

Administration

Venture Out 5001 E. Main St., Mesa, AZ 85205

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Newsletter Submissions Only: Outlines @VentureOutRVResort.com

MISSION STATEMENT

"Venture Out is an active 55+ retirement community where friendship, cooperation and volunteerism are highly valued, and where residents are involved in diverse activities, while keeping the park safe, secure, progressive, costefficient, and responsive to changing needs."

SOCIAL BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING Tuesday • March 28 • 1:30 pm • Oasis AGENDA

Invocation:

President's Comments: Lot owners' and/or visitors' comments addressing any agenda item or, at the pleasure of the chair, any other matter; may not last more than two (2) minutes per speaker and must be limited to one topic. Maximum time limit for any subject shall be five (5) minutes. Changes to Agenda: Approval of Minutes: Correspondence: Old Business: New Business: Star Volunteer: Adjournment:

Notice All offices will be closed, with the exception of Security, April 14 in observance of a Holiday.

The Following Clubs have not turned in their new officers list to the Activity Office for next season:

Audio/Visual Service Club Bocce Ball Club Creative Writing Croquet Electronics Golf Association Horseshoes Library Service Club Pet Association Pickleball Poolroom Rock & Gem Sewing Club Softball Solos Splashers Sunshine Carvers Table Tennis Tennis

Summer Office Hours Begin April 17

Administration Office Summer Hours: Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 12:00 noon 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Office Quiet Hours 3:00 -5:00 pm Saturday & Sunday Closed

Recreation Office Summer Hours: Monday - Thursday 7:00 am - 12:00 noon 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Friday, Saturday & Sunday Closed

Maintenance Summer Hours: Monday - Friday 6:00 am - 2:30 pm

Social Club Election Results

Elected Social Board Members Bonnie Haapala Charles Crouse Alan Thomson The Bylaw & Articles amendments were approved.

2016-2017 Social Board Officers

Gary Bloomfield: President Raenelle Lees: Vice President Gloria Leach: Treasurer Jan Simmons: Secretary Don Check : Bonnie Haapala: Charles Crouse: Alan Thomson: Lorraine Hee: Director Director Director Director Director

SUMMER OUT-LINES The next publication of the Out-Lines will be Friday, April 28. The deadline for submissions is Noon Monday, April 17. Out-Lines will be available during normal business hours from Activity Office and Administration Office. Copies will also be placed in the Baja Bistro for your convenience. You may visit Venture Out's website at www.VentureOut **RVResort.com** to browse current and past editions.

CHILDREN'S

SWIMMING HOURS

(under the age of 16)

WEST POOL

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

EAST POOL

12:00 - 2:00 pm

WEST & EAST POOL

4:00 - 7:00 pm



Year-End Líbrary Used Book Sale

Saturday • March 25 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Community Center Main Lobby Summer reading must-haves! Great selection of used books for low, low prices!



The Library Committee thanks everyone for donations!

The Freddie & Sheila Show

Tickets \$10.00 available from Activity Office & at the door

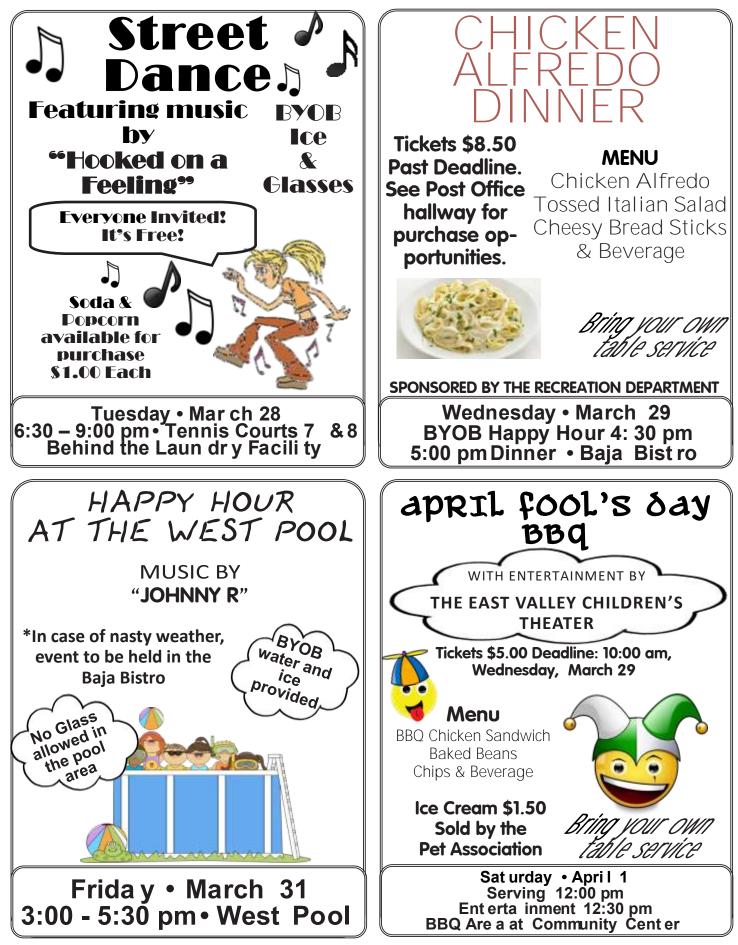
The Freddie and Sheila Pelletier Show features world class guitar picking and fantastic singing. Their presentation is fun and humorous and their years of experience keep it exciting and engaging! Freddie, on lead acoustic and electric guitar and vocals, emulates the work of Chet Atkins, Jerry Reed and others playing classic country, bluegrass, 60's rock and much more. He is truly an



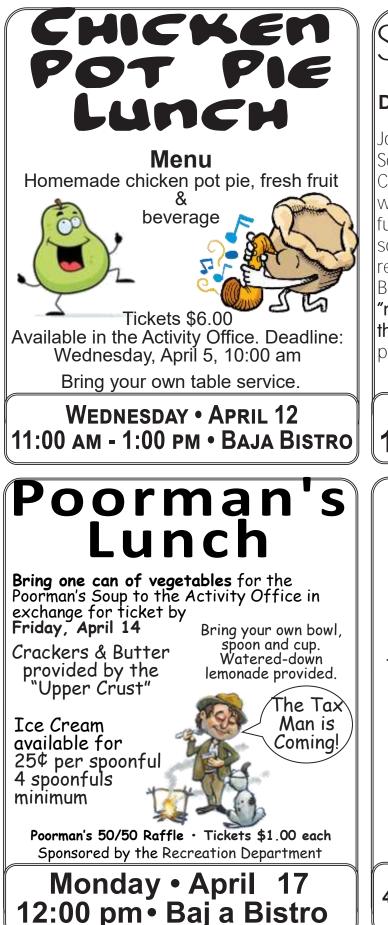
extraordinary guitar instrumentalist. Sheila, lead vocalist and rhythm guitar, sings a mix of classic country, folk, 60's and 70's rock and yodels. They also do an array of original material, humorous songs and Freddie clogs while playing the guitar. A Favorite in Saskatchewan!

Sponsored by the Woodshop Club

Monday • Mar ch 27 7:00 pm • Buena Vista Ball ro om







SCAVENGER HUNT

Sign Up in the Activity Office Deadline noon, Wednesday April 12

Join us for an old-fashioned Scavenger Hunt in the Community Center with an hour of fun and puzzle solving! First to return to the Baja Bistro with all of the **"required" items wins the top "Scavenger"** prize.

Thurs day • Apri I 13 10:00 am • Baj a Bist ro



Tuesday • Apr il 18 • Ar r ive at 10:00 am 4321 E Basel ine Rd, Gil bert, AZ 85234 (SW Cor ner - Basel ine & Gr eenfiel d)





Clubs and Organizations

GOLF ASSOCIATION

Recreational (3) 9-hole leagues on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays plus 18 holes on Mondays and Fridays. Responsibilities of golfers are 1) Follow the rules USGA, 2) Have fun, 3) Respect your fellow players and the golf course staff.

BIKING GROUP Pegg Noyes 480-985-4959

The biking group will continue the 12 – 14 mile rides until **Thursday**, **March 30**. Rides begin at **9:00 am**, meeting outside the **Activity Office**. Bring a helmet, water and a snack. Beginning in **November** the rides will begin at **10:00 am**.

BILLIARDS – 8 BALL – SNL Marie Austin 480-396-8766

Saturday Night Live with our Jack & Jill Tournament tomorrow night. This is our last Tournament of the season, so bring your partner and a buck (no large bills, please) and sign up by **6:15 pm** with play starting at **6:30 pm**. You must be a member to play and have some knowledge of the 8-ball rules. We have gloves and other accessories for sale. We wish you all a safe and healthy summer; see you in the fall.

BOCCE BALL CLUB Marilyn Tomkinson 810-874-6643

The Bocce season is over and congratulations are in order. The Singles winner for **March** was Jackie Heronema and the Doubles winners were Barb Bute and Howard Workman. The season winners for 2016-17 were Deb Seagate for singles and Doug and Don Hamilton for doubles. Congratulations to all. Bocce lessons are over for the year. Thank you to all the volunteers who help the club. This includes fund raisers, Doris Fraser for the Mystery Trips, cleaning the courts, helping with shirt sales and collecting dues, league captains, referees, Fun Night volunteers, Marcia Boyette for emails, Ron Doig for cooking hot dogs and hamburgers, and all the Officers for their time.

CREATIVE WRITING Jeri Robbins 480-220-8402

It's not too late to join us even just to listen for a time or two. It might inspire you to try your hand at a story, memory or poem. We meet in the **Sonoran** at **2:00 pm** on **Thursdays**. Our Annual Reading is coming up on **March 25** in the **Auxiliary Ballroom** at **1:30 pm**. Attendance increases every year so I guess word-ofmouth advertising is working.

