



# The Firestarter

September 1<sup>st</sup> , 2017

## Spruce Sands RV Resort

Celebrating over 50 years at the lake

### THE FIRST FIVE DAYS AFTER THE WEEKEND ARE ALWAYS THE HARDEST

Its here!! The September long weekend is finally here! The social committee has worked all summer to make this weekend special for all the families in the park. Last year the events were so fantastic all day long, we are so excited to do it all over again.

This is also the final weekend for the store to be open. Big shout out to all the staff that we had this year, some of them came back to help us one last time to show support for our family, and for that we are truly grateful! It meant a lot to us to have such a great team this year!

**The store hours are Friday 9am-10pm, Saturday 9am-9pm (fireworks are at 10:30pm), Sunday 9am-9pm, and Monday 9am-6pm.**

**Also, we would like to thank all of you, our customers, for being so great. Thank you for all the well wishes and your support. We had a great summer with many beach days and lovely bonfire evenings.**

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

**ARNES FARMERS MARKET:** Saturday 9:00am -2:00pm, Sunday 10:00am-2:00pm on hwy 222 just south of us. Open every weekend.

**GIMLI:** The Wave Artists Tour – pamphlets available at the store

**ASPIRE THEATRE:** Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup> Marketplace Players presents The Bat Came Back & Go'in Home by Denis Thornton

**SHIP & PLOUGH PUB:** Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> live music featuring The New Customs at 8pm, Sept.3<sup>rd</sup> live music featuring Mayhemingways at 8pm

### WHAT'S THE ANSWER?

**Last weeks question:** A "Rafter" is a group of what kind of bird?

**Answer:** turkeys

**This week's question:** The next question in May of 2018

### GIMLI THEATRE

Cars 3 will play from September 1<sup>st</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

### THE WOOD BOX

Why couldn't the bicycle stand up by itself?

Because it was two tired

### YOU DON'T SAY

There is a full-time job for defending our planet from aliens. NASA's official title for this position is 'Planetary Protection Officer', and it's existed since after the US signed the Outer Space Treaty in 1967. The job involves keeping earth and other planets safe from contaminates, and it pays up to \$187k.

### THE COOKIE SHEET

#### **Chicken tortellini soup with mushrooms and Spinach**

2 tbsp. butter, ¼ cup carrot (chopped), 1 stalk celery (chopped), 1 medium onion (chopped), 1 tbsp. minced garlic, ½ tsp fresh thyme, 1 tsp Mrs. Dash, 8 ounces sliced mushrooms, 6 cups low sodium chicken broth, 9 ounces three cheese tortellini, 2 cups cooked chicken (chopped), 2 cups baby spinach leaves, loosely packed and fresh grated parmesan cheese.

In a large pot heat the butter until melted. Add the carrots, celery, onions, and garlic. Sauté until tender, about 8 minutes. Add the mushrooms, fresh thyme, and Mrs. Dash. Sauté another 5-8 minutes. Add the broth and heat to almost boiling. Add the tortellini and chicken and simmer until the tortellini are cooked through (about ten minutes). Add the spinach leaves and simmer for 5 minutes until the spinach is wilted. Serve hot, and top with parmesan cheese.

### **The Sands Beach Café and Bakeshop**

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# Spruce Sands Community Association

Last weekend's Baseball was our only event – Thanks Again Garnet for your efforts ALL Summer long!! Have you heard....our Halloween In August story is up on the CTV website Thanks to Scott C75 for doing a great storyline! The links been posted to the Spruce Sands Facebook sight – check it out....it's very cool! It's hard to believe that our final Summer Long weekend has arrived and the kids are back at school next week, how time flies when you're having fun! A few of the leaves are starting to change colors and evenings come quickly, making it enjoyable to sit around a warm campfire. Saturday evening will be cool, bring warm clothing for the evening Dinner, Dance & Fireworks. *Here are your Labor Day Long Weekend Activities* Attend all functions at your own risk.

