

# Administration

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"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." CLUB OFFICERS MANDATORY MEETING! Tuesday • January 16 • 1:30 pm • Oasis All Club Officers are requested to attend this important meeting!

# CONDO BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING

THURSDAY • JANUARY 18 • 9:00 AM • OASIS

### Invocation: President's Comments: General Manager's Report:

Lot Owners' comments, lasting not more than thirty (30) minutes dealing with any agenda item, or at the pleasure of the chair, on any other matter. Maximum time limit for any subject shall be five (5) minutes. You may speak on only one subject one time. Adoption of Minutes: Treasurer's Report: Correspondence: Social Board Report: Reports: Old Business: New Business: Recess Work Session:

### SOCIAL BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING Tuesday • January 23 • 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) ECTORS' MEETING 3 • 1:30 pm • Oasis IDA minutes. Changes to Agenda: Approval of minutes: Correspondence: Club Liaison Reports: Condo Board Liaison Report: Old Business: New Business: Adjournment: Work Session to follow

CONDO BOARD DIRECTORS' WORK SESSION Thursday • January 25 • 9:00 am • Oasis

# 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

# Channel 17 Schedule

Condo Board meetings are shown at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm daily.

Social Board meetings 3:00 pm and 9:00 pm (Time might vary) daily.

# Also available:

Grapevine Church service Other programs

For other program schedules see the scroll on the top of the screen

# MEET THE CONDO BOARD CANDIDATES Tuesday, January 16•7:00 pm Buena Vista Ballroom

AGENDA Introduction of the 2018 Condo Board Candidates Beryl Willerton • Ken Winters • Gail Miller



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# **BIKE OWNERS**

Bicycle Registration is available the first **Saturday** of the month from **11:00 am until 1:00 pm** at the Jumbo Hot Dog Event held in the **Baja Bistro**. This will continue from now until **March 2018**. Bike Owners can also stop by the **Administration Building** during regular business hours to get their bikes registered as well.•

### GOVERNING DOCUMENT VACANCY

This committee is seeking a resident to fill a vacancy that currently exists. The committee meets when assigned to examine our governing documents and provide recommendations to the condominium board for approval. Residents residing in the park during the months of October thru March are preferred. Those interested in serving as a member contact Gene Waters, Bob Bingham, or Ralph Zagrzebski.

# Attention Venture Out Residents:

Please vote for the 3 candidates running for the Condo Board. This is not a waste of time. money, or paper because we just have three candidates on the ballot. The proposition must be approved each year by 51% of the owners for **IRS** purposes.

# SOCIAL BOARD NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee for the Social Board is actively seeking candidates to fill three upcoming vacancies on the Social Board. The election results will be announced at the Annual Meeting of the Social Club on TUESDAY, MARCH 20 in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Please consider being a candidate or if you know of a person who you think would be interested in running for the Board of Directors, please contact the Nominating Committee as listed below. We are also asking all Clubs to consider candidates who are eligible and willing to serve. Thank you.♦

### Vikki Lane Kuntsman 920-246-5340



Elaine Baum 480-218-5121



# OUT-LINES SUBMISSION PROCEDURES The Out-Lines staff reserves the right to correct errors in spelling and grammar, as well as deviations from the style guide.

- Send your submission to outlines@ventureoutrvresort.com
- The deadlines for ALL articles: Noon by the date listed below.

# DUE DATE MONDAY

January 15 January 29 February 12 February 26 March 12

# PUBLISH DATE FRIDAY

January 26 February 9 February 23 March 9 March 23

Hard copy submission forms available in the Activity Office

# **ATTENTION RESIDENTS**

Drivers please use caution when approaching right hand turns, look both ways for bikes and walkers before proceeding with your turn. Everyone needs to do their part to ensure everyone enjoys their time at Venture Out.

Speed Limit in Venture Out is 10 MPH monitored by radar. Fines may be imposed for excess speed.

> Thank You Brandon Fowers Chief of Security

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# EPC Advisory Committee

The EPC is now three years old! We have settled in; the fitness facility, the east pool and the Cabana are being used to much of their potential. The Social Board would like input from members who use these facilities in making future decisions about Social Club purchases. We feel the best way to collect this information is by having an "as needed EPC Advisory Committee." This committee would collect information from users and make recommendation to the Social Board when fixtures and equipment are needed. If you are interested in being on this committee or want to recommend a resident for this committee, please contact Jan Simmons 480-532-2443 for more information.

# SECURITY DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT DECEMBER, 2017 Security Chief, Brandon Fowers 480-832-0200

The Security Staff logged in 6,861 vehicles at the front gate for the month. The total amount of gate access by residents, contractors and visitors totaled 88,823. The total number of cars does not represent the total number of persons inside the cars. The original 88,823 cars should be multiplied by an average of 2 persons, equaling a total of 177,646 people the staff assisted during the month of December.

Outside Guest for Activities – 1820 Medical Alert requiring ambulance - 0,Work Orders - 49, Suspicious persons/activity calls - 6, Alarms - 8 Total Incident Reports - 37, Assistance to residents – 507 911 Calls - 10

Total Violation Notices - 15, Violation letter sent with fines - 1, Parking Violation Notices - 7, CC&R Violation Notices- 3, Speed Violation Notices - 4, Failure to stop Violation Notices -1, Damage to property Reports - 3 Suspicious person(s)/Cars/Events Reports - 6

#### \*Speed Violation Notices does not include warnings given to violators by Security monitoring traffic every day. This is strictly citations served.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF VENTURE OUT AT MESA, INC., A CONDOMINIUM

Pursuant to Article III, Section 2, of the Bylaws of Venture Out at Mesa, Inc., a condominium, the Annual Meeting of members has been called to be held in the Buena Vista Ballroom at Venture Out at Mesa, Inc., 5001 East Main Street, Mesa, Arizona 85205, with the meeting declared officially open at 1:00 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018 for the following purposes:

**ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:** Election of three (3) Directors for the Condominium Board.

The three Directors receiving the largest number of votes will be serving three-year terms. The members leaving the Board are Bruce Johnston, Randy Lopaschuk and Dot Baker.

There is one (1) proposition on the ballot for approval to approve the IRS Revenue Ruling 70-604. Transact all such other business as may properly be presented at this meeting.

Please complete the ballot following the instructions from the Electronic Vote Service Provider, if you have registered to vote electronically. Or place the printed ballot mailed to you in the <u>return</u> envelope and MAIL to the return address on the envelope. <u>Only one ballot per lot in the envelope. All ballots received electronically or by regular mail after 4:00 PM Arizona time the day prior to the Annual Meeting will not be counted. All voting will cease at 4:00 PM the day prior to the annual meeting. The service provider will deliver the electronically tabulated votes to the <u>Venture Out Election Committee Chairman no later than 10:00 AM Arizona time the day of the Annual Meeting.</u> Last minute ballots may be hand-delivered to the Corporate Secretary in the Administration Office before 4:00 P.M. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018. <u>All voting will be by Absentee ballot, either electronic vote or written paper ballot mailed to you; there will be no voting the day of the Annual Meeting.</u></u>

We need your participation to ensure a quorum is present. The Annual Meeting will be declared officially open at 1:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 14, 2018. **The Board encourages all lot owners to vote and to attend the Annual Meeting.** 

January 8, 2018 Pam Byfield Corporate Secretary Venture Out at Mesa, Inc.



Sold Out! There are no longer seats available for any performance.

# BUENA VISTA BALLROOM



**Tickets \$10.00** Deadline Wednesday, January 10 at 10:00 am

Due to lack of ticket sales this event has been cancelled. Refunds can be obtained from the Activity Office. Donated art will be used for another event if not wanted by those who donated.



Sponsored by the Recreation Department



**STLVERSMITH STLENT AUCTION** Over 30 handmade silver items



Silversmith Silent Auction previewed at the January 8 Grapevine! Items are now available for viewing and bidding at the Recreation Open House that afternoon. Be sure to visit our table and start bidding! Following the Open House, Auction items are on display with the bid sheets in the East Side Display Cases at the Baja Bistro until Monday, January 15.

Auction will close after the Grapevine January 15. Don't miss out!

SPONSORED BY THE SILVERSMITH CLUB

Thru January 15 • Baja Bistro Draw Following Grapevine January 15



Flipside-45 is all about the music of the 50's, 60's & 70's. If you like fervent vocals and harmonies, along with the groovy vibe of the Hammond organ, crunchy chiming guitar, wailing sax, pulsing bass and thundering drums, then you are going to love a Flipside -45 dance. The members of Flipside-45 have been entertaining audiences in the Southwest, performing over 500 shows & dances in the past five-plus years.

50/25/25 Raffle Tickets \$10.00 B.Y.O.B. & Glasses • Soda & Popcorn sold \$1.00 each Tickets available from the Activity Office or at the door

Tickets available from the Activity Office or at the door Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Friday • January 12 7:00 – 10:00 pm Buena Vista Ballroom



# Silversmith Make and Take

January 13 is a Make & Take ring class and on January 20 a mens-only Make and Take with three choices of: ring, pendant, or bracelet. Tons of fun for everyone! Only \$20.00 at sign-up in the Silversmith Shop.



Questions? Contact Nicka Lockeman 480-832-9348

Saturday • January 13 & 20 • Silversmith





Class is limited so come by the Studio to sign up today!



Glass Art Club Sponsored

Friday • January 19 9:00 am - Noon Glass Art Studio



The New Year's Eve Bash rocked the block!



# ELECTRONICS CLUB OPEN HOUSE Discover how you can join our Club and save money!

Learn about the latest in tablets, computers and other gadgets. Tour the Electronics Building,

(next door to the Oasis), meet club members and see what the club has to offer!

The Ham Radio Section is part of the club and they will be pleased to show you their facilities as well.

FAX SERVICE AVAILABLE

**FRIDAY • JANUARY 19** 

1:30 - 3:30 PM • OASIS

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CHILI BAR

During Fleas & Bees Sale

MENU Beef & Bean Chili with Choice of **Chopped Onions** Shredded Cheese · Sour Cream Served with Lemonade & Crackers

\$4.75 • Purchase at Event



Plus Ice Cream Drumsticks & Klondike Bars \$1.50 Sponsored by the Croquet Club

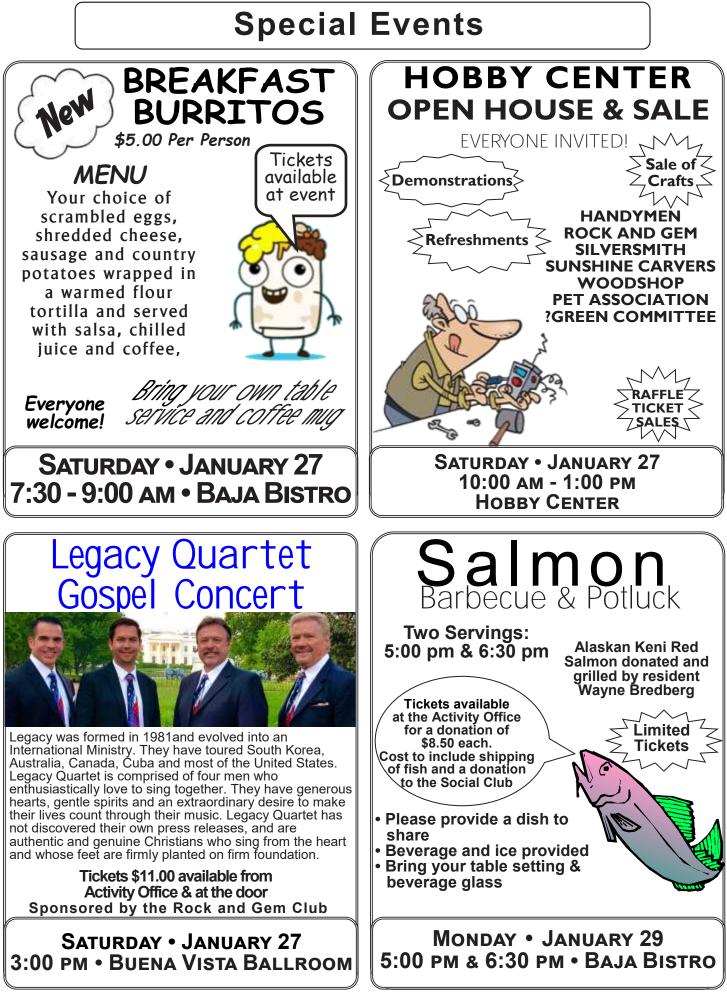
> **THURSDAY • JANUARY 25** 11:00 ам - 1:00 рм **BAJA BISTRO**



Present the flyer found in the next Out-Lines to Tia Rosa's on Friday, January 26 and 15% of your dining bill (excluding liquor) will be contributed to the Venture Out Social Club

**Flyer in Next Out-Lines** Sponsored by the Glass Art Studio

> **FRIDAY • JANUARY 26** 11:00 АМ - 9:00 РМ 891 N HIGLEY RD, GILBERT AZ 480-396-8787



# Paul McDermand in Concert



Paul McDermand has elevated the steel drums and the marimba beyond their Caribbean and Central American roots, with a repertoire that embraces a vast array of standard, Latin, Broadway, and popular works. This talented musician has spent the last 20 years appearing with giants of the entertainment industry from Tony Bennett and Johnny Mathis to Natalie Cole,

Ray Charles and The Moody Blues. Popular pianist Roger Williams and country music legend Eddy Arnold have also praised Paul's recordings for their easy nature, unusual arrangements and exotic beauty. Paul McDermand is not new to the Venture Out stage but if history repeats itself the performance will be a sell out!

# Tickets \$11.00 available from Activity Office & at the door

Sponsored by the Shuffleboard Club

Monday • January 29 7:00 pm • Buena Vista Ballroom

# SUNSHINE CARVERS RAFFLE

Ticket Sales: January 16 - 30 Available at various events in the Baja Bistro

Tickets: \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Many beautifully handcrafted items to be raffled!