CRESS ELECTRIC KILN – MODEL E27 FOR SALE Steve Oldham 480-830-2704

220AC, 44AMPS, SERIAL #9709D. Electric control provides five firing speeds, designed for home or studio situation. Purchased in 1998. Operated by ceramic studio open only six months of the year. Kiln operated with four other kilns in studio. Air exchanger included but needs repair. Stand included. No shelves. For additional information call Steve Oldham 480-830-2704. Kiln inspection



located vicinity Main and Higley, Mesa AZ. \$450.00 cash or best offer. No delivery.•

FUN TENNIS Janice Schwartz 480-436-9065

480-436-9065 Are you looking for a VO tennis partner for casual play? Sign your name and phone number on the activity clip board in the Post Office. This list is to facilitate finding other residents (not members of Tennis Club) to play some fun tennis. Those signing will need to contact others signed on this list to play on the "all residents" tennis courts near front entrance/ behind the Laundry Room. Play usage rules are posted at the courts. Loaner rackets and balls are available for play in the shed on west side of courts. •

GOLF ASSOCIATION 9-HOLE GOLFERS Judy Sell 503-407-0182

Our 9-holers tournament is underway, but we will continue sign-ups for Wednesday play as usual during our **Ťuesday** morning sign-ups @ 7:45 am in the Sonoran. The Wind-up Party will be held in the **Oasis** on Saturday, March 25 at 4:00 pm. This year, we will be having our Happy Hour, Business meeting, and a 6-Course Chinese dinner. Tickets will be sold just outside the Sonoran ONLY on March 14 and 21 from 8:00 to 9:00 am. Tickets are \$10.00 per person.

Please bring your own Table Service and BYOB. Be sure to collect and spend your golf winnings before you leave for home.

HAM RADIO Paulette Thompson 480-807-1791

Thanks to hams who helped at the 5K walk and Seymour's Parade. Congratulations to Jim Cox KI7KVG, who earned his Technician License, and to Ken Erickson KC0EB, who upgraded to Extra Class. The 2M radio will be useful for Jim when he gets back to the Hiking Club. At a recent Saturday morning meeting Thom Davis W6LDX and Terry Laduke W7RNF explained the workings of a Buddipole the versatile antenna Thom used on his DXpedition to St Lucia. Condolences to Lorna Rendahl on the loss of her husband Don W6TCS, who was a longtime member of our radio club.

HANDYMEN Warren Lee

540-538-0438 FOR SALE: 10" Craftsman Radial Arm Saw, 2.5 HP with stand. See at the Handyman's Shop. <u>MAKE</u> <u>OFFER.</u>

HIKING Jim Cox 515-999-9554 Meet at the Baja Bistro Mondays at 7:15 am SHARP. Wear hiking boots (Continued on page 10)

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(Continued from page 9) or good heavy ribbed soled shoes. Gloves and hiking stick recommended. Bring water, lunch and \$5 for gas. Ratings: "A" easy to "D" tough. "D" hikes often have an easier alternative. (T) trail (B/W) Bushwhacking. Post Office hallway has detailed descriptions, schedule and guidelines. March 27 Barnhardt 8 miles "C" hike (T & B/W) The end of March concludes our regularly scheduled Monday hikes. Wishing everyone safe and happy trails until we meet again.

KITCHEN BAND Patti Mortenson

701-770-5020 The Kitchen Band finished their season on **March 20** with their end of the year party. We hope to see all of you next **December 2017**.

LAWN BOWLING Mardal Flynn Mardal@shaw.ca 480-351-9727

Well, the season at Venture Out lawn bowling is at an end. It was a great run. We are all saying our "goodbyes" and packing up ready to leave. It is somewhat a sad time, but we have had fun, made new friends and learned new things. As lawn bowlers, some of us will carry on back home with this sport we love and others will be back on the greens when we return in the fall. Drive carefully, those who are returning by vehicles. To others, have a good flight. Those who reside here all year long, take care of things here for us till we return. Have a great summer, everyone!!!

LIBRARY Ruby Erickson

480-924-9125 A lot of books read this season. Signed out in January 1,719 & February 1,643 for a total of 3,362. This does not include books from the locked cases or books not signed out in the book. We want to encourage everyone to please sign out your books. Be sure to watch for the new books in the case. Last book sale of the Season will be **March 25**. Hope to see you there.•

PICKLEBALL Toni Nelson 603-381-8484

Yikes! So much happening in March as we wind down for April. Temps rising, crowds thinning, the Pickleball spirit lives on. More available court time. Come sign up and get in some fun play. Great News! The new sports complex begins construction soon. Sadly, we say goodbye. Happily we look forward to the updated, larger, more complete forum for fun play/ competition and gathering. We plan to be good neighbors to the folks nearby. Special thanks to all volunteers. Picklepats on the back for you. May the forces be with you. Join Pickleball mania, serve, dink and lob today!

POOLROOM NEWS Marie Austin 480-396-8766

This is our last column for the season. We wish you a healthy and safe summer. Check with us in the fall for upcoming events. Some tables will be asleep for the summer, but some will be available for practice, etc. If you have any questions, call me.

ROCK AND GEM Sue Nobles 505-205-7894

The season is coming to a close. Members are busy finishing up projects. A big thank you to our members who helped out with our fundraisers. Thanks to the monitors for their time and effort. Also a big thank you to Cindy, our president, who is stepping down. We look

forward to new members next season to join the club and find a new hobby.

ROCK AND GEM SALE Cindy Hanson 480-261-7068

480-261-7068 For sale: three Highland Park Rock saws – 24", 20" and 18." May be viewed at the **Rock and Gem shop** or call Cindy at 480-261-7068.•

ROCK AND GEM SALE Cindy Hanson 480-261-7068

We have a grinder for sale with no motor. For use with 8" wheels. Asking \$50.00. Contact club for viewing or contact Cindy Hanson at 480-261-7068. Thank you.•

SEWING ROOM Karen Frank 206-391-9592

The "season" is almost over. Please turn in your keys before you leave for home. You may keep your supplies in your locker for the next year, but PLEASE turn in your key. There may not be monitors available for all time slots for the rest of the season. Please be patient; the monitors will do their best to keep the room open. The last meeting of the season is March 27. It will be conducted by the new officers. If you are visiting for a short time, we offer a two week membership for \$10. See you next season and come with lots of ideas.

SHUFFLEBOARD Dan Stuehrenberg 480-325-4880 djstuehrenberg @yahoo.ca

Thanks to all of the Shuffleboard Club members for their participation this season. Your volunteer efforts generated over \$17,000 in fundraising revenue to the Venture Out Social Board. Congratulations to the Roadrunners team on winning the club's In-Park League season: Captain Barb Lawrence, Grace Lintz, Brenda Logelin, Clare McParland, Norma Nossokoff, Irene Pritchard, Henry Sereda, James Thompson, and Keith Wurgler. Second place team was the Raiders and third place was the Cactus. The Couples Tournament and the Gold Cap Tournament of Champions took place after the Out-Lines deadline but congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who participated.

SILVERSMITH CLUB Alice Petersen 651-434-2678

Thank you and congratulations to the returning club officers: President George Leist, Vice-President Cleta Robbins and Treasurer Dean Meier. Thank you also to Pat Pain and Lucille Mollot for sharing the recording secretarial responsibilities for the club. Monitors are reminded to turn in your keys to Cleta before leaving the park. Nicka Lockeman will receive silent auction items as you complete them this spring. Make and Take earring classes are concluding for this season. Watch the Out-Lines for future dates. Earring Class sign-up will include pattern selection and payment at the time of registration.

TABLE TENNIS PING PONG Al Manter 253-584-6307

We had our men's singles tournament on February 28. Congratulations to Norman Silver, who is our 2017 champion, and all those who participated and those who helped run it. We play table tennis Monday, Tuesday and Friday at the Auxiliary Ballroom. Also we play Thursday from 3:00 until 5:15 pm and Saturday from 9:00 am until noon. Sunday is open

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(Continued from page 10) play from **9:00 am until 4:00 pm**. Please join us for some great fun as we close out our season.

TENNIS CLUB Janice Schwartz 480-436-9065

Our March 22 dinner dance was the perfect windup to a great season. We survived a full year of Tencap, thanks to Sheri Senum. Hope you will play in the Fall Classic or help as super volunteers the week of October 30; player registration ends tomorrow March 25; contact Linda Kerr. Thanks, Linda Martin, for two years as club secretary and to vice president Lorna Johnson. Enjoy cheering VO teams at Monte Vista the week of **March 27**. Keep your summer home courts busy. Looking forward to hugs at our Classic.

THURSDAY **MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Wilf Lund 480-654-3748 The Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study meets weekly 7:00 – 8:00 am in the Sonoran. Paul Harrington will be leading an exciting and challenging series through March. Our last meeting will be on March 30 when we will also celebrate communion, then go out for breakfast. Join this welcoming group for lively discussion and fellowship. Short-term visitors are most welcome. Bring your Bible and a coffee.

WASHINGTON STATE PARTY Carol Schluter 206-243-4396

Responsibility for 2018's Washington State party needs to rotate. Please call to volunteer. Place, time, and seed money are available. Your imagination and enthusiasm will excite us to help you create your vision. Carol 206-243-4396.•

WIDOWS FELLOWSHIP Laurie Horan 480-993-7878

If you are a widow and would like to join other widows for a monthly potluck lunch, this is for you. We meet the fourth Wednesday of the month. The next potluck will be **April 26** in the **Baja Bistro**. Bring a dish to share, BYOTS and beverage container, beverage provided. We meet from **11:45 am to 1:15 pm**. For further information call Laurie at 480-993-7878.

