

# N64 Monthly Newsletter The Neighborhood Buzz

February 2024



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and  
Debbie  
Young

Hello neighbors and welcome to our first newsletter! We're thrilled to have you onboard and can't wait to share our latest news and updates with you. We promise to keep things fun, informative, and maybe even a littlebit weird, and best of all you can play a pivotal role. Do you have a good story to tell? Are you famous for a coveted recipe? Know of any good riddles you want us to figure out? You get the picture. This is your newsletter! Give a shout out to yourself or someone else celebrating a birthday, anniversary, achievement, or acknowledge a good deed. Are there any new additions to the family i.e. grandchild or maybe new dog or cat? The newsletter will be packed with new and fresh stories each and every month, Until then, we hope you enjoy the "Buzz". You just never know who will appear.

## MARCH ACTIVITIES

**N64 ANNUAL BIRTHDAY PARTY  
MARCH 9**

**WOMEN'S MAJONG & MEXICAN TRAIN  
EVERY TUESDAY**

**MEN'S MAHJONG  
EVERY THURSDAY**

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE  
MARCH 4**

**MEN'S POKER NIGHT  
MARCH 5**

**WOMEN'S BOOKCLUB  
MARCH 12**

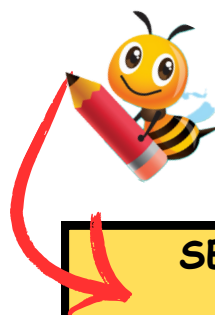
**MEN'S BOOKCLUB.  
MARCH 12**

**LADIES LUNCHEON  
JACK ALLEN'S KITCHEN  
MARCH 25**

**VINE AND DINE  
MARCH 27**

**MEN'S LUNCHEON  
DEAD FISH GRILL  
MARCH 28**

**TEAM LEADERSHIP  
APRIL 24**



**SEE ACTIVITY DETAILS  
ON PAGE 9-11**

Contribute to "THE BUZZ" by contacting Patti Troxell at  
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# NEIGHBORHOOD 64 LEADERSHIP



**NEIGHBORHOOD REPS**  
Jon and Debbie Young

**SECRETARY**  
Carol Murawski

**ALTERNATE REP**  
Patti Troxell

**TREASURER**  
John Hachmann

## BLOCK CAPTAINS

Carol VanDyken Block 1 • 100 -129 Hobby Street '  
Chuck Cavanah • Block 1 Alternate  
Vickie Herman Block 2 • 800-822 Hamilton Lane  
Susan Newberg Block 3 • 201-217 Hobby Street  
Philip Newberg Block 3 Alternate  
Sheila Gottschalk Block 4 • 811-842 Hamilton Lane  
Randy Shields • Block 4 Alternate  
Rita Wood Block 5 • 214-239 Hobby Street  
Vicki Davis Block 6 • 829-864 Hamilton Lane  
Patti McCabe Block 6 Alternate  
Carole Astbury Block 7 • 301-317 Hobby Street

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Diana Arth • Social Committee Chair  
Diane Klutz • Social Committee Chair /Alt  
Phillip Newberg • Entrance Committee Chair  
Ted Van Dyken • Entrance Committee Chair/ Alt  
Teresa Sandlin • Sunshine Committee

## AMBASSADORS/ALTS

Bill Keefee • Firewise  
Mike Moulton • Firewise/ Alt  
Craig Wiseman • Water  
Terry Herman • Golf  
Gerrie Richardson • Golf/ Alt  
Chuck Gottschalk • N64 Emergency Coordinator  
Bill Just • N64 Emergency Coordinator/ Alt

## MICROSITE EDITORS

George Conaway • Microsite Editor  
Carol Astbury • Microsite Editor/Alt

## SHARING OUR SENIOR RESOURCES

Judy Keefe • SOSR Committee/Chair  
Sue Cavanah • SOSR Committee/Chair Alt

## EX-OFFICIOS

Paul O'Malley • ExOfficio Rep  
Wanda McBee • ExOfficio Rep

## NAMETAGS

Vicki Herman Nametags/Alt

**PHOTOGRAPHER**  
Rose Simone

# HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY



*May your day be touched by a bit of Irish luck,  
brightened by a song in your heart, and warmed  
by the smiles of the people you love.*

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024**

## Green Beer

Step 1: Pour a little Beer in an ice-cold glass/mug, holding the glass/mug at a slight angle - add a drop or two of the Food Coloring to the Beer

Step 2: Give only a light stir, then continue to fill the glass.