On display at the Recreation Open House and in the Baja Bistro Display Case after January 9

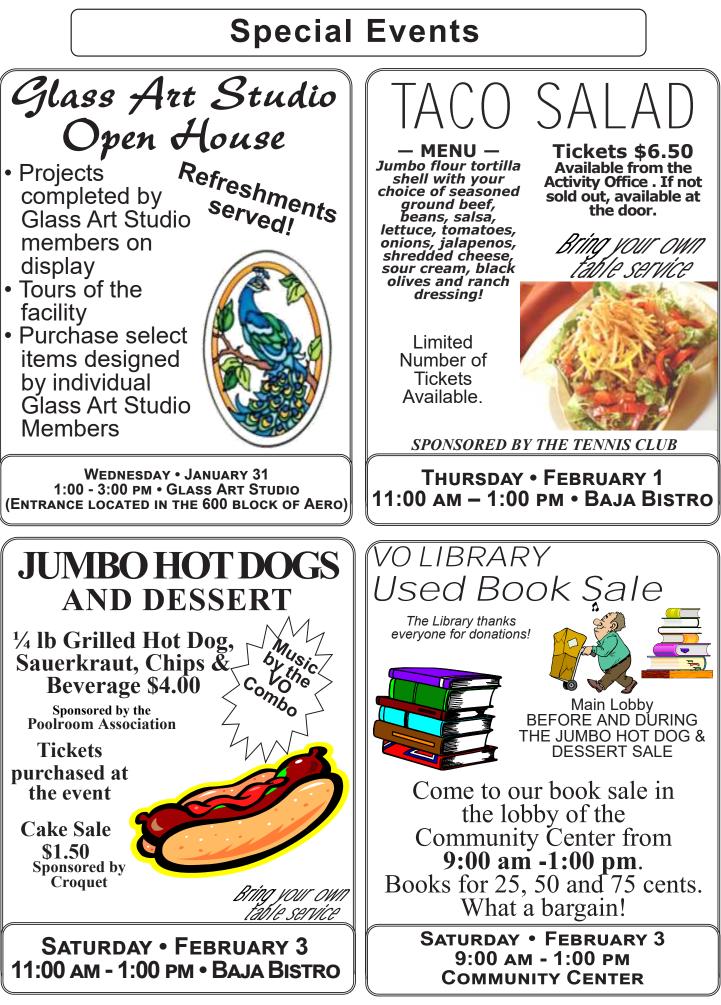
Drawing January 30 at the Ice Cream Social

Tuesday • January 30 Drawing 2:00 pm • Baja Bistro



SPONSORED BY THE BOCCE BALL CLUB

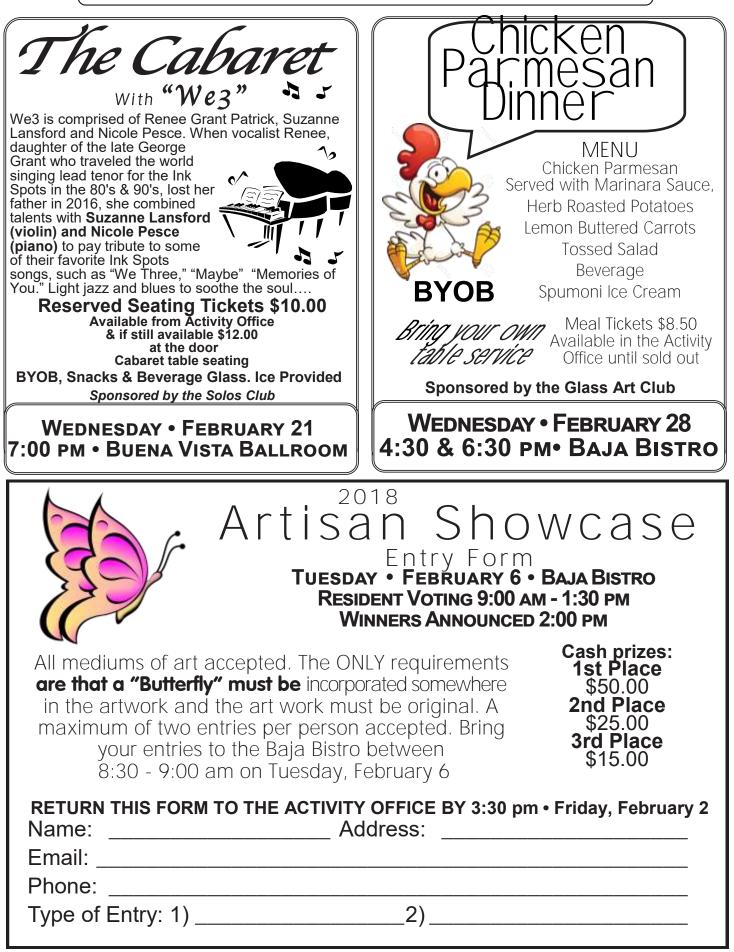
Wednesday • January 31 Bus Departs 7:30 am Bus Loading Zone











# Handymen Service Club



The Handymen Work only for Venture Out, repairing broken items, building cabinets, book cases, shelving, bulletin boards Etc.

### 8-BALL - MIXED COUPLES DOUBLES Marie Austin 480-396-8766

Come join us in our Mixed Couples Doubles Tournament everv Saturday Night, Live. You must be signed up by 6:15 pm as play starts at 6:30 pm. There is a \$1.00 entry fee (no large bills, please). You must be a member to play and have some knowledge of the 8-ball rules. Our Jack and Jill Tournaments are always on the last Saturday of the month wherein you bring your own partner to play. We also have gloves and other accessories for sale. If you have any questions, please call me.

#### ALBERTA PARTY Mary Gilmet 480-924-0878

Calling all Albertans past, present and friends to the annual no-host Alberta party **Saturday, March 10**. Potluck, prizes, music and no charge. Further details and sign-up sheets will be posted in **February** in the **Post Office** hallway.•

#### ART IN THE PARK Vicki Beckmann 780-852-3844 Welcome to Art in the Park. If you are interested in painting and drawing,

please join us at the **Sonoran** on **Thursday** mornings from **9:00 am** to **noon**. Artists working in a variety of mediums at all levels of experience are invited to set up and be inspired. This is not a structured art class but it is time to get motivated and share the joy of creating art. Pastels, pencils, watercolors, acrylics and oils are welcome. Please drop in, and bring your art supplies.

### B.C. PARTY Gloria Flick

**480-396-7914** The B.C. Party is booked at the **Buena Vista Ballroom** for **February 6**. We need someone to take over the event. If you or a group wish to sponsor this event, contact Gloria Flick at 480-396-7914. If no one is interested, the event will be cancelled.

#### BOCCE BALL Kay Hanks 480-751-8828

Happy New Year! Now is a good time to plant a new dream. Come join Bocce Club. Call Sharon Hanson 701-367-6898 for membership sign-up. Lessons are every Wednesday morning at 9:00 am. Country Western Jamboree is January 17 in

CONTACT AN OFFICER FO	R MORE INFO!
President Don Williams	
Vice-Pres Bill Klocke	763-516-6214
Secretary Jim Cox	206-433-6312
Treasurer Tom Croghan	480-924-1577

the **Ballroom**. Bocce Club will host Mesa Regal Bocce Club **January 17**. Play starts at **9:00 am**. There is a sign-up sheet on the clubhouse bulletin board. We want to keep the trophy. Court cleaning every **Wednesday** morning starting at **8:00 am**. Need volunteers. Thank you.

### CONVERSATIONAL GERMAN Lin Rigg

480-218-5024 Welcome back to Conversational German. We meet every **Tuesday** until **March 20** at **1:00** – **3:00 pm** in the **Music Room**. We learn and practice through songs, vocabulary building and sentence construction. It is a very informal gathering.

### CREATIVE WRITING Linda Wallace 208-596-2748

Do you jot down family tales, play around with rhymes and words, or wish you could write about places you've seen and adventures you had? If so -Creative Writing is for you. Join us on **Thursdays** from **1:00 - 3:30 pm** in the **Sonoran**. We share our stories/poems, and give tips for help when needed. For more information, contact Linda Wallace at 616 Merlin.•

### CROQUET Mary Waitrovich

Croquet is a fun game of strategy and skill and Venture Out has a beautiful croquet court available for you, your friends and families. Members offer lessons in singles croquet Wednesday mornings from 10:00 am to Noon. Doubles lessons are offered from 1:00 to 2:30 pm on Wednesdays, as well. On Fridays, organized play is offered at 9:00 am. The croquet court and the equipment are available every day for open play. You do not have to join the club to play. Get practiced up and enter our annual croquet tournament in **February**. Croquet singles tournament will start February 19; the doubles tournament will start on February 26.

#### FIRED CLAY ARTS STUDIO Edna Hopkins 480-830-6341

Want to try something new this year? Check out what is available as a member of Fired Clay Art Studio. Build

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*(Continued from page 17)* with clay, throw on pottery wheel, or relax painting a ceramic piece.

Wednesday, January 17 and January 24 a special class is open to all residents. January 17 you will learn to pour product on a tile creating a unique look. January 24 learn to create beautiful mandala designs using very unique tools. January 17 class is \$25.00 and January 24 is \$20.00. All prices include everything you need. See samples of projects at the Studio. Check ad in Out-Lines for our bake sale.

#### GLASS ART STUDIO Janis Seville 780-940-5416

Happy New Year and welcome back! Member artisans are excited to start working on their awesome projects. We extend a warm welcome to new members and encourage those interested in joining us to drop by the Studio or come see us at the Hobby Center (Glass Art) Öpen House on January 31. Various education sessions are upcoming including the "Make and Take" on January 19 (cost \$20); see the sign-up sheets in the Studio and sign up early as class sizes are limited. Our next Tia Rosa restaurant meal deal fundraiser is January 26.

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

Welcome back, 9-hole golfers! Club membership dues are \$10.00 per year in order to be eligible for prizes, tournament play, and handicap posting. Signups are **Tuesday** mornings at **7:45 am** sharp in the **Sonoran**. There are coordinators for three different courses; John Lloyd, 480-329-1439 for Royal Palms GC on **Tuesdays** starting times at **1:50 pm**; Charney & Pat Jones, 306-688-0309 for Sunland Village GC on **Wednesdays** with a **2:15 pm** shotgun start; Dick & Marj Skinner, 480-924-6164 for Sunland Village East GC starting times at **10:45 am**. Membership dues will be received by our Treasurer, Jack Gehring, at the **Tuesday** morning sign-up meetings.

#### HAM RADIO CLUB Paulette Thompson 480-807-1791

Welcome back, Dick K9DLI and Edie Jones. Thanks to hams who volunteered at the Recreation Open House. Amateur radio license classes have begun at the Electronics Club building. For information call Bob Bingham 480-404-1408. Don't forget the Heart Healthy 5K walk on Tuesday, January 30. To help with the walk, sign up at the next 10:00 am Saturday meeting in the Oasis.

#### HAMS AT HEART Dottie Johnshoy 406-544-1338

Join Hams at Heart at our monthly meeting, Monday, January 15 at 10:10 am in the Auxiliary Ballroom. If you are at the Grapevine on that **Monday**, you might as well come on over and see what's happening at Hams at Heart. We hope to see some new faces. We are busy preparing for our annual show. This year we will showcase the many talents of our Park residents in "VO's Got Talent," February 26 & 27. It's not too early to plan to attend.

HAND FOOT AND TOE TOURNAMENT Tournament play February 7 at 12:30 - 3:00 pm . Every one is welcome come in to get registered to play.

HIKING Valerie Paetz 480-290-8275 Jim Cox 515-999-9554 Meet at the Baja Bistro Mondays at 7:45 am SHARP. Wear hiking boots 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. Hikes may change so please check the post office hallway for updates. January 15: Devil's Canyon Loop. Lunch at Los Hermanos restaurant. 5 mile "C" hike (T&B/W) January 22: Hackberry/ Eight Fingers Loop. From 1st Water trail head to the junction (B/W) to 8 fingers, then (T) to Hackberry Spring and back to trailhead. 7 mile "C" hike.

### ILLINOIS PARTY Karen Bibee 309-230-2527

The Illinois Party will be held in the **Cabana** on **Sunday**, **February 11**. Social hour will be **4:30 to 5:30 pm** with dinner around **5:45 pm**. Please bring your own beverage, table service, and a dish to share (appetizer, salad, vegetable, bread and butter, or dessert). There is a sign-up sheet in the **Post Office** hallway. Coffee, water, ice and meat will be provided. Hope to see you then.

### KITCHEN BAND David Dagenais 708-710-6349 We meet every Monday at 3:00 pm at the Oasis to perfect our technique in humming. Come join us. Life isn't all fun and games, you know.

### LAWN BOWLING Mardal Flynn 431-336-1172

431-336-1172 Start the New Year with the sport of Lawn Bowling. We have lessons on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** at **10:30 am**. Come give it a try. Our games are at **8:45 am and 12:45** pm each day. Come by a little early so we can make the draw. Those who show up - bowl, so not a big commitment. We have lots of fun.....tournaments, pot lucks and visitations with other parks. Come give it a try.

# MEN'S POKER Frank Taggart

480-220-1090 Men's Poker has started. Play starts at 5:50 pm in the Classroom, Monday through Thursday & Saturday and in the Music Room on Fridays. The Classroom is located on the second floor of the Auxiliary Building, above the Activity Office. •

### MICHIGAN GATHERING Ann Diehm 231-878-0614

231-878-0614 Save the date! Our state gathering will be **Friday**, **February 23**. A planning meeting for our party will be **Tuesday**, **January 16** at **4:00 pm** in the **Baja Bistro**. Come and share your talents with us. Door prize donations may be left at 424 Aztec. More information about the gathering to come.

### MINNESOTA GET TOGETHER Linda Hamilton 218-839-5455

Mark your calendar! The Minnesota Get Together is Saturday, February 3, at the Buena Vista Ballroom. The tickets are on sale at the Monday Grapevine and the Tuesday ice cream social. The \$15.00 ticket includes music, catered dinner, door prizes and 50/50 draw. Donated door prizes can be dropped off at 820 Debonair. The theme this year is celebrating the Minnesota Vikings. So wear your purple and gold!

#### MONTANA PARTY Janet McCabe 406-789-7471 Sunday, January 28 at 5:00 pm in Ballroom. Catered dinner with music to dance, BYOB and appetizers. Also \$\$ for raffles and Silent Auction. Tickets are \$15.00 and available from the following: Barb Abar 480-404-1234; Raenelle Lees 406-370-3643; Betsy Klofstad 480-854-8883; and Connie Meyer 406-480-9100.•

#### NORTH DAKOTA PARTY Pat and Walt Just

480-325-0138 The North Dakota party will be held Tuesday, February 27, at the Oasis. It will be pot luck with ham being provided. Happy hour is at **4:30 pm** with dinner at 5:15 pm. A sign-up sheet is on the wall at the Post Office. Please let the committee know what you plan to bring. Five dollars will be collected at the door to cover costs. Bring your own table service and beverage. Coffee will be provided. Please wear your VO name badge. Anyone from North Dakota in the past or presently is welcome to attend.

### ONTARIO PARTY Laura Pratt 480-396-7972

480-396-7972 Come on out to celebrate being from Ontario. This event will be held Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 5:00 pm in the Oasis. Please bring your own table service and beverage. Sign up in the Post Office hallway and select an appetizer or dessert to bring. If you have any prize donations, please let us know. Looking forward to seeing you there!•

### **OREGON PARTY** 2018 **Judy Sell** 503-407-0182 The OREGON PARTY for all Oregonians is set for Saturday, February 10 at 5:00 pm in the Oasis. Tickets will be sold January 16, 23, 30 and February 6 in the Baja Bistro during the **Tuesday** ice cream socials. Ticket cost is not set yet, but should be \$10 per person or less. At the Rib Party in **November**, we decided to go with a Chinese Cuisine dinner this vear. We will need to have a final ticket sales count no later than Tuesday, February 6 in order to place our order for dinner. Please bring a small wrapped gift for our gift exchange, plus money for the 50/50 raffle. The gift theme is "Gifts from Oregon". Call Judy Sell at 503-407-0182 if you have any questions.

