Coming

Attractions

A friendly reminder: the air conditioners are on in the clubhouse, so bring a sweater or a light jacket to put on during non-active activities.

If you have solicitors' knocking on your door please call the Office @ 575-524-9226 or Ruben @ 575-639-3566, so they can be escorted off the property.



DON'T FORGET TO SCHEDULE THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TROLLEY RIDE, DECEMBER 4TH, 5:30 - 7:30PM



COYOTE TRADERS - POTLUCK RAFFLE!!!!! "We just want to thank the Trails West Community for being great Coyote Traders patrons. As a token of our gratitude we are donating one of our signature Rosetta style benches and some beautiful southwest home décor items for the upcoming Potluck raffle! We hope you enjoy and feel free to stop by and say hello! – Molly & Gilbert, Coyote Traders"

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron Saint of Animals, A Deacon from St. Albert Newman Parish will be at Trails West on Friday, Oct. 5th to bless the animals. Please bring your puppies, kittens, birds, etc. to the pet park located next to the pickle ball court by 11:00 am on October 5th. Any questions; please call Julie or Victor Smith @ 386-6094.

NOTICE: The Trails West Writers Group that meets on the first Monday of the month in the library, and the Spanish Class Friday evenings; has been canceled until further notice.

BIRTHDAY PARTY: Come help us celebrate Margaret Butterworth's 91st birthday with cake and ice cream in the covered pavilion across from the tennis courts at 4:00 pm on Sunday October 14th. Your presence will be gift enough!! If you have any questions call Pat Conway at 644-0423.

DANCE NEWS: This month we will have only one dance, on October 6th.

Mark on your calendar for a great time. So please join us for good music and great snacks. Your hosts are Marye Wagoner and Jan Porter

WATER AEROBICS: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1:00pm at the pool. Contact Lowell and Patricia Pettit at (575)323-3022 **Voter Registration:** Voter registration will be available for any who need to register after a change of address, or name change, or change of party. Midterm election is November 6, and last day for registration in October 9th. County Voter Registration agent will be in large room in Trails West clubhouse, available to register members of all Political Parties. Date: October 1st. Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm. Catherine Fuller – VRA – 527-5574

Caravan Group Activity: On Saturday Oct. 13th after Welcome Coffee. We will meet at 10:30am to carpool to the Adobe Deli in Deming. If you have not eaten at the Adobe Deli, it is a unique experience! Time permitting, we can stop by the St. Clair Winery, meet up at the front desk in the clubhouse at 10:30am. I will have a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse on the bulletin board. Return to Trails West parking lot at 3:00pm. For more information: contact Claire @ 803-351-4550.

COFFEE KLATSCH: Ladies come join us on the 1st Monday of every month for coffee. This is for all ladies in Trails West. We will visit with everyone and have fun. Thank you, Joyce Hill

NEW EMERGENCY CONTACT FORMS: The Trails West office has created a new emergency form that we are requesting that each household come in and fill out. Information may have changed over the years and there is a possibility that the information we have on file is not current. It is important should an emergency arise that the information be correct and easily accessible for quick response. Management

KARAOKE NEWS: Oh, what a great night we had! Good Food, Good Songs, Good Voices, all around Good Fun. Thank you to the newcomers who joined us, and were entertained though out the evening. Remember, Karaoke incorporates song and instruments (as in open mic) so if you play an instrument including a piano, which we have, come on down and let loose. Yeh!!! Halloween, Halloween, Halloween Karaoke Costume Party. We will be giving cash awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place costume winners. Bring a dish, your instrument, your voice, your laughter, and your overall support. Saturday, Oct. 13th at 6:00 – 8:30pm. Please join us at our Karaoke meeting at 1:00pm on the same day. We discuss ideas in helping to keep Karaoke alive and entertaining for our community at large. Thank you for your support, Toni Marie and Team.

LET'S DO BREAKFAST!!! There's something new to try.... Each month on the THIRD Saturday at 9:00AM. We will try a different restaurant each month for breakfast. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board. Hope to see lots of Trails West residents. It will be fun. Questions, Call Lorraine at 573-944-2419.

