

## Administration

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

## CONDO BOARD DIRECTORS'

 MEETINGTHURSDAY • FEBRUARY 1-9:00 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 • February 6•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)

## ANNUAL MEETING OF VENTURE OUT LOT OWNERS <br> Wednesday, February 15•1:00 pm Buena Vista Ballroom

## Call to Order

## Invocation

## President Reads Proof of Proper Notice of Annual Meeting

Reading and Approval of Minutes of 2016 Annual Meeting

## Certification of Quorum

President calls on Election Chair for results of voting

## President's Report

Standing Committee Reports
Lot Owners' Comments

## New Business

Outgoing Directors' Comments
Adjournment

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

## Administration

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@ventureoutrvesort.com
- The deadlines for ALL articles: Noon by the date listed below.


## DUE DATE <br> MONDAY

January 29
February 12
February 26
March 12

PUBLISH DATE FRIDAY
February 9
February 23
March 9
March 23

## ATTENTION RESIDENTS

Speed Bumps have been ordered and are on their way to our park.

Please watch for further details and directions in an upcoming Outlines newsletter on how you can request to have one used on your street.

Thank You Brandon Fowers
Chief of Security

## Administration

## 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 recommendations 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.

## COMMON

 FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE Byron Snowden 218-244-3373 The Vo Common Facilities Planning Committee is seeking candidates to fill three positions that will open up next year. We need people who can make well-reasoned judgments free of any personal agendas and who can evaluate requests or situations with an open mind. In addition, if you have experience as a planner for a city/county, an architect, a contractor/ builder, or an engineer, then you would be a great asset to the committee. If you would like to apply, contact Byron Snowden at 218-244-3373 or come to one of our Wednesday planning meetings at 1:15 pm in the Sonoran. Deadline February 23 , 2018.
## ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE Terry Harkness

 480-218-0273 January 30-9:00 am at the Oasis. Contractors \& Owners contemplating construction projects - This annual meeting is for instruction purposes for contractors and owners alike on the rules for construction in the park, hosted by the Architectural Committee. If you have any questions, contact Terry Harkness 480-218-0273.

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

## Venture Out Memorial Trust Fund

The Venture Out Memorial Trust Fund, suggested by former owner Chet Rice and created by the Social Board, decided to offer the opportunity for families and friends of deceased residents to contribute money to a fund used for the benefit of all the residents in the park. Instead of placing small individual plaques throughout the park, a number of large plaques with the names of those memorialized would be hung in the Community Center.

This trust, established in 1995, is separate from all other funds and is administered by a committee appointed by the Social Board. The committee has its own financial account.

Since its inception, the Memorial Trust Fund has helped to purchase the following items: microphone and sound equipment, equipment used by Channel 17, a large contribution toward the building of the elevator in the previous Community Center, the purchase of computer and equipment for the AV group, the cost of applying for the Tax Exempt Foundation, money toward expenses for the construction of the Barbecue Pit area, and in 2015, $\$ 3700$ for 10 benches throughout Venture Out.

The committee follows definite guidelines. Any contributions received are considered CASH GIFTS; therefore, any DESIGNATED GIFTS cannot be accepted. All checks are to be made out to Venture Out Social Club.

The cost of the bronze nameplate, the engraving, the stationery and postage used for communicating with relatives of the deceased totals nearly $\$ 25$ per person.

When making a contribution to the Fund, be sure to indicate that you want your donation to go to the Memorial Fund so that it will be used for engraving the memorial plaques and be placed in the Memorial Account to fund such projects as are listed above. Contributions must be at least $\$ 25$. More is appreciated.

We urge you to view the plaques on the wall near the Sonoran in the Baja Bistro. For those who wish to pay it forward (purchase your plaque now), you may do so, but at a minimum of $\$ 25$; again, more is appreciated.

