale. Call the office for details. There are many upgrades in the works including a sports bar (which is now up and running), a new conversation pool, and an exclusive water volleyball pool (that will make three pools at the Island!) For information or August activity information, write 1631 Harbison Canyon Road, El Cajon, CA 92019; call 619/445-3750; or visit sunisland.net.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Friday: Karaoke, Island Dinners, Pool, Games, Movies. **Saturday:** The Island Cafe offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner. **Sunday:** Breakfast and lunch are offered

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Labor Day Weekend.

✦ The **OLYMPIAN CLUB** invites nudists in the Southern California area to join the travel club for a full calendar of fun-filled activities that include theme parties, pool and spa parties, picnics, costume parades, potlucks, and board games usually held at members' homes or local nudist resorts. The warm weather is really bringing out the nude bathers. A good turnout is expected for the pool party and potluck on August 4 and the picnic at Glen Eden on August 18. Enhance a landed club membership with a travel club membership. For an information packet containing a calendar of events, a club brochure, and an illustrated monthly newsletter or to visit as a guest or prospective member, e-mail olympianclub@aol.com. Visit www.olympianclub.com for membership information.

COMING EVENTS: August 31-September 3 Weekend at Deer Park.

Now that you've finally grown up, ...it's time to play!



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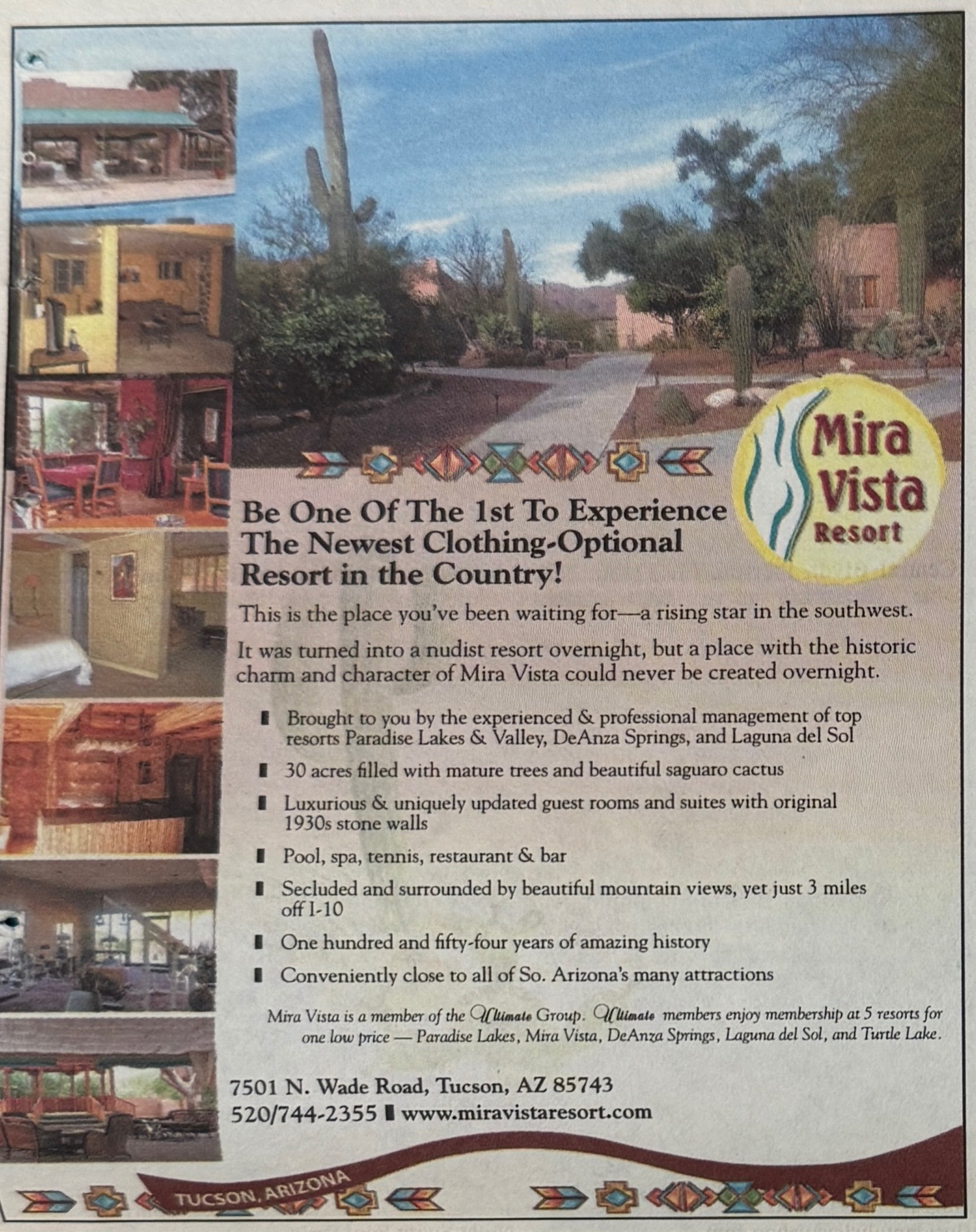







CALIFORNIA

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✦ **LAGUNA DEL SOL** is again honored to host the AANR West Convention, August 2-5. Conventions are a great time to visit clubs and meet people from all over the region. There will be general meetings, sports competitions, games, and prizes for the young people and plenty of entertainment and great food. Campsites are still available with no reservations required to camp. A beach party is planned for August 18 and includes live music, dinner, and the show. Labor Day weekend begins on August 31, and will be filled with friends, food, and fun. There will be poolside entertainment, dances at the lounge, and fun for all. For information about events, visit www.lagunadelsol.com or call 916/687-6550.

COMING EVENTS: August 31-September 3 Labor Day Weekend Events, Poolside Entertainment, Dances; **September 14-16** Nudestock.

✦ **DEER PARK NUDIST RESORT** invites all AANR members to join them in their fun-packed activities. There are many new upgrades such as the large open and airy pavilion with new snack bar by the upper swimming pool. Guests can shoot pool in the pool room or enjoy the remodeled steam room, indoor spa with waterfall, and western theme throughout the newly remodeled clubhouse, restaurant, and snack bar. Call 888/993-NUDE (6833) for a free color brochure filled with photos, map, directions, and information; visit dpnrresort.com; or write 1924 Glen Helen Road, Devore, CA 92407-1500.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Volleyball, Water Volleyball, Tennis, and Bocce Ball Tournaments. **Sunday:** Free Gate Fees for Ladies. **Friday:** Taco Dinner.

COMING EVENTS: August 31-September 3 Labor Day Weekend Celebration; **September 1** Outlaw Chili Cookoff, DJ; **September 2** Body Painting Contest, Live Music; **September 8** Karaoke Final Contest; **September 22** Body Painting Final Contest.

✦ August coming events for **GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB** include the Labor Day Weekend Specialty Show on August 31 starring one-woman-show-stopper Tatjana, followed by a special "surprise" guest, then karaoke plus all of the typical exciting Labor Day weekend events, including band dances, poolside music, youth/teen events, and more. Take advantage of Glen Eden's packed calendar of events…or try the state-of-the-art gym, play tennis, throw some horseshoes, enjoy water volleyball, or simply bask in the warm Southern California sun. Whatever one's heart desires, it's waiting at Glen Eden! For more information, write 25999 Glen Eden Road, Corona, CA 92883-5223; call 951/277-4650 or outside of California 800/843-6833; or visit the Web site at www.gleneden.com.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Sunday, Wednesday, Friday: Karaoke.

COMING EVENTS: August 31 Labor Day Weekend Specialty Show; **September 15** Showcase, DJ Dance; **September 21-23** Wild West Weekend; **September 29** Olive Hill Block Party.

COLORADO

✦ It's a great time to visit **MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH** (MAR) and escape the heat and stress of the city. MAR members enjoyed the nude goldfish races held at the beginning of the Island Honky Tonkin' Dance. Sixteen couples won the right to pick a fish from a group of 18 goldfishes. Guests are always welcome! Upcoming events for August include a chili cookoff on August 4; Bingo on August 11; and a luau, Family Day, and poolside concert on August 18. Overnight lodging, RV hookups, beautiful hiking trails, various sports activities, and some of the most accepting people one will meet are at MAR. For more information, call 877/TRY-NUDE; visit www.trynude.com; or write POB 855, Indian Hills, CO 80454.