CERAMICS, CRAFTS AND COFFEE: 10:00 am to 12:00pm Friday morning. Please join us for ceramics, crafting, coffee and good conversation. Bring anything you are working on, sewing, knitting, crocheting, ceramics, jewelry, or whatever you like doing. The only rule we have is, have a good time. Hope to see you on Friday mornings, if you have any questions give me a call. Claudia 526-1054

"Movie Night" – October movies are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the



month – October 9th and October 23rd – at 6:30 pm in the Trails West Ballroom. On October 9th – I Feel Pretty (2018 – PG13, Comedy) starring Amy Schumer as a woman who struggles with feeling of deep insecurity and low self-esteem, that hold her back every day, wakes from a brutal fall in an exercise class believing she is suddenly a supermodel (this was rescheduled from Sept. 25th).

On October 23rd we'll see Skyscraper (2018 – PG13, action) Starring Dwayne Johnson and Neve Campbell. The story follows a former FBI agent who must rescue his family from a newly built skyscraper, the tallest in the world, after it is taken over by criminals and set fire. Come join for great movies on the Trails West's own big screen, with free popcorn, and friends to share the experience!! (If you have any questions or suggestions, please call Judy Wilbur @ 512-560-4717)

Girls' Night Out (We celebrate everything): Ladies, join us for an evening out with old and new friends. We visit restaurants in the area and enjoy good food and good times. We meet to eat on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 5pm. Signup sheets are posted on Fridays preceding the event. I'd love to see YOUR name there! Call Karen at 202-0760 if you have questions.



POOL SCHOOL: Would you like to learn how to shoot pool or to brush up on rusty pool skills? Pool School is starting in July on Mondays at 10:00 am and Fridays at 1:00 pm. It's a chance to learn to play pool or to improve your

existing level of play. Pool School is open to everyone. Learn something new, meet other people and have some fun. Learn how to 'bridge', how to properly aim, shot selection, finding 'hidden" shots, and playing "position". Learn how to play a variety of games such as 8-Ball, 9-Ball, 10-Ball, Straight Pool, One Pocket, Cut Throat and Rotation. Trails West has two residents with combined experience of over 70 years. For further

information or to sign up, call: Gary Gardner at (214)-502-7570 or Pete Kenny at (575)-652-5105



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

MaryKay Brady	10/01	Karen Amison	10/16
Johnette Franke	10/04	Vickie Hidde	10/16
Robert Herman	10/05	Carolyn Terranova	10/16
Emme Phillips	10/06	Peter Johnson	10/17
Dona Donmoyer	10/06	Joan Canty	10/19
George Aiuvalasit	10/06	Dhano Singh	10/19
Carl Swanstrom	10/07	Belle Erickson	10/22
Jim Summers	10/07	Ruth Wiener	10/23
Carol Schmidt	10/09	Bob Hale	10/26
Dwain Bradshaw	10/09	Donna Gunderson	10/26
Joel Wildrom	10/11	Kay Schilz	10/27
Sharon Burbano	10/13	Mary Kinsley	10/27
Rita Hester	10/14	Carl Hittle	10/28
Alice Barton	10/15	Linda Kerr	10/31
Gary Miller	10/16	Celia Saldana	10/31
Barbara Mallory	10/16	Jane Hill	10/31
	June Adams	10/31	



Happy Birthday!!



WELCOME NEWCOMERS TO TRAILS WEST!!

Sheryl Christenson 391 No Problem Drive Brigitte Henne - Has moved - 222 Happy Trails North



The moon has awoken with the sleep of the sun, the light has been broken; the spell has begun.

Midgard Morningstar

Sunshine Committee: Rev. Gini Smith is the new representative of the Sunshine Committee. If you know of anyone in our community that is having surgery, in the hospital or has lost a loved one, please let Gini know so she can show the love and support of the community by sending them a card. Rev. Gini Smith (530)306-5087

Would you like to be a celebrity?? Anyone who would like to write a testimonial about the wonderful lifestyle at Trails West is welcome to submit a note about what you love about the Trails West community!!! Just bring them into the office!!



Halloween

By: Mary Jane Carr
Witches flying past on broomsticks,
Black cats leaping here and there,
White-robed spooks on every corner,
Mournful moaning in the air,
Goblins peering out of windows,
Spirit-things that rap and runBut don't be scared – it's just October,

Having one last hour of fun.

