



RRA
Research Recreation Association

HAPPY TIMES

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You're invited!

2021 RRA Picnic



Holiday Magic – SeaWorld Style



Saturday, December 4 • 9 AM – 9 PM

Our group will have exclusive access from 9 AM – 1 PM then beginning at 1 PM, the park opens to the general public and all guests mix in for the annual Christmas Celebration and largest display of lights in the state.



Your Day Includes:

- All day admission
- Free parking (picnic day only)
- Buffet lunch
- Thrilling rides (waterpark will be closed)
- Christmas Celebration
- 2022 Season Pass Upgrade Options

Ticket prices:*

Employee and spouse (or 1 guest) – \$10.00 ea.
Dependent children (ages 3 and up) – \$10.00 ea.
SwRI retiree and spouse (or 1 guest) – \$10.00 ea.
Additional guest – \$44.00 ea.

Buffet Lunch:

Serving grilled hamburgers, hotdogs, potato chips, SeaWorld's Signature Baked Beans, dessert, and Coke products. One hour meal times starting at 11:30 AM, 12:30 PM, 1:30 PM and 2:30 PM.



Purchase tickets at the SwRI Fitness Center

- October 18 – November 12
- Free Parking - \$25 value
- Season Pass offers starting at \$20
 - 20% off Animal Tours
- NEW! Texas Stingray Coaster – longest, tallest, fastest wooden coaster in Texas



**Last Day for Ticket Purchase –
Friday, November 12!**

View RRA website for pass Upgrade Option rra.swri.org (internal link) or retirees.swri.org

* Employees must present their SwRI, Texas Biomed, or SwRCFCU employee ID when purchasing tickets. Discount prices are for employees, their immediate dependents, and SwRI retirees only. The number of tickets you can purchase at the discounted price must correspond with the number of eligible dependents stated on the voucher held at the Fitness Center. Additional tickets may be purchased at the guest price. Tickets are nontransferable. Call 210-522-5100 for more information.

2021



HOLIDAY
LIGHTS
DISPLAY

It's Back!

— Enjoy the 2021 Edition —

Holiday Lights Display

Event Dates Week of December 13

Monday, December 13 - Friday, December 17 displays up and lit from dusk to 8:30PM for employees to visit on their own.

Wednesday, December 15 from 6:30PM-8:30PM is the featured drive-thru night. Milk and cookies will be handed out by the RRA.



FREE! RRA Virtual Class

Thurs, Nov. 4 *Floral FOR Holidays* 7:00 pm

Click for RSVP & Supply List

FREE RRA VIRTUAL COOKING CLASS

Festive Holiday Menu

Thursday, November 11 • 7:00 pm

Click for RSVP

Check out the RRA home page to view the recorded videos of previous sessions.
They are available for a limited time post event. <https://rra.swri.org/>



**Let's
Rodeo
San
Antonio!**

February 20-27, 2022

SwRI, TX Biomed, and CU Employees can access tickets now for the 2022 San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo! Enjoy the ease of purchasing individual rodeo tickets, Star Experience tickets, and carnival vouchers with this link and the **passcode SWRI**.

- Must use your work email address in order to purchase as offer is limited to SwRI, TX Biomed, and CU employees only and print at home is the only delivery option for single event Rodeo tickets.
 - @swri.org
 - @txbiomed.org
 - @swrcfcu.com
- For information on Fairgrounds Passes, Carnival Vouchers, Individual Tickets, Season Tickets or Mini-Plan packages, please contact Rodeo Ticket Committee Member Charlotte Muniz at 512-656-9386 or email cmuniz60@yahoo.com.

Visit www.sarodeo.com for updated entertainer announcements and information.

RRA Blood Drives

SAVE A LIFE/GIVE BLOOD

November 11 (Thurs. 9am – 3pm)

December 9 (Thurs. 9am – 3pm)

Schedule your appointment at **RRA Blood Drive**. Bring a co-worker too! Blood donors must wait at least eight weeks between donations.

FREE ICE CREAM at all RRA Blood Drives

Slick Talkers Toastmasters Club

Slick Talkers meets the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month. If you want to improve your speaking and leadership skills, Toastmasters is for you. Following the guidance of Toastmasters International, you learn at your own pace. This is also an opportunity to network with other SwRI staff and folks in the nearby community who have the same goals. A Toastmasters club is a safe place to practice the skills you want to improve.

Our meetings are virtual from 11:30AM-12:30PM.
Call Bobby x3371 or Eva x2237 for meeting number.

Fridays, November 5 and 19, December 3 and 17

Please join us. Questions? Contact Eva Carpenter, x2237.

RRA DISCOUNTS

Discounts are subject to change without prior notice and do not constitute a contract, express or implied, between companies, staff members or employees of Southwest Research Institute, or Texas Biomedical Institute.