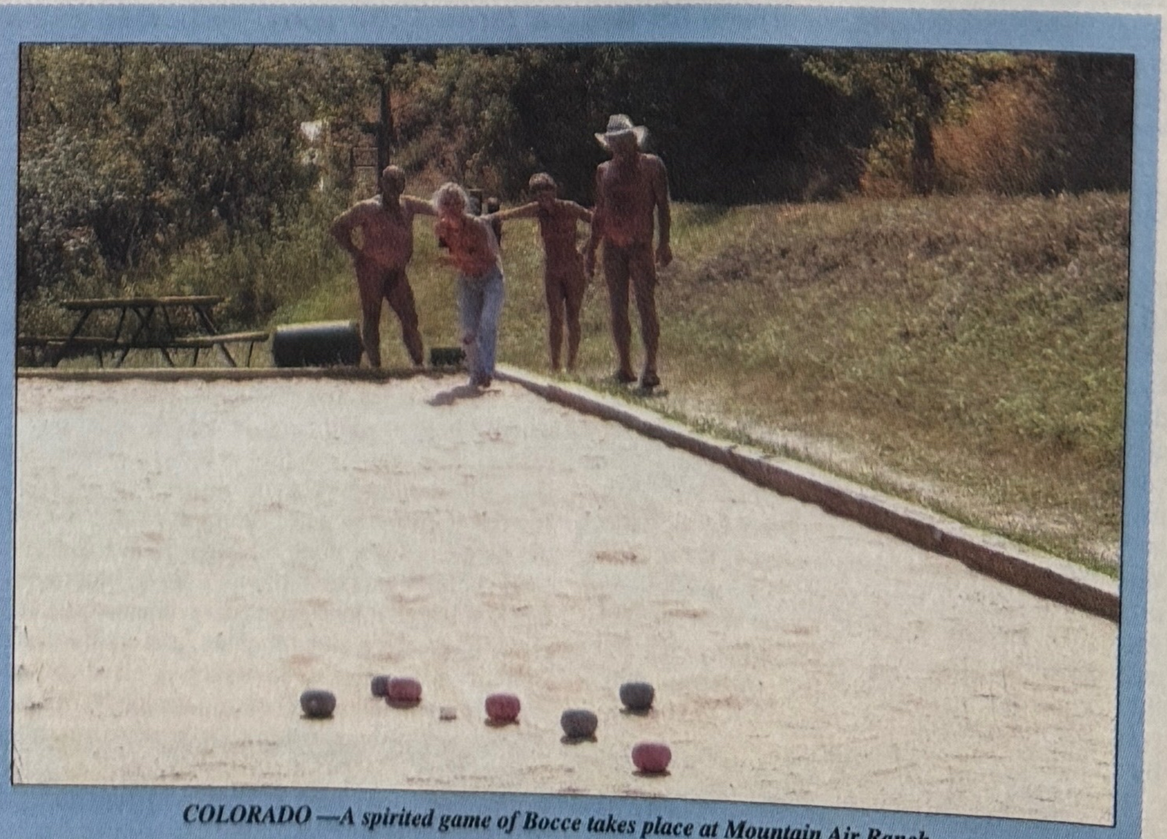
CONNECTICUT

✦ **SOLAIR RECREATION LEAGUE,** located in the quiet corner of northeast Connecticut, is an ideal late summer getaway. Nestled among 450 wooded acres, Solair offers a heated pool, hot tub, sauna, spring-fed pond and sandy beach area, two tennis courts, volleyball, shuffleboard, and horseshoes. Weekend activities include dinner dances, live bands, shows, and family fun. Take a tennis lesson. Enjoy the Viking boat for an adventure across the pond or sundaes on Sunday. August events include a black tie dinner, hors d'oeuvres reception with live music, pirate-themed DJ dance, chowder cookoff, and talent show. Overnight accommodations are available. Call for details and reservations. Visit and find out what members have known for over 70 years. Call 860/928-9174 or e-mail solair@solairrl.com.

FLORIDA

✦ **SUNSPORT GARDENS** has beautiful weather year-round. Southeast Florida *has* cooler weather during the summer *than* many areas to the North, with temperatures not exceeding 95 degrees. For the first time, the pétanque courts are being utilized daily during the summer months. Volleyball players are as active as ever, and Sunsport's restaurant serves delicious and healthful meals daily. Sunsport's region-wide Body Painting Gala, a true collaboration between the artists and models, is planned for August 11. To volunteer as a bodypainting artist or model, e-mail riverside326@yahoo.com. Visit Sunsport's Web site at www.sunsportgardens.com for information.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Friday: Drumming and Dancing. **Saturday:** Dances.



COLORADO —A spirited game of Bocce takes place at Mountain Air Ranch.

✦ Want to know what's going on at **LAKE COMO FAMILY NUDIST RESORT**? Go to www.lakecomoresort.com and subscribe to the weekly newsletter *The Flash*. August events include Float-In Movie Night on August 3; American Family Day on August 4; live entertainment poolside on August 5; a pre-season Buc's party on August 10; and a luau on August 17. Lake Como is still the place to be—naturally—clothes-free! For more information, call toll free 877/Try-Lake or 813/949-1810.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Tennis, Horseshoes, Chinese Wand Exercises, Water Aerobics, Shuffleboard, Darts, Volleyball, Pool, Bingo, Karaoke, Saturday Night DJ Dance, Sunday Inspirational Service.

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES: Jam sessions in the Butt Hutt. Positive Energy Group meets the first and third Sunday of the month.

COMING EVENTS: August 31 Labor Day Weekend Kickoff; **September 1** Live Entertainment Poolside; **September 3** Live Entertainment Poolside, Picnic in the Park; **September 7-9** Singles Weekend; **September 9** Poolside Entertainment; **September 14** Live Music; **September 28** Friday Night Jam Session.

✦ The quiet summer at **SUNNIER PALMS** is coming to a close. The evening potlucks on Sundays have been a wonderful way to keep up the community spirit while beating the heat. The first Saturday fundraisers have been greatly attended and appreciated. Another month of the Florida heat will help everyone appreciate the returning winter residents and cooler weather. On Labor Day, members will have a cookout and enjoy being nudists. One can get a volleyball game going in the pool and pétanque on the weekends. For information, write *8800 Okeechobee Road, Fort Pierce, FL 34945*; visit the Web site at *Sunnier.com*; or phone 772/468-8512.

***WEEKLY* ACTIVITIES: Sunday:** Potluck, *Morning Performances by the B-Naturals.*

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES: *First Saturday:* Fund-Raiser Lunches and *Music By the Pool.*

✦ Members of **SANIBEL NATURISTS** are a caring, fun-loving, and dynamic group that holds monthly meetings at various locations that are open to all. Activities include dinners out at local restaurants, house parties, traveling to other nudist clubs and beaches, cruises, cleaning up a major road under the Adopt-A-Highway program, and flotillas to the club's private nude beach on a bridgeless, barrier island on the Gulf of Mexico. New members are welcome, and visitors to the area are encouraged to find out more by reading the 13 most frequently asked questions at www.sanibelnaturists.com/naturistsFAQs.htm. For more information, visit www.sanibelnaturists.com; e-mail nude@sanibelnaturists.com; or call toll free at 888/995-NUDE.

✦ It's hard to believe that summer is coming to an end. **PARADISE LAKES RESORT** enjoyed an exciting, fun-filled three months of new events and activities. FANR held a very successful convention in June ending with the naming of the "Regional Idol" who won the opportunity to compete at the AANR Convention. The Fourth of July celebration lasted for nine days ending with Lucky 7s on 7/7/07. The 1950s Beach Party Weekend brought out some fancy dancing and the Polka Dot Bikini Contest was a huge hit. A fantastic Labor Day weekend is being planned, so don't miss out on all the fun. Call for reservations at 866/Swim-Nude and visit the Web site at www.paradiselakes.com for exciting details.

COMING EVENTS: August 30-September 3 Labor Day Weekend Celebration; **September 15** Splashfest Water Volleyball Tournament; **September 22** Sneaker Streaker 5K Walk/Run and Health Fair.

✦ Get groovy with **GULF COAST RESORT** this August at the Woodstock Dance, August 11. The Fun Committee is constantly adding new events, so check the Web site for updates. Enjoy the heated pool, hot tub, pool bar, and full service restaurant. Mention this ad and get 10 percent off AANR rates. Current military or college ID will get visitors in free for the day. Gulf Coast Resort is located north of the Tampa Bay, near the Gulf of Mexico, and offers a family-friendly, cost-effective atmosphere with RV and tent sites and rental units. August events include dances on August 4, 18, and 25. For information, write 13220 Houston Avenue, Hudson, FL 34667; call 727/868-1061; visit the Web site for up-to-the-minute info at www.gulfcoastresort.com; or e-mail gulfcoastresort@aol.com.

✦ **SUNNY SANDS RESORT** is having a Margaritaville Party on August 4 at Leg's Lounge. Guests are invited to help celebrate. There will be margarita drink specials all night. A Welcome to the Jungle party is planned for August 18. Visitors can stop by for the celebration or just relax by the pool and enjoy a margarita or two. Sporting and other game events will be updated on the Web site on a monthly basis. For information on accommodations, write 502 Central Blvd., Pierson, FL 32180; call 386/749-2233; e-mail sunnysands@worldnet.att.net; or visit www.Sunnysands.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Nudestock Party Weekend; **September 2** Karaoke; **September 3** Labor Day; **September 22** Roaring '20s Flapper Party/Dance.

✦ It's official! There is a new nonlanded club in Florida. **MID-FLORIDA NUDISTS** has been approved for club status by AANR and FANR. Members have held meetings and events at Playalinda Beach, swimming and hot tub events at members' homes, and water skiing on Eagle Lake. The club is seeking couples for membership who want to socialize with other nude couples. Several members are planning a sailing cruise to the Virgin Islands in June, 2008, and another group is planning an event at Eden Bay in the near future. Future events will include more swim and hot tub events and group meetings at The Cove and other landed clubs close to Orlando, Kissimmee, and the surrounding area. For information, call 863/427-9199 or e-mail midfloridanudists@yahoo.com.

✦ Don't miss the fun at **CYPRESS COVE NUDIST RESORT & SPA** this August. The month starts off with Florida Fest Weekend, August 3-5. Activities for the weekend include a barbecue, DJ pool parties, dances, hermit crab racing, live music and Super Mega Trivia 3000. Then it's back to the 1970s August 10-12 with a 1970s dance and costume contest on August 11. Singles Weekend is planned for August 17-19 with a toga party dance on August 18. Classic Rock Weekend happens August 24-26 with live music, poolside DJs, and more. For information, visit www.cypresscoveresort.com or call 407/933-5870 or toll free 888/683-3120.

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✦ Cool off in August with friends at **SERENDIPITY PARK**. There are sno-cones for the kids on August 4, with a water volleyball tournament and toga party for the adults. On August 11, the kids get s'mores by the campfire while the adults enjoy Ladder Golf, a Parrothead party, video dance, and frozen daiquiris. Attend the wine and cheese party on August 17, and then send the kids off on their tubing trip on August 18. The adults stay behind for eight-ball and a Low Country boil. On August 25 the kids compete in tabletop gaming and Baggo, with a night swim pool party for the adults. Also, do not miss the taping of the first American Soul Bandstand Train show. For more information, visit www.serendipity-park.com/eventss.htm.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-3 Labor Day Celebration, Kids Sundae Party, Matchbox Races, Golf Chipping Challenge, Water Wars Poker Run; **September 8-9** Kids Tubing Trip, Jean Kempainen Blind Pétanque Tournament, Dance; **September 15-16** Kids Root Beer Float Party, Superman Tournament Marathon, Wildlife Photo Shoot, Pirate Dance; **September 22-23** Autumn Celebration, Pool Tournaments, Dance Party; **September 29-30** Kids Watermelon Party, Horseshoes and Water Volleyball Tournaments, Night Swim Pool Party.