Spooks

By Sandra Liatsos
There's a goblin at my window,
A monster by my door.
The Pumpkin at my table
Keeps smiling more and more.
There's a ghost who haunts my bedroom,
A witch whose face is green.
They used to be my family,
Till they dressed for Halloween.



Fun & Games



OCTOBER SCHEDULE

Trails West activities include twice-monthly bingo games. This month they're on October 14 and 28, with card sales beginning at 2:30, followed by early-bird games

at 2:45 and the regular 12-game session at 3:00. Cards are \$4.00 for a strip of three, and a discounted rate of \$7.00 for two strips. Early bird cards – and extra ones for the blackout game – are only 50 cents each. If October is your birthday month, you will receive bonus early bird cards plus a *Happy Birthday* gift dauber. Bring a newcomer and both you and your guest will receive a free card. Coffee is provided and our players share snacks---sometimes homemade. Also, we are in need of VOLUNTEERS. So whether or not you're a bingo player, your help is welcome at the check-in table, as a caller or a card verifier. If you can spare a few hours on a Sunday afternoon, call Diane or Hank Greenholdt at 541-4440. Come and enjoy a fun Sunday afternoon, with a chance to win a door prize and, of course, to shout "BINGO!" Diane Greenholdt and the Bingo crew

GAME ROOM: The game room is always open for folks to play pool (which can be a bit noisy) and for impromptu cards and games when a group wants to get together and there is an open table. This is not necessarily a "quiet" room!!! For quiet games, you should situate yourselves in the library or perhaps spread out in the main room which has quite a bit of space for larger groups. *Management*

TEXAS HOLD'EM: Tuesday nights at 6:00 pm. Register at 5:45 pm. Texas Hold'em a fun poker game easy to learn and play. Men and Women. \$5.00 buy in - no re-buys. Hope to get players who enjoy a poker game. Bill Pierce 652-4649

GAMES OF DOMINOES: Mexican Train played Saturday evening's beginning at 6pm. **Chicken Foot** dominoes played on Wednesday evening's beginning at 5:30pm Come to the clubhouse and join the fun. Call Nancy Binneweg at 649-6074 for more information.

POKER: Friday nights at 6:00pm. Dealer's choice. \$5 buy-in. Ante \$.05 to \$.25. Minium bet \$.05. Maximum bet \$.25. Three raises. No Check raise. Straight, wild card & split pot games are all played. Contact Don Adams at (575)527-0130 or Stephen P. Vanderbeck at (575)524-3087.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN TO PLAY MAH-JONGG? There is a group that plays on Tuesdays at 1 o'clock and Sundays at 2 o'clock. Please stop by and watch, ask questions, and get more information. You call Barbara Allen - 449-4512 or Martha Ebener – 526-9684 for more information. Martha Ebener.

SCRABBLE GROUP: We have a different group meeting on Fridays 1:00PM. Everyone welcome!! Any questions call Diane Bell at (575)932-8602.

BRIDGE ANYONE? Trails West has a large group of bridge players but we are always looking for more people to join us. Some of our members have moved away and some are seasonal. We sometimes experience difficulties filling tables and are recruiting new members to join us, either as permanent players or as occasional substitute players. We have games on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. If you are a beginner or haven't played for a while, no problem – we will work with you. We are not a "pressure" group and are only interested in enjoying the fun and challenges that the game of bridge offers. For more information, call Marian Ford, 652-3220, Rae Hoff, 405-9710.

BOCCE BALL: We will be changing over to our summer schedule as of April 1st. The start time will change from 1 pm to 9 am, Monday through Friday, weather permitting. We are located behind the pickle ball court and everyone is welcome. The game is easy to play and the rules are easy to follow. It is not physically demanding, but it's a lot of fun. Any number from 2 to 8 can play, and there is always someone available to help out if you need a few pointers. Those with physical disabilities are encouraged to stop by to play or just to keep an eye on us to make sure we don't cheat. Interested parties don't have to register or sign up for anything. Just show up on any weekday at start time whenever its convenient for you. Play or not play, you will find a great bunch

of people, get a little exercise, and maybe make a few friends. If you need information call: Tony De Piazza 523-3975 or Dave Maxwell 382-0555.

