

July 2009 - Updates, Tidbits & Reminders
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Our #1 goal is to provide excellent customer service and create a beautiful and comfortable RV neighborhood where you'll be happy to stay for a day ... or a lifetime! Please take a moment to refresh or learn about the items below, so we can all help each other and our neighborhood for the benefit and enjoyment of ALL.

RULES

- 1) Do Unto Others
- 2) Share your Smile
- 3) Relax
- 4) Keep it Simple
- 5) If necessary, repeat 1 – 4.

Don & Jan have final say

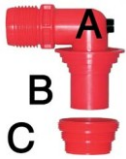


Our rules at **Somewhere** RV Park are very simple. Please use them at all times while you are **Somewhere**. (They're also pretty helpful if you're Somewhere - Else!)

Our buildings are available 24 hours per day for your use and enjoyment. Please adjust A/C or heat for your comfort and let us know if a building needs supplies or cleaning. Your help in keeping park rents down by turning off A/C & lights will be greatly appreciated by all! Thanks!



Do Unto Others #1 Rule! 5 mph please! Our roads are also walkways and are used by people, pets and kiddos in addition to vehicles! Speeds over 5 mph are dangerous and also cause dust and more noise than we realize. Please be considerate AND safe and stick to 5 mph! Tell your visitors guests too!



Save your neighbor's nose and help us too! The EPA requires us to have all RVs connect to our septic system with a 90 degree bayonet coupler sewer connection (similar to one shown here). These devices positively seal sewer gas and are easy to connect. If you do not have one, we have some at the office or you can pick one up at various RV service centers or supply houses.



FREE WI-FI! You'll need to enter a security code (see us) the first time your wireless 'discovers' Somewhere. Remember our rule "do unto others" and please resist the temptation to play online games, download music or movies, or use VideoPhone (these can bog down everyone's speed). No web servers please!! **DIRECT BILLED DSL AVAILABLE:** See Telephone.



LAUNDRIES, SHOWERS, RESTROOMS, CLUB HOUSE & FITNESS BLDG:
(Remember, ALL buildings are for ALL guests & residents!)

Bird Bath

Picture compliments of DeLain Huggins – Thanks!



The Roost

- **THE BIRD BATH** is convenient to the Hummingbird Park (Pull Thru spaces) and has a washer & dryer, huge walk in shower and ADA restroom and wicker rocking chairs on the front porch. (Just poke the button in the shower as many times as you need for great water pressure at the perfect temperature!)
- **THE ROOST (club house)** is centrally located in the Nester's Park (back-ins) and includes 2 washers & 2 dryers, an ADA restroom with huge walk in shower, a game/social area with tables & chairs, microwave oven, radio, coffee pot, coffee and condiments and a glider and porch swing. There are also some comfy wicker chairs for relaxation and some books and movies to borrow!
 - **Showering in The Roost?** Turning on the Roost A/C unit and also the vent switch in bathroom will suck dry, cool air into bathroom and help reduce humidity/condensation.

PS: It is impossible to clean each shower after each use. We highly recommend wearing flip/flops or other suitable shoes and/or spraying floor with provided Lysol spray before use.



FLIGHT TRAINING (Fitness Center) (at entrance to Somewhere) is for use by **ADULT (18 and over)** paid guests/residents. Equipment is not safe for children so please don't tempt them by taking them into the building. If you'd like to make use of the Total Gym (think Chuck Norris), the Treadmill or Exercise Bike – please complete the attached Release Form and return to the office. The code key will be given to you at that time. If you don't know how to use the equipment, please ask for help from Don or DeLain (#11). There are also helpful DVDs relating to the Total Gym. *Please join us in thanking Charles (#7) for the use of his TV and bike; and, Pam and Mel (#17) for use of their Treadmill!* Thanks for locking up and turning off lights + A/C!



FREE USE OF DVDs VHS: (and Books on Tape). Come by the office and borrow as often as you like. Just jot down what you've borrowed and cross off when you return. (Elvis & Koontz, our gold retrievers, hang out here but not to worry – they are so friendly you're only fear should be wind shear from wagging tails!) There are also lots of books to borrow or trade in Bird Bath & The Roost.