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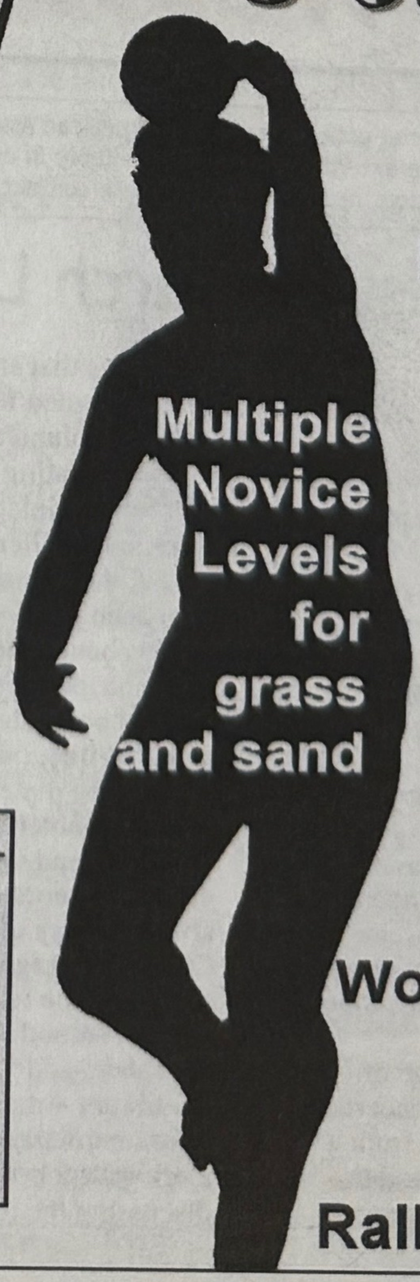

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Western Nudist Research Library Opens!

By Wendy Zaske
Editor/Designer, Western Sun

The doors to the Western Nudist Research Library (WNRL) were opened officially on Saturday, May 26, at 3:00 p.m. on the grounds of Glen Eden Sun Club in Corona, CA. This event marked the culmination of ten years of dreaming, planning, and dedicated labor, largely due to the efforts of Jeannette DeRosier, Richard Hirst, and Jim Zack.

The first of its kind at a regional level, the facility is dedicated to collecting, preserving, and displaying materials related to the origin and development of the American Social Nudist movement. As a non-profit 501(c)3 corporation, the library relies solely on financial support from its members.

There has been no shortage of interest where inventory is concerned. Materials have been donated from a variety of different sources, and the storage areas are literally brimming with items that still need to be sorted and catalogued for display! A core group of volunteers has spent countless hours renovating the structure of the building (a vintage trailer originally occupied by Glen Eden founders Ray and Mildred Connett), and donations have been graciously accepted from various benefactors. Membership dues and contributions from benefactors have enabled basic structural improvements to the facility, but much more work needs to be done to do justice to the precious contents within.

The Grand Opening took place during Memorial Day Weekend, always a busy and fun-filled event at Glen Eden. Light refreshments were served on the recently landscaped terrace, smooth jazz wafted through the shade, and 153 guests came into the library – most of them planning to return regularly. WNRL President Jim Zack gave a brief dedication speech, discussing the mission, vision, and potential scope of the library just prior to the offical Ribbon Cutting ceremony, and four new members joined the organization.



It was interesting to observe how many of the guests were searching for a particular article or photo related to a cherished memory or fond recollection! Since nudist policy generally restricts general use of cameras or recording devices, the library will often be the sole source of such memorabilia.

The WNRL is destined to become a hub of interest for the region, just as its counterpart, the American Research Nudist Library, has become on the east coast. The library does need your support, however! Four membership options are currently available, and contributions may be tax deductible. A printable membership form is available on the website at www.wnrl.net. For more information, you may e-mail jderosier@aanrwest.org, or call the library at (951) 277-9821.

Note: This is an abridged version of the Western Sun. A printable pdf of the complete version is available on our website at www.aanrwest.org, along with other valuable information about the Western Region.

GEORGIA

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✦ **THE AUGUSTA NATURISTS** (TAN), Travelites, and long-time Sunair Health Park members gathered to remember Uncle Henry (Logan) at Sunair in Graniteville, South Carolina. Attendees feasted on gourmet burgers and hot dogs. People started arriving on Friday. Even though Saturday saw the welcome liquid sunshine, the clubhouse was definitely comfortable with great people and interesting tales of Sunair's history. TAN will definitely be enjoying future visits to Sunair. The club has plenty of fun planned for the remainder of the summer including the Redneck Nude 'Lympics on August 11. For information on super times with super people, e-mail theAugustaNaturists@hotmail.com or telephone 706/877-1630.

COMING EVENTS: September 15 End of Summer Party at Sunair Health Park.



INDIANA—Bennett Kern adds a whimsical note when he uses a shelf fungus for his night stand at Drakes Ridge.

✦ **BARE BUDDIES** members were spotted playing naked every weekend in July. A large group spent the weekend prior to the Fourth of July camping at Serendipity Park where they played sand and water volleyball. Another group soaked up the sun around the pool at Paradise Valley the following weekend. Others renewed old friendships at Cedar Creek Park during Nude Recreation Week. Bare Buddies continues to schedule a variety of monthly activities including pool parties, camping trips, group trips to landed clubs, and house parties. For more information, call 404/264-6255; e-mail barebuddies@yahoo.com; or visit www.barebuddies.org.

COMING EVENTS: September 15 Pool Party, Club Birthday Party.

IDAHO

✦ Members of the **BARE BACKERS** are having a fun summer. The first weekend of each month the club hosts an ATV ride showing the beauty of nature on and near Bare Mountain Hideaway, the club's campground. On August 11 members will host a champagne tasting party; on August 18 the men will host a dinner party for the ladies; and August 21 will be the date for a Pirate Party and treasure hunt. Come join the fun. Information about activities and membership can be obtained by writing POB 5781, Boise, ID 83705; calling 208/322-6853; e-mailing bareidaho@yahoo.com; or visiting the Web site at www.bareidaho.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 2 ATV Ride; **September 14-16** Hyde Park Fair Booth; **September 22** Welcome Member Ice Cream Social; **September 29-30** AANR Northwest Fall Board Meeting Hosted by Bare Backers.

✦ AANR Northwest members frolicked with Santa hats and had fun around Christmas trees from June 29 to July 8 at their annual convention at **SUN MEADOW** with a theme of Christmas Down Under. Professional performers entertained. Games suited all ranges of activity. There was the pleasure of renewing old friendships and making new ones as nudists from all over the Pacific Northwest and farther gathered to celebrate and plan for the future. With convention over, the resort has settled back into the rhythm of summer. The pools are heated by a geothermal system which utilizes the earth's heat. A fine selection of meals are made daily in the kitchen. For information, e-mail Sunmeadow@starband.net; call 208/686-8686; or visit www.sunmeadow.org.

ILLINOIS

✦ **BLUE LAKE** is entering the hottest days of summer but members are ready for them as always. There have been various activities in July but many more are coming up in August. Check the bulletin board to see what is going on each weekend as not to miss out on an enjoyable event. The kitchen opens early on Saturdays and Sundays for delicious breakfasts and reopens for scrumptious noon meals. Visitors are invited. For information, visit www.bluelakeresort.org.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Book Club, Pétanque Tournament, Kids Treasure Hunt, Potluck Dinner; **September 2** Volleyball Tournament, Pétanque Tournament, Nondenominational Bible Study, Cookie Time, Kids Show; **September 3** Ladder Jacks Tournament; **September 15** Soccer Clinic, Monumental Birthday Party, Euchre Tournament.

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✦ At **DRAKES RIDGE RUSTIC NUDIST RETREAT**, nature is very important to members. Weekly nature hikes are scheduled this season. An aerator has been added to the pond. Membership is up, and everyone is enjoying the activities such as the Nude Art Show, annual Luau, Bikers Day, and workshops. Golf is drawing lots of interest, and volleyball is played as "dink ball" when the number of players is low. And for some people, absorbing the sun's rays is their favorite activity. Join in the end of season activities. For information, visit the Web site at drakesridge.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 2 "Black Tie and Pearls" Gourmet Dinner Followed by Entertainment; **September 2-3** Golf and Corn Hole Tournaments; **September 6-9** Trek to White Thorn Volleyball Superbowl.

✦ Members of **SUNNY HAVEN RECREATION PARK** in Granger, Indiana, have been enjoying the heated pool and spa in the club's peaceful, rustic setting. A progressive dinner and DJ dance are planned for August 11. Don't miss Sunny Haven's 60th celebration. Many events are planned including a hog roast, body painting, silent auction, Fine Arts Expo, raffles, sports tournaments, DJ dance, and a cake and ice cream social. For information, visit the Web site at www.sunnyhaven.com.

✦ **LAKE O'THE WOODS CLUB** will be open for visitation until September 10. It is hot, the pool is open, and the lake water is warm enough to swim in. There is always someone to let visitors in, show them around, and answer any questions. Members await visitors at Lake O'The Woods Club to help celebrate over 70 years of nudism. For questions on visiting, phone 219/241-0739; e-mail www.lowc53@hotmail.com; or write POB 53, Valparaiso, IN 46384. See a complete list of events on the Web site at www.lowc.org.

COMING EVENTS: September 2 Pig Roast, Dance; **September 10** Pool Closes.

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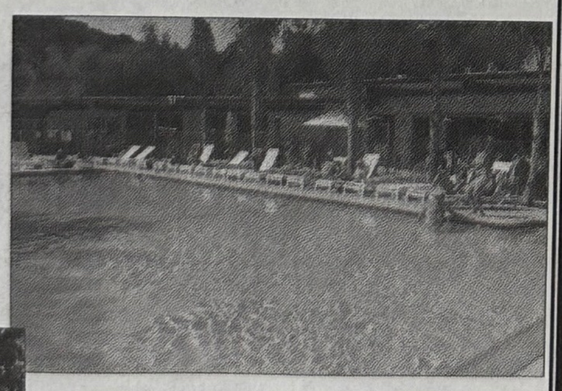
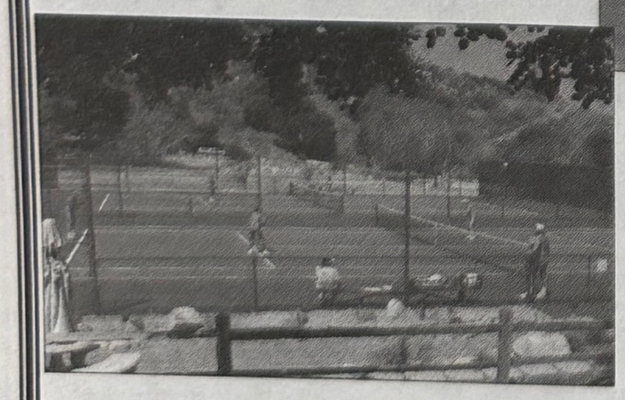
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✦ **FERN HILLS CLUB** celebrated the Fourth of July holiday with a potluck dinner, Bingo, and a pétanque tournament. Fern Hills hosted a successful 2007 AANR MW Convention the week of July 15. Thanks to all convention attendees and members for their help in making this a great convention. Join in for Nudestock on August 11. Make reservations soon at fernhillsclub.com or call 812/824-4489.