The Beer and Coloring will mix without being stirred



## Green Mimosas

Chill your sparkling wine for several hours before mixing.

Step 1: Add 2.5 oz orange juice to your champagne flute.

Step 2: Pour in a splash of Blue Curacao.

Step 3: Top with 3 oz champagne and stir.



## Non- alcoholic Sparkling Lime Mint St Paddy's Day Punch

1 regular-sized can of limeade concentrate

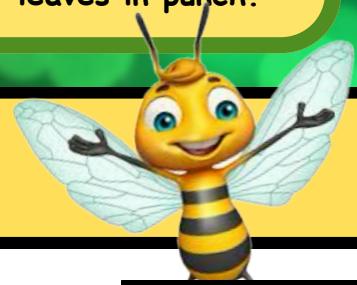
Club soda (about 1 quart/liter)

Fresh mint leaves (about 1-2 sprigs per quart)

Lime slices (1- 2 large limes is plenty)

Make limeade per instructions replacing water with club soda. Rub a few mint leaves to start releasing oils and put pressed mint leaves in punch.

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# HIP HIP HORRAY!



A VERY SPECIAL  
NEIGHBORHOOD 64  
THANK YOU  
TO PETE MERTENS  
WHO IS THE VICE CHAIR OF THE  
NEIGHBORHOOD  
REPRESENTATIVE ORGANIZATION (NRO)  
AND THE #5 AREA COORDINATOR!

We appreciate all that Pete does  
to make Sun City and N64 a wonderful  
place to live.



Have someone you would like to nominate for reecognitiion?  
Email name to [PattiN64Buzz@icloud.com](mailto:PattiN64Buzz@icloud.com)





# NRO AT A GLANCE

THE NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE  
ORGANIZATION

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



### 1. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE NRO?

The NRO works closely with the representatives from the 84 neighborhoods to ensure two-way communication between the neighborhoods, the Community Association and the Sun City Board of Directors.

### 2. WHAT DOES THE NRO DO?

The NRO ensures the quality of life of the residents in Sun City. Made up of over 100 volunteers, the NRO has 5 area coordinators who work with the NReps, the Alt Reps and Block Captains. N64 is part of AREA 5.

### 3. WHAT ARE THE PROGRAMS OF THE NRO?

Sun City Recycles  
Sharing our Senior Resources  
Anti Fraud Group  
New Neighbor Round Up  
Water Ambassador Team  
Neighborhood Emergency Coordinators  
Training and Support for the N-Reps,  
Alt Reps and Block Captains



### 4. WHAT DOES THE NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP DO?

The NReps, Alt Reps, and the Block Captains organize neighborhood social activities, coordinate neighborhood decorations, support NRO and CA Programs, ensure solid communications between neighbors, and welcome new neighbors.

Here is the link to the SUN CITY NRO page on the SC website

[https://www.sctexas.org/club/scripts/memfac/memfac.asp?  
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# JUST FOR FUN

## Riddles

1. What do you catch but never throw?
2. What has to be broken before you can use?
3. What room can no one enter?

## Joke of the Month

I went to see my physician about my short-term memory problems. He made me pay in advance.



## TRIVIA

1. What happens first, thunder or lightning?
2. What color is the sunset on Mars?
3. What's the shortest word ending in -ology?
4. Who wrote To Kill a Mockingbird?
5. What's the tallest mountain on Earth?

## SPORTS TRIVIA

1. Who holds the record for the most home runs in a single MLB season?
  - Barry Bonds • Mark McGwire
  - Sammy Sosa • Babe Ruth
2. Who holds the record for the most wins in NASCAR Cup Series history?
  - Jimmie Johnson • Richard Petty
  - Dale Earnhardt • Jeff Gordon
3. What football team won the 1st Superbowl & what year was it?
4. Who is the all-time leading scorer in the history of the NBA?
  - Kareem Abdul Jabbar
  - Karl Malone • LeBron James
  - Kobe Bryant
5. Who was the first golfer since Jack Nicklaus to win 8 PGA events his first 6 yrs on tour?