<u>PICKLE BALL ANYONE? - Interested in learning the game? Virginia of Meerscheidt Recreation Center who is a member of the Pickle Ball Association & has won tournaments in August her partner, Laura & she won a bronze at the Senior Olympics in Albuquerque. She will be here September 10th at 8:30 at the court to teach anyone interested in learning the game. Then if we have enough interested, we will meet every Wednesday @ 8:30AM for 8 weeks. Come out and learn a fun game. If you have any questions contact Celia Saldana at (909)-720-9474.</u>

TRAILS WEST RESIDENTS!

PLEASE REMEMBER ANY TIME YOU ARE GOING TO HOSTING A FUNCTION IN THE MAIN ROOM OF THE CLUBHOUSE THAT INCLUDES PEOPLE COMING FROM OUTSIDE TRAILS WEST COMMUNITY, YOU MUST HAVE A "WATCHER" IN PLACE TO MAKE SURE FOLKS ARE GOING TO THE MAIN ROOM AND NOT OTHER ROOMS. SHOULD YOU NOT HAVE A "WATCHER" IN PLACE DURING YOUR FUNCTION; THE HOST(S) FOR THE EVENT WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE OR THEFT DONE IN OTHER ROOMS. Management

DIRTY WATER: Las Cruces Utilities provides gas, water, wastewater and solid waste removal to Trails West. So, when you experience dirty water coming into your home, you need to inform the City of Las Cruces right away while running your water in the home until clear. The City of Las Cruces needs to hear directly from the person(s) being affected. Not every home at the same time gets this problem. This helps the City of Las Cruces to locate where an issue needs to be addressed. Trails West is on the City of Las Cruces water system and dirty water can stem from anywhere in the City of Las Cruces which might have a break in their lines. Once they repair a line, when they re-attach the lines friction from the water breaks loose minerals that have built up and pushes them down the line. Please call the City of Las Cruces any time you have dirty water problem at (575) 526-0500. Trails West may pay for your water though the City of Las Cruces is the source of water and they don't know there is an issue, they cannot help to correct the problem. The City of Las Cruces does not want to hear from Trails West, they NEED to hear from the affected party. PLEASE NOTE: Water leaks are not a city emergency that is a Trails West issue. So call Ruben at (575)639-3566. Management

It has been brought to our attention that some residents are letting their dogs run without a leash. Also they are not picking up their dogs waste. Please clean up after your dog, no matter where they potty, and keep them on a leash.... Per the Guideline for Living – Pet Playground coming soon!!!!!

Exercise Room: We have had some cracks on the plastic pieces on the treadmills that have been replaced, please be aware that you need to move back on the treadmill while exercising and not step on this piece. Thank you, Management

OUTSIDE VISITORS AND CHILDREN VISITING: Trails West guidelines state: Guest staying 72 hours or longer must be registered at the management office to obtain guest identification, and guests are NOT ALLOWED to bring pets into the community. Also management has noticed that some children are not being accompanied by the resident, and have been playing on golf carts and bikes. PLEASE, DON'T ALLOW THIS, THIS IS AN ACCIDENT WAITING TO HAPPEN... Questions? Please come to the Trails West Office. Management

ATTENTION, ATTENTION, ATTENTION: A friendly reminder to please wait until the postal delivery person has left the boxes before going to get your mail. WHY??? In order for them to get their job done efficiently, safely, and quickly everyone needs to stay away from the mailboxes until the vehicle has left the area. We have a box for outgoing mail on the counter at the office if you need it to go out and they are already at the boxes. The last thing they do is pick up the mail at the office before leaving the community. **DO NOT INTERFERE WITH THE POSTAL** EMPLOYEES WHEN THEY ARE BOXING THE MAIL. Please remember that at least once a week, sometimes more often, we have a "temp" postal worker. They are usually new and don't have the "kinks" worked out and so very often, just about the time we get a "temp" postal worker who has our community working well, they transfer to another route because we are so very tough on them. We need to have patience, please; they are doing a job and hopefully doing it to the best of their ability. We need to be considerate if they are late or slow; they are trying to do the best job they can if we will only let them. If you are ready to pick up your mail and the mail person has not finished, please do not park on the street nor near the boxes. Please park in the parking spots in the clubhouse parking lot, to lessen any visual or physical hazards. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Trails West Management.