#### P.E.O. SOCIAL Susie Griffith 303-960-8230

All active P.E.O.s in **Venture Out** (and from other states) are invited to join us at Rosa's Restaurant on 3029 E. McKellips Road for our first Social in the New Year. We will coordinate rides with Karen Merckx and leave VO at **11:20 am** on **January 22**. Lunch will be at 11:30 am. If you plan to attend, please call Cheryl Spear at 480-924-4431 by January 21. Call Karen Mercks at 608-778-9334 if you need a ride. Social outings are always fun because you get to sample new restaurant's fare. Bon Appetit! See you there!

### PICKLEBALL FOR SALE Paul Raths 480-685-1185

For Sale – used Pickleball nets. Set includes nets, net posts and cables - \$50.00. If interested contact Ron Stiers at 319-321-4435.•

### PICKLEBALL Toni Nelson 603-381-8484

Happy New Year! Welcome new arrivals. If you're not already a Pickleball player or member, become one. Beginner Lessons every Wednesday and Thursday **11:00 am**. Sign up at the courts. OPEN court play is available all day on several courts. Club T-shirts for sale. Next events, Potluck January 14, general meeting January 17, Root Beer Floats January 24, and the infamous California Dreaming Party January 30. Get specific details at www.vopickleball.com. Pickleball continues growing nationwide. It's challenging, fun, great exercise for all ages! So, paddle up and play.

### ROCK AND GEM Sue Nobles 505-205-7894

Our Gospel Concert is January 27 at 3:00 pm. Get your tickets. January 27 is our open house from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. Come see what our club offers. February 14 is our Mahi Mahi Dinner. We will be having Happy Hour at **5:00 pm**. Dinner will be served at **5:30 pm**. We will be having only one seating this year. Our next business meeting is **February 5** at **9:00 am**.

## SASKATCHEWAN PARTY

Nancy Welykholowa 306-590-8302 SK Party is on **Tuesday**, February 13 in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Dinner catered by Zappone's Italian Restaurant. Entertainment by SK singer Doug Bailey. Ticket sales DEADLINE: **Tuesday**, February 6. Ticket sales start at all Grapevines starting January 15, all Ice Cream Socials starting January 16, and the Hamburger BBQ Saturday, January 20. See you all there for fun, food and entertainment!

SCRABBLE Carol Lid 480-358-7891 We play Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. Contact Carol Lid for more details. •

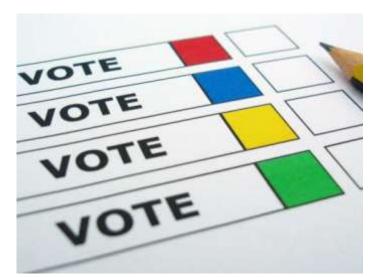
### SEWING ROOM Carol Lid 480-358-7891

Welcome back from the holidays! Several classes are planned for the New Year. Check the board and sign up. Next AZB4K is **January 15** with potluck at **12:00 noon**. Our sidewalk sale is **February 10**. Sale items are needed and helpers for it (table toppers in particular).

#### SHUFFLEBOARD Dan Stuehrenberg 480-325-4880

Come watch some of the best players in the valley during **Venture Out's** Any Doubles Tournament **January 15-18**. No lessons

# 2018 Condo Bo



ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION Wednesday February 14 1:00 pm Buena Vista Ballroom





**Beryl Willerton**, I reside at **620** Aztec normally spending 6 months a year in Venture Out. During my 10 years at Venture Out I've volunteered in the Activity Office, spent 3 years on the Condo Board, and headed up a few committees and various other volunteer activities. I'm presently chairing the Condo Board Adhoc committee tasked with combining the information from the Hultsman Study with the input gathered from the Condo Board Committees and the Social Board. Once completed the committee will provide the Condo Board with a consolidated look at the information gathered during the survey and ready the findings for the creation of a new long range plan.

I retired from the Canadian Government in 2006 with 28 years of service, having held various positions including several supervisory and management positions. During 4 years I spent in Europe with my husband, I managed a tour and travel service for the Canadian Military and their families stationed in Europe. I spent my time researching, planning, and coordinating day trips and long tours throughout Europe, negotiating and contracting all the required services such as hotel rooms, tour guides, ferries, special events, etc. I scheduled our buses and drivers, as well as supervised the office staff. Prior to going to Europe I spent some time in sales management with responsibility for recruiting, training, motivating, and increasing sales year over year.

I love helping people and believe that we must provide our residents with what they need to be healthy in both mind and body. I feel that my skills would be an asset to the board and the residents of Venture Out. If I am elected I will come to the board with no hidden agenda. I simply want to do my part in keeping Venture Out as the premier park in the area.

# oard Nominees



Ken Winters, 501 Aztec, a VO visitor since 1995, has been an owner since 2005. He resides in the park for 5-6 months each year.

Ken is a member of the Pickleball, Tennis and Bocce Ball Clubs. He has served as a member of the Infrastructure Committee since 2013, and oversees the park solar systems. He has a 'food handler' certificate and assists various clubs with preparing for lunches and dinners. He has assisted with the vote counting for the Social Board elections and oversaw the election committee in 2017. Ken is a past Trustee (3 years) for his Homeowner's Association in Plymouth, MA. He has a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Massachusetts. He is a veteran of the US Army Security Agency.

Ken spent 38 years with the US Postal Service, 25 years in Management and the final 12 in the Career Executive Service. Ken was the Plant Manager, Boston, MA Processing Center, and for eight years before his retirement, served as the Area Manager, Operations, for the Eastern Area, encompassing the states of PA, WV, OH, DEL, KY, and southern NJ. In this capacity Ken oversaw a management staff of over 100, and was responsible for Processing, Delivery and Transportation programs. In addition, his immediate staff included Maintenance, Emergency Management, Security, and Environmental Compliance. He chaired the Area Capital Investment Committee, responsible for major facility projects. Other duties: budget allocation, staffing, and oversight of daily postal operations. Ken has met with Congressional, State and municipal officials regarding the impacts of postal facilities and operations. He has met with national and local union officers, and management organization officials, providing briefings on programs, and contractual compliance.

Ken's experience on the Infrastructure Committee has reinforced with him the critical importance of maintaining and improving the park, specifically drainage, lighting, streets, phone/cable and the overall maintenance and repair of park assets. He understands the need to integrate long-term planning projects with the ongoing infrastructure repair and maintenance issues, with a focus on financial responsibility. His primary concern is that the Condo Board and various park committees continue to provide the residents with detailed, factual, and unbiased information, enabling everyone to make informed decisions.



Gail Miller, 103 Navajo, my occupational and community service background includes: 25 Years in the insurance business, 7 years as a General Contractor/ Home Builder, Volunteer fireman, Planning Commissioner for the cities of Sisters and Warrenton, Oregon, City Council member for the City of Sisters. Head Usher/Deacon for my Church, Charter member and President of the DPMA chapter at Linn-Benton Community College where I earned an Associate of Science degree. I have been married to my wife Jean for 29 years and we have 7 children, 13 grandchildren and our dog Ellie May. We summer in Bend, Oregon.

When we decided to try the Arizona lifestyle we bought a park model at Mesa Regal where we lived for 5 years. During that time, we spent quite a bit of time at Venture Out as we have family in the park. We decided in December 2015 to sell our home at Mesa Regal and buy a home at Venture Out. It was the best decision we have ever made. After living in a corporate-owned park, where rent went up and services down each year, the decision to move to Venture Out was very easy. Moving to a Park where we have shared common facilities, activities, great people and a VOTE has been so refreshing.

I currently serve on the Common Facilities Planning Committee and am a member of the Long- Range Planning Ad-Hoc Committee. I also belong to the Pickleball Club.

I decided to apply to the Condo Board to give back to our community. I so enjoy living at Venture Out and believe that with the skills/experience that I have with my background that I can meaningfully contribute to our community. I would be honored to serve as a Condo Board Member.

(Continued from page 19) or regular play during this tournament. Top your baked potato with your choice of butter, sour cream, cheese, chili, salsa, onions, and bacon at the Loaded Baked Potato lunch on Tuesday, January 16. Volunteers needed at the courts and in the kitchen for this tournament. Look for postings and sign-up sheets at the courts. Lessons resume Wednesday, January 24, at 9:15 am and novices Thursday, January 25 at 9:15 am. Congratulations to recent Gold Cap winners Joe Eqli and Anne Strain!

#### SILVERSMITH CLUB Pat Pain 480-396-6517

Also, our Silver Auction will have started and will end on January 15 after Gabfest. The items will be on display in the Baja Bistro in the display cases and bid sheets will be attached to the counter below. Bid regularly and often. Our next Make and Take (a ring) will be held on January 13. Come in and register as we still have more spots open. The Men's Make and Take will be January 20. They still have spots open regularly. Richard is ready to teach any new members that want to come in. See you there.

### SING 'N STRUM Merle Heise 480-830-5951

Please join us in the **Auxiliary Ballroom** every **Thursday** evening at **7:00 pm** if you play a stringed instrument of any kind. We play familiar songs to chorded music. Call Merle for more info.• SOLOS David Dagenais 708-710-6349 Solos is a club built for the single, young at heart. Give us a try. We meet every Thursday at the Oasis. 4:00 to 5:00 pm is meet, greet and drink. 5:00 pm is time for our potluck dinner. We carpool to places and events outside VO. So if you have any ideas, let's put them in action.

SONS OF ISSACHAR STUDY **Bob Burkhart** 360-652-0444 Wednesday's 7:55 to 9:30 am – Cabana Room East Pool – study of Bible Prophecy. Everyone welcome! DVD presentations from notable Christian authors, pastors and speakers. Prophecy is estimated to be 27% of the Bible. And it proves without a doubt, that the Bible is God's word. We are told to watch for signs that precede God's redemptive work. What are you watching for? There are many things to be watching for. Come join others also interested in Bible prophecy to learn and share.

# SPADES

**Thursday 7:00 pm** in the **Sonoran**. Want to have fun playing cards? Join us every Thursday for this simple card game.

#### SPLASHERS Robbie Oldemar 480-396-9987

Want to have some fun in the pool? Join us in the West Pool on Monday, Wednesday and Friday – 1:00-2:30 pm for a rip rousing good time. We laugh, joke and even play a little volleyball! We also have a few Coyote Coupon Books left. For information or to purchase a book - Call Robbie 480-396-9987.•

### STITCH AND CHAT Dianne Gilbert 480-993-7794

We welcome all the people coming in January to our group. We meet Thursday mornings from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Mojave Room. We are not teachers but can certainly get you started on a project. Thanks to all of you who donated to the Christmas Angel program. Keep February 22 on your calendar for our lunch at Crackers & Co.•

### SUNSHINE CARVERS Bill Lees 406-531-5657

Building Q – where chips still happen and gourds become art! January 15 is the Make and Take Gourd Class - \$20.00 dues and \$5.00 materials. Pay in advance at Club. January 20 carving class – peachfaced doves. \$xx materials charge. January 16 -Annual Club and Officers meeting. January 27 -Hobby Center Open House. A busy time with more winter residents showing up. Drop in and make new friends, learn new techniques, or see what's hidden in a block of wood or what a gourd may become, fueled by imagination and creativity. Thank you, Wood Shop, for the retired band saw. It's great!

### TABLE TENNIS / PING PONG Al Manter 253-584-6307

We are looking forward to the New Year when we hope to have more members join our club. We play Table Tennis Monday, Tuesday and Friday at the Auxiliary Ballroom from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Thursday we play from 3:00 until 5:15 pm and Saturday from 9:00 am until noon. **Sunday** is open play from 9:00 am until 2:30 pm. Also, there are 2 outdoor table tennis tables that are available for use every day. They are located behind the laundromat near the tennis courts 7 & 8. Our dues are very reasonable at \$5.00 a season.

### TENNIS CLUB Janice Schwartz 507-251-9384

We have a great social week starting Wednesday, January 17 with 4:00 pm happy hour on the veranda followed by our dinner dance Saturday, January 20 in the ballroom. So be sure to buy your \$8 ticket. League play needs your weekly check for availability and then initial for team play. 75+ tennis at VO January 13 and 20. Our club had 7 winning teams at Viewpoint's holiday mixed tournament. Congrats to gold medal winners Carol Ann Elliott and Stan Johnson plus Danny Garinger and Jean Davis. Beginner free lessons every Monday at 3:30 pm on court 5. Details at votennisclub.com.

**TUESDAY EVENING** LADIES BIBLE STUDY Lauran Decker 702-659-0765 January 9 through February 20, Cabana in the Venture Out East Pool Complex 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Program - Music, Praises, Prayer, Table Discussion and Video. January 16 through February 20 -Entrusted by Beth Moore, a six-session study of 2 Timothy. The Entrusted study book is available at LifeWay Bookstore in Mesa or through your local resource. If you did not attend the 2017 study, please contact me to reserve a 2018 spot! Lauran Decker (702) 659-0765, 910 Debonair, Lauran1945@yahoo.com

### WANTED - PIANO PLAYER lan Stenberg 480-452-3707

Happy Harpers are in need of a piano player, part or full time. Unfortunately, Gary Gunn has had to return to Canada for medical reasons and he is going to be greatly missed. Anyone interested contact lan Stenberg 480-452-3707.

### WIDOWS FELLOWSHIP Laurie Horan 480-993-7878

Welcome back, all widows. We will be having our Widows Fellowship potluck lunch on Wednesday, January 24 from 11:45 am to 1:15 pm in the Activity Office Conference Room, located at the end of the Breezeway on the left. Please bring a dish to share and BYOTS. Beverage will be provided. Call Laurie at 480-993-7878 for questions about our group. We are open to all widows.