COMING EVENTS: Labor Day Weekend: DJ Dance, Potluck Dinner.

✦ **SUNSHOWER COUNTRY CLUB** members and guests always look forward to the progressive dinner planned for August 4. All are welcome on August 11 to participate in the Corn Hole Tournament in the circle area of the commons. The same day, Monte Carlo Night begins. All ages can gamble, win prizes, and perhaps lose their winnings, with no real money being lost and many prizes. On August 18, the "Parrots" fly in for the Parrothead Dance. Even without feathers, those attending will have a good time. Plan to flap those wings and have a fun-filled evening. Visitors are always welcome. Visit www.Sunshower.com; e-mail Sunshower@sunshower.com; or call 765/855-2785 for further information. The summer season will soon come to a close, but autumn is just beginning, and open for visitors, so plan a visit.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Block Party, Karaoke; **September 2** Dirty Bird Tournament, Hog Roast; **September 3** Corn Hole Tournament; **September 15** Chili Cookoff.

LOUISIANA

✦ In spite of heavy rains that recently turned **LA PINES RANCH** into a huge duck pond for a few days, the bright Louisiana sun is once again bringing members and visitors alike to enjoy great weekends at "The Pines." Daytime activities include swimming and volleyball, with the evenings featuring karaoke like people have never seen it before. Only one hour from New Orleans, La Pines features a large outdoor pool, clubhouse, volleyball court, towering pine trees, a long warm season for months of outdoor activities, and some of the friendliest people one will ever meet. For more information, visit www.lapinesnudist.com or call 985/788-3294.

KANSAS

✦ The temperatures at **PRAIRIE HAVEN** are getting near the triple digit numbers, but there are a lot of cool things planned for August. The month begins with the Open House Weekend on August 4. On August 11, there will be a wine and cheese social poolside. This year, members hope to have some homemade vintages. The weekend of August 18 has the premier event of the year, Luau Weekend! It will start off with Hawaiian Happy Hour, then the luau potluck featuring roast pig, followed by the Luau Dance. Luau is really beautiful since the ladies all wear their colorful Hawaiian dresses and the men wear their Aloha shirts. Any nudists traveling I-70 are invited to take a break and drive 23 miles south of Topeka to visit. For more information, visit www.prairiehaven.net.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Open House Weekend, Open Market/Craft Bake Sale, Frisbee Golf Tournament, Carnival, Shuffleboard Tournament, Drive-In Movie Night; **September 2** Breakfast Potluck, Pétanque Tournament, Bean Bag Baseball, Italian Potluck, Las Vegas Casino Night, Las Vegas Auction; **September 15** RC Racing, Jail 'n' Bail, Campfire Social.

✦ Summer is here, and soon fall will arrive at **SANDY LANE CLUB**. The first weekend of every month is a free weekend for first-time visitors. Some potluck dinners are scheduled, so please check out the Web site at www.sandylaneclub.org. To schedule a visit, call the club on the weekends at 620/543-2645; or visit the Web site and send an e-mail for visitation requests. Sandy Lane is only open on weekends for visitors, so please be sure to call ahead. All the members at Sandy Lane hope to see visitors real soon!

MARYLAND

✦ The **MARYLAND HEALTH SOCIETY** (MAHESO) 2007 Bull Roast was a huge success. There was a very large crowd, and everyone had a wonderful time. August 18 will be the second and final open house of the season. First-time visitors receive free grounds fees. Please contact the club for reservations for all events. As the summer winds down, MAHESO would like to encourage everyone to visit this year, on either the open house or Labor Day weekend. Please see http://www.maheso-naturally.org/; call 410/798-0269; or write for information and directions to MAHESO, POB 126, Davidsonville, MD 21035.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Barely Formal; **September 2** Labor Day Cookout; **September 29** Pool Closing, Workday, Fall Progressive Dinner.

✦ August is a great month at **PINE TREE ASSOCIATES**. The "dog days" can be nudists' best days with the number of things to do. Those who would rather be busy instead of just soaking up rays around the pool might participate in the two paddleball tournaments, and then come to the Cheapy Dance, all on August 4. Two paddleball tournaments and a dance in the evening are planned for August 11. The biggest party of the year, the luau, will be held on August 18 and will see the return of the same Zydeco band from last year, who'll knock everyone's socks off, if they had any. More paddleball and another Cheapy Dance is slated for August 25. Visitors are invited. Info is available at www.pinetreeclub.org.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Pine Tree Olympics, *Sports Participation Picnic*, Casino Night; **September 2** *Presidential* Dinner and Ball; **September 8** *Shrimp and Corn Feast*, Back to School Cheapy Dance; **September 15** *Stuart Memorial Tennis Tournament*; **September 22** *Jungle Night Dance*.

MASSACHUSETTS

✦ **BERKSHIRE VISTA RESORT**, located at the end of Kittle Road in Hancock, Massachusetts, offers serene and peaceful weekdays and fun-filled weekends, including DJ dances every Friday and Saturday night until Labor Day. Berkshire Vista has campsites with full hookups and lodging accommodations, including rustic motel rooms, comfortable inn rooms, and modern park model cottages with A/C and Satellite TV. Reservations are recommended. For reservations or Info-Pak and a calendar of special events, call 413/738-5154. See the ad on Page 2 of *The Bulletin*.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Friday and Saturday: Dance.

COMING EVENTS: August 31-September 3 Labor Day Weekend Events, Theme Dances Friday, Saturday Sunday; **September 2** Spaghetto in the Ghetto; **September 8** Pétanque Tournament, Dance Pajama Party; **September 22** End of Season Potluck.

MICHIGAN

✦ **FOREST HILLS CLUB** has been blessed with a beautiful Michigan summer this year. The weather has been perfect for all of the outdoor nudist activities members crave during the long winter months. These are the days everyone remembers when they are staring at the snow. Most all of the dances have been held poolside, and activities that are normally held indoors have been enjoyed outdoors. Visitors are invited to help celebrate the club's 50th year. August events include a Hot August Nights show on August 11 and karaoke on August 18. For details and more information, call 616/642-9526; e-mail fhcinfo@yahoo.com; write POB 105, Saranac, MI 48881; or visit the Web site at www.foresthillsclub.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Hog Roast; **September 2** Golf Outing; **September 15** Chili Cookoff.

✦Summer has been great at **TURTLE LAKE RESORT** (TLR). The TLR staff has been very busy trying to finish the upgrades to the resort. All the activities have had many participants, and many new visitors are enjoying the clothes-free environment. August activities include a variety of sports events and tournaments, potlucks, dances, a motorcycle show, drive-in movie, and much more. Don't be shy; visit TLR where everyone is stress-free. Check out the Web site at www.turtle-lake.com or call toll free 866/321-4710 for details and information.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Pétanque Tournament, Volleyball Clinic, DJ Dance; **September 2** Volleyball Clinic and Mini-Tournament, Disc Golf Tournament.

MINNESOTA

✦This has been yet another wonderful summer at **OAKWOOD CLUB** and it isn't over yet. August is the #1 month most full-time members join. Oakwood is located 30 minutes north of Minneapolis/St. Paul via freeway. Lot sites with water, electric, and sewer hookup are available, and Oakwood is open year-round to full-time members with low rates, many activities, and modern facilities tucked away from the general public. The club is nestled in the middle of 21,000 acres of State Wildlife Refuge for privacy. There is a heated pool, saunas, pétanque courts, outdoor pavilion, volleyball *courts*, horseshoes, and shuffleboa*rd plus* a wide variety of activities. Visit *www.*oakwoodclub.com for the activities *schedule*. Call 651/353-1062 or write 5115 Excelsior Blvd. # 301, Minneapolis, *MN 55416* for information.

MISSISSIPPI

✦Members of **SANDY BARES** are taking every opportunity to enjoy nude recreation during the summer season. In August, the Bares will have a "Dog Days of Summer" Paw-ty in the country where they will enjoy a dog's life. They will spend the day swimming, sunning, lounging, and being lazy—they don't want to get dog-tired, and they definitely don't want their dogs to bark. They will enjoy a meal of . . . hot dogs with various garnishes, and a dessert of delicious dog food (cubed brownies, crushed chocolate cookies, nuts, all covered with chocolate pudding and served in dog bowls.) Many couples will stay overnight, and the next morning will feature a dog's breakfast.To find out more about these and future club happenings or for membership information, e-mail sandybares@cableone.net or visit http://www.sandybares.us.

MISSOURI

✦**FORTY ACRE CLUB** (FAC) members and guests are enjoying a beautiful summer season. The pool is a central gathering point, but the horseshoe pits and tennis courts are also very active. In the evenings, members gather around the fire pit or in the pavilion or clubhouse. The club hosts planned activities and holiday weekend events throughout the year which are listed on the Web site calendar. FAC has a lively Red Hat contingent that gathers once a month, usually on the third weekend. All ladies are welcome. Motel rooms, RV sites, and tent sites are available by reservation through the Web site. For information, write POB 309, Lonedell, MO 63060; call 636/629-0050; fax 806/398-1039; e-mail facmous@yahoo.com; or visit www.fortyacreclub.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-3 Labor Day Weekend, Season-Ending Festivities and Awards, Barbecue, Dance, Cake Walk, Duck Races, Horse Races, Sports Tournaments; **September 15** Potluck Dinner, Sock Hop.



MISSISSIPPI —The hula girls get some competition at Sandy Bares' luau.

NEVADA

✦Members of **NEVADA SUN RANCHO** wish everyone a great and safe summer. The club is open to members, guests, and travelers. Even though the club is not having many events, it is still open. The peace and quiet, poolside sunning, socializing, and watching the hummingbirds are great. Those who need a break from the hustle and bustle should visit. Nevada Sun Rancho is open weekends. Prior arrangements must be made for weekday visits. Visit for that all-over tan. Tenting and overnight arrangements can be made. For more information, visit www.sunrancho.com.

NEW JERSEY

✦The dog days of August are no problem at **SKY FARM**. As the club celebrates its 75th anniversary this summer, the fun continues this month with a Charades & Appetizer Party, a Polish dinner, and Cabaret Party all scheduled on different Saturday nights. Guests will have to either join the club or at least schedule a prospective member's visit to come and see what any of these fun events are all about. The pool remains warm, and the hot tub soothes those aching muscles from the dancing on Saturday nights, or relax in the large sauna. Sky Farm operates as a private cooperative, and its membership is made up of primarily couples and their families. Visit www.skyfarm.com or phone 908/419-5443.