If you are receiving mail again and again addressed to "current resident" though it has your address, if you do not want it, throw it away! By law, the post person MUST deliver to the address!

The Flags! Where are you from? It's time to put up your flag from where you hail! We have new flags, and new pens to put your number on them with! Where were you born? Where did you go to school? Where did you raise your family? Or maybe, where did you come from before joining Trails West? Let's fill up the map once again with who and where!! Come into the office and get a new flag for the map!

TRAILS WEST ACTIVITY FUND

		Deposits	Withdrawal	Total Balance
8/1/2018	Beginning Balance			\$1,550.78
8/2/2018	Tops	\$75.00		
8/2/2018	Cans	\$14.30		
8/14/2018	Deposit Slips		\$16.25	
8/28/2018	J. Holland (Bocce Ball)	\$40.00	
8/31/2018	Ending Balance			\$1,583.83
9/1/2018	Beginning Balance			\$1,583.83
9/7/2018	J. Holland Refund	\$ 7.54		
9/7/2018	Cans	\$11.70		
9/24/2018	Current Balance			\$1,603.07

DO NOT man crush the cans. I crush them in a can crusher which allows me to put more in a 39 gallon trash bag. TE

CANS: Remember to help the Trails West Activity Fund, aluminum cans that are rinsed out, can be taken to 107 Happy Trails South, and leave them by the driveway porch. Please no food cans, those are tin, NOT aluminum! Thank you, Tom Elkin

CLEAN BAGS FOR THE SOUP KITCHEN: Clean bags for the soup kitchen can be left at 334 Day Dreamer Drive in the container at steps near the fire hydrant, or at the Trails West office.

GLASS Jars with lids, also needed for the Soup Kitchen, They can be put in the tote next to the container for the clean bags, at 334 Day Dreamer Drive. June Damuth 647-1268.

TRAVELING FORMS: It's highly recommended by the Trails West Management that you turn in a "Traveling Form" when you will be out of town. The forms are at the end of the counter in the clubhouse at all times and you will also find mail hold cards should you need them!

Library: When you return books, donate books, or are just looking and it is difficult to reshelf, please place books in the basket by the fireplace. We have received a large donation of hardback large print books; they are placed on the bottom shelf, below the non-fiction books. So come check them out.

Are you pouring the last cup of coffee? Please turn off the pot! The next group in will really appreciate it!!!

THE SPEED LIMIT IS: THE SPEED LIMIT IN TRAILS WEST IS **15 MPH!** Please observe the posted speed limit and advise your visitors and workers.

PATIENCE!!! The greeters are doing their best to keep us safe, keep traffic moving, give out information quickly, and be aware of the people who are entering our community. Residents, please make sure you have a window sticker, PLEASE don't just drive through...

PLEASE BE CAUTIOUS! WATCH FOR BIKES, MOTORIZED CHAIRS, AND PEOPLE WALKING; ESPECIALLY AT NIGHT, AND VICE VERSA, PLEASE WATCH FOR CARS TOO....

ATTENTION: 911 EMERGENCY MAY ALWAYS BE CALLED FROM THE PAYPHONE IN THE CLUBHOUSE.

Here in Trails West we need to be courteous to each other, we have had some complaints about people running into the neighbors carports and landscaping. All we ask is that if you do damage to your neighbors property to let that person know what happened.

HOW ABOUT A BUDDY SYSTEM? Please think about your neighbors, especially those that are alone! Figure out a buddy system to let each other know that all is ok each day!!! It could be as simple as a light on or off. In Trails West there isn't anyone who isn't a neighbor!!

WILDLIFE: Dona Ana County Animal Control should be contacted if you are having problems with the feeding of wildlife. They will be the ones to determine whether it is a safety issue. And, city code states that feeding the wild animals (feral cats included) is a code violation.

PARKING: Remember on-street parking is not allowed at night for extended periods of time! Do not leave your vehicle on street overnight.

