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El Paso veterans home to host Wii bowling tournament

Event brings area nursing home residents together for fun, healthy competition

AUSTIN — Residents from nursing homes and assisted living centers all around El Paso will converge on the Ambrosio Guillen Texas State Veterans Home at 9 a.m. Friday, Sept. 23 for the Second Annual Wii Bowling Tournament.

Residents from more than 10 area facilities are expected to join Texas veterans in a fun-filled virtual bowling competition with the Nintendo Wii.

“I’m happy to see El Paso’s Texas State Veterans Home hosting such a fun and healthy activity for seniors from all over the El Paso area,” said Texas Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, Chairman of the Texas Veterans Land Board. “I’m glad to see this added to everything else we do to make our veterans homes such lively gathering places for the whole community.”

The event is organized by the Rio Grande Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging’s Ombudsman Program. All El Paso-area nursing homes and assisted living facilities are invited to compete.

As a state senator, Patterson authored the legislation that created the Texas State Veterans Home Program. The unique blending of federal and state benefits makes the home a bargain for eligible veterans.

El Paso’s Ambrosio Guillen Texas State Veterans Home is one of seven statewide. Each home provides skilled long-term nursing care, comprehensive rehabilitation programs, special diets, recreational activities, social services, a library, and a certified, secured Alzheimer’s unit with its own secured outdoor courtyard.

For additional information on Texas State Veterans Homes — where honor lives — call 800-252-VETS (800-252-8387) or visit our Web site at www.texasveterans.com.

WHO: Residents of El Paso nursing homes and assisted living facilities
WHAT: 2nd Annual Nursing Home & Assisted Living Residents’ Wii Bowling Tournament
WHEN: 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Friday, September 25, 2009
WHERE: Ambrosio Guillen Texas State Veterans Home, 9850 Kenworthy, El Paso

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