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP Betsy Klofstad 480-854-8883

480-854-8883 The season is already beginning to wind down for the Women's Book Group. There will be three more sessions of the regular season before we go into summer mode. **March 24** the book is "To the Bright Edge of the World" by Eowyn Ivey - led by Diane Tarrent. On **April 14** we will be distributing the Summer Reading List and talking about the books on it. For a copy, please be present or make sure Sandy Hammond has your e-mail address.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE REV. RICO'S HOUSEHOLD COLLECTION Cherie Kelly 480-248-2427

March 24 before 11:30 am household items and clothing can be dropped off along the West wall of the sewing room for Rev. Rico's six Hispanic churches in the Mesa area. Donations for PICK not sold on March 23 at the Fleas and Bees sale will also be donated to Rev. Rico. Pick donations can be left on the patio at 704 Aztec anytime. Thank you for your generous support.•

GOLF SIGN-UPS <u>18-HOLE COURSES</u> ARIZONA GOLF

RESORT Play Thursdays T-times start 10:08 am For info: Larry Booth 605 Navajo or 480-854-3696

WESTERN SKIES

Play Mondays 8:30 am For info: Larry Booth 605 Navajo or 480-854-3696

9-HOLE COURSES ROYAL PALMS

Play Tuesdays 1:50 pm Gail Oldham 801-571-1244

SUNLAND VILLAGE

Play Wednesdays 2:15 pm Shotgun Start Linda/Laz Tollas 480-807-7875

SUNLAND EAST Play Thursdays First tee time 10:45 am Dick & Marj Skinner 480-924-6164

9-HOLE SIGN UP

7:45 am • Tuesdays Sonoran

TREASURER Bonnie New, 902

Navion, 480-807-3684

President Judy Sell 503-4070182

CARDS & GAMES

31 Wed • 7:00 pm • Sonoran

500 Tue • 1:00 pm Sat • 7:00 pm Mojave Room

American Hand & Foot Sat • 12:30 - 4:00 pm Sonoran

AZ Valley Bridge Tue • 9:00 am • Mojave

Cribbage Tue • 7:00 pm •Mojave

Darts Fri • 7:00 pm • Classroom

Duplicate Bridge

Wed • 6:00 pm Fri & Sat • 12:00 pm Mojave Room

Euchre Fri • 6:45 pm • Mojave Room

Men's Poker M, Tu, W, Th, Sa • 5:30 pm Classroom

National Mah Jongg

Tu • 6:30 pm • Classroom Pan

Mon & Wed • 12:30 pm

Sat • 8:30 am • Mojave Tue • 6:30 pm • Baja Bistro

Pinochle

Mon & Thu • 6:30 pm Mojave

(Pony Tail Canasta) Hand Foot & Toe Wed. • 12:30 pm Mojave

Social Bridge

Thu • 1:00 - 4:00 pm Sun • 6:00 - 9:00 pm Mojave Room

Texas Hold-Em Wed • 7:00 pm

Aux Ballroom

Whist Sun • 6:30 pm • Sonoran

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Tuesday POTLUCK Dinner & Entertainment Featuring "Xt reme Twir ler s"

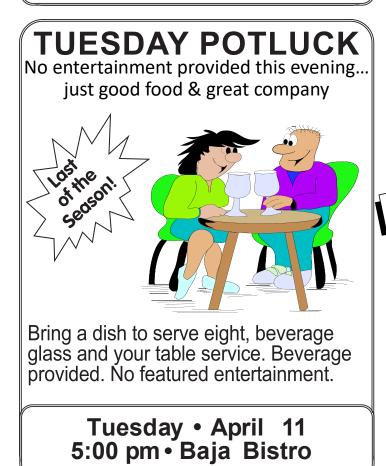
A high-flying, baton-twirling team of boys and girls of all ages come to us from the greater Phoenix area. This show stopping group of talented kids competes in one baton, two



baton, three baton, strutting, dance twirl, and modeling for all level twirlers.

Bring table service and beverage glass and a dish to serve eight. Beverage provided.

Tuesday • April 4 5:00 pm• Baj a Bistr o





Bring your own bottle, glass, snacks and thinking cap!

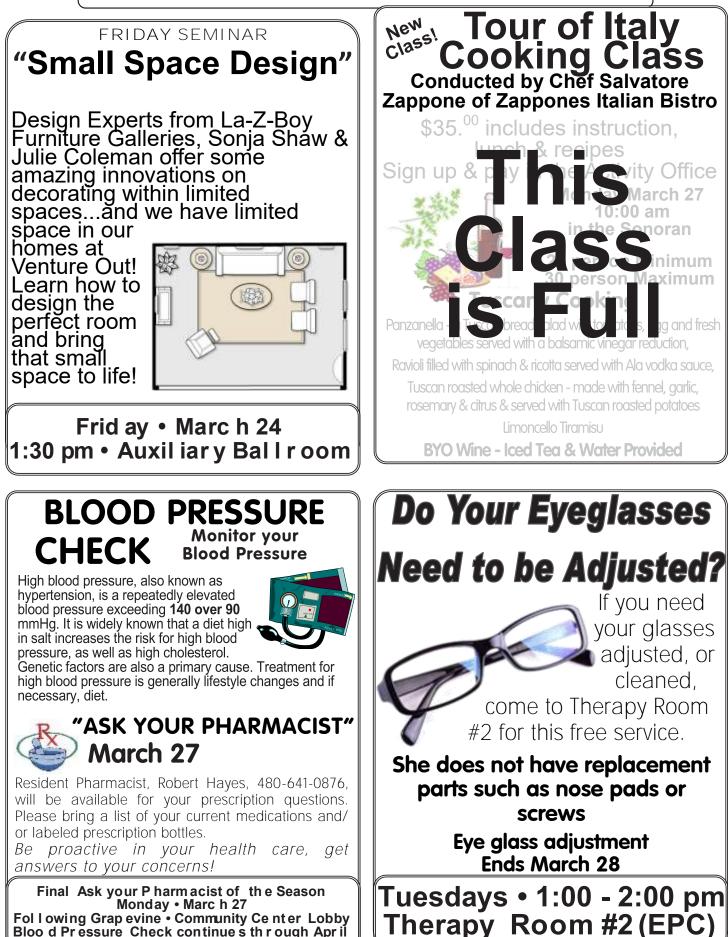
50/50 Drawing Tickets \$1 each

Ice & Water Provided

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Classes, Seminars & Wellness



Bloo d Pressure Check continues through April

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9:00 AM WATER AEROBICS & NOODLES - WEST POOL Marie Austin 480-396-8766

Just a note to let you know that our classes, Monday through Friday, will continue unless otherwise noted, so come and join us at 8:45 am for noodles and 9:00 am for aerobics with music. These classes are free and are designed to teach us to breathe better with flexibility and cardio conditioning. So, come and join us in our warm, wet and wonderful water and stay fit and fabulous with us. Remember everything done in the water is less stressful on the body and produces great results.

DANCE AEROBICS Bonnie Haapala 480-981-0466

Another season is coming to a close. During March people slowly start leaving. Safe travels to all, best wishes for a healthy summer. March classes will be **Tuesday** and **Thursday 8:40 – 9:20 am** in the **Buena Vista Ballroom**. Please wear comfortable clothing, good supporting footwear and bring water. Our last class will be **March 30**.

DANCE LESSONS WITH MONA BRANDT Mona Brandt 480-491-2393

Learn to dance with Mona Brandt of Shall We Dance Phoenix! Join us every **Monday** in the Auxiliary Ballroom at **1pm** for Basic West Coast Swing, **1:50 pm** for Ballroom Waltz & Foxtrot and **2:40 pm** for Cha Cha. Each class is \$7 per person or take 2 or more for \$5 per person per class. Dancing is great for the body and the mind! For more info: <u>info@</u> shallwedancephoenix.com, www.shallwedancephoenix. com or 480-491-2392.

"FREE" ESSENTIAL OILS CLASS Peggy Lou Deyak 480-238-5656 WHAT- are Essential Oils? HOW - are they used? WHY - do we need Essential Oils? WHEN -

Every Monday 1:00-2:00 pm. WHERE – Therapy Room #2. Moderator is Peggy Lou Deyak – Retired RN

MASSAGE THERAPY Maryanne Schuster 210-287-4719

Let's begin by losing weight through a healthy diet but not just a diet for the short term, rather a healthy long term way of changing eating habits. Start eliminating those foods high in sugar such as canned soda and processed foods. Read your labels for sugar and sodium content. Now start an exercise routine, walking, water aerobics, biking, hiking 3 to 5 times a week for 30 minutes and don't forget to reward yourself with a massage. Call now (210-287-4719) for your appointment...

QIGONG Pamela Halpin 480-231-1038

Qiaong means energy cultivation. Join us in discovering ways to loosen your joints, reduce inflammation, relax shoulders, and ease tension of mind and body. Find out how practicing deep breathing for one minute can calm your mind and enhance your immune system while releasing happy neurotransmitters in your brain. Qigong includes self-applied hand, foot and face massage as well as using imagery to reduce anxiety, lower blood

pressure, and the pain of osteoarthritis. These mindbody practices combine the awareness of posture, breath and movement to activate our 'relaxation response' which helps to trigger the natural healing capabilities of our bodies.•

STRETCH AND TONE Joe & Kathy Blitgen 563-451-4828

Here are three ways in which you can take control of your health. You can exercise, eat healthy, and spend time with friends. If you come to Stretch and Tone, you check off two of those things. It will improve the quality of your life. So bring a mat and weights and come join us! Monday-Friday in the Buena Vista Ballroom at 8:00-8:30 am. Weights on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. It's co-ed AND it's FREÉ

THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE Yari Blanco 480-396-4400

Rehabilitation Chiropractic will be offering massages in Therapy Room 1 from 12:30 to 4:30 pm every Monday and Friday through the month of March. Our Massage specialist specializes in Swedish Massage, Deep Tissue, and Myofascial Trigger Point Massage. Cost is \$50 for 50 minutes. Office specials do not apply. Please call Rehabilitation Chiropractic, 480-396-4400 to schedule your massage. We look forward to helping you.

TAI CHI Kathy Smith 480-241-1653

Tai Chi helps to improve balance and co-ordination, slowing bone loss and toning the muscles. The movements are slow and gentle. We meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Auxiliary Ballroom from 9:00 – 10:00 am.•

EXERCISE CLASSES

Co-ed Exercise 7:25 am • Mon - Fri Buena Vista Ballroom

Dance Aerobics Ends 3/30 8:40 - 9:20 am • BV Ballroom

East Pool Water Aerobics 9:00 am • Mon - Sat

Lap Swimming (every day) 6:00-8:30 am • East Pool 7:00-8:00 pm • West Pool

Noodles 8:45 - 9:00 am • M - F West Pool

Qigong

10:30 -11:30 am • Wed Cabana

Round Dance Tue • 1:00 pm Buena Vista Ballroom

Stretch & Tone 8:00 am • Mon - Fri Buena Vista Ballroom

Tai Chi 9:00 -10:00 am • M, W, F Auxiliary Ballroom

Water Walking 6:00 - 7:30 am • West Pool

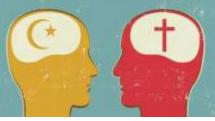
West Pool Water Exercise 7:30 am • Mon - Fri 10:00 am • Mon - Fri

West Pool Water Aerobics 9:00 am • Mon - Fri

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Classes, Seminars & Wellness

FRIDAY SEMINAR "Comparison of Chris.anity & I slam"



Christianity and Islam have more in common than most people realize they are both monotheistic Abrahamic religions with Jesus Christ as an important, revered figure in both faiths. Join Venture Out Resident Rev. Paul Harrington as he explains the similarities and differences of both religions.