✦The Social Committee at **ROCK LODGE CLUB** is introducing a new event on August 12: a flea market and bake sale, with a reduced rate for visitors. On August 18, players from nearby clubs, Sky Farm and Goodland, will visit for a volleyball tournament. Later that day the owner of the club's property, Rock Properties, Inc. (RPI), will host a reception in celebration of the Stone House Centennial. RPI especially encourages former members of Rock Lodge Club to visit that Saturday and join in the festivities. The 2007 version of the annual talent show will take place on August 25. A costume party, with dinner and dancing, will take place on the Saturday of Labor Day weekend, followed on Sunday by the team tennis tournament. For more information, go to the Web site at www.rocklodge.com; e-mail info@rocklodge.com; or call 973/697-9721.

NEW MEXICO

✦For information about **ROADRUNNER NATURISTS**, call 505/293-8804 or write POB 25732, Albuquerque, NM 87125.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-3 Labor Day Campout; **September 9** Pool Party; **September 15** Dance Night, Solo Club; **September 23** Turkey Dinner.

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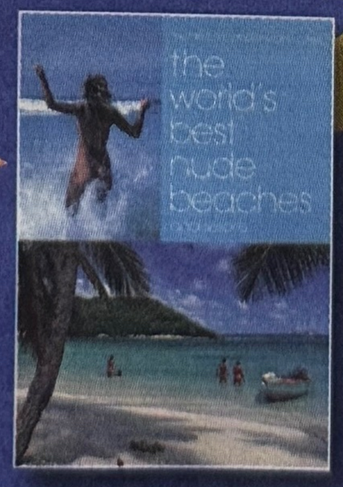

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NEW YORK

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COMING EVENTS: August 31 Campfire, DJ; **September 1** Progressive Dinner, Hayride; **September 2** Kids Halloween Party, Trick or Treating, DJ Onsite Garage Sales, Costume Judging; **September 3** Breakfast Buffet; **September 7** Volleyball Tournament at White Thorn Lodge, Campfire; **September 8** Potluck/Roadkill Café, Farewell Dinner, DJ Dance, 9/11 Remembrance; **September 15** End of Summer Blues Dance; **September 22** Farewell Bonfire; Last Open Day of Season.

✦ August has arrived, and it has been a great summer at **FULL TAN SUN CLUB**. The temperatures have been good, and the weather has cooperated reasonably well, all of which makes for a great time at Full Tan. Several new members have joined the ranks, and many new visitors have been seen. The Full Tan Team would like to thank the members for all their help around the park when it was needed. On really busy days things can get overwhelming, and that's when teamwork matters. There is still plenty of summer left so come out and join in the great times. For information, visit www.fulltansunclubofny.com; e-mail fulltansunclub@starband.net; write POB 360, Warnerville, NY 12187; or call 518/673-2886.

✦ **BONITA NUDIST RESORT** is happy to announce that its second luau was a smashing success and will now be an annual event! Body painting in June produced some impressive artwork not to mention more smiles than a well-used golf ball. The club is in the process of extending the regular season into the colder months by popular demand. An open invitation is extended to all nonlanded clubs to join in. Of course, special group rates will be given. Guests have visitors from Holland, Sweden, and Mexico this season. Word is spreading. *And thank you to all the great members for their friendly hospitality. For information, visit www.bonitanudistresort.com.*

NORTH CAROLINA

✦ ***JASMINE TRAIL*** members are enjoying many fun events such as home-cooked dinners and fireside chats on Saturdays. For more information, visit the Web site at www.jasminetrail.com or call 252/617-0707.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Saturday: Home-Cooked Dinners, Fireside Chats.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-2 Labor Day Weekend Events; **September 1** Potluck Dinner, Bocce Ball Tournament; **September 2** Spaghetto Dinner; **September 8** Shark Tooth Hunt.

✦ **COVENTRY CLUB & RESORT—NC** welcomes visitors to join members for some Southern hospitality. Enjoy the 30-acre club with pool, pétanque courts, shuffleboard, ladder ball, and horseshoes. Play water volleyball every Saturday, and in the evening enjoy potluck dinners with some of the best cooks in the area, followed by a Saturday night dance that is always a hit with DJs "Outlaw Jessie T" and "Big Daddy Dwight." For more information or to make reservations, call 910/653-9065 or write 65 Harbour Drive, Tabor City, NC 28463.

OHIO

✦ **PARADISE GARDENS**, founded in 1972, is celebrating 35 years of nude recreation and family fun! The August schedule features the Parrothead Picnic on August 4; an open house and a pajama dance party on August 18; and the "I Dream of Jeannie/Arabian Nights" dance on August 25. On Labor Day weekend, Paradise Gardens features a full slate of events including a club pétanque championship tournament, club Corn Hole championship tournament, Golf Cart Road Rally, Animal Print Dance, and, of course, a weekend volleyball warm-up for Superbowl at White Thorn Lodge. Discover a new Paradise . . . at Paradise Gardens! For information, call 513/385-4189 or e-mail pgfnr@fuse.net.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Friday: Blind Draw Darts Tournament.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Pétanque Championship, Singles Reception, Golf Cart Rally, Animal Print Dance; **September 2** Corn Hole Championship, Singles Reception, DJ Dance; **September 8** Game Night, DJ Dance; **September 15** Open House Weekend, Corn Hole Toss, Texas Hold 'Em, Country-Western Dance; **September 22** Visitor Volleyball, Progressive Dinner and Grab Bag, Trailer Trash and Tattoo Dance; **September 29** Corn Hole Toss, Toga Dance.

✦ *The Cedar Trails Café* continues to be the place to be at **CEDAR TRAILS RETREAT**. "Bring Your Own Bottle" to the café, and mix it up with friends, fun, and music. Join in the "Horse Pattie Drop" along with other games throughout the evening. Members look forward to seeing everyone. The traditional Bill Hoover Hog Roast will be held on September 1 during Labor Day weekend. There will be good food for all, along with "Dave and Deb" creating good music and a light show, to the CT Cafe in the evening. Check out the newsletter on the Web page for updates at www.cedartrailsnudistretreat.com. E-mail cedartrailsretreat@yahoo.com or phone 937/764-1365 for information.



OHIO—Cheryl Gentry and Bobby Lockhard, along with Ken Christiansen and LaVern McGowan, ham it up for the camera at the spontaneous "Bubbles in the Hot Tub" night at Cedar Trails.



OREGON—No Strings Attached plays bluegrass music at the Squaw Mountain Ranch music festival.

✦ At **GREEN VALLLEY** in Bath, Ohio, it is hard to believe, but 2007 is escaping quickly. Join in the great times at the pool. The Fourth of July Stars and Stripes Dance was outstanding. The Capital Improvements Party with the comedian, silent auction, and great dinner was a huge success. A Crooked Creek Cookout is planned for August 25. For information, visit the Web site at www.greenvalleyinc.net.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Wing Burn Off; **September 2** Labor Day Dance; **September 15** Tie-Dying, Oldies Rock 'n' Roll Dance; **September 22** Chili Cookoff.

OKLAHOMA

✦ August 11 at **OAKLAKE TRAILS** commences with volleyball on land and sea; well, in the pool anyway. The birthday party potluck will be in the pavilion followed by Brad the Music Man leading a sing-along. On August 25, there will be a hamburger cookout with the park providing the main course and members and guests bringing the side dishes. Again, the pavilion will be hopping with music after dinner. As the weather gets hotter, the pool will be the place to hang out and meet with friends. Visit Oaklake Trails on the Web at oaklaketrails.com; write 24601 Milfay Rd. #1, Depew, OK 74028 or call the office at 918/324-5999. For those who are runners, the 13th 5K run is scheduled for September 22. Visit aanr-sw.org for more information and registration.

OREGON

✦ As **MOUNTAINDALE SUN RESORT** moves into the most beautiful time of year in northwest Oregon, members have some very special activities for late summer visitors. A social night with games and cards will be held on September 1. Enjoy an extended stay because it will be Labor Day weekend. On September 15, there will be club meetings followed by a progressive dinner and cabin crawl. This is a chance to get to know everyone and enjoy the club's personal hospitality. See more on the Web site at http://www.mountaindalesunresort.com; e-mail office@mountaindalesunresort.com; write POB 248 , North Plains, OR 97133; or call 800/45HAVEN.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Social Night, Cars/Games; **September 3** Labor Day Holiday; **September 15** Progressive Dinner, Cabin Crawl.

✦ **BARE SPIRITS** near Salem/Dallas, Oregon, are always looking for new'd "Bare Friends" to join the 60-plus member-strong club. Members get together once a month with good friends, enjoy good food, and frolic au naturel. The club is a 100% certified AANR family club. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for September 15. Bare Spirits is nonlanded, but they always have a great place to land! Visitors are invited. For more information, visit www.BareSpirits.com; e-mail FunNotProfit@comcast.net; or call 503/851-3775.

✦ Summer at **SQUAW MOUNTAIN RANCH** (SMR) is a time for hikes, sunning, and enjoying the beautiful wooded scenery. The club's highlight event is the annual music festival on the third weekend of August, bringing back old friends and a place to meet new ones, with a long weekend of almost nonstop music, fun, and good times. Those who will miss out this year can plan to attend in 2008. SMR is open for guests throughout the year with three rooms in the lodge and space for RVs and tents. A new member special waives fee for applications received prior to September 15. For information, check out the Web site at www.squawmt.com or call 503/630-6136.

✦ **THE ROGUE SUNCATCHERS** *in Medford, Oregon, will have a winery tour on a party bus on September 15. Contact the club at theroguesuncatchers@yahoo.com or call 541/210-4697 for details and prices.*

✦ **HIDDEN SPRINGS** welcomes AANR members to the Pacific Northwest and to *the* 76th AANR Convention at The Willamettans! Dates for the 2007/2008 Fall/Winter Bare Bowling are November 10, January 26, and March 1. Dates for the Indoor Nude Recreation Night events are October 21, December 2, February 10, and March 23. Hopefully, there will be additional people at these events as the club suffered financial losses over the past season and reluctantly had to raise the bowling prices in lieu of cancelling the events. Indoor Nude Recreation Night prices remained the same as there was less of a loss. As a 100% AANR club, new members are welcome. Dues have been unchanged for years and include AANR and AANR NW dues. For information, write POB 17600, Portland, OR 97217-0600; call 503/699-5442; e-mail hiddensprings@pobox.com; or visit http://www.hiddenspringsnudist.org/.