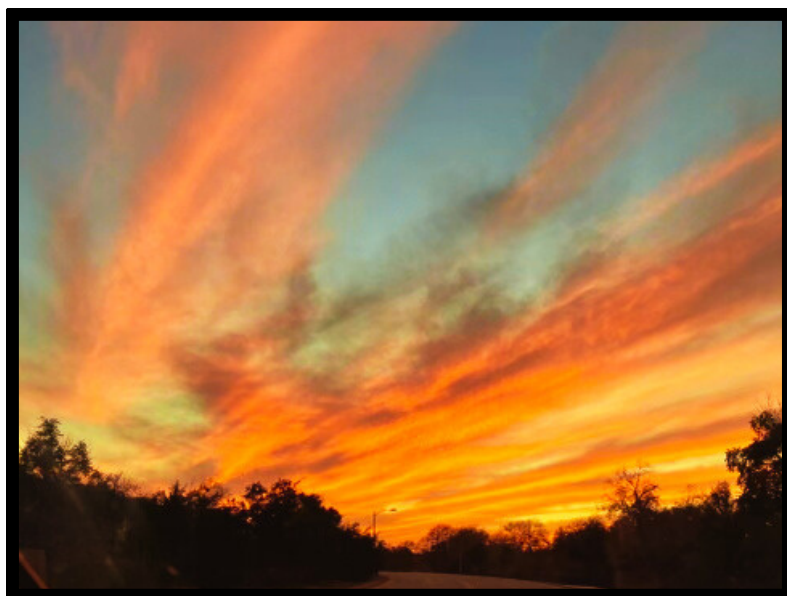
Answers to Trivia & Riddles on page 12

TWIN OAKS  
Neighborhood 64

PICS OF THE MONTH



Black crested Titmouse  
from the backyard  
of Bill and Patti Troxell  
(birdfeeder is made  
from a carved coconut)



SUN CITY SUNSET  
Photo taken by Patti Troxell



Please email your photographs from our community and from N64 community events for next month's newsletter to [Pattin64buzz@icloud.com](mailto:Pattin64buzz@icloud.com)

SOLAR ECLISPE GATHERING

THE BLOCK CAPTAINS UNITE

Together N64's Block Cabins are combining their seperate block parties and organizing a neighborhood solar eclipse viewing party.

DETAILS COMING ON MICROSITE AND NEXT NEWSLETTER

SAVE  
THE  
DATE!  
APRIL 8th

Don't forget to  
buy your solar  
filtered eclipse  
glasses!





# 64's PET PAGE

## PET OF THE MONTH



RANGER

From the home of Jay Butala

Ranger is a 14 year old Golden Retriever mix who Jay brought home from the shelter in Waco, Texas, when he was a 3 month old pup. He has had a long life of playing with dogs, enjoying frisbee and taking long walks with Jay.

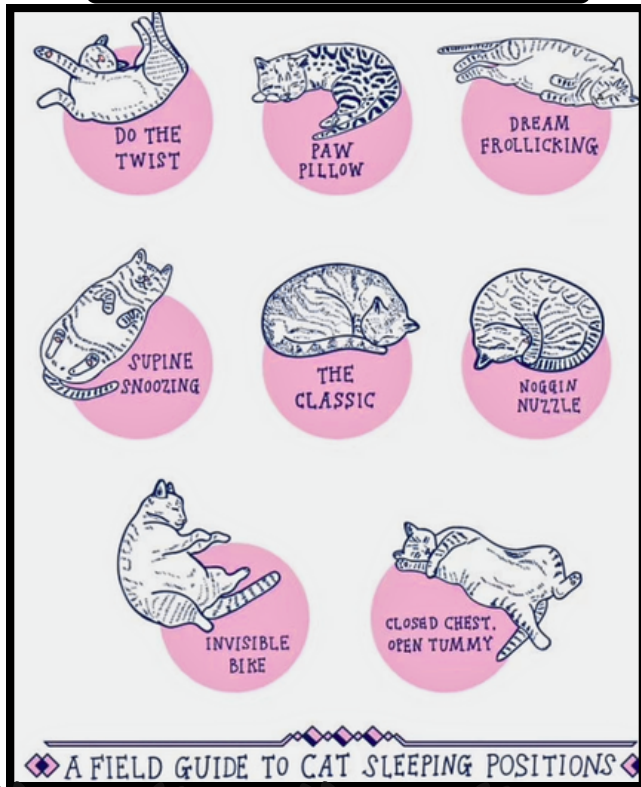
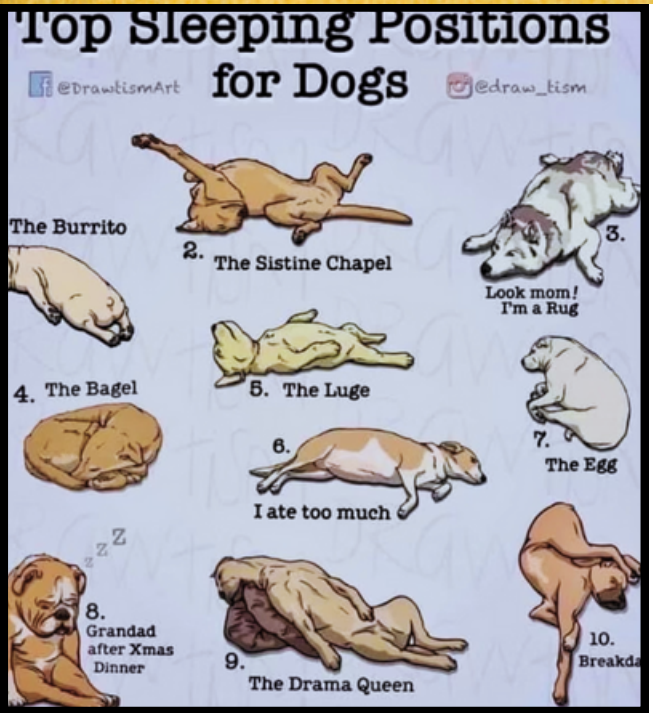
Ranger is named after the Army Airborne Rangers. Jay is a Purple Heart veteran of the Vietnam war but was very clear to distinguish that he had not been an Airborne Ranger. Naming his beloved dog after them was a way to pay tribute to this premier unit of the Army.