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

The following is a list of upcoming books we will be reviewing: Angry Housewives Eating Bon Bons by Linda Landvik-January 12. The Underground Raiload by Colson Whitehead-January 26. Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress by Dai Sijie-February 9. Our meetings are held on Friday mornings at 9:30 in the Mojave Room. New members welcome.•

### WOODSHOP John Fuller 480-628-3019

Welcome new and old members. Membership is \$30.00 for the season. January 15 is the deadline for completing a one-hour safety orientation which is compulsory this year. January 29 and 30 will be our blowdown cleanup for December. The third Wednesday of every month is our membership meeting at 3:45 pm in the woodshop. Saturday, January 27 is our open house for the hobby shops. The woodshop raffle is February 19. Please help with blowdown, cleanup and in making items for the raffle. Knife sharpening will be Wednesdays from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. No serrated blades. \$1.00 each knife.•

# GOLF SIGN-UPS

### 18-HOLE COURSES 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 John Lloyd 480-329-1439

# SUNLAND VILLAGE

Play Wednesdays 2:15 pm Shotgun Start Charney & Pat Jones 306-688-0309

#### 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

Jack Gehring 574-536-3366

President Judy Sell 503-4070182

# **CARDS & GAMES**

31 Wed • 7:00 pm • Sonoran 500 Tue • 1:00 pm • Sat 7:00 pm Mojave **American Hand & Foot** Sat • 1:00 - 4:00 pm Sonoran **Court Whist** Sun • 6:30 pm • Sonoran **Duplicate Bridge** Wed • 6:00 pm Fri & Sat • 12:00 noon Mojave Room Hand Foot & Toe Wed. • 12:15 pm • Mojave Mah Jongg Tue • 6:30 pm Music Room Men's Poker M-Th & Sa • Classroom F • Music Room • 5:50 pm Pan Sat • 8:30 am • Classroom Mon • 1:00 pm • Classroom **Social Bridge** Thur • 1:00 pm Sun • 6:00 pm Mojave **Spades** Thur • 7:00 pm • Sonoran Women's Texas Hold 'em Sun • 6:30 pm • Baja Bistro



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Happy New Year from Venture Out!



# Tuesday POTLUCK Dinner & Entertainment Featuring **"Native American** Flute"

Are you intrigued by the beautiful sounds of the Native American Flute? Larry & Vickie from Song Within will engage you in an informal demonstration, performance and discussion to get YOU playing the Native style flute. No formal lessons, music background or knowledge required! Curious? Join these talented musicians to see if the native style flute resonates with your spirit!



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

Tuesday • January 23 5:00 pm • Baja Bistro

### 7:30 AM WATER EXERCISE Robbie Oldemar 480-396-9987

Wake up and exercise at 7:30 am in the West Pool. Come join us Monday thru Friday for gentle aerobic exercise and a lot of fun. It is a great way to start the day with a fun group of people. Questions? Contact Robbie or any member of the 7:30 group. See you there!•

#### ADVANCED LINE DANCE Cindy Gould 308-830-3383

Advanced Line Dance class will teach true intermediate level line dances. This class is for those who love the dances taught the last half hour of the intermediate level line dance class already offered in the park. Wednesdays in the Auxiliary Ballroom. Lessons from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. Open floor request music and dances from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. Come join the fun dances and fun music. Free!

### AEROBICS & NOODLES WEST POOL Marie Austin 480-396-8766

Water Aerobics with music and noodles starting at 8:45 am at the West Pool, Monday through Saturday. These classes are free, so come and join us in our Warm, Wet and Wonderful Water, and stay Fit and Fabulous with us. And remember, exercises done in the water are less stressful on the body and produce great results. If you have any questions, please call me. Don't forget, Wednesday is National Hat Day at the West Pool!

### BALLS, BANDS AND BALANCE CLASS Ann Marie Henry 480-205-5942

Balance, coordination and core strength are linked to improved posture and mobility as well as fall prevention. Come join in the fun! Exercises can be performed standing or seated in a chair. Wear comfortable clothes and athletic shoes. This class is suitable for all fitness levels. Please bring yourself, a band if you have one and water. Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 to 10:45 am in the Cabana at the EPC. \$4 per class. Please contact me with any questions. Hope to see you there.

BEADING Loralee Campbell 503-680-9136 Classes are every Monday and Friday from 1:30 - 4:00 pm in the Sonoran. Beading Kits are available for purchase. These include everything you need to complete the project. Prices range from \$10.00-\$25.00. Must sign up on sign-up genius to attend classes. Contact Loralee to get on the mailing list. Drop in begins at 2:30 pm for anyone wanting to complete projects from previous classes. New kits will always be available. Hope vou can come and join us!

### BEGINNING SWIM LESSONS Shirlee J. Flug 602-538-2959

Lessons are for people who are uncomfortable or afraid in the water. Class size is limited. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the **EPC**. Classes to be held on **Tuesday** or **Wednesday**. Looking forward to working with you!•

### EAST POOL WATER AEROBICS Elma Becker 480-695-7222

These exercises are gentle but effective if you are rehabbing a new joint. The water resistance helps to loosen the joint. The workout is designed to raise your cardio and also you may lose some pounds if you work hard. Plus, you will make new friends for life. Come join us at 9:00 and 10:00 am Monday to Saturday. So come and join us. Elma Becker 480-695-7222

#### FREE BEGINNER'S TENNIS CLINIC Joan Logan 403-851-0506

Are you seeking a new and fun way to get fit? Then come join our free clinic and give tennis a try! Learn a new sport and also develop a special community of friends. Lessons then will continue all season on Mondays at 3:30 pm. Date: Saturday, January 13, Time: 10:00 am. to 12:00 noon- followed by a free lunch Place: Courts 7 and 8 near front gate Please bring: sports footwear, comfortable clothing and racquet (if you have oneotherwise they will be provided.) To Register: Call Joan Logan at 403 851-0506 or Holly Beattie at 701 -866-8873 by Jan. 11, 2018•

### FREE DRAWING CLASS Annette Ripplinger

503-267-2000 Every Wednesday, starting January 24 from 10:00 am to noon in the Sonoran. Bring a pencil, paper, eraser, and a smile. We'll practice a different subject every week chosen by the class. Last year we drew faces, palms, vegetables, umbrellas, cacti, trees, and landscapes, in the park and out of the park. Classes start with a 30-minute lesson filled with pointers and examples, leaving 90 minutes to practice on site, weather permitting. Are you a total beginner? Not to worry! Your classmates are really supportive. Emphasis will be on observation, composition and technique.•

### HARDANGER EMBROIDERY Shirley Boyken 480-924-2703

Hardanger Embroidery, what is it? It is a counted thread embroidery done on even weave fabric using Pearl Cotton threads. We would love to have you join us when classes resume in January. We will be meeting once a week from Tuesday, January 2 until the end of March. Class is held from 1:00 to 3:30 pm in the Sonoran. If you're a beginner, the beginning kit is \$15. Intermediate and advanced students are welcome. Class fee for the 3 months of January -March is \$35. For questions please contact the instructor, Shirley Boyken 480-924-2703.

### HARMONICA LESSONS lan Stenberg 480-452-3707

Happy Harpers is giving Harmonica lessons on January, 12, 17, 19 and 24. Lessons will be in the Music Room at 1:00 pm for one hour each day. There is also the opportunity to play with the Happy Harpers. Students will need a diatonic harmonica in the key of C. The harmonica and lessons are available at a total cost

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### INTRO TO WEIGHT TRAINING Ann Marie Henry 480-205-5942

Three One-Hour Sessions for \$135: a personalized fitness program to help you improve your mobility, strength, balance, coordination, aerobic capacity or flexibility. Each workout will be different and will include weight machine set up, use of cable and free weights and functional exercises. By appointment only and sessions to be conducted in the EPC. Please contact me for more information.

LEARN TO DANCE WITH SHALL WE DANCE! Mona Brandt 480-491-2393 info@shallwedancephoenix. com

shallwedancephoenix.com Mona Brandt is back on Monday afternoons in the Auxiliary Ballroom, and will make learning to dance fun and easy. Whether you are new to dancing, or have danced before and want to brush up, these group lessons are for you. From 1:00 - 1:50 pm is the very popular West Coast Swing basics class, learn from the beginning. From 1:50 -2:40 pm is beginning Ballroom, learning the Waltz and Foxtrot. From 2:40 - 3:30 pm is beginning Latin, Cha Cha and Rumba. Take 1. 2 or all 3 classes! Each class is \$7/ person. 2 or more classes on the same day, for \$5/ person per class. No

partner necessary, Singles and Couples welcome.••

### LINE DANCING Liz Johnson 712-298-4019 Line dancing, Auxiliary Ballroom, Thursday Beginners 12:30 pm; intermediate 1:15 pm. Last week we danced to Boot Shooting Bogey, Broadwalk and Rock and Roll waltz. Contact Liz Johnson for information.

### MASSAGE THERAPY Maryanne Schuster 210-287-4719

It's another Christmas season in the Vallev of the Sun. I am excited for this year. Keep in mind massage therapy is a costeffective therapy that can greatly improve patients with muscular pain. Massage therapy is more cost effective than other specialists in improving physical function pain. Massage as a preventive or routine maintenance is a valuable investment. What a wonderful gift, the gift of health. Massage gift certificates are available Monday – Saturday. \$50.00 an hour. Call Maryanne to schedule your massage..

### PERSONAL FITNESS TRAINING Ann Marie Henry 480-205-5942

If you are looking for a personalized fitness program to help you improve your mobility, strength, balance, coordination, aerobic capacity or flexibility, I am ready to help. Or, if you are comfortable working out, I can also design a custom program for you to do on your own. One-on-one sessions, partner sessions, small group sessions and program design will be conducted in the **Cabana** at the **EPC**. Hours are by appointment only. Prices vary. Please contact me for more information.

### POOL LESSONS Sharon Ellis 602-524-3769

Pool lessons will be held every Thursday from 4:00 until 5:00 pm. The sessions will attempt to address individual needs depending on the size of the classes and the number of instructors available. There is no charge or signup but we encourage you to become a member of the poolroom association which is only \$5.00 per season. The instructors for these sessions are John Jones (Lead instructor), Wayne Nagel, Jack Botsford, Mike Ellis and Sharon Ellis.

### QIGONG Pamela Halpin 480-231-1038

New year, new beginnings, new you! Try a class to start something new and give yourself the gift of health and mindfulness. Qigong Class is on Wednesdays in the Cabana room from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Wear comfortable clothing. Qigong is a moving meditation done standing or sitting and honoring your own body's ability to move. Qigong are ancient Chinese practices that promote health, vitality and longevity. Mind-body practices of posture, breathing, and gentle movement to activate the 'relaxation response' which helps us to use the natural healing capabilities in our bodies. Each class is \$5.00.

### ROUND DANCE Lori Harris 480-664-0805

You can learn to dance at VO in the New Year! Our 5week jive/swing class for beginners is **1:00 - 3:00 pm** starting Tuesday, January 2, and our 6-week cha cha class for beginners is 10:00 am - noon starting Thursday, January 4. Both classes are held in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Learn the basic steps, gain a better understanding of music, and practice leading and following. Dancing is fun and exciting in our beautiful ballroom! A weight -bearing exercise, dancing is also good for our bones. \$8 per couple. Singles are welcome, too..

#### STONE CARVING Jean Bachynsky 480-907-5910

Stone Carving begins on **January 2**. Come and find your bear among the rocks at the **Lapidary** shop. All returning carvers are welcome as well. See you there!•

### 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 vou 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 FREE!..

# **Bike Owners**

Bicycle Registration is available again this season the first Saturday of the month from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm at the Patio behind the laundry at Tennis Courts 7 & 8.

TAI CHI Kathy Smith 403-547-2359 Tai chi resumed practice on January 3. Hours are 9:00 am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Auxiliary Ballroom. Best wishes for a happy and peaceful 2018.•

#### WEIGHT WATCHER Sue Ruthstrom 602-248-0303

Lose weight with Weight Watchers. Join us for a new 10 week series beginning January 18, 2018 @ 3:45 pm in the Sonoran. \$130 for 10 Week Program.•

## WEST POOL 10:00 WATER EXERCISE Jan Smith 612-280-4673

We're up and running. Having fun while getting in a wee bit of exercise. Only requirement – suits and smiles. See you soon.

### YOGA AT VENTURE OUT Vikki Lane Kunstman 920-246-5340

The amazing benefits of regular Yoga practice continue to pour in from multiple sources, stating the many varied benefits of Yoga. Come and discover for yourself at 7:15 am or 11:15 am in the Auxiliary Ballroom. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch yoga mat. Yoga practice includes breath work, physical poses (asanas) and relaxation (savasana). If you are new to yoga, take time to sit and watch before participating. Yoga is unique in integrating the mind, body, and spirit; and also builds strength, flexibility, and body control. Through individual practice, you will experience the benefits, including the positive effect on respiratory, digestive and cellular functioning. Come experience Yoga for yourself. Free! •••

#### ZUMBA GOLD Michelle Dulansky 818-268-1410

818-268-1410 Zumba Gold is a highenergy, low-impact dance fitness class featuring Latin and World Rhythms. No dance experience required. Easy to follow steps and routines designed to help you keep moving, burn calories and most important have fun. Only \$5 a class, come join the party Mondays at 8:00 am and Wednesdays at 12:00 pm in the Cabana. Instructor Michelle Dulansky....

## EXERCISE CLASSES Co-ed Exercise 7:25 am • Mon - Fri **BV Ballroom East Pool Water Aerobics** 9:00 am • Mon - Sat **East Pool Water Aerobics** 10:00 am • Mon - Fri **Exercise at the West Pool** 7:30 am • Mon - Fri Exercise with Noodles at the West Pool 8:45 am • Mon - Fri Free Beginners Tennis Clinic 1:15 -3:15 pm • Mon Courts 7 & 8 Lap Swimming (every day) 6:00-8:30 am • East Pool 7:00-8:00 pm • West Pool Pickleball Lessons Wed & Thur 11:00 am 12:00 pm **Pickleball Courts Qigong** 10:30-11:30 am • Wed Cabana **Stretch & Tone** 8:00 am • Mon - Fri Buena Vista Ballroom Tai Chi 10:00 am • M,W,F Aux Ballroom Water Walking 6:00 - 7:30 am • West Pool West Pool Water Exercise 10:00 - 11:00 am • M-F **Zumba Gold** Mon • 8:00 am Wed • 12:00 pm • Cabana

# KNOW YOUR GYM



Fitness Volunteers are available to demonstrate the proper use of the exercise equipment available in the EPC Fitness Center:

# Monday - Friday 8:00 to 10:00 am

Look for individuals at the EPC desk wearing a "Volunteer" badge. Please understand these are volunteers not certified trainers.

# Monday - Friday 8:00 - 10:00 am Fitness Center at the EPC



Flaunting those smooth moves at the New Year's Eve Bash



**Do Your Eyeglasses** Need to be Adjusted?

Resident Barbara Hauck has volunteered to adjust your glasses if they are not comfortable or fitting just right. She will clean your glasses with a special cleaning solution and send you on your way with smudge-free and clear vision.

# Fridays • 9:30-10:30 am Therapy Room #2 (EPC)

Zappone's Italian Cooking Class Conducted by Chef Salvatore Zappone of Zappone's Italian Bistro

# "Romantic Italy"

Tuscan Stuffed Mushrooms Filet & Lobster Tail Truffle Whipped Potatoes Bittersweet Chocolate Tart **BYO Wine - Ice Tea & Water Provided** 



Monday February 12 11:00 am in the Sonoran 20 person Minimum 30 person Maximum

\$40.<sup>00</sup> includes instruction, lunch & recipes Sign up & pay in the Activity Office **Deadline 10:00 am, Friday, February 9** 

# FRIDAY SEMINAR **"Terrorism and the FBI"**



Do you know how many terrorist attacks in the US have ties to Arizona? The first ISIS attack actually originated in Arizona; three of the men believed to have hijacked the jet that slammed into the Pentagon lived and learned to fly in Arizona. A fourth suspect, on the plane that crashed in Pennsylvania,

also had an Arizona address. FBI Special Agent Todd Kopcha, who heads the Arizona Joint Terrorism Task Force, will be at Venture Out to provide insight into the ideology strictly adhered to by the Islamic State, Al Qaeda and Home Grown Violent Extremist (HVE) supporters. He will share his experiences as well as other information regarding Arizona's ties to terrorism.