The FURRY BIRD PARK (pet park) is dedicated to our furry friends! "Fur Face" is free to do his duty (doody) in the pet park without you following him around with a plastic bag! As long as you don't leave each other alone (and he won't run off or be aggressive to other pets or people) he is welcome to release you from his leash in the pet park area. "Fur Face" is welcome everywhere in park except for buildings due to hair, fleas and 'oops'. Sorry Fur Face! Next phase (after landscaping and parking is a fence for the pet park – yippie!)

PET RULES ARE ALSO DO UNTO OTHERS: If your dog has an aggressive nature – PLEASE – have him put his leash on (with you at the other end) any time he is not inside of your RV. If your pet is a 'barker' please keep him indoors as much as possible and do not allow him to disturb others. *We have some folks who sleep during the day, so there really is no okay time for barking and/or disturbances.*

Office/On-site owners and Social Counter (tan steel building)



- **FREE COFFEE:** Usually on by **8:00 AM** each day so drop in for a 'howdy'!
- **MAIL:** You are welcome to use our address as your own and to send and receive your mail & packages here. All incoming mail is kept on the 'fireplace' next to the front door; drop by from time to time to say howdy & check! (If you need a letter stating that you live here, just let Jan know!)
- **MAPS | SUGGESTIONS:** If you need brochures, maps, directions or suggestions of places to see, go, dine ... just holler! We have many brochures etc. at the office!
- **FREE FAXES – EMAILS:** No charge for our guests to send/receive faxes and if you need to send/receive an email – just holler at Jan.
- **NEWSPAPERS:** An issue of The Tyler Morning Telegraph is delivered daily and the Mineola Monitor is delivered on Wednesday's mid-morning. Current issue will be in THE ROOST. (If we forget, they'll be at the office along with about a week's worth of older issues – just in case you need a previous issue.)



The WARMING PERCH (Social area – fire pit) is under shade trees in front of THE ROOST. Please feel free to light a small fire (or pretend there's one there) and socialize all you want! Got a guitar or singing voice – feel free to share your talent! Various socials and potlucks will be held throughout the year; we hope you can join us!



TRASH & RECYCLE: Garbage cans are at the junction of the Hummingbird Park and Nester's park. Trash pick-up is on Tuesdays. If you have large items that will not fit into garbage cans, please come by the office and get extra large black bags OR please take items to Sanitary Land Fill or Scrap Metal facilities. (Holler for directions.) Feel free to help **recycle cans & plastic bottles (only)** by placing in the fenced bin next to garbage cans.

The burn pile in the Furry Bird (Pet Park): To protect 'Fur Face' (who will feel obligated to sniff everything) and to prevent a messy/tacky appearance of their park, please do not place trash items of any kind on the burn pile. Thanks!



LUCY, KOONTZ & ELVIS: You may see LUCY from time to time. She is a neighbor dog who adopted Somewhere early on. She may be 'full' of treats by the time she visits you but not to worry – she'll still share her smile and love and will enjoy a good scratch! If you have a pet of your own, you'll find that as the dogs introduce themselves via sniffs, etc. – Lucy will advise your dog that she's been there the longest – and within minutes they'll usually get along just fine. The same is true for Koonz & Elvis (our golden retrievers).



SMOKING: is permitted outside everywhere in the park (and inside the office), however, for the comfort of our guests who do not smoke; please refrain from smoking inside of the other buildings. Since filters on the ground are a form of trash, we spend a lot of time picking them up by hand. We'd sure appreciate if you'd put your 'butts' in receptacles or in your pocket for disposal later. Thanks!



YOUR SPACE: We encourage our residents to 'take ownership' of their space (and the park in general) in order to have a nice neighborhood we can all be proud to live in. The pictures above show the tender loving care that some of our residents have given to their homes. Other folks are in the process of improving their spaces; watch for future pictures! You are welcome to plant a garden (ask Don to till you a 10' x 10' space); improve your yard; and/or, add a deck or porch (as long as it is not permanently attached to your RV). We have garden tools, hammers, a push mower and more available for anyone to borrow.

If you want to 'do' your own lawn, please feel free! Just be sure to let Paul know! He's in space #21!

Think of Somewhere and your space as if you're expecting company: Unattractive items and/or clutter should be stored Somewhere – ELSE. Mineola has a ton of storage units; you might consider sharing one with other residents? We hate saying 'no' but in the interest of ALL guest & residents, we reserve the right to require the removal of items or clutter that detracts from the overall beauty and appeal of Somewhere.