Frid ay • Marc h 31 1:30 pm • Auxil iar y Bal I r oom

Note: Summer Kitchen Volunteer's Meeting April 6 at 3:00 pm in the Baja Bistro.

Snack Attack!



Candy Bars Cookies Crackers and More

Satisfy that craving. Visit the Activity Office today!

A BIG, HUGE THANK YOU!



The following clubs held fundraisers for the Social Club over the past two weeks. Without their herculean efforts, the wonderful lifestyle of Venture Out wouldn't exist. Each club and their volunteers deserves a **BIG HUGE THANK YOU!**

Social Board Directors (Current and Past) - Life's a Beach Pool Party - March 11

Glass Arts Club - March 12 and March 19

Rock & Gem Club - Gospel Concert - March 13

Bocce Ball Club - French Dip Sandwiches - March 15

Fired Clay Art Studio - Juke Box Jive - March 15

Bocce Ball Club - Mystery Trip - March 16

Softball Association - Hamburger BBQ - March 18

Croquet Club - Ice Cream Sales - March 18

Electronics Club - Raffle March 4 - March 18

Pet Association - Fuddruckers Meal Deal - March 19

Electronics Club - Enchilada Dinner - March 20

Pickleball Club - VO Diner - March 23

A special "thank you" must also be extended to the many volunteers who assisted with the following Social Club/Recreation Department projects and events these past two weeks.

Publication, collation and delivery of the Outlines, March Madness 5-K, Trivia Party, Photo Sessions, Friday Seminars, Special Dance with Flipside 45, Blueberry Pancake Breakfast, Putting Tournament, Musical Jam, Grapevine, Go Crazy with Creativity, Ask Eldon, Ice Cream Socials, Ft Mc Dowell Casino Run, Tuesday Potlucks, Championship Putting Tournament, Health Seminars, Ed's Grill Bingo, Don's Classic Karaoke, St. Patrick's Day Lunch, Friday Night Dance, the 2017 Venture Out Parade, Concert Series, Annual Social Board Meeting and Election, all AV Requests, Weenie Roast, Everything Goes Sale, Activity Office and Health Seminars.

> Teresa Beally Activity Director

This and That



Don Royan in singing inspirational, secular and sacred songs. Everyone is welcome!



Sunday • March 26 • 6:59 pm Buena Vista Ballroo m

Convert Film, Photos, Slides to Digital

Next year, bring your old movies, photos and slides to Venture Out. The Electronics Club is preparing to offer members the use of more equipment to convert photo and film media into digital format.



Convert from 16mm film, 8mm and Super 8mm film Convert Slides, Photos, Photo negatives, VHS Tapes Save your digital movies and pictures on DVD or Flash Drives

NEW IMAGE FASHIONS BY DON SCOTT

- Major brand fashions at 25%-75% off department store prices!
- Over 9,000 garments from many leading manufactures such as Ruby Road, Cactus, Erin London, Maxine Swimwear & others
- Sizes to fit 4 petite -3X Women's
- Watch Batteries replaced for \$3.00

Bringing the store to you!

Monday • Mar ch 27 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Baja Bistr o



Green Committee

If you are buying a new TV this month, please donate your current working TV to a thrift or second hand shop, like Salvation Army or Goodwill. If it's not in working condition, take it to the Hazardous Waste Event **Saturday, April 8**, from **8:00 am to noon**, at **2412 N**

from 8:00 am to noon, at 2412 N Center St, north of McKellips. Take a flyer from the Green Committee bulletin board to find a complete list of items that need to stay out of our dumpsters and collected by the city of Mesa quarterly. After the April 8th collection, the next one is October 21st.

Speaking of Goodwill, we would like to recognize Reggie Moran, a VO resident from British Columbia for his years of dumpster diving and cardboard box collapsing at VO. Not only has he saved space and weight in our cardboard and paper recycling dumpsters and our trash dumpsters, he has collected and donated enough usable items from VO's dumpsters to earn our local Goodwill over \$50,000 in sales. If you see him, please give him our thanks. I do wonder why so many VO residents don't collapse their cardboard boxes or bring usable discards to our local thrift stores.

This and That

HAPPY BIRTHDAYLorie ChopikApr 7Sandra HammondApr 12Dick VanceApr 20Kim EhrenheimApr 30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Rick and Joan Paylor Mar 31 61 yrs Phil & Sandra Hammond Apr 19 47 yrs Jerry & Ruth Leonard Apr 26 14 yrs

HAVE YOU HEARD?

To submit information Email Pat Laurita at pattyjo2012@gmail.com or call the Activity Office at 480-832-9000 Pat Petersen of 522 Aztec passed away in March. Cards may be sent to her husband Ralph Petersen, 5001 E. Main St. #165, Mesa, AZ 85205. Virgil Remillard of 509 Aero passed away March 18. Cards may be sent to his wife Jo Remillard 5001 E. Main St. #1310, Mesa AZ 85205. **Arthur Sweeney** of 119 Merlin passed away on March 8. Cards may be sent to his daughter Liz Sweeney, 5001 E. Main St. #1556, Mesa, AZ 85205.

NEW OWNERS

Anne Schultz 308 Boeing Germantown, WI Jill Kerzman 307 Navajo Mott, ND Wayne & Karen Nagel 614 Aztec Sherwood Park, AB **Russ & Jill Bracewell** 903 Boeing Box Elder, SD Ardo & Kathy Junk 404 Douglas Dubuque, IA **Dick & Lawana Johnson** 306 Boeing Boise, ID

Putting Tournament Winners for March 11, 2017 Prizes can be picked up at the Activity Office
53 Men, 21 Women
Men:
1st Flight Winner Lanny Paul
2nd Flight Winner
Warren Lee
3rd Flight Winner
Dalton Kohlman
High Score Glenn Fieber
Ladies:
1st Flight Winner
Susan Martin
2nd Flight Winner
Donna Goebel
Karen Kleinsteuber
High Score
Kathy Bast
Aces Men:
Lanny Paul9 Charlie Crouse
Curt Bittle
Aces Ladies:
Susan Martin7
Beth Giliuson6
Carded back from #8 1st round

Star Volunteer



Way to go, Don Williams

Don Williams is the President of the Handyman Club and has also served at the Vice President of the club. He has served the park through the Handyman Club

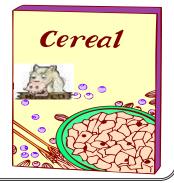
for many years, and has helped build and repair many, many items for the benefit of all in the park. Don has also served on the Architectural Committee for 4 years.

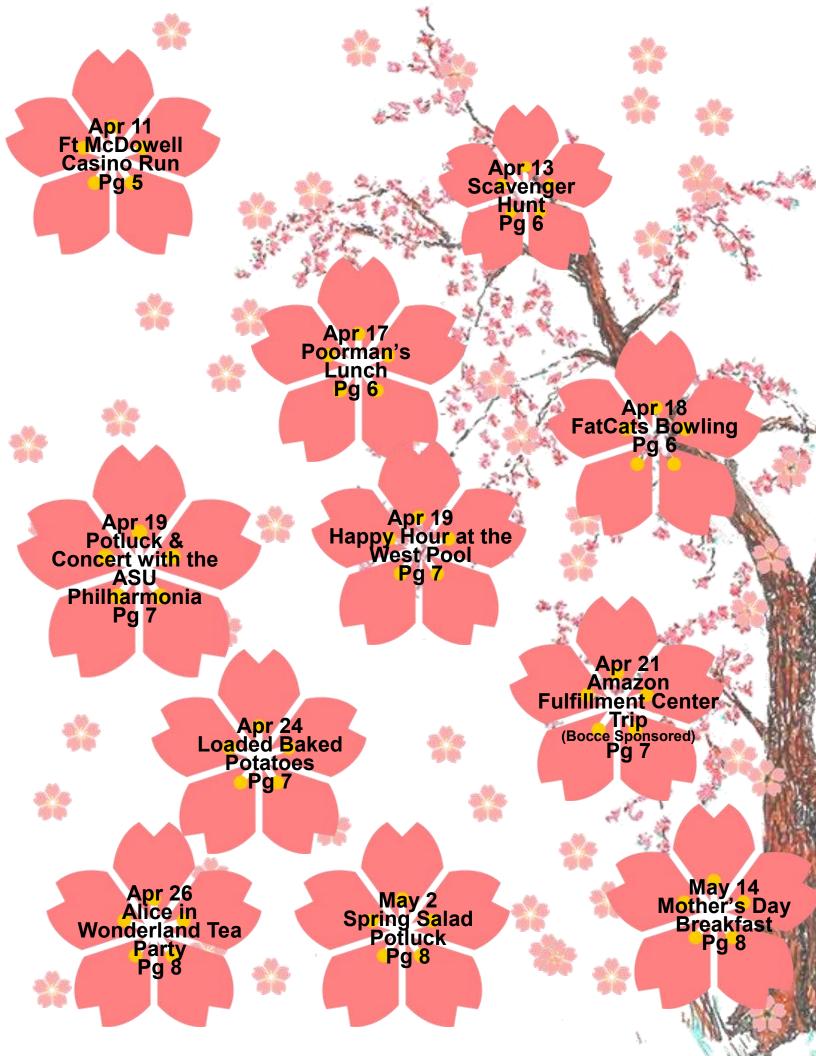
Don is a second generation VO resident. His parents bought into the park when it was still a Gulf Oil property, and only half developed. In his working life, Don owned a steel fabrication shop; he has brought the skills and can do attitude to Venture Out. Thank you Don!

A"Food Donation Box" is now available in the Activity Office. Before you leave for the season, clean out your cupboards and fridge

and donate your non-perishable &

perishable food items to assist local food banks.







Recreation Update

March 24, 2017

Hey, everyone! It's TGIR on Friday, March 24. Sit back and relax while guitarist Luis Martinez performs those tunes you all know and love in the Baja Bistro from 3:00-5:30 pm. BYOB and snacks. Water and ice provided.