# Friday • January 12 1:30 pm • Auxiliary Ballroom



High blood pressure, also known as hypertension, is a repeatedly elevated blood pressure exceeding **140 over** 



**90** mmHg. Have your blood pressure checked by volunteers on Mondays in the main Lobby of the Community Center.

Volunteers with blood pressure measuring experience needed to assist

Blood pressure check Every Monday 9:45 - 11:15 am Community Center Lobby

# CANADIAN SNOWBIRD

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CSA Western Canada Director to provide an informative talk on...

- Number of days out of the country
- Forms to fill out
- Cross-border
  issues
- Retired Persons Visa
- Question and Answer Period
- Free! All Canadians welcome

Monday • January 15 10:00 am • Buena Vista Ballroom

# "Christians vs Politics?"

We have all heard the phrase "religion and politics don't mix". But is this really true? The Bible is full of examples of people of faith who surely "mixed" their faith with real life politics. The biblical Esther took on the wicked Haman, the prophet Nathan challenged the sins of King David and John the Baptist lost his head

(literally) for questioning the morality of King Herod. So when is it necessary and prudent to question power? When is it proper for people of faith to call into question the morality (or lack of morality) in our elected leaders as well as others in positions of power and governance? Venture Out resident Pastor Paul Harrington will address this timely issue from both a historical and theological perspective.



Friday • January 19 1:30 pm • Auxiliary Ballroom

# "Thursday health seminar"

Have you been considering dental implants? Join Dr. Eric Pease and his implant specialist to discover what is involved. Dental implants are metal posts or frames that are surgically positioned into the jawbone beneath your gums. Once in place, they allow your dentist to mount replacement teeth onto them. Because



implants fuse to your jawbone, they provide stable support for artificial teeth. Dentures and bridges mounted to implants won't slip or shift in your mouth — an especially important benefit when eating and speaking. This secure fit helps the dentures and bridges — as well as individual crowns placed over implants — feel more natural than conventional bridges or dentures.

# THURSDAY • JANUARY 18 1:00 pm • The Cabana (EPC)

# Healthy Eating Cooking Class Conducted by Chef Joseph Turley

\$20.<sup>00</sup> includes instruction, samples & recipes Sign up & pay in the Activity Office

# Gluten Free Baking



This two-hour course will cover three recipes: biscuits, cookies and brioche - for breakfast, desserts and everything in between. You will learn about key gluten-free baking techniques and ingredients.

Monday • January 22 11:00 am • The Sonoran

# Smart Cycling FUN-damentals

Ready to get out of your car and onto a bicycle? Come to a great introductory workshop to learn basic bicycle techniques, rules, and equipment, and get a brief update on Mesa's Bicycle projects and events.

All Participants will receive free bicycle safety gear.

The class is limited to 30 participants - Registration required. Free Class! Presented by the City of Mesa Bicycle and Pedestrian Program.

Those people who complete the class receive a kit that includes a

helmet, lock, lights, safety vest, water bottle and more (worth at least \$50)

\*Sign up to register in the Activity Office



Wednesday • January 24 10:00 am • Oasis

# "Art of Gardening"



Art masterpieces on the walls of great museums and gardens throughout the world influence our own backyard gardens. Gardens, like art, touch our emotions. This is why humanity has turned to gardens for conversation, recreation, food and restoration of the

spirit. This presentation by Traveling Gardener, Linda Larson, will include illustrations of original images from public and private gardens across the U.S., Canada, Australia, Europe, British Isles and Scandinavia. The ideas are sure to delight and inspire attendees to design their own masterpiece garden using five memorable guidelines.

# Friday • January 26 1:30 pm • Auxiliary Ballroom

# THURSDAY HEALTH SEMINAR

# "Medical Marijuana"

ASU Professor Ken Sweat will discuss Arizona today as one of many states that have legalized marijuana for medical use. From reefer madness to



the state of Arizona licensing marijuana dispensaries, what a long, strange trip it's been. This class will review the history of medical use of marijuana with an emphasis on the modern medical marijuana movement in Arizona.

# Thursday • January 25 1:00 pm • The Cabana (EPC)

# "Lifesaver Class" Presented by Mesa Fire Department

- Hands on CPR with adult and infant manikins
- AED use
- Familiarization with the 911 system and the fire department



- How to protect yourself from body fluids
- What to do in an emergency
- Learn First Aid skills for bleeding and shock
- Choking: adults and infants

Note: You will not get certified in CPR by taking this class

Sign up in the EPC on the Bulletin Board

Monday • January 29 8:00 -10:00 am • The Cabana (EPC)





A time to party at the New Year's Eve Bash



And a time for resolutions on New Year's Day

# Free Dental Consultation

Meet with the Dr. Pease & Associates Family Dentistry in the EPC Therapy Room 2 on Friday, January 5 for a free dental consultation.



# Sign-up required on the bulletin board at the EPC

Keep that smile healthy!

Friday • February 2 11:00 am - 1:00 pm • EPC Therapy Room 2





# Monday • February 19 11:00 am • The Sonoran

# This and That

# PHOTO DIREC.

For those who had their picture taken, your free directory is ready to be picked up in the Activity **Office** -

**Directories are also** available for a \$5.00 donation to the Venture Out Social Club.

> IN THE ACTIVITY OFFICE **MONDAY - FRIDAY** 8:00 AM -3:30 PM

# Please Register... **YOUR PET**

Registration is for the pet's safety. If an emergency occurs, park staff can contact the Pet Association to care for or assist in locating a lost pet. Tags are available in the Activity Office. Be sure to bring current rabies tag information (Not required for cats). Pets must be registered annually! July 1 - June 30

Dogs: Seasonal: \$15.00 Monthly: \$10.00 Weekly: \$5.00 Cats: Seasonal: \$10.00 Monthly: \$5.00



**ALL SEASON!** PICK UP TAGS FROM THE ACTIVITY OFFICE **DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS** 



# Way to go, Bernie Hoggarth

Burnie Hoggarth has been coming to Venture Out for more than 21 years! In those years he has spent much of his time helping other residents of the park. He currently serves as a Tech for the AV Service Club where among other things he helps

with the Sunday Church services, videos various events, sets up AV for Tuesday potlucks and Thursday Health Seminars and helps out where he is needed setting up and troubleshooting AV in the park.

Burnie is also works as a Tech in the Electronics Club, where he helps residents make iMovies, convert 8mm film to disk, copies slides to digital, fax services, and other tasks.

Between these two positions, he is also a member of the Pickleball Club where he helps set up the scrambles, cleans up around the courts and wherever else he sees a need.



# This and That

# FRIENDSHIP BIBLE STUDIES

Jean Sanders—6087784520 Please call the hostess or guide for availability and any other information. The following Bible studies are open to everyone. Groups are starting in January so it is recommended to call a hostess or guide for information. The following abbreviations identify different groups.

W-Women, M-Men, M/W-Men and Women					
Group	Day	Time	Contact	Phone Title	
W	М	9:00 am	Karen Wood	563-210-0152	
				What is God Like	
W	М	10:30 am	Carol Davidson	503-640-5003	
				Miracles	
W	Т	•	Lauren Decker		
		Entrusted-II Timothy (Beth Moore)			
M/W	W	8:00 am	Bob Burkhart		
		Biblical Prophecy (Sons of Issachar)			
W	W	9:30 am	Jean Sanders		
		Connecting with God (Prayer)			
W	TH	1:30 pm	Jean Sanders	608-778-4520	
Growing in the Christian Life (James)					

Contact Jean Sanders (608-778-4520) if interested in starting a study group.





Remembering, Veterans Recognition Bricks Life alert devices for elderly

AND Wine Tasting for Sharing January 17, 2018 4:30 in Cabana Get your ticket from Dorothy Roberge; 333 Douglas



Don't forget to mark your calendar for our Musical Jam. Everyone welcome! Musicians and singers are encouraged to participate in this fun, laid-back event. Our audience can just sit back and listen or dance to the lively music. See you there! For more info call Diana McCallum 480-478-3032

> Sunday • January 21 1:00 - 4:00 pm Buena vista Ballroom

### This and That

# "Sing-a-Long'

Join residents Carolyn & Don Royan for a good-old-fashioned but modern sing-a-long. The evening will also offer additional special musical features. Everyone welcome!



Sunday • January 21 6:59 pm • Buena Vista Ballroom

## CONTINENTAL COFFEE HOUR

"Everything Has a Price... What Are You Worth" Special music by the Gems-Janice, Jeanne, Sandra



Bring your coffee cup, saucer and a friend, Women and men are invited. Blocks 200, 300, 400 please bring muffins or sweet breads. A freewill offering will be taken.

Questions contact Jean Sanders 608-778-4520

Saturday • February 3 9:00 to 10:15 am Buena Vista Ballroom

### OPEN INVITATION TO EMERGENCY PROCEDURES TRAINING SESSION



This important meeting is scheduled in the **Buena Vista Ballroom Monday, January 22** at **1:30 pm.** While organized for the dance committee,

all those interested in learning the correct procedures for an emergency at an event in the Ballroom are invited to attend. Club's, Bingo volunteers, Worship Service attendees...this class is for you!

Monday • January 22 1:30 pm • Buena Vista Ballroom



The hats have it at the New Year's Eve Bash



### This and That

# Artísan Showcase



All mediums of art displayed. This year, these original pieces will have a "Butterfly" incorporated somewhere in the artwork. Woodwork, glass art, oil and

watercolor paintings, guilts, woodcarving and more. All created by Venture Out residents.

Maximum of 2 entries accepted per person

TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 6 • BAJABISTRO RESIDENT VOTING 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM WINNERS ANNOUNCED 1:45 PM



How better to ring in 2018 than the New Year's Eve Bash?



## **NEW IMAGE FASHIONS BY DON SCOTT**

- Major brand fashions at 25%-75% off retail prices!
- Over 9,000 new resort-oriented fashions and swim suits by Ruby Road, Maxine Swimwear, Impulse of Calif., Tribal, Erin London, Valentina & others
- Sizes to fit 4 petite -3X Women's
- Watch Batteries replaced for \$3.00

Bringing the store to you!

**MONDAY • FEBRUARY 5** 10:00 АМ - 2:00 РМ **BAJA BISTRO** 



It's a smorgasbord of jewelry, cosmetics, tools and other must-



haves that you can't do without and justgotta-have "thingamajiggies." Don't miss vour chance to find that special unique item. All licensed vendors!

Be sure to have lunch at the VO Diner!

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 8** 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM • ED'S GRILL OPEN

### This and That

2018 TUESDAY **EVENING LADIES BIBLE STUDY** Lauran Decker 702 659-0765 January 9 through February 20, Cabana in the Venture Out East Pool Complex 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Program - Music, Praises, Prayer, Table Discussion and Video. January 9 getting acquainted; January 16 through February 20 - Entrusted by Beth Moore, a six-session study of 2 Timothy. The Entrusted study book is available at LifeWay Bookstore in Mesa or through your local resource. If you did not attend the 2017 study, please contact me to reserve a 2018 spot! Lauran Decker (702) 659-0765, 910 Debonair,

#### A JOURNEY TO CHINA Rene Moquin 970-980-7722

Lauran1945@yahoo.com

For the past several years Rene Moquin, resident and pickleball player, has volunteered with global volunteers in International Development and Teaching English as a Secondary Language. Most recently Rene volunteered in China. Rene will present a Power Point presentation entitled "A Journey to China" on **February 2** at **3:00 pm** in the **Oasis**. Everyone is welcome.

HAPPY BIRT	HDAY
Ginny Tate	Jan 8
Dean Kelly	Jan 12
Doreen Torcov	Jan 14
Joan Paylor	Feb 2

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Les and Sandy Hanson, Jan 25 53 yrs HAVE YOU HEARD?

To submit information Email Pat Laurita at pattyjo2012@gmail.com or call the Activity Office at 480-832-9000 Loretta Baughmans who owns 812 Merlin has moved to assisted living and can be reached at: Elm Crest Assisted Living 2108 12th Street, #257 Harlan, IA 51537

#### NEWCOMERS' ORIENTATION

Should you be new to our beautiful community, as a homeowner or a renter, please plan to attend a **Newcomers' Orientation Friday, February 2, 9:30 am, Mojave Room.** Feel free to bring any and all questions you may have regarding your home, recreation or administration. We'll do our best to be of assistance.

#### THANK YOU VENTURE OUT

Once again residents of Venture Out generously supported the Mesa Salvation Army Christmas Angel Program. With your support over 250 children in Mesa received Christmas presents. Thank You to those who adopted Angels and bought such great gifts. A special thanks to the shoppers who shopped for Angels with funds donated at the Angel Tree, and raised by the Raffle and the December Library Book Sale. Also thanks to the volunteers who worked at the Angel tree, wrote up Angel Cards and transport the gifts to the distribution center. A wonderful touch were the knitted items and doll quilts made by VO Ladies for the children. Jewel Gale and Cathy Leinweber



The first lot at Venture Out was sold on January 20, 1970 and so the legacy began!

In honor of Venture Out and the many, many individuals who have traveled though the front gate to their home away from home, the Condo and Social Boards invite you to be a part of the 50<sup>Th</sup> Celebration in 2020.