Ranger's name is very fitting because he has surprised everyone with his courage and fortitude. He wasn't expected to live more than a few months after his cancer diagnosis 18 months ago. After surgery and chemotherapy he has beaten the odds. He and Jay are enjoying daily walks and spend their days in gratitude for each day spent together.

Jay gives Ranger his "Bucket List" meals everyday of Steak and Chicken (and lots of vitamins.) Jay says, "Ranger's just an old man who's a little hard of hearing and has a tiny bit of dementia," but he remains his steadfast companion. "I don't keep Ranger here to satisfy me. I give him the life he deserves." The most fitting tribute one could find for Ranger is from a line in the Army Ranger Creed, "I will shoulder more than my share of the task, whatever it may be, one hundred percent and then some."

### DID YOU KNOW?

There has been a mysterious **DOG RESPIRATORY ILLNESS** going around the US which is causing concern? **TALK TO YOUR VETERINARIAN ABOUT THIS FOR MORE INFORMATION**





# BITS AND PIECES



In case you missed this...  
**SUN CITY OFFERS FREE TAX Preparation & Electronic Filing Every Friday**  
 Feb 2 - April 12  
 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
 Cowan Creek Amenity Center  
 AARP Tax-Aide Foundation is once again providing free tax preparation advice/services in Sun City Texas.

## Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Detector Information

**IMPORTANT**

Several N64 homes have been experiencing Smoke Alarm issues. Our Smoke and or Smoke/CO alarms are coming to the end of their lifespan.

CHIRP	THIS MEANS	YOU SHOULD
HORN CHIRPS 1X PER MINUTE	LOW BATTERY	INSTALL A NEW DURACELL, ENERGIZER EVERYREADY BATTERY
HORN SOUNDS 3 CHIRPS EVERY MINUTE	MALFUNCTION WARNING CO ALARM NEEDS REPLACEMENT	ALARMS UNDER WARRANTY NEED REPLACEMENT
HORN SOUNDS 5 CHIRPS EVERY MINUTE	END OF LIFE SIGNAL	IMMEDIATELY REPLACE

If your Smoke or Smoke/CO detector needs replacement, below are replacements that will fit into the mounting we have. They are "replacements" that are cheaper than the ones with installation hardware that is not needed. You can find what you need on Amazon.

- Smoke/CO First Alert BRK SC9120FF \$31.88
- Smoke First Alert 9120BFF \$14.37

Most homes in N64 have two Smoke/CO alarms, one near the door to the garage and one near the laundry room. Some homes will have a Smoke Alarm in or near the bedrooms. (2-3).

To replace, turn the alarm to the left, pull down and unplug the white connector. Then take the new one, remove the plastic tab from the battery, plug in the white connector, push it into the mounting ring and turn to the right till it stops. You will see a small light inside. There is very good information to read inside the packages.

## N64 HELPERS

WE are looking for a few good men or women who would be willing to help out neighbors with simple tasks....

Examples:  
 changing lightbulbs or batteries,  
 opening a jar, picking up something from the store or watching a pet for a few hours.

CONTACT PATTI at patti64buzz@icloud.com If you are interested in joining this list of these helpers to contact when needed.