COMING EVENTS: September 2 Hidden Springs Event at The Willamettans.

✦ By the time August rolls around, it will be time for the 76th AANR Convention at **THE WILLAMETTANS**, August 4-12. Plenty of work by the volunteer club has gone into making the convention happen, and everyone is going to have a great time. The club will follow up the convention with a low-key progressive dinner on August 18. Bring a dish and enjoy a different entrée at designated sites throughout the club. The Sunshine Festival is scheduled for September 1–3. On Saturday, there will be many activities and sports such as a craft fair, poker run, tennis, pickleball, horseshoes, archery, and pitch-n-putt golf. A live band is scheduled for Saturday night. On Friday and Sunday evening, karaoke will be held in the T.A.Vern. Visit the Web site for activity details and pictures of the grounds and rentals at www.willamettans.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-3 Sunshine Festival; **September 15** Progressive Game Night.

PENNSYLVANIA

✦ **PEN-MAR CLUB** members have instituted "relaxation weekends" this year. Organized activities are curtailed to allow them to unwind from the stress of trying to come up with new and better activities. What better time than during the heat of August to relax around the pool, play pétanque, shuffleboard, horseshoes, or spend time at the pond in a fishing contest. Consider Pen-Mar as a base for summer vacations. For current information, visit www.pen-mar.com, or write POB 276, Hancock, MD 21750. For reservations, call 717/294 3262.

✦ **SUNNY REST RESORT & CAMPGROUND** is calling all bikers to the Bike and 4-Wheeler Rally on August 11. Activities include a bike parade, poker run, and games, followed by a night club themed dance. A pig roast and Hawaiian luau is planned for August 18. There will be plenty of food and fun poolside. Experience the Murder Mystery Dinner and performance on August 25. Enjoy a buffet dinner while watching a suspenseful performance and guessing who the culprit is. For information, call 610/377-2911 or visit www.sunnyrest.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-3 Labor Day Celebration, Tennis Tournament, Poolside Band, 80s Night Club Theme, Karaoke; **September 8-9** Land Olympics, Mega Bingo; **September 15** Closing Weekend, New Year's Bash, Texas Hold 'Em, Membership Drawing.

✦ **WHITE THORN LODGE** (WTL) welcomes guests to relax, hike the nature trails, or participate in any of the planned activities. August 3 is Wine and Cheese Night. A luau and 50/50 raffle which includes such fun activities as a best tropical drink contest will be held August 4. *Finish* off the day by dancing to the "Happymon" band. Other activities include a rock 'n' roll CD party on August 10; a Hippie Party on August 11; WTL's 46th birthday party on August 12; Card Bingo on August 17; pétanque tournament and drive-in movie on August 18; Card/Board Game Night on August 24; triathlon tournament, wine and cheese party, and Contra Dance on August 25; and the triathlon continues on August 26. Visit www.whitethornlodge.org for information and Volleyball Superbowl details.

COMING EVENTS: August 31 Blender Party; **September 1** Tennis Tournament, Mardi Gras, Body Painting, Parade, Masquerade Ball, Dance with Live Music; **September 2** DJ Dance; **September 3** Fun Bowl, Card Bingo; **September 4** Card Bingo; **September 5** 3s Sand Tournament, DJ Dance; **September 6** 4s Sand Tournament, Dance with Live Music; **September 7** Volleyball Superbowl Begins, Opening Ceremonies, Dance with Live Music; **September 8** Dance with Live Music; **September 9** DJ Dance.

SOUTH CAROLINA

✦ The **TRAVELITES'** summer is speeding by with many fun events including joining with The Augusta Naturists for a Sunair homecoming, the Travelites' 20th birthday celebration, and other gatherings. This month, the club's annual auction that supports the AANR Education Foundation; the Naturist Action Committee; the American Nudist Research Library; and Sistercare, a charity for abused women and their children, will conclude on August 4 at the club's toga party. Friends and members across the country can view updates of the auction items at http://pages.prodigy.net/travelites/_wsn/page7.html. The club is planning a local boating getaway and potluck lunch on August 18. For great times with good people, e-mail travelites@prodigy.net; call 803/695-1937; or visit http://pages.prodigy.net/travelites and http://www.travelites.info.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-3 Labor Day Weekend Getaway; **September 8** Fish Fry, Calendar Affirmation; **September 23** Lunchtime Potluck, Volleyball, Hot Tubbing; **September 29** Potluck Supper.

✦ August means hot weather—good floating in the creek time at **CEDAR CREEK PARK**. The social committee has many activities planned. On August 4, an eight-ball tournament will be held. Parrothead Weekend will be August 11, including activities, a fish fry, and Rum Punch Bandits band. August 18 will be more low key. Members will be doing a road cleanup in the morning, a potluck, and enjoying Jake the DJ in the evening. The month ends with light hors d'oeuvres and Doo Wop Night by the pool on August 25. For information, write POB 336, Pelion, SC 29123; phone 803/894-5159; or visit www.cedarcreekpark.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Artfest, Dance; **September 2** Talent Show; **September 27** Ace of Clubs Band, Casino Night; **September 28-30** Nudestock.

TENNESSEE

✦ A fantastic time was had by all who attended the successful North American Nude Bikers Rally at **CHEROKEE LODGE & RESORT**. Plans are already in the process for a bigger and better event next year. Cherokee now has a massage therapist on grounds for busy weekends. Labor Day is fast approaching, and accommodations are going fast, so reservations should be made soon. Time is running out to save money on a yearly membership. Dollar chances can still be purchased at the office, snack shack, and at dances. The winner will be drawn on Labor Day. Make plans to attend the chili cookoff and Old Timers Day. Check the Web site at www.cherokee-lodge.com for details and upcoming events.



SOUTH CAROLINA—Travelites members celebrate the club's 20th birthday.

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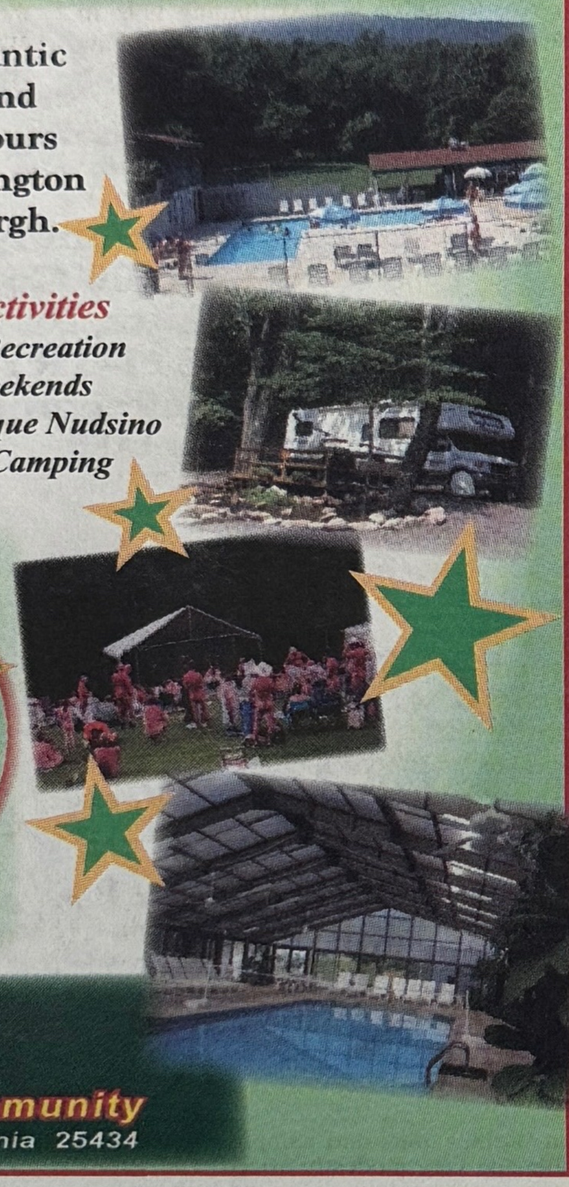

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TEXAS—Wildwood members parade decorated golf carts in celebration of Independence Day.

TENNESSEE

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✦ As the long, dry summer winds down at **ROCK HAVEN LODGE**, there is still time to have fun in the pool area. The waterfall keeps the temperature just right for swimming or just floating and visiting with friends, old and new. There will be pool games and music by the pool on August 25. For reservations or further information, contact relax@rockhavenlodge.com or call 615/896-3553. Rock Haven closes to visitors on October 1, so plan on visiting soon.

COMING EVENTS: August 31 Drive-In Movie; **September 1** Shuffleboard Contest, Chipping To the Flag, Rock Haven Raceway Event, White Elephant Sale; **September 2** Music Poolside, Poker Walk, Outback Bash; **September 15** Rock Haven Raceway Event, Yearly Birthday Party; **September 22** Wine and Cheese, Black Tie Dinner; **September 28–30** Fall Festival, Sports Competitions, Outback Bob Race Event, Awards Presentations.

TEXAS

✦ Good press continues to attract both attention and visitors to **SANDPIPERS RESORT**. The June issue of *Naturally* magazine has an article, "A Reunion of Athletes," featuring Sandpiper's Nude Olympics held each February. News of the article and favorable reaction to it are part of the network of Internet postings that Winter Texans share to keep in touch during the summer. Sandpipers summer is in full gear, as are the many projects designed to enhance the pleasure and relaxation of Sandpipers' guests. A new road has been put in for RV guests staying in the newly opened, "600" row. The South View extension is taking reservations for those who want mobile units or "casitas." August visitors still have time to take advantage of the half-price special on rates for camping or rental. For information, call 956/383-7589.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Sunday: Tennis, Pétanque, Water Volleyball, Gringo Bingo. **Monday:** Tennis, Pétanque, Golf, Crafts, Mexican Train Dominoes, Mini-Ten. **Tuesday:** Tennis, Bike Ride, Pétanque, Weights Exercises, Water Aerobics, Shanghai, Euchre. **Wednesday:** Tennis, Line Dancing, Pétanque, Water Volleyball, Canasta. **Thursday:** Tennis, Weights Exercise, Pétanque, Water Aerobics, Shanghai, Quilting, Water Volleyball, Mexican Bingo. **Friday:** Tennis, Pétanque, League Bowling, Scrabble, Advanced Line Dancing, Mini-Ten. **Saturday:** Tennis, Pétanque, Weights Exercises, Water Aerobics, Water Volleyball.