However, much must be organized before that event happens! If you would be interested in serving on a planning committee for this celebration or have old photos, storied of family members or friends you'd like to share stop into the Activity Office or email

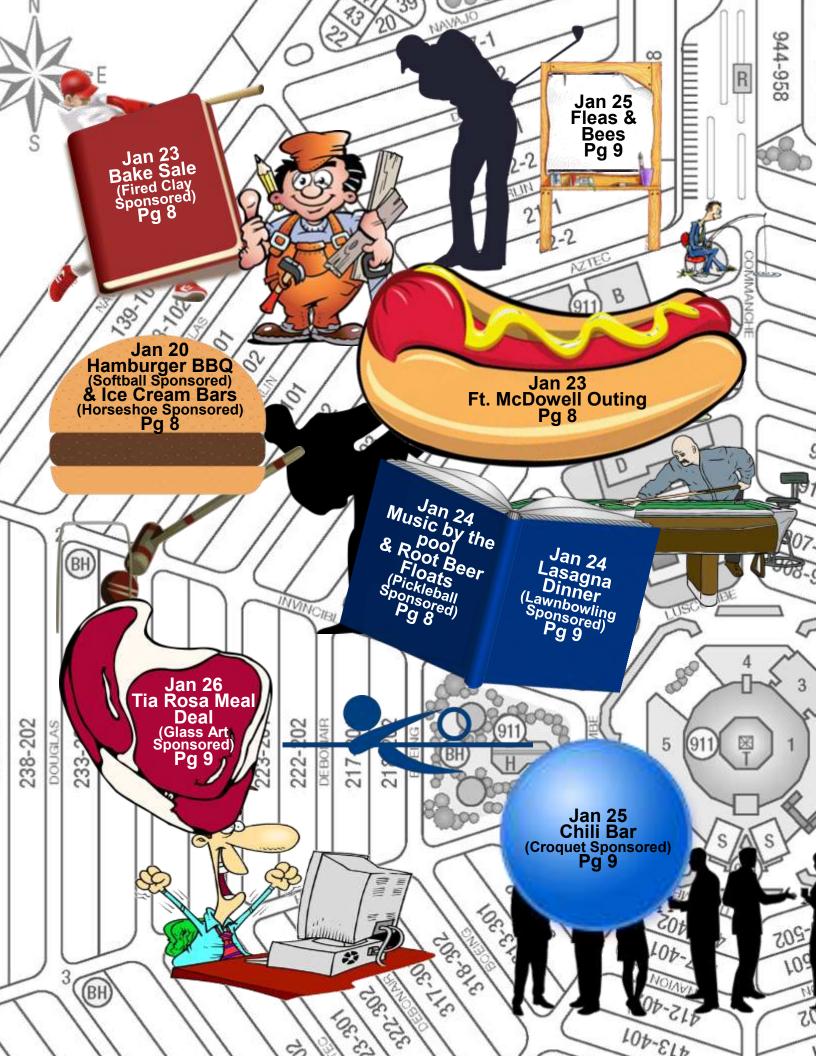
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#### Here's to "50" and "50" more!



Here's a toast to the New Year!





# Manager's Corner



January 12, 2018

I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday Season and welcome back to Venture Out.

This week's occupancy is 1560 or 89% occupancy compared to 1420 prior and 1513 the year prior. There are currently 420 renters (Future Owners) in the park.

The tempo picks up after the first of the year as the Condo Board and Committees work towards getting their jobs done prior to budget and end of year. Venture Out is a fairly large sized community and is in fact larger than many of your home towns. We have all the same issues to address as any community and each year our committees work in conjunction with the Condo Board to resolve concerns and plan for the future.

Top of the list has been DISH TV. They just recently changed over to HD TV and in so doing we have had an increase in maintenance calls to them, due to poor signals or channels not coming in. Apparently, the analog signal was received well over the old cable, but the new digital signal will not tolerate it, so DISH is now slogging through numerous work orders and replacing old worn out cable. We are glad that is DISH's problem to resolve, and one by one they are getting the job done. If you do have problems reaching DISH, as I understand their voice mail system is often full, we have in the office a contact sheet and that also has the e-mail address of the DISH rep, so you can e-mail him as well to get on the list for repairs. I have found him to be responsive.

Wi Fi. President Bruce Johnston, explains our progress in his letter. I will just say, technology is never as easy as 'plug and play'. We are working on getting a good consistent signal throughout the park. When I sat in the Sonoran Café for a meeting on Wednesday I could pull down speeds faster than 100 mbps, but could not get that same speed outside. That is what they are working on. This has probably been the one major request we have seen from the homeowner's year after year to install this system, so we continue to work on it.

Vote Now will soon be up for all of you to register, (those who have not registered previously or have made a change). Vote Now is the same as your county recorders office. It is a separate entity from Venture Out and if you change your address or your e-mail you need to make the change with them too. We will send a fast mail out with that link and again have a computer set up in the lobby where you can register and vote as well if you don't have a computer at home. Last year over 1300 of you voted electronically. We encourage everyone to vote this way if possible, its fast, easy and you can vote even if you are overseas on a trip somewhere. This year, we are going to send out a test e-mail first to everyone that is registered as last year we had well over 50 that bounced back, who had changed their e-mail addresses, and another group whose ballot went to the junk mail. So we will let you know when the test comes out and if you don't get it, we will need to fix your registration ASAP.

You will ask, 'Why do we have to vote if there are only three Board Candidates?'. Each year the homeowners are required to vote to roll over any unexpended funds, so that those funds are not subject to taxation by the IRS.

The HUD forms were mailed last month, all of you renters included, are opening your mailbox and finding these forms. HUD is a Federal Government agency that requires us to prove every two years that the occupants at Venture Out are at least 55 years of age. They only care about who is LIVING at Venture Out, so they are mailed to "OCCUPANT", not the owner of the unit. Renters and Owners, Canadians and Americans, alike are asked to fill out the form and bring it back to the office. Why is this important? Well here in Arizona, there have been 55 plus communities that did not enforce those rules and subsequently lost their right to be an age restricted community and must now be open to families. So, I always say, "if you don't want to see swing sets on your courts, fill the form out and get it back to us!"

Once again, as we look around at the freezing temperatures up north and the fires, earthquakes, and mudslides in California. We think... "It's good to be in boring Sunny Arizona!" have a nice weekend.

Mary Schmit

General Manager vogm@ventureoutrvresort.com



# Recreation Update

#### January 12, 2018

Due to lackluster ticket sales the Art-A-Go-Go has been cancelled. For those who have tickets you may obtain a refund from the Activity Office and the donated art work will be used for another event. However, if you donated a piece and would like to have it back, please feel free to rescue it from the Activity Office.

The TGIR (Thank God I'm Retired) Trivia Blast is scheduled for Friday, January 12 at 3:00p m in the Baja Bistro. If you enjoy group trivia play and bit of friendly competition this is the perfect game for you.

If you're up to some great music, a bit of dancing and an overall good time come to the special dance in the Buena Vista Ballroom for the 60's,& 70's sounds of Flipside 45 on Friday, January 12. Tickets are \$10.00 and may be purchased in the Activity Office or at the door.

Ticket sales for the ever-popular California Dreaming will take place in the Baja Bistro on Thursday, January 18 beginning at 7:30 am. This Pickleball sponsored event will be general seating and you may purchase one ticket per badge with a maximum of four tickets purchased per person with sales being on a first come, first served basis. Cash and checks accepted with checks being made out to the Venture Out Social Club.

## All Club Officers are reminded to attend the Tuesday, January 16 Club Officers meeting at the Oasis at 1:30 pm. It is extremely important that your club is represented to obtain information regarding new procedures for the upcoming 2018-2019 budget.

There's not a better way of kicking off a morning than with a good, hearty breakfast. Join the Saturday Breakfast crew as they dish up platefuls of scrambled eggs, bacon, toast, juice and bottomless cups of coffee for only \$5.00 in the Baja Bistro on January 13. As a special treat, Venture Out's own Sing and Strum will entertain for your listening pleasure. Tickets may be purchased at the event but be sure to bring your own table service and coffee mug.

The Electric Boog-a-loo is sold out for Saturday, January 13. Congratulations to the sponsoring Softball Association!

The Silversmith club will announce the winners from their Silent Auction following the January 15 Grapevine in the Baja Bistro. Be sure to make your final offer on the bid sheets located at the Raffle Display Case in the Baja Bistro before the end of the Grapevine.

There is no need to purchase tickets in advance for the January 20 Hamburger BBQ and Ice Cream event as you can do so that day. Along with your table service allow \$5.00 for your burger, chips, beans and beverage and \$1.50 for an ice cream Drumstick or Klondike Bar. Burgers brought to you by the Softball Association with ice cream offered by the friendly Horseshoe Club.

The Croquet Club is sponsoring a Chili Bar featuring delicious chili made with beef and beans and topped with your choice of shredded cheese, onions and sour cream and served with crackers and a beverage on January 25 from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm in the Baja Bistro. Tickets may be purchased at the event but be sure to bring your own table service and a bit of extra cash for some ice cream.

See what's new in the computer and amateur radio worlds by visiting the Electronics Club Open House held in the Oasis on Friday, January 19 from 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm. If I know the Electronics Club members they'll have a few homemade treats to share as well!

The lottery draw for the Venture Out Home & Art Tour is scheduled to take place following the Grapevine on January 22 in the Baja Bistro. If you would like to get a glimpse of eight unique and beautiful homes in Venture Out this is the only way to go! Lottery forms are available in the Activity Office Monday, January 15 through Friday, January 19.

Don't forget the Musical Jam Session in the Ballroom Sunday, January 21 at 1:00 pm followed by the Sing-a-Long at 6:59 pm. Make a day of it and go to both.

Wait until you see all the wonderful handmade woodcarvings that are part of the Sunshine Woodcarvers Raffle this season. Their raffle begins January 16 and continues through January 30.

It's Music by the Pool with Root Beer Floats on Thursday, January 24 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. That's the East Pool, music is provided by Chuck E Baby, root beer floats are \$2.50 and this is another great fundraiser sponsored by the Pickleball Club.

The next two Friday Seminars are bound to be well attended. The topic for January 12 is Terrorism and the FBI and the January 19 seminar features resident Reverend Paul Herrington who will discuss Christians vs Politics. Both seminars are held at 1:30 pm in the Auxiliary Ballroom.

The annual Hobby Center Open House is scheduled for Saturday, January 27. I can't wait! The five clubs along with Channel 17 which operate out of the Hobby Center area present the very best of open houses! Tour the facilities, purchase handmade craft items, buy raffle tickets, watch demonstrations and enjoy a snack or two. It's a good time!

### Should you miss a deadline to purchase event tickets or if an event is sold out be sure to check the Resale Ticket Board located in the Post Office Hallway.

At this time of year the kitchen is always open for a lunch on Thursdays be it a Taco Salad, the VO Diner, French Dip Sandwiches, a Chili Bar or Ed's Grill. You can always count on some good chow between the hours of 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. See the Out-Lines for menu and ticket information.

If you are not going to utilize a room which you have booked through the Recreation Department, please inform the Activity Office. Rooms are in high demand and often people are turned away when, in fact, a room is actually available. our cooperation is greatly appreciated.

It's not too late to get your January 24 Lasagna Dinner tickets! The members of the Lawnbowling Club have their award-winning Lasagna recipe down pat and it's worth its weight in gold.

The Mesa Fire Department has challenged our Pickleball Club to a tournament! Who will reign supreme? Join the club for the Sportsplex Grand Opening on Wednesday, January 17 beginning at 9:00 am at the new Pickleball Courts. See the flyer in this edition of the Out-Lines for complete details.

See you at Zapponies for the Pet Association's Meal Deal on January 12!



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### **Social Board President's Response to Condo Article**

My remarks to our residents today are of the Good news/Bad news format. The good news is, after many hours of sometimes tense negotiations, the ad hoc committees from both Condo and Social Boards, charged with the mission to reach a new agreement between the two Boards, arrived at a tentative agreement last Friday afternoon. This new agreement will replace the 2012 agreement, which presented challenges for both Boards to comply with. As you know, both Boards agreed to hire a joint legal counsel to help us through this process, and this turned out to be a very wise move. Laura LoBianco provided us with valuable advice and clarification on key issues, as well as a framework on which to build a new agreement. As this edition of the Out-Lines goes to press, we are awaiting clarification from legal counsel on one issue in this tentative agreement involving what might be a potential risk to our tax exempt status. Once this issue is resolved, we will have a new agreement which can be presented to both Boards for their approval.

Now for the bad news. The article in the last edition of the Out-Lines from the President of the Condominium Association portrayed, at least from my perspective, a very negative picture of your Social Club. They say "timing is everything" and to publish an inflammatory article like this right in the middle of our two Boards trying to come together, put the past behind us and negotiate a new agreement that will set a positive path forward not only for both Boards, but for our community, was uncalled for. What a shame it is that the Venture Out-Lines are being used this way. Unfortunately, Social Board has no recourse but to respond to this article from the Condo Board President.

The article says that we all "bear responsibility" for understanding "facts vs. rumors." Given that, we will clarify what we perceive to be incorrect or incomplete statements in that report:

1) The author states that one of Social Club's sources of income is the Venture Out Condominium Association. This falls under the category of incomplete information. The Social Club does not receive any money directly from the Association. We do benefit from the fact that salaries, benefits and such for Recreational Dept. employees are paid by Condo. Certainly, Social Club could never afford to absorb those costs on our own. Here is an example of a rumor currently being spread around our park right now regarding this issue: Condo Board gives to the Social Club \$600,000 annually to spend as they wish. Then the Social Board takes another \$400,000 annually from their clubs, giving them \$1,000,000 to spend each and every year. Social Board, in the words of the story spreaders, "spends down" the million dollars annually, even buying items they don't need, just to use up the money. These items sit in storage somewhere in VO. (We were even thinking of having a treasure hunt as a fundraiser to find this secret storage location.) I can assure our residents that the Condo Board does not, nor has it ever, given your Social Club any direct funding from your quarterly assessments. You can verify that, if you are interested in the true facts, by examining the financial statements of both Boards. Nowhere will you see a line item on the Condo statements that indicates a direct money transfer to your Social Club, nor will you see on our financial statements any revenue/ income item from Condo.

2) The author states that the VO Condo Association assigns income generated by Social Club to the Social Club. This is actually how it is done, because of the 2012 Agreement. However, when we met with our joint attorney in a public meeting, she clarified what we have always maintained- the money generated by Social Club belongs to Social Club, and Condo has no right to "assign" them to us- these funds are ours!

3) The most egregious comment is that Condo is concerned because we have engaged in "accelerated year-end spending" and he refers to a quote-"use it or lose it?" By virtue of the fact that most of our income is generated during the prime months of the season, we definitely spend more at year-end. It is at that point that we know what we do have available to spend! Summer is the time-frame when Teresa and staff purchase furniture and equipment as needed for the clubs as well the entire park facilities. During these quieter months staff can focus on researching purchases to ensure the best products are procured for the money allotted. It is also the time for which staff can purchase, install and update necessary computer hardware and software so that operations are at maximum efficiency during the season. To attempt to accomplish these tasks during the "season" would be extremely inefficient as your staff is focusing on the daily operations of our massive Recreation Program at Venture Out. "use it or lose it"? - your Social Club treasurer has used that statement with our clubs for years! During the budget process, each club includes their requests for purchases for the next season. Each year there are clubs who don't get to their purchases before we are ready for a new budget cycle- our treasurer constantly has to remind them to get it done before the year end. The implication that we are engaged in spending down as a way to be deceptive is ludicrous.

4) "\$579,000 in potential liabilities"-- what we lovingly call the "million dollar roll-out" (it was originally considered to be a million dollars) because of a huge spreadsheet being rolled out and the accusations that all of it represented unauthorized spending. Your Social Club accountant was required to produce documentation that all of those expenditures were accounted for and authorized. She was able to do that in very few minutes! As a matter of fact, at the end of each season, Social Board has a conference call with motions to include whatever expenditures have been planned. One example of such a motion was to purchase a spin bike for the Fitness Center this summer, once we knew we could afford it.