RECYCLE BINS (Blue Containers): We all need to be considerate of everyone in Trails West that is recycling. Please break-down your boxes before placing them in the recycle bin, by breaking them down allows everything to sift and creates more space, also perhaps if you see someone not breaking them down or having troubles, jump in and lend a hand. Also make sure that only recycle products are deposited in the bin. Thank you Trails West Management.

THINGS THAT DON'T BELONG IN RECYCLE BINS ARE: Styrofoam, household appliances and objects, and NOTHING in bags.

PETS: There is the common area with grass and pooper scoopers available by the front entrance and new pet stations in place! Do not allow your pet to use other residents' yards. Residents who are having a problem with others letting their pets use their yard for a bathroom, Ruben recommends using Animal Repellant around the perimeter of the yard. This product helps to tell the pet this is not a bathroom and will not hurt the pet either. The animal repellant encourages pets to go elsewhere to do their business. All pets must be leashed and may not be left unattended outside. Please remember that pets are NOT allowed in the fenced area around the pool, or around the Bocce Ball, Pickle Ball courts. Please do NOT walk your pets in these areas!! Management

SERIOUS BUSINESS!!! Over the years, it is easy to forget who you might have inadvertently shared your private 4 digit code. Realistically, you should be the only one who has and uses your 4 digit code. Sometimes, in a pinch it could have been shared with a worker, delivery person or such and they really should NOT have it! And, you just do not know who they may have shared it with. IT IS VITALLY IMPORTANT THAT YOU KNOW FOR SURE THAT YOUR CODE HAS NOT BEEN COMPROMISED. If you have any doubt at all, please stop by the Trails West office and Leigh will gladly change it for you.

YARD DEBRIS; Please remember that the Trails West maintenance crew picks up yard debris every Thursday afternoon. They do not pick up regular trash which needs to be disposed into the trash dumpster for regular pickup by the City of Las Cruces.

DO NOT BLOW YOUR LEAVES TO THE STREET - IF YOU MUST,
PLEASE SWEEP THEM UP AND BAG THEM SO THEY DO NOT
BLOW INTO YOUR NEIGHBORS YARD. RUBEN RECOMMENDS
BLOWING THEM TO THE BACK OF YOUR HOME AND THEN
BAGGING THEM FOR PICKUP ON THURSDAYS. THANK YOU AND
YOUR NEIGHBORS THANK YOU AS WELL!!!

Outside companies, workers, etc: When you hire someone to work in your yard or in your home, part of what you pay for when you receive the service is disposal. Many residents have reported finding debris from jobs at the dumpsters when it should have been hauled away by the person doing the work. Please make sure anyone you may hire hauls away any trash, debris left from the job, out of the community.



Double, double toil and trouble; Fire burn, and cauldron bubble. ~ William Shakespeare

When witches go riding, and black cats are seen, the moon laughs and whispers 'tis near Halloween. ~ Unknown





I love Halloween, and I love that feeling: the cold air, the spooky dangers lurking around the corner. ~ Evan Peters

There is magic in the night when glow by moonlight. ~ Unknown



pumpkins



'Tis the night — the night of the grave's delight, and the warlocks are at their play; Ye think that without the wild winds shout, but no, it is they — it is they. ~Cleveland Coxe

Every day is Halloween, isn't it? For some of us. Burton



<u>Tips from Ruben:</u> Many requests have been made for a list of plants, trees and shrubs that do well in Trails West. Following is a list of the plants that have success in the community:

Trees: Red Oak Live Oak

Chinese Pistachio Mesquite

Bradford Pear Flowering Crab

Chinese Tallo Red Bud Ash Pecan

Catalpa Italian Cypress

Pines

Shrubs: Indian Hawthorne

Nandina Roses

Purple Sage Green Cloud Sage

Pittisporum Forsythia Spirea Lilac

Pyracantha Carolina Jasmine

Juniper

Flowering Plants: Verbena Cherry Sage

Lantana Mexican Sage
Bird of Paradise Barrel Cactus

Red Yuccas Agave Ocotillo Sotol

Photina

Soft leaf yucca

Also, please keep your sidewalks clean and clear of debris, this is an extension of your landscaping. Thank you, Ruben