✦ The summer in Houston continues to be hot, hot, hot—great for being naked outdoors. **HEALTHY HIDES OF HOUSTON** (HHH) members continue with their travel events to the landed clubs in the Houston Area. Check the HHH web site for the latest schedule of events, and go hang out with their great club members. For information, write 590640, Houston, TX 77259-0640; e-mail info@healthyhides.org; or visit http://www.healthyhides.org.

✦ August brings a much awaited event at **WILDWOOD NATURIST'S RESORT** and it even comes early this year. The Naked Flamingo is back and Casino Night is August 18. If games of chance are your thing, plan now on attending and make a reservation early. This month also has the Twilight Golf Cart Poker Run, potluck dinners, dances, games, and water volleyball, which is always popular. August 31 kicks off the long Labor Day weekend with a Friday night deck gathering. BYOB and a snack to share, and start the weekend right with Wildwood friends. There likely will be an unscheduled evening water volleyball game on Friday with many more opportunities over the next few days. Two potluck dinners, a dance on Saturday, and oldies music on the deck Sunday will make for a relaxing, fun weekend. Call 940/627-2280 or e-mail info@wildwoodnaturist.com for reservations or accommodations.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Co-Ed Pool Tournament, Potluck, Dance; **September 2** Labor Day Activities, Potluck Dinner, Oldies Listen on the Deck; **September 3** All Day R&R; **September 8** Potluck; **September 15** Pool Tournament, Progressive Potluck Dinner; **September 22** Horseshoes Tournament. Potluck, Dance; **September 29** Potluck with After Dinner Games.

✦ **PONDAROSA RESORT** in Wills Point, Texas, is the closest nudist club to Dallas. It is located on paved State Hwy 64, just 2 1/2 miles from Interstate Hwy I-20, with easy, smooth driving for RVs. The summer has brought many old and new friends to relax in the sparkling in-ground pool where water volleyball games seem to spring up every weekend. The RV lots are once more filling up as new members decide that Pondarosa Resort is the club they wish to call "home." The staff and members are staying busy preparing for the Labor Day weekend celebration. For more information, call 866/393-4190; visit the Web site at pondarosaresort.com; e-mail pondarosaresort@yahoo.com; or write 32891 Hwy 64, Wills Point, TX 75169.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Saturday: Potluck Dinner. **Saturday and Sunday:** Breakfast is prepared in the clubhouse.

COMING EVENTS: Sept 1-3 Labor Day Weekend Tournaments and Live Band Dancing; **September 15** Barn Dance; **September 29** Mr. and Ms. Nude Lone Star USA Pageant.

✦ The summer is heating up at **LONE STAR RESORT**. Members and visitors enjoyed the Dog Days of Summer Celebration on July 28 with a day of fun and water sports. On August 11, visitors are invited to join in the fun at the Parrothead Party with cheeseburgers in paradise and plenty of Jimmy Buffett music. Get ready for Labor Day weekend and the annual fish fry. For more information about this resort 35 minutes northwest of Houston, write 3206 County Road 325, Navasota, TX 77868; phone 936/825-0225; e-mail lonestarresort@peoplepc.com; or visit the Web site at http://lonestarresort.com.

COMING EVENTS: September 4-6 Labor Day Weekend.

✦ August weather at **NATURAL HORISUN** is usually nudist-perfect. Many good weeks of great warm weather remain before late fall makes clothing necessary. Great games, food, and dancing are planned for Labor Day weekend. For more information, call 979/657-3061; write POB 809, Needville, TX 77461; or visit the Web site at www.naturalhorisun.com.

✦ Need a place to rest and relax? Need somewhere to go and have some family time? **SAHNOANS AT STAR RANCH** is ready for guests! Whether one wants to rest and relax in a quaint, rustic cabin or take a hike on one of many trails covering 110 acres, it is there. September is the 50th anniversary. Check the Web site at www.starranch.net for the upcoming events. All are invited to celebrate the club's achievements. Star Ranch is located approximately 30 miles east of Austin, Texas. Call toll free 866/705-5978 or 512/273-2257 or visit the Web site at www.starranch.net for additional information.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-2 Labor Day Tournaments; **September 15** Ice Cream Social, Casino Night.

✦ **GULF HAVEN RESORT** is growing every day. The new outdoor showers are up and running. The new picnic pavilion is almost complete. The kitchen is fully equipped with a refrigerator, electric range, microwaves, coffee maker, blenders, toaster, dishwasher, large sink, and a potluck pass-through counter. The kitchen is also complete with plates, bowls, pots and pans, and serving hardware. There is a new exercise room, pool, and hot tub. Seven sleeping rooms, RV sites with full hookups, and tent sites are available. Contractors are installing underground utilities for the new mobile home and *RV section*. For information, call *361/727*-0886.

✦ Members of the **SUNBIRDS SUN CLUB** are geared up and in full stride with many warm months filled with weekly pool parties and resort visits. Some weeks are crammed with multiple events. The Labor Day party is one of the main attractions for the year. As usual, several dozen birds are expected to be in attendance. A central theme with all Sunbird events is usually good food. Give a holler and join in the fun in the sun. The Sunbirds is the large and active travel club in the Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas region that is active year-round, with frequent pool parties all summer long, special group trips to Texas resorts, and monthly theme parties in the winter. For information on joining the Sunbirds, visit http://sunbirds.org/ or e-mail bulletin@sunbirds.org.

VERMONT

✦ Greetings from **COVENTRY CLUB & RESORT**. Everyone is welcome to join in for a great summer. Many activities are planned, and everyone has had a wonderful time. On August 11, everyone will enjoy the famous pizza party and a dance; on August 18 is the Nude Christmas Celebration. The Wild Game Feast on August 25 will be a big hit as usual, followed by a dance with LBJ. Visitors are invited to attend all activities. Bring a kayak or windsurf and enjoy the 80-acre pond. Check the Web site at www.coventryresort.com for activities or for more information. To make reservations, call 802/893-7773 or write 468 Beebe Hill Road, Milton, VT 05468.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Costume Party with LBJ; **September 2** Labor Day Picnic; **September 3** Pétanque Tournament.

✦ Things are moving right along at **MAPLE GLEN** this summer. The RV park has been a great addition to the club facilities is frequently used by more and more weekenders. The open house was a resounding success as were all of the animated weekends this summer so far. Don`t miss out on the opportunity to visit before the summer is over if in the area. View the list of activities at the Web site at mapleglen.net.

✦ **ABBOTT'S GLEN** in southern Vermont is minutes from the legendary The Ledges. A completed carriage house renovation now offers a recreation room and two additional guestrooms with two decks to enjoy. The vegetable garden has provided beautiful produce to the dining experience at Abbott's Glen. The onsite massage therapist has been very busy providing massages riverside throughout the summer. Visit Abbott's Glen and enjoy music, Saturday evening bonfires, skinny-dipping in the river, hiking, great food, and warm hospitality. For information, call 802/368-2525; visit www.abbottsglen.com; or e-mail aglenvt@earthlink.net.

COMING EVENTS: September 1 Barbecue, Bonfire, Fireworks; **September 8** Bounty of the Garden Dinner; **September 15** Italian Theme Dinner; **September 22** First Fall Dinner, Pumpkin Pick; **September 29** Apple Picking, Theme Dinner.

VIRGINIA

✦ **CAPITAL AREA FAMILY NATURISTS** (CAFN) members and guests were quite busy in July with hiking in the park, canuding on the river, sailing into the sunset, and taking the bull by the horns at the MAHESO Bull Roast in Maryland. Be sure to check the Web site (www.cafnat.org) or send an e-mail to info@cafnat.org for more information.

✦ The Rhondels, a world-famous rock group since the 1970s, will headline the entertainment at the BeachFest at **WHITE TAIL RESORT**, August 2-4. A record crowd is expected again this year. RV/tent campsites without water/electric hookups remain available but most of the other sites have been reserved since this popular event last year. It already has a reputation making this "the" place to be in August for poolside games, Tiki Bar, food, sports, and fun. For more information and an updated events schedule, rates, and policies, visit www.whitetailpark.org. For reservations or questions, contact office@whitetailpark.org or call toll free 800/WTR-NUDE (800/987-6833).

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES: Sunday: Multidenominational Christian Bible Study and Service. **Monday:** M&M Ladies Day Out, Mexican Express Train Dominoes. **Wednesday:** Water Volleyball. **Friday:** Water Volleyball.

COMING EVENTS: August 31 Family Social Hour; **September 1** Poolside Games, Golf Cart Poker Run, Family DJ Dance; **September 3** Parade, Ice Cream Social; **September 7** Big Screen Movie; **September 8** Cribbage Lessons, Darts League; **September 9** PC-NUG Computer Club Meeting; **September 14** Family Karaoke Night; **September 15** Water Volleyball League, Family DJ Dance; **September 21** Big Screen Movie; **September 22** Cribbage Tournament, Family Karaoke Night; **September 29** Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, Potluck Dinner, Family Karaoke Night.

✦ Members of the **POTOMAC RAMBLING BARES** are enjoying the warm weather. On July 28, the Bares had their biggest event of the year, the Corn Roast and 23rd Birthday Party at MAHESO in Davidsonville, Maryland. As usual, the Corn Roast had friends, food, and music, and was a great party! In August, the Bares take a ramble to a swimming hole in Virginia, and another ramble to Avalon in Paw Paw, West Virginia, for the music festival. For information, call 703/742-7987; write POB 515, Oakton, VA 22124-0515; visit the Web page at www.prbares.org for details and updates on events; or e-mail prbares@prbares.org.

COMING EVENTS: August 31-September 3 Labor Day Ramble to Avalon in Paw Paw, West Virginia; **September 7-9** Ramble To Gunnison Beach in Sandy Hook, New Jersey.