Here are some more examples, from meeting minutes of your Social Club done via conference calls, of what has been classified as "accelerated year-end spending", "use it or lose it?,"

"spending down," all of which were part of the "million dollar roll-out":

Social Club Meeting June 17, 2013:	
New ambient lighting for the ballroom	-\$7,582
Replacement of all pool furniture	-\$60,000
Social Club Meeting June 17, 2014:	
Replace curtains and valances for the stage in the ballroom	-\$6,500
Equipment for the new EPC fitness center	-\$33,000
Addition to the EPC Reserve fund	-\$50,000
Social Club Meeting June 16, 2015:	
Allocation to Condo for remodel of Activity Office	-\$18,000
New copy machine for Activity Office	-\$9,000
Additional rowing machine for fitness center	-\$1,250
Addition to EPC Reserve fund	-\$15,000
Addition to Furniture, fixtures and equipment Reserve fund	-\$15,000
Allocation to Shuffleboard for reconditioning of the boards	-\$10,000
Social Club Meeting, June 15, 2016	
Purchase of 2 outdoor table tennis tables for new patio	-\$2,000
Purchase of new outdoor furniture for new patio	-\$20,000
Addition to Sportsplex Reserve fund	-\$15,000
Addition to Furniture, fixtures and equipment Reserve fund	-\$15,000

The most unfortunate aspect of the author bringing this up AGAIN is that it was laid to rest by your Social Club treasurer, because the documented proof was there.

The term "Excess Funds" is another item of controversy. The infamous 2012 Agreement, under "Duties of the Social Club," states "The Social Club shall transfer to the Condominium

Association any Excess funds of the Social Club after provisions for operating cash flow needs and payment of all Social Club expenditures," and it then defines Excess funds as "funds collected from Social Club activities that are not expended to support Social Club activities and responsibilities." I would defy anyone to classify any of the above listed year-end expenditures as not being expended to support Social Club activities and responsibilities.

The Out-Lines article by the president of the Condominium Association also states, "Any excess funds received by the VO Condominium Association will reduce regular quarterly assessments." This very question was put to the joint legal counsel both Boards hired to help construct a new agreement in the public meeting held before Christmas and televised by channel 17. Her response was clear and concise, as the Social Club is a tax exempt corporation, recognized as such under section 501 (c) (7) of the IRS tax code; funds generated by the Social Club belong to the Social Club and cannot be used to directly lower the quarterly assessments owners pay to the Condominium Association.

Here is another 'fake news" story being circulated in our community by some of our residents, based on comments by Condo Board members about the \$600,000 Condo gives to Social by paying the salaries of the staff assigned to your Social Club: "The staff assigned to your Social Club earns a total of \$ 600,000 annually." The spreaders of this story divide this total by the 6 employees they think are getting this total, concluding that each and every one of them makes a six-figure salary. Sadly, two of our residents who are spreading this story stated this belief loud enough for one of our staff members to overhear their mean-spirited remarks. Shame on them for that. So here are the real facts: First, the \$600,000 may include about 25% fringe benefits, but even if it doesn't, the reality is your Recreation Department currently has 15 employees, 6, including the Activity Director, of whom work in the Activity Office, the Chef and 8 who do janitorial duties as well as the set up and tear down for all park events. Even in the off season, there are 5 in the office and 4 in the janitorial staff. So do the math, and you surely won't come to the conclusion that each and every one of your Recreation Department staff earns a six-figure salary.

Isn't it time to get back to the retirement lifestyle we all so value here in VO? We have a new agreement between the two Boards, which will set us on a path of cooperation as we move forward. You know, my belief is that the best is yet to come for our very special community, so let's move forward together in a positive way, void of innuendos and "fake news" stories, to reach this goal.

Gary Bloomfield President, Venture Our Social Club, Inc.

## January 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Happy 2018! 1 Round Dance	Out-Lines 2 Deadline	Prime Rib 3 Dinner	Condo Board 4 Mtg	Newcomers 5 Orientation	Jumbo Hot 6 Dogs & Cake Sale with music by
	Party	Ice Cream Social & National Cream Puff Day		Ed's Grill Open Health Seminar -	Free Dental Consult Dons Classic Karaoke	Keith Beyrs
Harpy		Potluck - Boyce	N 873	Breakfast with Banner - Men's	Seminar - Buying or Keeping a Car in Arizona	Bike Registration
Haw to		Thompson Arboretum		Health	Friday Night Dance -	Continental Coffee
				Bingo	Midnight Confessions	
Gabfest 7	Grapevine 8 Recreation Open	Social Board 9 Mtg	Coffee with 10 a Cop	Condo/Social 11 Joint Mtg	Out-Lines 12 Published	Eggs & Bacon 13 Breakfast with
Worship Service	House Bike Registration	Ice Cream Social	Harrah's Casino Outing	Marketplace	Zappones Meal Deal	Sing-n-Strum Beginners Tennis
0 and	Silversmith Auction	Food Handlers Class	Enchilada Dinner	VO Diner Open	Trivia Blast	Clinic
	Begins Zappones Cooking Class	Potluck - Roy Pollon		Health Seminar - Macular Degeneration	Seminar-FBI Terrorism	Putting Tournament
	New Image Fashions	Round Dance		Bingo	Friday Night Dance - Flipside 45	Electric Boog-a-loo
	Concert Series Saturday Night Fever					
Worship Service14	Grapevine 15	Club Officers 16 Mtg	Grand 17 Opening NE	Condo Board 18 Mtg	Glass Arts 19 Make & Take	Hamburger 20 BBQ & Ice Cream
Gabfest	Silversmith Auction Ends	Loaded Baked Potato Lunch	Sportsplex	Ed's Grill Open	Dons Classic Karaoke	with Music by lan Eric
	Canadian Snowbird	Ice Cream Social	Mesa Fire Dept Pickleball Throw-Down	Health Seminar - Dental Implants	Seminar -	
	Association Seminar	Potluck- Dolphinaris Sunshine Carver's	Country Western	Bingo	Christians and Politics	s?
	Out-Lines Deadline	Raffle Begins Meet the Condo Board Candidates	Jamboree		Friday Night Dance - Lonny Lynn Orchestra	re de la companya de
Gabfest 21	Grapevine 22	Social Board 23 Mtg	Smart Cycling 24 Seminar	Condo Work 25 Session	Out-Lines 26 Published	Breakfast 27 Burrito Breeakfast
Worship Service Musical Jam	Emergency Procedures Class	Ice Cream Social	Music by the Pool	Fleas & Bees Sale	Tia Rosa Meal	Hobby Center
Sing-a-Long	Healthy Eating Cooking Class -	α Bake Sale	w/Chuck E Baby & Root Beer Floats	Chili Bar	Deal Seminar - Art of	Open House Gospel Concert
	Food & Your Mood	Ft. McDowell Casino Outing	Lasagna Dinner	Health Seminar - Medical Marijuana	Gardening Happy Hour with	with Legacy Quartet
Patalapal	Meatless Monday Potluck	Potluck - Native American Flute		Bingo	Billy Marovich	800
2 CA	Concert Series - Motown Magic	Round Dance			Friday Night Dance - Julie Lee Band	
Gabfest 28	Grapevine 29	Heart Healthy 30 5-K	Glass Arts 31 Open House	Silversmit	h	
Worship Service	Out-Lines - Deadline	Ice Cream Social	Fired Clay Arts Make & Take	Silent Auc	- <u>-</u>	43
	CPR & First Aid	Sunshine Carvers Raffle Draw	Mystery Trip	January 8	-15	- Star
	Salmon BBQ Potluck	Fired Clay Arts Make & Take	300	Sunshine		A P
PINATP	Paul McDermand in Concert	Potluck—Studio 3 Performing Arts California	36	Carvers R January 1		
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## February 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Ś	2	C	2	Condo Board 1 Mtg Taco Salad	Newcomers Orientation 2 Free Dental Consult	Jumbo Hot 3 Dogs & Cake Sale with VO Combo
			2233	Health Seminar - Breakfast with Banner - Skin Cancer Bingo	Food Handlers Class Dons Variety Show Seminar - Bonsai Trees Friday Night Dance - Midnight Confessions	Used Book Sale Bike Registration Continental Coffee
Gabfest 4 Worship Service Big Bowl Party	Grapevine 5 New Images Fashion Woodshop Raffle Begins Concert Series - Piano Men Generations	All City 6 Pickleball Tournament Social Board Mtg Ice Cream Social Artisan Showcase Potluck - Kitchen Band	All City 7 Pickleball Tournament Pork Loin Dinner Round Dance	All City 8 Pickleball Tournament Marketplace VO Diner Open Health Seminar - Don't Use it You Lose it Bingo	All City 9 Pickleball Tournament Out-Lines Published Trivia Blast 55 Alive Defensive Driving Course Seminar - Ordeal of Reconstruction 1865 -1877 Friday Night Dance - Cowboy Up	Strawberry 10 Pancake Breakfast with Sing & Strum Fired Clay Arts Studio & Sewing Open House & Sidewalk Sale Putting Tournament
Gabfest 11 Worship Service Home Tour Mobile Nobles Dinner Dance	Club 12 Budgets Due Grapevine Zappones Cooking Class Out-Lines Deadline Special Performance - Late Night Catechism	Valentine's <b>13</b> Party - Towerpoint Band Ice Cream Social & Valentines Special Flower Sale Potluck - Diana McCallum	Ash 14 Wednesday Annual Condo Mtg & Election Mahi Mahi Dinner	Ondo Board 15 Organizational Mtg Motor Expo & Car Show with Chili Dogs & Ice Cream Health Seminar - Hip & Knee Pain Bingo	Condo Board Orientation Zappones Meal Deal Seminar - Second Generation of Holocaust Survivors Dons Classic Karaoke Friday Night Dance - Flipside 45	Hamburger 17 BBQ & Ice Cream Glass Arts Raffle Begins
Gabfest 18 Worship Service Musical Jam Sing-a-Long	Grapevine 19 Meet Social Board Candidates Social Board Budget Mtg Woodshop Raffle Draw Healthy Eating Cooking Class Meatless Monday Potluck Sewing Raffle to Begin Concert Series - String Fever	Social Board 20 Mtg Ice Cream Social Sunshine Carvers' Carve Off Ft. McDowell Casino Outing Potluck - The Jems	Social Board Budget Mtg Poker Run French Dip Sandwiches We3 Cabaret Show	Condo Board Work Session Blood Mobile It's a Woman's World Salad Bar Collective Goods Bistro Sale Health Seminar-P.I.T. Bingo	Social Board Budget Mtg Out-Lines Published Seminar - Northern Lights Name That Tune Friday Night Dance - Myron Sommerfeld	Denver Style 24 Eggs Breakfast - 90 & Over Eat Free
Gabfest 25 Worship Service	Condo Budget Mtg 26 Grapevine Out-Lines Deadline VO's Got Talent	Condo 27 Budget Mtg Social Board Budget Mtg Ice Cream Social Potluck -Teri Whalen VO's Got Talent	Condo 28 Budget Mtg 28 Music by the Pool with Dr. Dave & Root Beer Floats Chicken Dinner Round Dance	Woodshop Raffle February 5 - 19 Sewing Club Quilt Raffle February 19 - March 5 Glass Arts Raffle February 17 - March 3		

### DAILY TIMETABLE

### **ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED MONDAY - FRIDAY**

Lap Swimming Water Walking Co-ed Exercise Water Exercise Bocce Open Play Know your Gym Stretch & Tone **Croquet Open Play** Sewing Room Noodles Lawnbowling Water Aerobics Water Aerobics E-Club Treasurer Water Aerobics Water Exercise Librarian on Duty Children's Swimming Children's Swimming Post Office Children's Swimming Lap Swimming

6:00 - 8:30 am 6:00 - 7:30 am 7:25 -7:55 am 7:30 am 7:30 am 8:00 -10:00 am 8:00 am 8:00 am - 6:00 pm 8:00 am - 4:00 pm 8:45 am 9:00 am - 1:00 pm 9:00 am 9:00 am 9:00 - 10:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am - 4:00 pm 11:00 am - 1:00 pm 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm 3:00 - 4:30 pm 4:00 - 7:00 pm 7:00 - 8:00 pm

East Pool West Pool **BV Ballroom** West Pool Bocce Courts EPC **BV Ballroom** Croquet Sewing Room West Pool Lawnbowling West Pool Fast Pool E-Club East Pool West Pool Library West Pool West Pool VO Post Office East & West Pool West Pool

### Weekly Recurring Events

#### MONDAYS

7:45 am Hiking Zumba Gold 12-4 8:00 am Grapevine 9:00 am Men's 8-Ball Tourny 9:00 am **Fired Clay Teacher** 9:00 am - 12:00 noon Tai Chi 9:00 - 10:00 am Blood Pressure Check 9:45 - 11:15 am Ham 20M 12:30 pm Line Dance Beginners 12:30 pm 1:00 pm Ham 2M 1:00 - 3:30 pm Learn to Dance Splashers 1:00 - 2:30 pm 1:30 - 4:00 pm Beading Kitchen Band 3:00 pm **Tennis Beginners class** 3:30 pm Men's Poker 5:50 pm Pinochle 6:30 pm Table Tennis

#### TUESDAYS

9-hole Golf Sign-Up Rock & Gem Open Happy Harpers Conversational German 500

7:00 - 9:00 pm 7:45 am 8:00 am -12:00 noon 9:00 - 10:00 am 1:00 - 3:00 pm

1:00 pm

Baja Bistro Cabana Baia Bistro Pool Room Fired Clay Aux Ballroom CC Lobby Ham Shack Aux Ballroom Ham Shack Aux Ballroom West Pool Sonoran Oasis Court 5 Classroom Mojave Aux Ballroom

Sonoran Lapidary Music Room Sonoran Mojave Rm **Fired Clay Teacher Bocce Treasurer** Ice Cream Social Potluck Men's Poker Mah Jonga Cribbage **Table Tennis** 

#### WEDNESDAYS

Tai Chi Shuffleboard Lessons Sons of Issachar **Croquet Lessons** Singles Doubles Qiqong Zumba Gold 12-6 Fired Clav Class Hand-Foot-Toe Ham 20M Ham 2M Splashers Men's Poker Scrabble **Duplicate Bridge** Texas Hold-em 31

#### THURSDAYS

Rock & Gem Open Stitch'N'Chat Art in the Park Happy Harpers Creative Writing Social Bridge Fired Clay Teacher Line Dance Beginners Line Dance Intermediate Table Tennis Weight Watchers Solos Social Bingo Men's Poker