## 2024 is a Leap Year.

meaning it has one extra day:  
 Thursday, February 29.

If you are, or happen to know, one of the approximately 5 million "leaplings" around the world who were born on Feb. 29, you'll get to celebrate on the actual day for the first time in four years. If not, you're still getting a relatively rare bonus day. So do something fun!!



## DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS



Sun, March 10, 2024

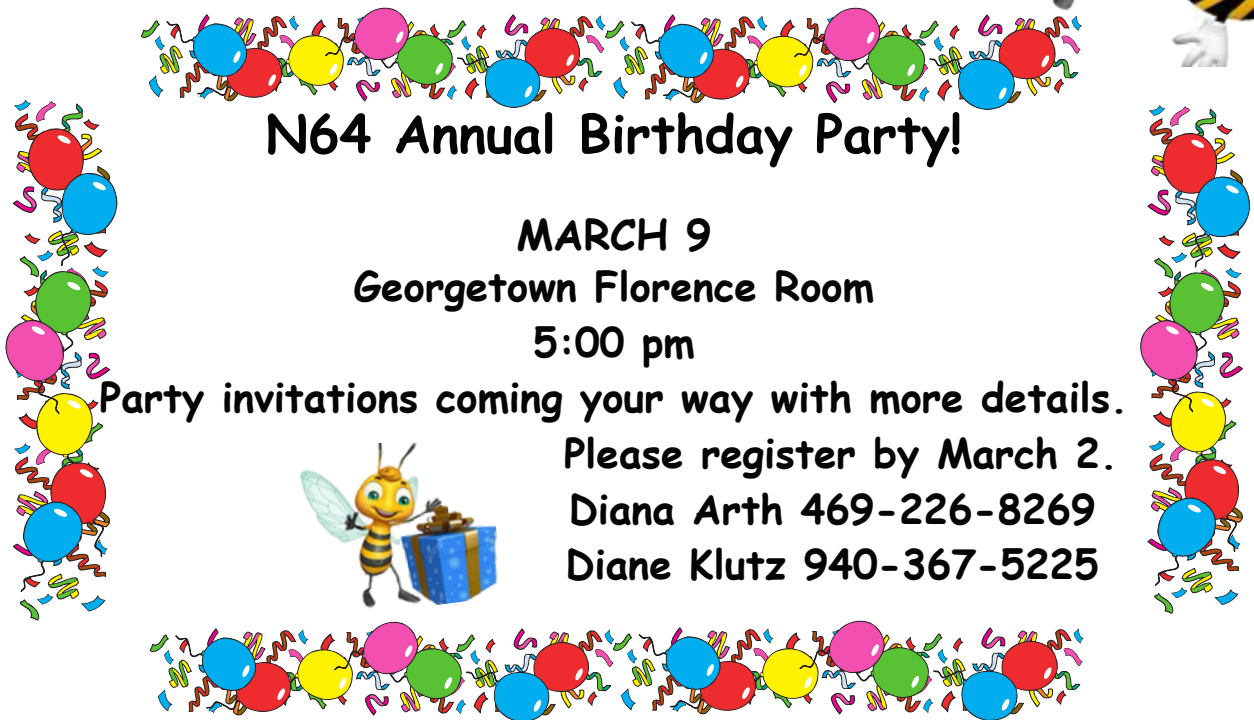
Central Time

Sun, Nov 3, 2024

**SPRING FORWARD**  
in March

**FALL BACKWARD**  
in Nov

# MARCH ACTIVITIES



## N64 Annual Birthday Party!

**MARCH 9**

**Georgetown Florence Room**

**5:00 pm**

**Party invitations coming your way with more details.**

**Please register by March 2.**

**Diana Arth 469-226-8269**

**Diane Klutz 940-367-5225**



## WEEKLY RECURRING EVENTS

### Women's Coffee

**Mondays**

**10:00-11:00am**

**04: Vickie Herman 818 Hamilton**

**11: Rita Wood 239 Hobby**

**18: Wanda McBee 806 Hamilton**

**25: Diane Klutz 204 Hobby**

**No Registration required**

**Contact Vickie Herman 909 214-9067**



### Women's Mahjong & Mexican Train

**Tuesdays**

**1:00-3:00pm**

**05: Walburg room**

**12: Jarrell room**

**19: Walburg room**

**26: Andice room**

**Roz Nisenson 714 320-4141**

**Contact Roz in advance for instructions**





## Men's Mahjong

Thursdays

1:00-3:00pm

07: CC Andice room

14: AC MR2

21: Mulligan's patio

28: CC Andice room

Pete Mertens 817-422-6366

Contact Pete in advance for instructions



## Pop-Up Party

1st Wednesday evening

No Pop-Up scheduled for March

## Men's Poker

1st Tuesday March 5

7:00pm

Home of George Oliver:

108 Hobby Limit 7.

BYOB, \$10.00 buy-in.