When you use the outside water spigot, or the hose bib on your home to water your landscaping, wash your car (or RV which is not allowed), clean off your driveway or sidewalk that you are using domestic metered water? What that means is that water is not only charged by the gallon for usage but it is also metered for wastewater charges. Wastewater charges are larger than water charges. These charges have an affect on your annual rent increases. By lowering usage it takes some pressure off these increases. Water expenses are one of the largest single expenses of Trails West monthly. The landscaping is on a meter the city considers water only. No waste

water is charged to this meter. It is much cheaper! If you believe there is stressed vegetation within your landscaping, please call the office and a work order will be issued for the Trails West crew to check to make sure it is working properly and that the landscaping at your home is receiving enough water to maintain the beauty!

TRAILS WEST POOL/SPA RULES & INSTRUCTIONS

ATTENTION: There is <u>NO</u> smoking <u>in</u> the pool and/or the spa at any time! For all smokers' convenience, and with thorough thought in place, the stand up ashtrays have been moved to the "Party Pavilion" where there is shade and a breeze and tables and chairs! Please utilize this area when you wish to be in the wonderful pool/spa area and are going to be smoking. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you, Trails West management

Emergency shut-off in pool area: When anyone hears the alarm going off in the pool/spa area it is very important that the shut-off button is used immediately. The reason you want to use the button is because this shuts down the pumps that circulate the water into and out of the pool/spa. The reason behind the alarm is in case someone or something is stuck to one of the drains. **The shut off button has been relocated** and is now on the end of the building near the pool.

IT IS THE RED BUTTON.

Please be sure to use it if necessary. You could be saving a life! <u>As</u> <u>mentioned above, it shuts the entire system down. If you press it – just to press it, you shut the pool down, heater, pump and all! Only use this switch in case of an emergency.</u>

POOL RULES: It's that time of year again for the friendly reminder on the pool rules. Should you have visitors, please remember that you need to be with them at all times. If you have anyone under the age of 18, you may only use the pool during the hours of 11:am to 1:pm and from 4:pm to 6:pm. NO DIAPERED BABIES OR UN-TOILET TRAINED CHILDREN ARE ALLOWED TO USE THE POOL. SWIM DIAPERS ARE **NOT ALLOWED.** Should you have small children that are diapered or not toilet trained, you could bring a small plastic pool and fill up on the grassy area for them to play in and still be part of the action!! No one under the age of 18 is allowed to be in the spa. Please be respectful of all your neighbors. The pool area is wonderful and used heavily. Please follow the rules. Ruben checks the chemicals a minimum of twice a day and keeps the chemicals balanced so the pool will be open. Rain, debris, body oils keep the filters working overtime. It is important to shower before entering the pool. Sun block, body oils, lotions lessen the effectiveness of the circulation in the pool.

The temperature of the pool is set to be an average mean of 84 degrees to 86 degrees which is for the majority of the people. It cannot be manipulated for individual usage.

OCTOBER 2018

Walking out on Halloween Night
As you pass by,
voices from the trees call out your name.
The spirits from the grave,
stare at you again and again.
You can't ignore the man with the red eyes
standing at the end of the road.
Nor can you miss the child in white
walking next to you,
Or the goblin's shadow.
They are out to get you this time.
So run for your life my dear.
Just remember you can run as much as you can.
But you can't hide, it is time to fear!!
Have a Memorable Halloween Night!!

Anonymous

HOW TO AVOID MOSQUITOS

- 1. Wear mosquito repellent
- 2. Consider an all- natural solution such as Citronella; Tea Tree oil and Vitamin B which reportedly helped some people repel mosquitoes.
- 3. Wear light colored loose, long sleeved shirts and long pants when outdoors.
- 4. Avoid getting too hot. Mosquitoes are thought to be attracted to warm bodies. Mosquitoes are attracted to the lactic acid on sweaty skin, so showering regularly can help you avoid bites.
 - 5. Mosquitoes tend to be most active at dawn and dusk.
 - 6. Keep anything that holds water treated so they will not lay eggs.

Trails West crew will be treating any areas that hold water. We will be using the "dunks" in chunks for small areas such as around the sprinkler heads which seem to hold water for a period of time. Trails West owners and management recommend that residents use this product or product of your choice to put in any containers, decorative yard ornaments, etc.