"It's a Wrap" Breakfast this Saturday, March 25 from 7:30 - 9:30 am in the Baja Bistro. Enjoy cheesy scrambled eggs, fluffy pancakes, sausage, chilled juice and endless cups of coffee all for only \$5.00! All you need to do is bring your table service, coffee mug...and \$5.00

The Library will host their last Book Sale on Saturday, March 25 as well. Pick up a book or two for your return home in the Main Lobby from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Don't go too far on Saturday, March 25 as you'll want to attend the Creative Writing Club's Annual Reading beginning at 1:30 pm in the Auxiliary Ballroom. The club has gathered the best of their collective writings for this presentation of which you will be thoroughly entertained. Refreshments served following this free event.

Congratulations to the three groups who won the top honors at the 2017 Venture Out Parade. First Place-Croquet Club, Second Place-Sewing Club and Third Place-the Happy Harpers. Thanks to all who participated. You all deserve trophies in my eyes.

The last Sing-a-Long of the season is Sunday, March 26 beginning at 6:59 in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Join Carolyn and Don Royan for an enjoyable evening of inspirational, secular and sacred music.

The weather is going to be perfect for our Street Dance on Tuesday, March 28. BYOB, glass, ice and head over to the Patio directly behind the laundry facility where you can dance the night away to tunes played by the variety band "Hooked on a Feeling." The event is free with soda and popcorn available for purchase. The fun starts at 6:30 pm.

Fuddruckers has a Meal Deal for Venture Out residents and friends on April 10. Enjoy dinner between 4:00 - 8:00 pm and your Social Club receives a commission of 10% of your dining bill.

The Mesa City Band is the featured entertainment for the Concert in the Park Wednesday, April 5 at 7:00 pm in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Please remember a free will offering will be taken.

There are three Friday Night dances left for you to enjoy before the Buena Vista Ballroom closes for the summer. March 24 features Chuck E Baby and the All-stars (next season's New Year's Eve Band) playing vintage rock, the Julie Lee Band on March 31 featuring a variety of music and finally Johnny R, April 7 presenting everything and anything the music world has to offer. Tickets are only \$8.00 and may be purchased from the Activity Office or at the door.

Get your tickets today for the April Fool's Day BBQ scheduled for Saturday, April1. While lunching under the beautiful Arizona sky you'll be entertained by a special performance from the East Valley Children's Theater. The Pet Association will be on hand selling ice cream so be sure to bring some extra cash. The BBQ is at noon with the entertainment beginning at 12:30 pm. Tickets on sale in the Activity Office until 10:00 am, Wednesday, March 29.

The torch for the Venture Out Spring Olympics will burn brightly for the start of the games on Tuesday, April 4. You don't have to be a participant to enjoy the competition. Check out the game schedule in this edition of the Out-Lines and cheer on your favorite team!

The Activity Office will soon begin processing room reservation data for the upcoming season. Have you submitted your requests? Remember, every event, regardless of how many years it has been in existence in any given room, requires a submission form.

It's a beautiful time of year for a picnic in the park. Sign up and pay in the Activity Office for the brown bag lunch of choice and plan on taking the trail to Red Mountain Park on Monday, April 3.

Chef Ed will be cooking up his famous chicken pot pies on Wednesday, April 12. Do you have your tickets?

Join the ASU Philharmonic Orchestra for a potluck and concert in the Buena Vista Ballroom on Thursday, April 20 beginning at 5:30 pm. Bring your own table service, beverage glass and a dish to serve 10 as the group of 65 will be joining us for dinner. Please sign up in the Activity Office if you plan to attend as we need to know how many tables and chairs to provide.

The Glass Arts Club will continue to serve donuts and coffee following Worship service on Sunday, March 26 and April 2.

The Lawnbowlers will once again sponsor a bus trip to the Rose Bowl Parade next season. If interested, contact Robbie Oldemar at 480-396-9987. This tour is always a sellout so you may want to book today.

The tax man will be a'knockin at the Baja Bistro door a little late this year. On Monday, April 17 we'll show we have nothing to give except some stone soup! Bring a can of veggies to the Activity Office in exchange for a ticket to this popular lunch. Be sure to bring an extra dollar or two for ice cream to be served following the meal.

Have you seen the Mad Hatter or the Cheshire Cat? I know they're around here somewhere! Perhaps we will find them at Alice in Wonderland's Tea Party scheduled for April 26. Get your tickets and perhaps you'll catch a glance of them.

The weather is gorgeous in Arizona during the month of April so what do you say we take advantage of it? Join us for a Happy Hour with live music at the West Pool on Friday, March 31 and Wednesday, April 19. BYOB but remember NO GLASS CONTAINERS.

The Recreation Department is planning a very special Mother's Day Breakfast for all our wonderful Venture Out mothers and their guests on Sunday, May14. Quiche Lorraine, cheese blintzes, apple and cheddar muffins, berries and cream served with juice and coffee. Sounds delicious, doesn't it?

April has several other fun-filled activities planned. Check them out in the "Special Event" section in this edition of the Out-Lines.

The season seemed to rush past and I do believe it was one of the most successful years ever! Have a safe and healthy summer, enjoy your days and know we are here keeping the fires burning until your return. For those staying the summer...remember the Activity Office will go to their summer hours of 7:00 am-5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday beginning April 17.



Activity Director recdir@ventureoutrvresort.com

Manager's Corner



March 24, 2017

This week's occupancy is 1493 or 85% vs 1536 the week prior and 1529 the year prior. There are currently 404 renters in the park.

For many of you this will be the last Outlines before you leave for the summer, if so travel safely.

First, make sure you check your standpipes before you go. The flyer that the Architectural Committee put in the Out-Lines has produced about 30 standpipes we will replace this summer. We recently had two men digging for one full day and under a unit to repair one of these, so they can be a big job. We also had a water line break two weeks ago, when a tree root grew around the pipe and broke it. This is why we do not want plants that are more than shrubs in the easements. Trees and oleanders can do a lot of damage to water and sewer lines. When a pipe breaks in the easement, it is also a very tricky job digging down to it, because all of the electrical lines are in the rear of the easement. For this reason, if there is a water line break at night, you often will not see anyone trying to repair that until daylight.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the TV Channel survey. The 12 new channels that will be found on your TV next fall are in this week's Out-Lines. Ranked at the very top was the National Geographic Channel and dead last was MTV (We still had 48 'Hipsters' here in the park vote for it! In VO you are forever young).

This summer there will be new seal coat applied to many of the arterials as well as some of the laterals. We also are replacing the valley gutter that runs the center of Helio.

The Wi Fi installation will start late in the summer and we will be coming on-line in the early fall, testing it out. Later this summer, we will send out another Survey Monkey survey, to determine when you will return and what service package you will want. The reason we want this information is to make sure we build the pipeline appropriately and have the necessary bandwidth when people arrive. We don't want to pay for more data than we need. For instance, if we found out that on November 1, we would have 600 subscribers, we would step up our timeline to add on more bandwidth sooner than planned.

I sometimes get the question, "Since almost everyone leaves for the summer what does the staff do?" thinking that with so few people in the park, there should be little to do. It's quite the contrary. We simply change our hats and go from focusing on Administration issues, work orders and trash pick up to construction, road repairs, palm tree trimming, preventative maintenance, continual landscaping and irrigation repairs. Here in the office, we always have a summer newsletter that must go out, and now a phone book too, on top of the regular tasks working on continuing projects for the Condo Board. This year we will add setting up systems for the new Wi Fi portal and finishing up the new web site. The Condo Board, typically, crams 12 months of work into five months that they are here and in the summer we are busy implementing all of that. We also have numerous transmittal requests from clubs that we complete during the summer. On top of all of that, the staff moves into the 25 buildings and inspects all the common elements. Anything that requires, repair, fresh paint, replacement, is done at this time. This is why you have 50 year old bathhouses, they have been stripped down every summer and redone, (who has a 50 year old bathroom at home?). This summer we will for instance be changing out all the lights to LED's after a recommendation by Infrastructure to Condo, (the funds will be provided by the Social Board, using the Bingo Fund money). Maintenance crews come in at 5:00 a.m. to try to beat the heat while they do their landscaping and exterior work and they move to indoor projects when it is later in the day, to get out of the heat.

The Recreation Crew also changes hats, from executing events to planning events. Venture Out is unusual with the high number of daily events, fundraisers, dances, concerts, etc. This nonstop party out here, doesn't happen spontaneously, the Rec Staff has to plan it, cost out the meals, book entertainment, apply for any governmental permits, calculate the breakeven point, design and print tickets and make sure all the events are ready to rock and roll for the clubs and residents when they return in the fall. Virtually every event that happens at VO is conceived and prepared for far in advance, during the summer months. The Master Calendar is put together, seminars are researched, potluck entertainment procured, instructors scheduled, dance bands booked and concerts finalized. In addition, they schedule all the room reservations, for both Boards, all committees, clubs, classes, special events and private parties. This summer the Rec Staff will also put together the new photo directory. The Social Club accounting records are readied for the annual audit, furniture and fixtures purchased for the community and club special projects addressed. They detail clean and make repairs in all the rooms in Community Center, Annex Building, Oasis and Veranda, which includes stripping and waxing floors, painting, cleaning grout, vents and fans. Ceiling tiles are changed out, carpets steam cleaned, tables and chairs repaired and each piece of furniture and equipment gone over with a fine tooth comb. Plus the Recreation Department still offers a calendar of activities for the summer residents.

Security never changes. There are two on at all times, one constantly roaming the property and the other at the front gate. During the summer, a principal focus is for Security to check on our most senior seniors, who often have chosen Venture Out to reside in year-round.

All the work that is done during the summer, helps to preserve your assets and make sure that when you come back the following season, the park is ready for your arrival.



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Have a wonderful weekend and enjoy those pools!