Registration Required

George Oliver 303-882-7600



## Social Committee

March 4 Alternate Months

3:00-4:00pm

Home of Diana Arth: 303 Hobby

Note date change -

previously scheduled 3/6

Registration Requested.

## Women's Book Club

2nd Tuesday March 12

7:00pm

Home of Sheila Gottschalk (836 Hamilton)

March book: The Good House by Ann Leary.

Sondra Cole 239-823-4704

Cell 512-688-3126 Home







## Men's Book Club

2nd Tuesday March 12

10:30-12:00

Jarrell Room @ CC.

March book: Contact by Carl Sagan.

Pete Mertens 817-422-6366

## Team Leadership

April 24

10:00 am

Changing to quarterly meetings.

Jon & Debbie Young 262 271-4804



## Vine & Dine

4th Wed March 27

6:30 PM

Diana Arth: 303 Hobby St.

Theme: Wines of South Africa!

Bring a snack to share.

Registration Required & money

(\$10/person, \$20/couple)

to Diana by March 15.

Diana Arth 469-226-82694th



## Women's Lunch

4th Thurs March 28

11:30 AM

Jack Allen's Kitchen

2500 Hoppe Trail, Round Rock, TX 78681

Meet at Shelia's home: 836 Hamilton

at 11:00 am,

if you want to carpool. Please register.

Shelia Gottschalk 913 240-6861



## Men's Lunch

4th Thurs March 28

11:30 AM

At Dead Fish Grill

2207 Lake Rd., Belton, TX. 76513

Meet on Craig's driveway for carpool:

127 Hobby at 11am.

Please register (max. 20 people)

Craig Wiseman 832 687-2882

The link below is the N64 WEBSITE Activity Page

[https://www.sctexas.org/club/scripts/memfac/memfac.asp?NS=MEMFAC&MFCODE=NBHD\\_64](https://www.sctexas.org/club/scripts/memfac/memfac.asp?NS=MEMFAC&MFCODE=NBHD_64)

# HELPING HANDS



The Helping Hands "Lending Locker" provides items on loan. Items are provided free of charge. You will need to arrange for the items to be picked up and returned.

Contacts: John Viers, (text or call)  
512-639-0262  
Cle Alexander, 316-990-4245  
Kathy Davis, 907-351-8872

Contacts and details are subject to change-  
see the Sun Rays  
magazine or NRO section of the Sun City website for  
latest information.

Some examples of items are mobility aids such as  
walkers, Rollators, wheelchairs, transport chairs, knee  
scooters, and crutches; personal care aids such as bath  
chairs and commodes; wheelchair ramps; CPAP and BiPAP  
units; cryotherapy machines; Hoyer lifts and Sara lifts;  
lift & stand chairs; foot boots; and bed rails. Baby cribs  
and other childcare items are also available for loan.

## ANSWERS TO "JUST FOR FUN" ITEMS ON PAGE 5

### Answers to Trivia

1. Neither... because they happen at the same time. But, we see lightning first because light travels faster than sound
2. Blue. 3. Oology. It's the study of eggs.
4. Harper Lee 5. Mt. Everest, 29,029 feet.

### Answers to Sports Trivia

- |                                               |                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Barry Bonds - 73 home runs (2001).         | 3. Green Bay Packers, Jan. 15, 1967 |
| • Mark McGwire - 70 home runs (1998)          |                                     |
| • Sammy Sosa - 66 home runs (1998).           | 4. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar - 38,387 pts |
| • Babe Ruth - 60 home runs (1927)             | • Karl Malone - 36,928 points       |
| 2. Richard Petty with 200 wins in his career. | • LeBron James - 35,367 points      |
| • Dale Earnhardt- 76                          | • Kobe Bryant - 33,643 points       |
| • Jeff Gordon- 93                             |                                     |
| • Jimmie Johnson- 83                          | 5. Phil Mickelson                   |

### Answers to Riddles

1. A cold
2. An egg
3. Mushroom

SEE YOU NEXT  
TIME  
NEIGHBORHOOD  
64!!!