Pinochle Spades Sing'n'Strum

#### **FRIDAYS**

Croquet Organized Play Tai Chi Eyeglass Adjustment Duplicate Bridge Ham 20M

1:00 - 4:00 pm 1:00 - 2:00 pm 1:30 - 2:30 pm 5:00 pm 5:50 pm 6:30 pm 6:45 pm 7:00 - 9:00 pm

9:00 - 10:00 am 9:15 am 8:00 - 9:30 am 10:00 - 12:00 pm 1:00 - 2:30 pm 10:30 - 11:30 am 12:00 pm 9:00 am 12:15 pm 12:30 pm 1:00 pm

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9:00 - 10:00 am

9:30 - 10:30 am

12:00 noon

12:30 pm

Classroom Music Room Aux Ballroom Aux Ballroom Shuffleboard

**Fired Clav** 

Baia Bistro

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Cabana Croquet Croquet Cabana Cabana Fired Clav Studio Mojave Rm Ham Shack Ham Shack West Pool Classroom Sonoran Mojave Rm Aux Ballroom Sonoran

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> Croquet Aux Ballroom Therapy #2 Mojave Rm Ham Shack

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### DAILY TIMETABLE

Ham Shack

West Pool

Baia Bistro

Mojave Rm

Music Room

Aux Ballroom

Classroom

East Pool

West Pool

East Pool

Croquet

Baja Bistro West Pool

West Pool

Mojave Rm

Classroom

Mojave Rm

West Pool

Pool RM

East & West Pool

Sonoran

Oasis

Aux Ballroom

Lawnbowling

Sonoran

#### FRIDAYS (CONTINUED)

Ham 2M Splashers Beading T.G.I.R. Euchre Friday Night Dances Men's Poker Darts Table Tennis

#### SATURDAYS

Lap Swimming Water Walking Water Aerobics Table Tennis Lawnbowling Croquet Organized Play Ham Radio Mtg Lunch Bunch Children's Swimming Children's Swimming **Duplicate Bridge** Hand and Foot Children's Swimming Men's Poker SNL 500 Lap Swimming

#### SUNDAYS

Lap Swimming Water Walking Gabfest Worship Service Lawnbowling Table Tennis Open Play Children's Swimming Children's Swimming Children's Swimming Social Bridge Court Whist Woman's Tex-Holdem Lap Swimming

6:00 - 8:30 am 6:00 - 7:30 am 8:30 - 9:00 am 9:00 am 9:00 am - 1:00 pm 9:00 am - 4:15 pm 11:00 am - 1:00 pm 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm 4:00 - 7:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 - 8:00 pm

FRIDAY

Women's Book Group Flipside-45

#### SATURDAY

Eggs & Bacon Electric Boo-ga-loo Putting Tournament

#### 1:00 pm 1:00 - 2:30 pm 1:30 - 4:00 pm 3:00 - 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm Buena Vista Ballroom 5:50 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 - 9:00 pm

6:00 - 8:30 am 6:00 - 7:30 am 9:00 am 9:00 am- 12:00 pm 9:00 am - 1:00 pm 10:00 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 11:00 am - 1:00 pm 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm 12:00 noon 1:00 -4:00 pm 4:00 - 7:00 pm 5:50 pm 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 - 8:00 pm

> East Pool West Pool Baia Bistro **BV Ballroom** Lawnbowling Aux Ballroom West Pool West Pool East & West Pool Mojave Sonoran Mojave Rm West Pool

### **Special Events**

**JANUARY 12** 9:30 am 7:00 -10:00 pm

#### **JANUARY 13**

7:30-9:00 am 7:00 - 10:00 pm 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Baja Bistro **BV Ballroom** Putting Green

Mojave Room

**BV Ballroom** 

#### MONDAY

Silversmith Silent Auction Canadian Seminar

#### TUESDAY

Loaded Baked Potatoes Club Officer's Mtg Meet the Candidates

#### WEDNESDAY

Throw down Cake & Ribbon cutting CW Jamboree

### THURSDAY

Condo Board Mtg Ed's Grill

#### FRIDAY Glass Art M&T

SATURDAY Hamburger BBQ

#### SUNDAY

Musical Jam Ontario Partv

#### MONDAY

Healthy Eating Class

#### TUESDAY

Social Board Mtg Bake Sale Ft. McDowell Casino

#### WEDNESDAY

Smart Cycling Widows Fellowship Music by the Pool Lansana Dinner

#### THURSDAY

Condo Work Session Fleas & Bees Chili Bar

### JANUARY 15

After Grapevine 10:00 am

11:00 am - 1:00 pm 1:30 pm 7:00 pm

# E-Club Open

Sing-a-Long

**Emergency Class** Meatless Monday

1:30 pm 1:30 - 2:30 pm

#### JANUARY 24

2:00 - 4:00 pm 5:00 & 6:30 pm

#### **JANUARY 25**

9:00 am 9:00 am - 1:00 pm 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Baja Bistro **BV Ballroom** 

#### **JANUARY 16**

Baja Bistro Oasis **BV Ballroom** 

#### **JANUARY 17**

9:00 am

1:00 pm

9:00 am

**Pickleball Courts** Sportsplex 4:30 HH 5:00 pm dinner Baja Bistro

#### **JANUARY 18**

Oasis Baja Bistro

**JANUARY 19** 9:00 am -12:00 noon 1:30 - 3:30 pm

**JANUARY 20** 

**JANUARY 21** 

1:00 - 4:00 pm

5:00 pm

6:59 pm

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Oasis

Glass Art

Baja Bistro

**BV Ballroom** Oasis **BV Ballroom** 

Sonoran

**BV Ballroom** 

Baja Bistro

#### **JANUARY 22**

11:00 am 1:30 pm 5:00 pm

**JANUARY 23** 

Oasis Baja Bistro **Bus Loading Zone** 

> Oasis AO Conf Room East Pool Baja Bistro

> > Oasis Baja Bistro Baja Bistro

10:00 am

1:15 pm

3:30 pm

## **The Following Tickets Are Now Available In The Activity Office**

Event

Date of Event

Deadline

### Current badges are required to purchase tickets

Special Dance - Flipside -45F	- Jan 12	Jan 12 (3:00 Sold also at the door	pm)\$10.00	[]
Friday Night Dance (Lonny Lynn)F	- Jan 19	Jan 19 (3:00 Sold also at the door	pm)\$8.00	[]
Lasagna DinnerV	V - Jan 24	Jan 17 (10:0	0 am)\$9.00	[]
Friday Night Dance (Julie Lee)F	- Jan 26	Jan 26 (3:00 Sold also at the door	pm)\$8.00	[]
Legacy Quartet Gospel ConcertS	a - Jan 27	Jan 26 (3:00 Sold also at the door	pm)\$11.00	[]
Salmon BBQ & PotluckN	I - Jan 29	Until Sold O	ut\$8.50	[]
Paul McDermand ConcertN	I - Jan 29	Jan 29 (3:00 Sold also at the door	pm) \$11.00	[]
Taco SaladT	h - Feb 1	Until Sold O	ut\$6.50 at the door	[]
Big Game PartyS	5u - Feb 4	Jan 31 (10:0	0 am)\$10.00	[]
Pork Loin DinnerW	V - Feb 7	Jan 31 (10:0	0 am)\$8.50	[]
Mahi Mahi Fish DinnerW	V - Feb 14	Feb 7 (10:00	am)\$8.50	[]
Chicken Parmesan Dinner.W	V - Feb 28	Feb 21 (10:0	0 am)\$8.50	[]

Reserved Seating Tickets
The Cabaret (We3) W - Feb 21 Feb 21 (3:00 pm) \$10.00[]

If you fail to meet the purchase deadline or the event is sold out, check the Post Office Hallway Ticket Bulletin Board Clipboard for resale offerings.

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

Sportsplex Grand Opening

The Mesa Fire Department has issued a "Throw-Down" to the Venture Out Pickleball Club!

Come watch Mesa's finest challenge

Venture Out's finest in a down and dirty Pickleball Tournament! Who will come out on top?



Cake & a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new Sportsplex

Everyone invited!

**Coffee & donut donations to support the Mesa Fire Department Charities** 

Wednesday • January 17 9:00 am Throw Down Tournament with Coffee & Donuts 1:00 pm Cake & Ribbon Cutting Ceremony New Pickleball Courts



**BRING FLYER WITH YOU** 

Present this flyer at Venture Out Social Club

# Friday • January 12

1652 N. Higley Rd Gilbert, AZ 85234 NW Corner of Higley & Baseline 480-218-2338

\*Daily Baked Fresh Bread \* Artisan Pizza Homemade Pasta\* Wine Bar

Lunch Specials 11-2pm

Pasta \* Pizza \* Calzones \* Wine Happy Hour 2-6pm Food Specials \* Wine \* Beer Dinner until 9pm

Veal \* Seafood \* Fresh Pasta \* Daily Specials Homemade Italian Pastries

Sponsored by the Pet Association

### VO Condominium Report

**WIFI:** Many of you have waited patiently for the new WIFI system to become operational, but our patience is wearing thin. I understand completely...the board is quite frustrated also. The company installing the system has worked for nearly 4 months. First replacing radios with more capable ones and now re-configuring the system. The director of engineering for the installing company met with us Tuesday. Cisco, the equipment manufacturer, has a software problem in their operating system. Basically, he described the problem with the analogy of a 2 lane road and superhighway. We ordered a superhighway but the software is acting like a 2 lane road. While they have escalated the engineering effort with Cisco to solve the problem there is no known completion date. So regrettably, I must advise you to do whatever you must to obtain your internet service. We can not lead you on day by day any longer.

They will need to finish the job in the next week or two or else we may cancel the contract. Fortunately, we have not yet paid the installing the company any money.

On the chance that the problem is solved in the week or two, it will be announced with a FASTMAIL email announcement to all that are signed up for FASTMAIL. An initial 48 hours of free service will be provided and also provide an opportunity for to report your satisfaction with in imbedded Survey Monkey survey.

Please be patient if you can, but if you do sign up with the competition, please consider returning to our VO-net system when it's available. After all, the income from our system stays in VO to help keep condominium assessments low, instead of going into corporate pockets.

**Condominium/Social Club Conflict update:** our joint attorney, Laura Lo Bianco, provided a draft agreement/contract in mid-December for both boards to utilize as we worked towards a new agreement. There have been a number of negotiation sessions where members from both Boards have worked to negotiate a new agreement that will pass the test of time. It is a challenging process. Both boards were committed to a resolution by mid-January, which is drawing very near. A more definitive update will likely be possible next week and will made public at that time.

A grand opening celebration of the SportsPlex project in the NE corner: The Pickleball club is sponsoring a celebration on January 17. Pickleball was the major benefactor of the project, but Tennis, Golf and baseball also received updates. Please look on the other side of this page to see details of the event. Please attend and check out the project, because it turned out very well! I hope you are as proud of it as I am.

**The DISH contract providing HDTV** was finally implemented last month. Most of us are enjoying the new improved picture, but some are still working through the switch over... especially those just arriving for high season. Instructions for the conversion are available from the administration office. Basically, you need a newer TV and then re-scan for channels. Dish is also addressing some cable and connector issues.

**Meet the Candidates Town Hall meeting:** Tuesday January 16, 7:00 PM in the Ballroom. There are 3 excellent candidates for 3 positions and you may be tempted to skip this event, however please attend and get first hand impressions of each candidate. They will be your representatives for 3 years.



### Sue Sinclair TRAVEL CENTER

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

2017 - 2018

All Trips include Deluxe Motorcoach and a Professional Tour Director

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Feb 3 – 10, 2018 San Antonio, Padre Island, Gulf of Mexico \$720 pp dbl; add \$210 single. \$75 deposit due upon booking

8 Days/7 Nights Tour San Antonio, Visit Texas Aquarium, Padre Island National Park, tour LBJ Ranch, San Antonio Riverwalk Cruise, visit the Alamo, and more! Includes lodging, 7 breakfasts and 5 dinners.

#### Feb 6 – 9 SAN DIEGO GETAWAY! \$575 pp dbl / add \$150 for single

4 days / 3 nights at the beautiful Humphreys Half Moon Inn on Shelter Island! Two full days of sightseeing with our Step-On guide, during our stay! 3 Breakfasts and 1 lunch included.

#### Feb 6 – 8 OAKRIDGE BOYS

#### \$298 pp dbl, add \$100 for single

3 Days / 2 Nights at the Aquarius Casino Resort,

including the Oakridge Boys concert, and 2 brunch buffets.

#### Feb 8, 2018 59<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TUBAC ART FESTIVAL

**\$79 Day Trip** including dinner. This annual event showcases the work of hundreds of visiting artists from around the United States and Canada. Tubac was established as a Spanish Presidio in 1759. The festival surrounds the grounds that once served as home to a Spanish military garrison, and is home to many restaurants and a huge food court that features a variety of cuisines. Lunch at own expense.

#### Feb 10 Turf Paradise – Phoenix Gold Cup

**\$99** Includes reserved all day seating with Hot Prime Rib Buffet Lunch in the Turf Club Terrace while listening to 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 -this photo will be available for purchase as a souvenir.

**Feb 11** Heard Museum World Hoop Dance Competition **\$99 pp** Join us for this very special event. This is the final day of the competition, and performers from across the globe will thrill performing their exciting, colorful, dances.

#### Feb 13-15 Valentine's Day in Las Vegas!

**\$279 pp dbl, add \$75 for single** 3 Days/2 Nights celebrating Valentine's Day at the Golden Nugget, including the Fremont Street Light Show Extravaganza! Includes 2 breakfasts.

Feb 16 40<sup>th</sup> TUCSON QUILT SHOW

**\$89** Day Trip: See hundreds of quilts, have your antique quilt appraised, enjoy craft demonstrations and visit vendor displays! Dinner included on the return to Mesa.

#### DR PHIL SHOW ::: March 2018

Coming in March – dates to be announced soon! We're moving this fun trip to March – watch for the new dates. You'll be in the studio audience for the taping of 2 SHOWS!

#### Mar 16 - 18 St PATTY'S DAY \$298 pp dbl, add \$100 for single

3 days / 2 nights at the beautiful Aquarius Casino & Resort, overlooking the Colorado River. Includes Saturday Brunch Buffet and Sunday Champagne Brunch Buffet. Join us for the shenanigans, and don't forget to pack your green!

#### Mar 27–29 GRAND CANYON & BEARIZONA \$459 pp dbl, add \$125 for single

3 Days / 2 Nights of Grand Canyon spendour along the South Rim. Includes the IMAX presentation "Grand Canyon Hidden Secrets," a private, guided, tour of the Rim, and a stop at Bearizona!

#### Apr 3-5 TRAILS of TUCSON \$379 pp dbl, add \$100 for single

3 Days/2 Nights at the beautiful Desert Diamond Casino. Enjoy touring the Pima Air & Space Museum and "Boneyard," and visit Mission San Xavier del BAC, the "Sistine Chapel of North America." Tour the Borderland Brewery and try their menu for lunch! Experience Sabino Canyon on the Tram Tour, and visit Florence.