## Saturday September 2<sup>nd</sup> – Kids Bouncers.....Draws, Dinner & Dance ..... Fireworks

**Saturday morning's** all about the kids. We will have **BOUNCERS & a DUNK TANK** set up from 10-2 in the field – come out and join in the fun! Sun Rain date. We'll also have an array of Carnival Games, bubbles for the little ones and FREE Cotton Candy. Bouncers this year are "Thanks to Vals Daughter Kerri" who used a friend/contact earlier this week after our previous company cancelled on us Monday evening....it all comes down to, not what you know, but WHO you know! THANKS VAL & KERRI....Much Appreciated!!!

**Annual MEMBERS DRAWS** start promptly at 3:00 pm near the big tent(every trailer in the park is a member) .....show up and see if you win a prize – approx 200 will be drawn!! Even if you are not attending dinner, every Trailer name/number has been entered into the draw bucket. Only one stipulation – every prize must be claimed during draw time. A neighbor or friend can claim a prize for you.

**Dinner** will start serving at 5pm. **Last minute tickets can be bought from VAL C37 Friday night.** Even if you don't have a Dinner ticket, you can still join us for the Dance. Cabiners are welcome as long as they are with someone from the park. We'll be giving out wrist bands for Dance attendees. The Gimli Volunteer Fireman's Association will once again be cooking dinner. They are our area Fireman and this is how they fund their squad – it's great that we are able to support them once a year. They always do a great job! Dinner, same as last year NO standing in line for dinner – the line is just too long. Instead we will be calling ticket numbers. People who are eating in their trailers can line up at 5:30 to get their dinner. Come down to the tent throughout the evening and enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors and dance the night away! We're thrilled to bring back the BAND "The Other Side". Music will play just after dinner until 10:15pm. Then we'll move into the field for **FIREWORKS** to begin around 10:30 of course weather permitting (Sunday would be the alternative day if it rains or the winds are too strong). Back by popular demand we'll do a 50/50 so bring some money to the dance – we'll sell tickets from 3-5pm and draw during the dance. This will also be your last day to buy tickets for the quilt/donate towards the Gerry Hammond memorial fund – we'll draw during Family Olympic's.

## Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup> – Family Olympics & Bomber Game – starting at 1pm *Members Only*

Members (all trailers in the park are members & paid Cabiners) join us in the field for Family Olympics – we'll do races – Running, 3 Legged Race, Musical 'Dots', Potato Sac, Egg on a Spoon & Water Balloon Toss (yes we have 200 water balloons ready to go). Registration begins at 12:30. We'll end the afternoon with the Kids Candy Scramble and Adult Grocery & Beer Scrambles. Will it be the Ladies or the Men who run for beer this year.....let's see who participates in the other races and cheers the loudest... sounds like a challenge to me! Bring your lawn chairs, sit on the side lines and join in a race or two – **It's a lot of fun – a real Family event.** Bring your own water bottles – we'll fill them up for you! At 3pm we're going to try to televise the Bomber game under the tent – let's see if we can make it happen! Thanks to the 50 volunteers who make this weekend all happen...we couldn't do it without you! Rain date Mon

## Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup> – Movie Night – 7:30 – 11pm *Members only*

Kids, join us in the field under the Big Tent – we've got an 18' blow up movie screen coming. Kids will enjoy Popcorn, drinks with a treat on us! Adults can purchase your treats for \$5. 7:30-9pm Secret Life of Pets for ages under 13. 9-11:30pm – "Guardians of the Galaxy Part 2" PG13 – Adults welcome as well to both viewings. Thanks to a great group of chaperones: Kent, Sean & Sharon and The Hutters. Bring your own lawn chairs and/or blankets. Members ONLY (Everyone in the park is a Member).

**Thanks for another Great Year** Although there is one family((ies) who host each event – in other words "runs the event", it always takes a team effort to make these events happen. These "hosts" are helped by Family and Lake Friends...so a **BIG BIG Thank YOU** to everyone who helps throughout the year. Everyone who volunteers simply does it, for the FUN OF IT...but it couldn't happen without **ALL OF YOU!!** It's great to see that we have "hosts" from every one of the bays and that many of you continue to do events year after year. This weekend, don't forget to "Thank" the people who do these events. **Special Thanks to Val & Brent for the countless hours of work you both do.....Terry & Jocelyn – you're just the best family anyone could ever have!!**

*Thanks again for another awesome year...See you in the Spring...Cheryl Bartos C54 (2017 Association President)*