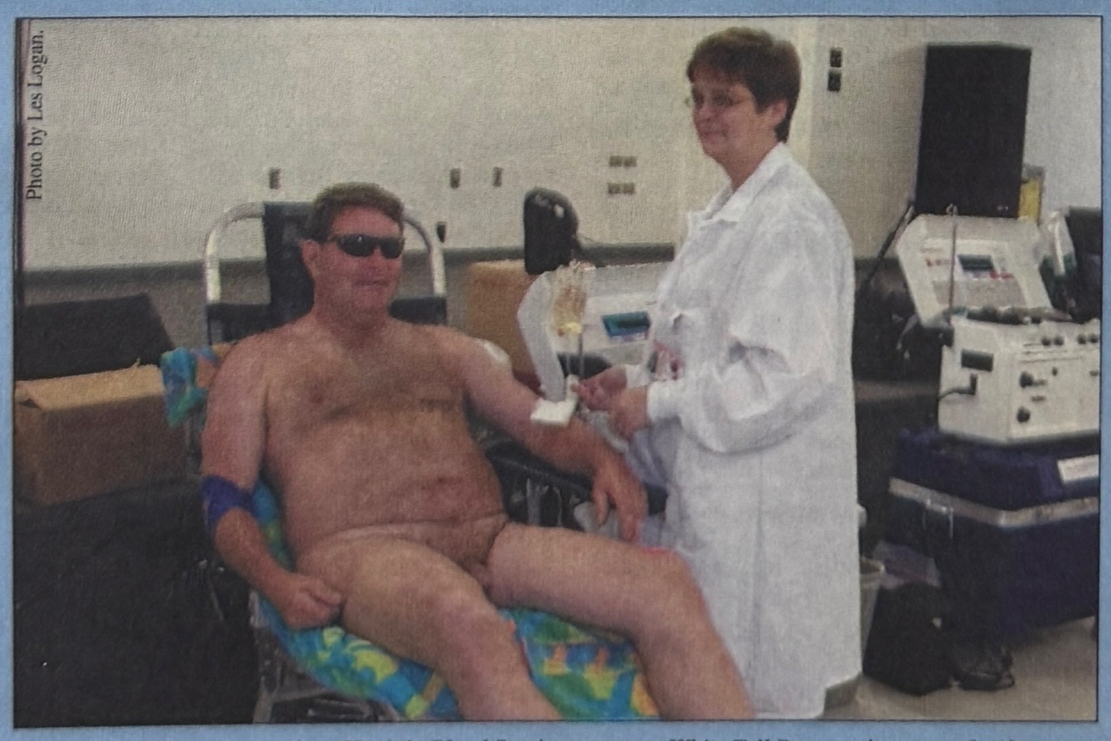
WASHINGTON

✦ The season has been great at **LAKE BRONSON CLUB**, with many first-time visitors and many new members as a result. It must be the 320 acres of absolute paradise that attracts the visitors, and the members who attract them to stay. Why not come down and see what everyone is talking about? The biggest event of the year at Lake Bronson is Rustic Days, this year from August 3-6. Of course, Rustic Days would not be what it is without the alder-smoked beef barbecue dinner. For more information, check out the Web site at www.lakebronson.com or e-mail info@lakebronson.com. Technically disadvantaged? Call 360/793-0286 instead.

COMING EVENTS: September 1-3 Hawaiian Luau Days; **September 1** Hawaiian Luau Feast Dinner and Dance; **September 2** Party Lane Turkey Roast; **September 15** Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup.

✦ **LAKE ASSOCIATES RECREATION CLUB** (LARC) is absolutely beautiful this time of year. Rental units and camping spaces are available and very modestly priced. The serenity, warm sunshine, long days, and lush natural surroundings make LARC a magical place to visit and enjoy. Those looking to have fun have dances, karaoke, movies, Bingo, Sunday breakfasts, and potlucks waiting. August events include Movie Night, a poker run, volleyball, dances, Bingo, a progressive dinner, and more. The new Web site at larcnudists.com has all the details. Sunshine, serenity, fun, and relaxation… it's all at LARC. Visit soon.

COMING EVENTS: August 31 Movie Night; **August 31-September 3** LARC Birthday Weekend; **September 1** LARC Birthday Party Potluck, Birthday Dance; **September 2** Chili Cookoff, Birthday Cake and Ice Cream; **September 9** Potluck Lunch; **September 15** Highway Cleanup, Movie Night; **September 16** Breakfast, Bingo; **September 22** Open Mic Night, Talent Extravaganza; AANR NW Fall Board Meeting; **September 29** Karaoke Night.



VIRGINIA—A team from Virginia Blood Services comes to White Tail Resort twice a year for the convenience of members like Paul Gilbreath so they don't have to dress to donate blood. This year's blood drive is on August 25.

✦ It's time for Nudestock '07, **FRATERNITY SNOQUALMIE'S** "Day of Music in the Park," on August 25. Live rock and blues bands play all day. The beautiful green sunning lawn makes a natural amphitheatre for the show. Members and guests may enjoy the wading and swimming pools, hot tubs, sand volleyball, or sunbathing while enjoying the music of Michael Powers, Budapest West, Big Woody and The Clamdiggers, and special guests. RV and tent spots are available by reservation. Regular fees apply, although first time visitors receive a complimentary one-day membership. Call 425/392-NUDE or visit www.fraternitysnoqualmie.com for more details.

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COMING EVENTS: September 2 Luau Competition, Dinner, Dance.

WEST VIRGINIA

✦ Summer is hoppin' at **AVALON**. Avalonfest '07 brings out the stars for the music, arts, and crafts festival, August 10-12. Everyone plays together on Davy Crockett's birthday with an ice cream social and a Wild West dance. August ends with a car show. Labor Day brings the talent show and Avalon potluck, but that's not all. The Oceanside to Mountainside Celebration of the Nude in the Arts will be held on September 8. There will be vendors of nude art, opportunities to sketch live models, a workshop on drawing the human figure, and some exciting performing arts tossed in the mix! Call 304/947-5600 or check www.avalon-resort.com for information.

COMING EVENTS: September 2 Potluck, Talent Show; **September 8** Celebration of the Nude in the Arts.

WISCONSIN

✦ **AURORA GARDENS** members and visitors enjoyed Family Day with Big Mike Karaoke. The hot days of summer have arrived at this club on 525 acres of naturally nude recreation. August events include stand-up comedy on August 4 and Big Mike Karaoke on August 18. For information, visit auroragardens.org.

COMING EVENTS: August 31-September 3 Labor Day Weekend, Seafood Buffet.

CANADA/ONTARIO

✦ August starts and ends with long weekends, and the Members' Committee has been busy planning events for both, as well as activities mid-month. A potluck dinner, craft show and fair, and a movie night are in the works for the Civic Holiday weekend. Mid-month is the annual "Happy Birthday to everyone!" an excuse to gather together to eat cake and ice-cream. Mid-month plans are for the boat race and the Euchre tournament. The month wraps up with the Labor Day weekend, when the annual Corn Roast and potluck take place, plus another movie night in the clubhouse. Everyone will make good use of the pétanque court as members have leveled and resurfaced it. Stargazers enjoy the setting away from the city lights, especially during the Perseid meteor shower in August, when people lie on the dock or lay out in boats watching the shooting stars. Two loon chicks hatched in June. Visitors enjoy watching the loon family out on the lake. For information, write Lakesun Club, R.R. #1, Perth Road Village, Ontario, K0H 2L0; call 613/353-2463; e-mail rmbehr@istar.ca; or visit http://www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Falls/9040.

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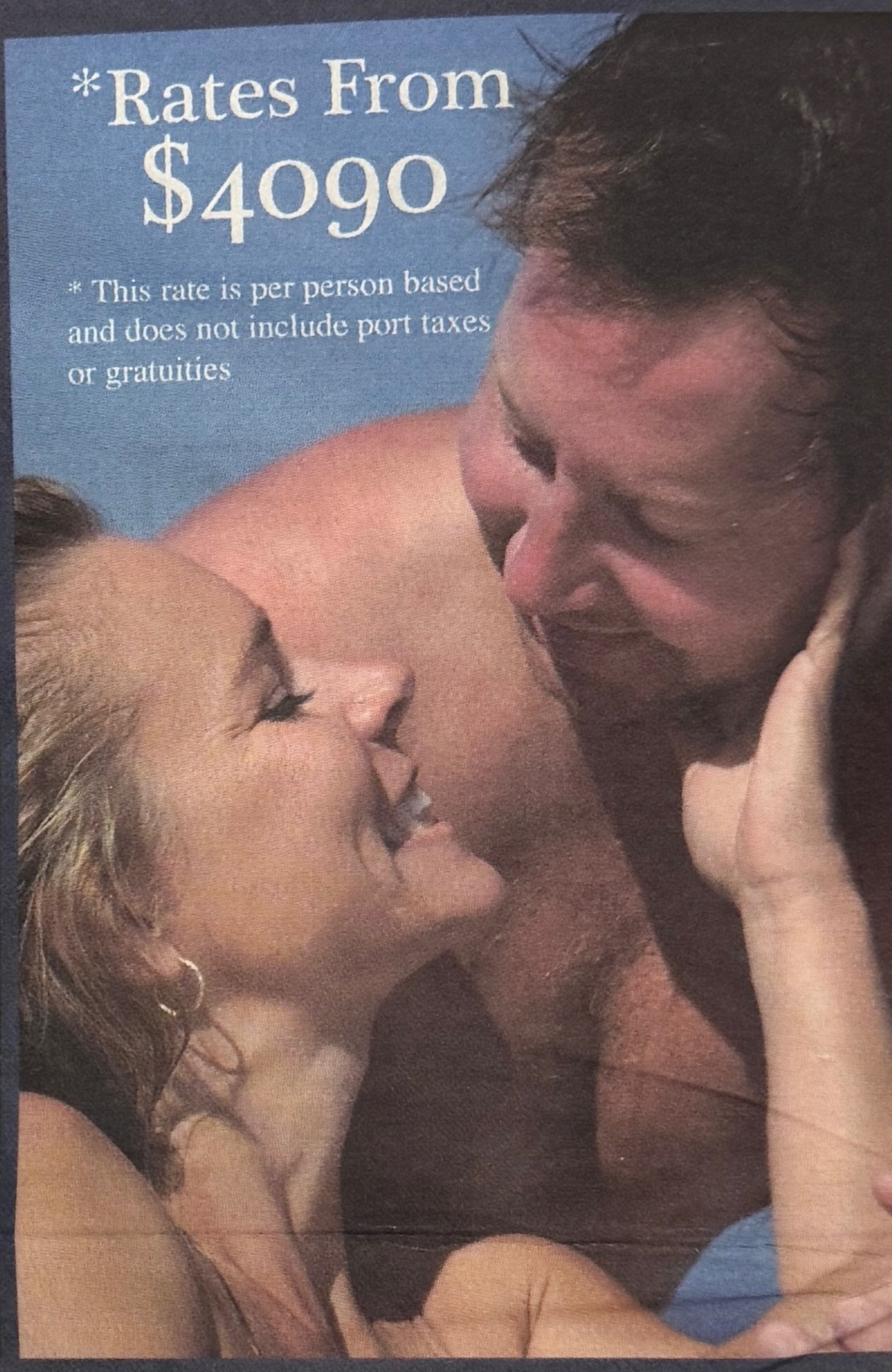

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