DAILY TIMETABLE

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED MONDAY - FRIDAY ast Pool

Lap Swimming Water Walking Electronics Open Water Exercise Co-ed Exercise Stretch & Tone Noodles Water Aerobics Water Aerobics Water Exercise Water Aerobics Children's Swim Children's Swim Post Office Children's Swim Lap Swimming

6:00 - 8:30 am	East Pool
6:00 - 7:30 am	West Pool
7:00 am - 9:00 pm	Electronics Bldg
7:30 am	West Pool
7:25 -7:55 am	BV Ballroom
8:00 am	BV Ballroom
8:45 am	West Pool
9:00 am	West Pool
9:00 am	East Pool
10:00 am	West Pool
10:00 am	East Pool
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	West Pool
12:00 pm- 2:00 pm	East Pool
1:30 - 2:30 pm	VO Post Office
4:00 - 7:00 pm	East & West Pools
7:00 - 8:00 pm	West Pool

Weekly Recurring Events

MONDAYS

Clay Art Classes Electronics Treas. Hrs Tai Chi Library (locked case) Ham 20M Pan Ham 2M Essential Oils Class Splashers Beginner Westcoast Swing 1:00 - 1:45 pm Beginner Ballroom Beginner Ballroom Latin Men's Poker Ping Pong

TUESDAYS

Dance Aerobics AZ Valley Bridge Electronics Treas. Hrs Wire Ming Tree Round Dance - Phase 5 Round Dance - Phase 3 Pickleball Lessons Clay Art Classes Hardanger Class "500" cards Ice Cream Social Square Dance WS C3A Men's Poker Pan Cribbage Ping Pong

WEDNESDAYS

Electronics Treas. Hrs Tai Chi Clay Art Classes Croquet Lesson Square Dance WS C1 Library (locked case) Ham 20M Hand-Foot-Toe Ham 2M Splashers Men's Poker Texas Hold-em 4/12 "31" cards 5/3

THURSDAYS

Dance Aerobics Stitch and Chat 4/13 Electronics Treas. Hrs Ed's Grill Pickleball Round Robin Creative Writing 4/13 Clay Art Classes

9:00 am -12:00 pm 9:00 -10:00 am 9:00 am 10:00 am - Noon 12:30 pm 12:30 pm 1:00 pm 1:00 - 2:00 pm 1:00 - 2:30 pm 1:50 - 2:40 pm 2:45 - 3:30 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 - 9:00 pm

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Clay Art Studio Electronics Blda Aux Ballroom Library Ham Shack Mojave Rm Ham Shack Therapy Room #2 West Pool Aux Ballroom Aux Ballroom Aux Ballroom Classroom Aux Ballroom

BV Ballroom Mojave Rm Electronics Bldg Sonorañ **BV Ballroom BV Ballroom** Courts 5 & 6 Clay Art Studio Sonoran Mojave Rm Baja Bistro Aux Ballroom Classroom Baja Bistro Mojave Rm Aux Ballroom

Electronics Bldg Aux Ballroom Clay Art Studio Croquet Green BV Ballroom Library Ham Shack Mojave Rm Ham Shack West Pool Classroom Aux Ballroom Sonoran

BV Ballroom Mojave Electronics Bldg Baja Bistro Courts 4,5,6 Sonoran Clay Art Studio

Daily Timetable - Page 1

Social Bridge Ping Pong Solos Potluck Men's Poker Sing and Strum 4/6

FRIDAYS

Electronics Treas. hours Tai Chi 4/14 Wire Ming Tree Duplicate Bridge Ham 20M Ham 2M Square Dance WS C3A Splashers Euchre Lesson Euchre Ping Pong

SATURDAYS

Lap Swimming Water Walking Pan Ping Pong Ham Radio Mtg Men's Poker Lap Swimming 500 Cards

SUNDAYS

Lap Swimming Water Walking Ping Pong Social Bridge Lap Swimming

FRIDAY

Square Dance WS C2 Rev. Rico's Collection Drawing & Composition Small Space Design Pet Assoc. Potluck Happy Hour Dance

SATURDAY

Used Book Sale Creative Writing Reading Duplicate Bridge American Hand & Foot Golf Party

SUNDAY

Gabfest Worship Service Oregon Party Whist Sing-a-long

MONDAY

Grapevine Blood Pressure Check Cooking Class New Image Fashions Street Dance Freddie & Shelia Show

TUESDAY

Harmonica Instruction Happy Harpers Conversational German Int'l Dance & Exercise Potluck National Mah Jongg

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 3:00 pm - 5:15 pm 4:00 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm—9:00 pm

9:00 -10:00 am 9:00 am

6:00 - 8:30 am 6:00 - 7:30 am 8:30 am 9:00 am - 12:00 pm 10:00 am 5:30 pm 7:00 - 8:00 pm 7:00 pm

6:00 - 8:30 am 6:00 - 7:30 am 9:00 am - 4:00 pm 6:00 - 9:00 pm

7:00 - 8:00 pm

10:00 am - 12:00 noon before 11:30 am We **BV Ballroom** West wall Sewing Rm 12:00-2:00 pm Sonoran 1:30 pm Aux Ballroom 4:30 pm 3:00-5:00pm Oasis Baja Bistro 7:00 pm

MARCH 25

9:00 am - 12:00 Noon 12:00 pm 12:30 pm 1:00 pm 1:00 - 3:00 pm 1:00 - 2:30 pm 6:15 pm 6:45 pm 7:00 - 9:00 pm

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Special Events MARCH 24

BV Ballroom

9:00 am-1:00 pm 1:30 pm 12:00 pm 12:30 - 4:00 pm 4:00 pm

MARCH 26

Before & after service 9:00 am 5:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:59 pm

MARCH 27

9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 6:30-9:00 pm 7:00 pm

MARCH 28

8:45 am 9:00 am 1:00 pm 1:00 –2:30 pm 5:00 pm 6:30 pm

Music Room Music Rm Music Room Aux Ballroom Baja Bistro Classroom

Sonoran

Baja Bistro

BV Ballroom

Mojave Rm Sonoran Oasis Baja Bistro

BV Ballroom **Desert Terrace** Sonoran

Lobby CC

Aux Ballroom

- **BV Ballroom** Baja Bistro
- 9:45 -11:15 am Community Center Lobby Patio Behind Laundry

Street Dance

WEDNESDAY

Choir Practice Qi Gong Chicken Alfredo Dinner

THURSDAY

Men's Bible Study Pinochle Bingo

Pinochle

FRIDAY

Square Dance WS C2 Drawing & Composition Friday Seminar Happy Hour Dance

SATURDAY **BBQ & Ice Cream**

SUNDAY

Gabfest Worship Service

MONDAY Picnic in the Park

TUESDAY Potluck

WEDNESDAY Olympics Choir Practice

THURSDAY Olympics Concert in the Park

6:30 pm MARCH 29

9:00 -10:00 am 10:30 -11:30 am 4:30 pm Happy Hour 5:00 pm Dinner MARCH 30 7:00- 8:00 am 6:30 pm

Doors at 5:15 pm 6:45 pm start 6:30 pm

MARCH 31 10:00 am - 12:00 noon 12:00-2:00 pm 1:30 pm

3:00—5:00 pm 7:00-10:00pm

APRIL 1 11:30 am-12:30 Serving Show 12:30 pm

APRIL 2 Before & after service 9:00 am

APRIL 3 11:30 am

APRIL 4 5:00 pm

APRIL 4 8:00 am 9:00 -10:00 am

APRIL 5 8:00 am 7:00 pm

Behind Laundry

Music Rm EPC Cabana

Baja Bistro

Sonoran Mojave Rm

BV Ballroom Mojave Rm

BV Ballroom Sonoran Aux Ballroom West Pool **BV Ballroom**

Baja Bistro

Baja Bistro

Baja Bistro

Music Rm

Baja Bistro

BV Ballroom

BV Ballroom

Red Mountain Park

Baia Bistro Baja Bistro

Alice's Tea Party Happy Hour ASU Concert & Potluck

FRIDAY Mystery Trip

MONDAY Loaded Baked Potatoes

WEDNESDAY Widows Fellowship

AP<u>RIL 26</u> 11:45 am-1:15 pm

2017 - 2018 CLUB OFFICERS

To be completed by club president

Name of Club:		
	EMAIL	PHONE #
President		
Vice-President		
Secretary		
Treasurer		
Other		
Month officers are elected	When term becomes effective	UTV OFFICE
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DAILY TIMETABLE

FRIDAY Olympic Fríday Night Dance

SATURDAY TGIR Trivia Party

SUNDAY Worship Service

TUESDAY Potluck Ft. McDowell Casino WEDNESDAY Chicken Pot Pie

THURSDAY Scavenger Hunt

MONDAY Poorman's Lunch

TUESDAY Bowling

WEDNESDAY

5:30 pm Potluck

Baja Bistro West Pool

BV Ballroom

4321 E Baseline Gilbert

APRIL 21 7:30 am Departure Bus Loading Zone CC

11:00 am-1:00 pm

Baja Bistro

Baja bistro

3:00 pm APRIL 9 9:00 am

Baja Bistro Bus Loading Zone

Baja Bistro

Baja Bistro

Baja Bistro

BV Ballroom

BV Ballroom

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Baja Bistro

APRIL 19 10:00 am

APRIL 18

APRIL 6

8:00 am

7:00 pm

APRIL 7

APRIL 11

5:00 pm

3:30 pm

APRIL 12

APRIL 13

10:00 am

APRIL 17

11:00 am-1:00 pm

3:30-5:30 pm

6:00 pm Concert

APRIL 24

April 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						April Fools Day 1 BBQ & Ice Cream Sale with East Valley Children's Theater
Last Gabfest 2 Worship Service	Picnic at 3 the Park 3	Outlandish 4 Outrageous Olympics! Ice Cream Social Potluck - Xtreme Twirlers	Outlandish 5 Outrageous Olympics!	Outlandish 6 Outrageous Olympics! Ed's Grill	Trivia Party 7 Last Dance of the Season - Johnny R	8
Worship 9 Service Ends	Fuddruckers 10 Meal Deal	Round Dance Pesach begins 11 Ice Cream Social Ft McDowell Casino Run Potluck - No Entertainment	Mesa City Band in Concert Chicken Pot Pie Lunch 12	Ed's Grill 13 Scavenger Hunt	Good Friday 14 Activity Office Closed	15 Tax Day!
Easter 16 Sunday	Poorman's 17 Soup	Round Dance Ice Cream 18 Social 18 Fat Cats Bowling 18 Outing 18	Happy Hour 19 @ the West Pool with Chuck E Baby ASU Orchestra Concert &Potluck	Ed's Grill 20	Mystery Trip 21 Activity Office Closed	22
23	Loaded Baked 24 Potatoes	Ice Cream 25 Social Round Dance	Alice in 26 Wonderland Tea Party	Ed's Grill 27	Activity Office 28 Closed	b 29

VENTURE OUT 2017 SUMMER SCHEDULE

APRIL 14TH, Friday Holiday observed. Regular security All other offices closed.