Movie Tickets	Movie Passes	Your RRA Discount Price	(Movie ticket prices may change without advance notice. Purchase movie vouchers at the SwRI Fitness Center. Call 210-522-5100. Movie vouchers provide discount on General Admission prices for 2D-screen showings. Upgrades for Premium Experiences may be purchased at theater ticket counter. The best savings is for non-matinee show times.)
	Regal Theaters	\$9.00	
	Santikos Theaters	\$9.00	
	Alamo Drafthouse	\$8.00	

Park Tickets	Venue	Discount Link	Price	Notes
	Six Flags Fiesta Texas	Six Flags	check discount link	no codes needed for discount
	SeaWorld	Sea World	check discount link	2021 Event Line Up flyer

WorkingAdvantage.com Get discounts on Planet Fitness, fyt, ONNIT, Fitbit, Weight Watchers online, Beach Body on Demand, Les Mills, Netflix, Hotwire, AT&T, Costco, DiscountGlasses.com, FitFabFun, and so much more. Visit this page use code: 753933502

RRA CLASSIFIED

N Gauge Atlas 11 Rolling Stock Cars includes diesel engine, which has had some use. Made in Austria, all items are in the original plastic boxes, Asking \$35. Contact Ben at 210-216-7771.

N Gauge Postage Stamp Train Set, which includes power pack, small engine, 6 wheels, 3 extra cars. Box dated 1960, this train set is complete besides a few track pieces missing. Made in Germany or Austria. Asking \$30. Contact Ben at 210-216-7771.

Computer Desk and Hutch, oak construction 2-piece large computer desk, dimensions of the desk is 25.5" wide by 56.5" long, height of desk is 30". The hutch is 12" wide, 53" long and 36" in height. Asking \$75. Photos available by request. Contact robertmason005@att.net.

Kitchen Cabinets, Plywood and oak construction including 2 wall cabinets that both are 37.5" x 41" x 12", along with one wall cabinet that is 46" x 41" x 12", one wall cabinet that is 24.5" x 41" x 12", one wall cabinet that is 30" x 30" x 12", with one corner base cabinet that is 47.5" x 35" x 24", one "butts corner cabinet" that is 12" x 35" x 24", one base cabinet 34" x 35" x 24" and one base cabinet 16" x 35" x 24". Photos available. Asking \$200 for all items, cash only. Contact robertmason005@att.net.

1998 Sprint Bay Boat, 21' 9" bay boat includes 2008 Evinrude saltwater 200 HP H.O., 2009 magnum aluminum trailer

(tandem), Bimini top, marine radio/weather radio, folding antennas, 36 VDC trolling motor with on board AC charger, live well with aerator, fish finder, GPS navigator with engine monitor, trim tabs, 4 new trailer tires that were replaced last year, manual and automatic bilge pumps, and a cover, does not fit over troller motor. Stored inside. Asking \$17,000, OBO. Contact Carlos at cgarcia@swri.org.

Heavy Duty Weight Bench and weights MARCY MWB /16, 140 lbs of Olympic weights, two - 35lb, two - 10lb, eight - 5lb, four - 21/2lb, one curl bar, two dumbbell bars. \$100 cash for all. Photos available. Contact robertmason005@att.net.

Photo Frames, 21 wall photo frames, various colors and sizes, 8" X 10", 11 X 14", collages. All still in packaging. Photos and prices upon request. Contact Suzie for more information at 210-478-2900.

2009 Damon Daybreak 3270 Motorhome Class A, slightly less than 13K miles, sleeps 7, great condition. Price negotiable and photos available. Contact Angie at 703-434-0246.

Submit your ad for free!
Submit ads on the RRA website at rra.swri.org or email rra@swri.org by November 20 for the December *Happy Times*.

Contact Information

The RRA operates through committees headed by a chair. The RRA Board of Governors Officers and Committee Chairs are listed below.

RRA Executive Board

Chair	Mary Ramos	x3353
Vice Chair	Daniel Cooksey	x5203
Secretary	Angie Gallardo	x2440
Treasurer	Jennifer Dietrich	x5369
Executive Secretary	Andrea Morantes	x5455
SwRI Fitness Center	JoLyn Swain	x5100

Committee Chairs

Athletics	Luciano Smith	x6857
Employee Engagement	YongLi McFarland	x2715
	Carlos Sanchez	x3663
Health & Fitness	OPEN	
Membership	Linda Estes	x5624
Outreach	Shane Siebenaler	x5758
Publicity & Historical	Kimberly Guzman	x2714
Recreation	Natasha Albracht	x3971
Social	Sheri Baetz	x6667

For questions or comments about the *Happy Times*, call 210-522-5100.