MOWING, WEED EATING, ETC: Ram (#18) mowed for us for some time but needed time for other interests. Paul (#21) has taken over and is **also** doing a fantastic job! (He ain't much of a fashion icon but he's a heck of a mower and a nice guy to boot! Need cheering up? Just tell him you need a joke from his repertoire!)



GOPHERS: You may have noticed the mounds of dirt throughout the park. These are caused by gophers. They are a real nuisance! Please feel free to kill or trap them!



YOUR RV & VEHICLES: In keeping with a clean park philosophy, please feel free to wash your RV or vehicle. You may want to use a "Y" connector for your water connection, so you can attach an additional hose for various purposes. Power-washers can cause damage to your RV and seals, so brushes, sponges and chamois are the recommended method. Paul and Chris (space #21) will wash your vehicle or RV for very reasonable rates. If you want to do your own, you may want to ask them for advice.



TELEPHONE & DSL: During construction, Somewhere provided for personal (direct billed) telephones and/or DSL. If you want to have your own telephone or DSL account, contact AT&T at 1-800-288-2020. You will need to provide our address and your lot number and set the billing up in your name. You can also use the same AT&T number to apply for LifeLine and/or LinkUp America services (which are discounted rates available to low income, disabled, etc.) **CELLULAR OUT OF ORDER?** Come by and use our office phone for emergencies or short local calls.

- ✓ Level Gravel Pads
- ✓ Septic, Water & FHU (50/30/20)
- ✓ Underground Utilities
- ✓ Two Laundries & Showers
- ✓ DVDs, VHS, Books, Games, etc.
- ✓ Bird Bath
- ✓ Flight Training
- ✓ Warming Perch
- ✓ The Roost
- ✓ Full Park Wi-Fi
- ✓ Security System
- ✓ Security Fence
- ✓ Erosion Control
- ✓ Retaining Wall
- ✓ Picnic Tables
- ✓ New Lawns & Sod

Phase 4 is done! We are proud to announce that we have finally completed the 4 major construction phases of Somewhere. With the completion of the various buildings and increased and ongoing costs for improvements and facilities, we implemented a small increase in rents effective June 9, 2009. **Current residents are ‘grandfathered’ in (your rate will remain the same).** Sorry, Somewhere can no longer refund unused portions of rent.

Reminder: Check out our website whenever you get a chance. Jan tries to keep it updated with events, festivals and things to do in the area!

PARKING: Please bear with us. Designated parking and roads WILL be improved!

SOMEWHERE R.V. PARK *It's Always 5 o'clock Somewhere!*

Dear Vehicles:
Please park at end of RV pad (see 'p's) or in designated parking areas.
Thanks!
Signed: The Grass

Parallel parking Ok for short term to carry laundry, groceries, etc. Please park on road out of way of traffic and watch out for lights and baby grass.

PET PARK
CLUB HOUSE
SHOWERS
LAUNDRY
FREE WI FI
FITNESS CENTER

Signed: The Grass
Stay with us for a day ... or a lifetime!
Daily Weekly Monthly SemiAnnual Annual

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You asked ... here are some answers! Yep, they're wild plums and definitely good eatin' (when they're ripe)! Feel free to pick and enjoy! The season is almost over so get 'em while you can! (Jan will make Wild Plum Jelly this winter; make sure you're here for it!) Yep, the huge trees in the Hummingbird Park are Pecan Trees which will produce great (free) nuts this fall! You may want to be here for that too! The vine with five leaves climbing up the wall of The Bird Bath and other areas of the park is Virginia Creeper (not Poison Ivy). If you DO see any poison ivy or poison oak – please let us know!

Don and I are just 2 people trying to ‘do it all’ and we appreciate all of the help we can get. We don’t expect it but we sure won’t turn you down if you want to chip in! Many thanks to those of you who help show potential customers the park and for picking up trash, cleaning the bird bath, weeding, watering, weed-eating, raking and assisting with various projects! Thank you from us ... and from our other residents! Again, we appreciate that you have chosen to stay with us at Somewhere! We want your stay with us to be as pleasant as possible! Please holler if there is ANYTHING we can do for you! Jan & Don Nicholas

P.S. Ideas for the Fall-Winter newsletter? Please tell Jan!