APRIL 17th, Monday

Administration Office Summer Hours: Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 12:00 noon 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Office Quiet Hours 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Saturday & Sunday Closed

Recreation Office Summer Hours: Monday - Thursday 7:00 am - 12:00 noon 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Friday, Saturday & Sunday Closed

Maintenance Summer Hours:Monday - Friday6:00 am - 2:30 pmContractor Hours6:00 am - 5:00 pm**Sundays No Contractors

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Pickle Ball Courts 1 & 2 Hours: 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. (During Construction)

APRIL 24th, Monday Trash and recycling pickup Tuesdays and Fridays only.

MAY 1st, Monday All recreation shops closed.

Bathhouses Open1 and 6 at East and West poolBathhouses Closed2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8

MAY 19th, Friday

Deadline for July 1st, Summer Newsletter.

MAY 30th, Monday

1. Memorial Day holiday observed. Regular security. All other offices closed.

- 2. Restrictions on children's swimming pool hours suspended.
- 3. Heat turned off at pool.

MAY 23rd, Tuesday

Maintenance Summer Hours: Monday - Friday 5:00 am - 1:30 pm

JUNE 5th, Monday

Bathhouses Open Bathhouses Closed 2 and 5 at East and West pool 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 JULY 4th, Tuesday Holiday observed. Regular security. All other offices closed.

JULY 10th, Monday Bathhouses Open Bathhouses Closed

4 and 8 at East and West pool 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7

3 and 7 at East and West pool

1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8

JULY 31st, Monday Bathhouses Open Bathhouses Closed

SEPTEMBER 4th, Monday

Labor Day holiday. Regular security. All other offices closed.

SEPTEMBER 25th, Monday

- 1. All recreation shops open for use.
- All satellite bathhouses open. Hot water and air conditioning turned on.
- 3. Restriction on children's swimming hours reinstated.
- 4. Heat turned on at pool.

OCTOBER 6th, Friday

Begin every other week publication of Out-Lines.

OCTOBER 16th, Monday

Administration Office Hours:Monday - Friday8:00 am - 3:30 pmOffice Quiet Hours3:30 pm - 4:30 pmSaturday and SundayClosed

Recreation Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 noon 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Saturday & Sunday Closed

Maintenance Hours:

Monday - Friday7:00 am - 3:30 pmSaturday & SundayClosedContractor Hours8:00 am - 5:00 pm** Sundays No Contractors

OCTOBER 23rd, Monday Trash & recycling pick up on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

OCTOBER 26th, Thursday First Condo Board of Directors' meeting of 2017 - 2018 season, 9:00 a.m. in the Oasis.

NOVEMBER 1st, Wednesday Winter overnight rates in effect.



Present this flyer at Fuddruckers and 10% of your dining bill (excluding liquor) will be contributed to the Venture Out Social Club

Monday • April 10

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Sample menu. Availability may vary by restaurant and local taste preferences.

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The Following Tickets Are Now Available In The Activity Office

Event

Date of Event Deadline

Amount Qty.

Current badges are required to purchase tickets

 Friday Night Dance (Chuck-E-Baby)
 F - Mar 24
 Mar 24 (3:00 pm)
 \$8.00
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 The Freddie & Sheila Show
 M - Mar 27
 Mar 27 (3:00 pm)
 \$10.00
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 Friday Night Dance (Julie Lee Band)
 F - Mar 31
 Mar 31 (3:00 pm)
 \$8.00
 []

 April Fool's Day BBQ
 Sa - Apr 1
 Mar 29 (10:00 am)
 \$5.00
 []

 Picnic in the Park
 M - Apr 3
 Mar 29 (10:00 am)
 \$3.75
 []

 Friday Night Dance (Johnny R)
 F - Apr 7
 Apr 7 (3:00 pm)
 \$8.00
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 Picnic in the Park
 M - Apr 3
 Apr 7 (3:00 pm)
 \$8.00
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 Friday Night Dance (Johnny R)
 F - Apr 7
 Apr 7 (3:00 pm)
 \$8.00
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 Chicken Pot Pie Lunch
 W - Apr 12
 Apr 5 (10:00 am)
 \$6.00
 []

 Poorman's Lunch
 M - Apr 17
 Apr 14 (3:00 pm)
 \$6.00
 []

 Loaded Baked Potatoes
 M - Apr 24
 Apr 19 (10:00 am)
 \$5.00
 []

 Alice in Wonderland Tea Party
 W - Apr 26
 Apr 19 (10:00 am)
 \$5.00
 []

 Mother's Day Breakfast
 Su - May 14
 May 10 (10:00 am)
 \$10.00
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If you fail to meet the purchase deadline or the event is sold out, check the Post Office Hallway Ticket Bulletin Board for resale offerings.

Bring this list with you to the Activity Office to expedite your ticket purchases.

Thank you for participating in our Survey Monkey Survey to select 12 new channels to be added to the line up next fall. Look for these additional channels and HD TV next fall

Dish TV - Additional 12 Channels: Survey Monkey - March 20 Number of ballots =881 *Includes 90 paper ballots

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Channel</u>	#YES
1	Nat Geog	810
2	TLC	655
3	FX	624
4	ION	593
5	REELZ	544
6	Blue Hiways	506
7	E!	478
8	NFL	469
9	IFC	436
10	Cooking CH	404
11	FXX	387
12	NBC Sports	377
13	FOX Bus.	364
14	Comedy Central	339
14	NHL	285
16	Z Living	270
17	Velocity	219
18	Persuit	211
19	Spike	207
20	MLB	173
21	Disney	173
22	Fido	172
23	NBA	157
24	Cartoon Network	87
25	Nick	63
26	MTV	49

The Nominating Committee is seeking potential Condo Board Candidates for the February, 2018 election to the VO Condo Board.

Being a Condo Board member may not be for everyone, but if YOU would like to consider it, here is some information that may help you make an informed decision.

The Nominating Committee invites you to attend a slide presentation "A day in the life of a Condo Board Member" on Monday, March 27, 2017 at 10:00 am in the Electronics Building Conference Room. This will include information, questions and answers...with no "hard sell"

This Nominating Committee consists of five previous Condo Board Members. We feel that a Condo Board Candidate would answer positively to most of the following criteria:

- 1. You have no personal agenda to bring to the Condo Board.
- 2. You would want to serve if elected.
- 3. Do you reside in Venture Out for five months each year (Mid October through Mid March)?
- 4. Have you resided in Venture Our for several years?
- 5. Are you level headed and possess common sense?
- 6. The Condo Board members represent a variety of talents. What is yours?
- 7. Do you have good people skills?
- 8. Do you have good communication skills when speaking with your peers?
- 9. Can you make good decisions with good information in a timely manner?
- 10. Have you had other VO Committee or Board experience?
- 11. Do you believe that Community Service is important?

Please join us on March 27 for the slide presentation, and if you have any questions or comments before then, please contact:

Marnee Bogle	or	Doug Gale
602-312-7729		360-608-8098

Administration

Suggested Closure Checklist: Summer-ize your Home

Here are a few suggestions on how to get your unit ready for the long hot summer months ahead. Remember, careful planning and preparation now can help you avoid costly repairs when you return next season.

1. Avoid water damage – inspect your outside main water supply fitting for signs of leaks and or corrosion then turn off the valve – don't block or close your drains. This will allow water to run straight through the drains. If possible padlock shut off.

2. To keep your p-traps from drying out – pour in approximately one cup of mineral oil.

3. Turn off your hot water heater and run it until it is cool.

4. Clean your gutters so the rain water has a place to go and does not back up under the shingles and run into your unit.

5. If you DO NO have low-e window, then put in the silver to repel the summer heat. If you have low-e Do NOT cover the windows with anything but pull the shades and curtains. Covering the window will cause damage to your window and glass.

6. Remove all fruit from your trees to avoid roof rats.

7. Check drainage around your unit to make sure the water drains away from the unit in case of a large monsoon rain. Maintenance has sand bags available for you to place around your ground level Arizona Room. Do Not leave anything of value or furniture on ground level. Put all furniture up on blocks or inside your unit. Make sure the weep holes in the block wall are free of plants and debris so water can drain.

8. Weed Control – use Ortho Ground Clear (without 2-4-d) to put on your yard to help maintain weed control in the summer. Also, you may want someone who stays in the park for the summer to check on your yard to see if it's effective after summer rains. Green Committee recommends any pre-emergent weed killer that does not have 2-4-d. They recommend you read the label especially the fine print.

9. Cars and Golf Carts – Disconnect the batteries. If possible, see if you can find someone to either store the cart for you or charge it once a month, fill it with water and run the cart a little monthly.

10. Do not store wood directly on the ground, under or around your unit as it will attract termites.

11. Make sure you have a key for your unit at the Administration Office in case there is a need to have your unit checked.

12. Remove batteries from the smoke detectors.

13. Check refrigerator – it should be defrosted, be cleaned (including bottom tray) and both refrigerator and freezer doors held open with folded bath towels. An alternate – put one cup uncooked ground coffee beans in refrigerator and close doors.

14. Check stove and over - clean if needed.

15. Dispose of all food items, except spices. Place small amount of bay leaves in food cupboards.

16. Store all cooking utensils and small appliances in cupboards as space permits.

17. Run garbage disposal until thoroughly clean. Pour $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of mineral oil, flick on and off and add another $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of mineral oil. Available at Wal-Mart and most drug stores. Or spray with WD-40.

18. Flush toilet several times to clean drain of any solids. Sponge out most of the water in stool and pour in enough mineral oil to cover water. Leave water in the tank.

19. Make sure all bedding, towels and laundry are dry, clean, folded and stored in cupboards.

20. Disconnect small electrical appliances – TV, toaster, coffee maker, etc. Remove batteries from clocks, smoke alarms, flashlights, remote controls, etc.

21. Lower any window awning on trailer, if applicable.

22. Turn off electricity at meter. You may lock electric pedestal door.

23. Check skirting openings to be sure they are in place and secure.

24. Pour a quart of RV antifreeze in dishwasher and clothes washer. Pour $\frac{1}{2}$ cup in drain stand pipe behind clothes washer.

25. Close all propane gas cylinder valves tightly.

26. Cover TV, VCR, Computer, etc. with sheets or towels to prevent dust from infiltrating the working parts.

27. Check all storage areas for perishables.

Be sure to check out at the Administration Office and Post Office. Have a Great Summer! See you next Season!



Contact Robbie Oldemar (480) 396-9987 Sponsored by Fired Clay Art Studio & Solos

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I	Mar 25 TURF PARADISE – CAMEL DAY	•			
i	\$99 Includes reserved all day seating with Hot Prime Rib Lunch in the Turf Club Terrace while listening to	:			
I	live music. One race to be named in our group's honor				
•	and a picture taken of 8 members of our group with winning horse and owner trackside-this photo will be				
	available for purchase as a souvenir.	•			

Apr 3 KARTCHNER CAVERNS DAY TRIP

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COMING SOON!

We're putting together some early Fall, 2017 trips, including SAN DIEGO and the GRAND CANYON! Make sure Robbie has your email address so that she can send you details of these trips as soon as they're available!

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Dec 29 – Jan 1, 2017 129th Tournament of Roses Parade

Reserve your seat for this extremely popular trip with a \$100 deposit!

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Thank You to our Retiring Board Members

by Norm Thiessen



Thank you Loras Watters, Marnie Bogle, and Bruce Johnston for your combined thirteen years of service at the Condo Board table. As three individuals, you brought a combination of inner strength, focused energy, and fierce determination to the Condo Board leadership teams on which you served. In addition to effective park management, you contributed to the completion of the East Pool Complex, conceptualization of the North East SportsPlex, and implementation of the SRP electrical delivery agreement. You have earned the respect and friendship of your Condo Board peers and the confidence and appreciation of the residents who elected you.

Loras served us for six years, Marnie for four, and Bruce for three, the last as our Condo Board president. They consistently demonstrated a vision for Venture Out and the readiness to put in the hours needed to make it happen. Their efforts on behalf of our park are truly appreciated.

by Roger Stoufer



Successful Concert Series

Finding quality entertainment that matches the desires of our Venture Out residents requires both time and effort. Teresa plans the entertainment two years in advance. She utilizes the services of talent management companies both to locate talent and to organize her search. She reviews videos and travels extensively to obtain first-hand knowledge of performers' skills. While in California or Las Vegas she attends showcases which resemble tryouts in sports. The bar for Venture Out performers is high.

Once the right performers are found, the "deal" that brings them here has to be made. While satisfying their financial requirement is important, it's often not the closer. To pay the expense of traveling here, they need to earn revenue from other gigs in the area. This requires them to have a series of concerts that travel well together. Finally, sometimes there is that "no-compete clause". Occasionally larger venues in the area require that entertainers not share their talents with anyone else.

The effort to bring us top quality entertainment pays dividends through word of mouth. Like most pet owners, my wife and I rush home immediately after the concert. It is our responsibility, as pet parents, to get our dog to the park. There the word-of-mouth advertising for the next concert begins. Other pet parents, faced with our dilemma, share reviews of the evening's performance with us. As a result, our pets enjoy an extended tinkle time, as the positive reviews are specific and lengthy. The individual skill of each performer is discussed. While the women express admiration for the good-looking dude on the electric guitar, the men enthusiastically share admiration for the female vocalist. After several minutes, the conversation concludes with, "See you next Monday night after the concert."

Birds in the Breezeway

by Maureen Robertson

Have you ever wondered about those bird sounds we hear in the breezeway near the Center? In fact, they are not from live birds at all, but rather a recording of the predatory calls of raptors and distress calls by other birds. Keeping pigeons and others at bay not only prevents nesting, but also inhibits the appearance of our feathered friends. However, even chicken wire and spikes on the roof installed by our Maintenance Department could not thwart avian instincts. The recently installed bird-deterrent device uses actual bird calls, normal to the human ear, but distressing to birds we wish to keep away.



High-tech sound alarms like the one in the breezeway near the kitchen doors, replace the scarecrow of the corn fields and the plastic owl on rooftops. One advantage of the bird

calls is that they can be scheduled to operate at random times. Normally, birds become accustomed to regular sounds and the appearance of scarecrows and plastic owls, eventually ignoring them. Even raptors and crows who commonly feast on road kill become accustomed to the sounds and speed of traffic. They wait for a lull in the movement, fly out to the food source and just as quickly return to the safety of the roadside when vehicles approach. The bird sound deterrent currently in use, does come on at arbitrary times thereby providing a constant, effective and humane form of suppression.

Many residents in the park enjoy the birds who come to visit and some even offer feeders to encourage their appearance. We miss the delightful quails and speedy roadrunners who used to entertain us with their antics. However, we appreciate our birds in their rightful spots and far away from food preparation and service. Only we humans can enjoy the bird sounds in the breezeway!



A Hero in Wisconsin

Jean Sanders of Platteville, Wisconsin, received the Wisconsin Hero Award for 2016. She lives with her husband, Bill, on Debonair.

Jean's story began exactly 44 years ago as the young mother of four busy little boys and as a teacher at the University of Wisconsin in Platteville. While visiting with four lady friends, the topic of "used clothing" arose and they realized the need for a Goodwill store in Platteville. The only outlet for people either seeking to donate clothing or purchasing used clothing was quite some distance away, in Madison, WI., or Dubuque, Iowa. The four ladies decided to take a leap of faith and follow Christ's command to feed the hungry and clothe the naked. They started a charitable organization that sold used clothing and donated all proceeds back to families in need. The shop began in the basement of the Municipal Center and utilized 50 volunteers per month to operate the program. Through the years, the program has grown and currently owns its building and employs four fulltime employees, three part-time employees, and 50 volunteers per month. Over the years, the corporation has had a significant economic impact on the Platteville economy and has enhanced



the quality of life and access to opportunities for countless low-income families. Jean has been the financial secretary since the inception of the program and continues writing payroll checks and paying bills from the utility room of their VO home. The current emphasis of the program is a capital fund drive for an addition to the building.

To honor Jean and her significant contributions to the Platteville community, Tonette Walker, First Lady of Wisconsin, presented the Hero Award to Jean at a reception in Platteville on her birthday last April. Jean wishes to share the award with her husband, Bill, and the other, now deceased, four founding members. When you meet Jean, thank her for her faith-based endeavors in enhancing the lives of the poor.

Mobile Nobles



by Theima Myers

Have you ever noticed a small group of men on a Saturday morning rattling cans and bottles near the batting and golf cages? This baffling activity is the Mobile Nobles at work.

These are Shriners raising money for the Shriners Hospitals for Children in Salt Lake City, Utah. All the money raised is sent to the hospital in Salt Lake for special projects or to the Phoenix Shrine Temple for transporting young patients with their parents to and from medical appointments.

There is a Shriners Hospitals for Children in both Salt Lake City and Los Angeles, each one with individual specialties that determine where patients are sent. Patients receive services at no charge after they have exhausted existing medical insurance. This is made possible by the many thousands of Shriners raising funds to support the hospitals.

Last year at VO, the Shriners had thirty-four members from both Canada and the U.S. They meet every third Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Oasis to discuss their funds and decide when to send a check to the Temple in Phoenix.

The Shriners want to thank all VO residents who recycle their cans, as well as our maintenance men who regularly deposit the recyclables by the Stained Glass Shop and behind the Woodwork Shop. Two or three members pick up recyclables daily, Monday through Friday, from the Woodwork Shop, Stained Glass Shop, and many other locations in the park.

Recently they were visited by a "Shrine child" who is the grandson of Larry Bain, a Shriner at VO.

by Keith Gustafson

I'm Glad I'm Eighty

I grew up as a farm boy in a simpler time, before supermarkets and modern conveniences changed our lives. Milk came straight from the cow; butter from a hand churn; meat from home-butchered animals; and vegetables from the family garden. Laundry was scrubbed on a washboard; refrigeration was accomplished by covering blocks of river ice with sawdust in an underground cellar; and contact with the outer world was by way of a manual, wall-mounted telephone or a battery-operated radio. Fresh manure stacked around the house provided insulation from the cold in the winter and real inspiration to remove it before the warm spring thaw.

These early years provided me the opportunity to observe farming done with horses. Two or four-horse teams pulled plows, cultivators, seeders, harrows, or binders as was seasonally necessary. There was real community cooperation, particularly during harvest. A steam-engine driven threshing machine made its rounds from farm to farm accompanied by horse-drawn wagons and men with pitch forks who tossed up sheaves from harvested fields. The women prepared hearty meals and served them outdoors on long tables.



There never seemed to be debate over whose farm was done first; everyone knew that it would all work out. I am grateful to have experienced life without cars and television. We visited neighbours or went to church in buggies drawn by matched horses under gleaming harnesses. The four-mile trip to our one-room country school was by horseback in the summer and an enclosed sleigh warmed by a wood stove during the winter. Regular chores included mucking barns, milking cows, slopping hogs, gathering eggs, and stacking long rows of firewood and kindling for the winter. Our entertainment staples were family card games, radio shows such as "Ma Perkins," "Boston Blackie," "Hockey Night in Canada," and occasionally listening in on the telephone party line.

I have been privileged to directly observe the first beginnings of significant change. Model T Fords replaced the horse-drawn buggy and John Deere tractors took over from the dutiful work horse. Rural electrification led to household conveniences and towering yard lights which lengthened our day for work and play. Packaged food soon became available in cellophane wrapping. Central heating replaced the pot-bellied stove. Indoor plumbing was a welcome change from the venerable outhouse with its Sear's catalog which served as toilet paper.

Continued progress and innovation heralded the rapid change of the post-1950's era. It has been a marvelous and eventful ride, and I am so grateful that I got on it in 1937.

Luscious Lemon Spread by Maureen Robertson

With access to all those lemons that drip from our trees, you may wish to use a few for this recipe. Can be used as a spread on crackers, on top of cream cheese, or simply eaten straight from the jar! Keep in the fridge.

3/4 cup fresh lemon juice1 Tbsp. lemon zest3/4 cup sugar3 eggs1/2 cup butter at room temperature



Beat eggs slightly. Add all ingredients to a small saucepan over medium heat. Stir constantly until the first bubbles of the boil appear. Remove from heat, strain, and pour into sterilized jars. Makes 2— four ounce jars Enjoy!

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