We are open for suggestions for how to spend some of this money. Please feel free to contact any of the Committee members listed below:

Walt Just - Chairman
Marlice Fenske - Secretary/Treasurer ................................480-654-9616
Connie Gorham - Member
.763-245-6062

## Special Events



BREAKFAST BURRITOS
\$5.00 Per Person

## MENU

 Your choice of scrambled eggs, shredded cheese, sausage and country potatoes wrapped in a warmed flour tortilla and served with salsa, chilled juice and coffee,

Everyone welcome!

Bring your own table service and coffee mug

SATURDAY • JANUARY 27 7:30-9:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO

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 item
to be raffled!
On display in the
Baja Bistro
Display Case
Drawing January 30
at the Ice Cream
Social
TUESDAY • JANUARY 30
Drawing 2:00 pm • Baja Bistro



Legacy was formed in 1981and evolved into an International Ministry. They have toured South Korea, Australia, Canada, Cuba and most of the United States. Legacy Quartet is comprised of four men who enthusiastically love to sing together. They have generous hearts, gentle spirits and an extraordinary desire to make their lives count through their music. Legacy Quartet are authentic and genuine Christians who sing from the heart and whose feet are firmly planted on firm foundation.

Tickets $\$ 11.00$ available from
Activity Office \& at the door
Sponsored by the Rock and Gem Club
Saturday • January 27
3:00 PM • Buena Vista Ballroom Doors Open at 2:30 PM


## 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 DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

## Salmonn

Two Servings:
5:00 pm \& 6:30 pm
Alaskan Keni Red Salmon donated and grilled by resident Wayne Bredberg
Tickets available at the Activity Office for a donation of $\$ 8.50$ each.
Cost to include shipping of fish and a donation to the Social Club

- Please provide a dish to share
- Beverage and ice provided
- Bring your table setting \& beverage glass

MONDAY • JANUARY 29
5:00 PM \& 6:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO


## Special Events

## TT'S ANOTHER... MY STERY TRIP

Tickets: $\$ 99$ per person. All inclusive with


SPONSORED BY THE BOCCE BALL CLUB
Wednesday • JanUARY 31
Bus Departs 7:30 am Bus Loading Zone

## TACO

- MENU -

Jumbo flour tortilla shell with your choice of seasoned ground beef, beans, salsa, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, jalapenos, shredded cheese, sour cream, black olives and ranch dressing!

Limited Number of Tickets Available

SPONSORED BY THE TENNIS CLUB
Thursday • February 1 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

Glass A it S tudio Open H ase

- Projects completed by Glass Art Studio served! members on display
- Tours of the facility
- Purchase select items designed by individual Glass Art Studio members

Wednesday • January 31 1:00-3:00 PM • Glass Art Studio Entrance located in the 600 block of Aero

## JUMBO HOT DOGS AND DESSERT

$1 / 4$ lb Grilled Hot Dog, Sauerkraut, Chips \& Beverage \$4.00
Sponsored by the Poolroom Association
Tickets purchased at the event

Cake Sale $\$ 1.50$
Sponsored by the
Croquet Club


Saturday • February 3 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

## Special Events



## WOODSHOP RAFFLE

Get your tickets February 5 through 18 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and on February

19 until 12:45 pm in the Baja Bistro.
RAFFLE
TICKETS
\$1.00 each...
6 for $\$ 5.00$
15 for $\$ 10.00$
35 for $\$ 20.00$
Raffle Draw
Monday • February 19•1:00 pm Buena Vista Ballroom


Watch for our display in the Baja Bistro TicKet sales starting February 5 Drawing 1:00 pm • February 19 Buena Vista Ballroom


## 18, All-City Pickleball Annual Tournament

TUESDAY •FEBRUARY 6
Women's Doubles - 7:30 am WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 7 Men's Doubles - 7:30am THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 8 Mixed Doubles-7:30 am

All proceeds from event to benefit the Social Club. Please come out \& support your VO Pickleball teams
=USAPA SANCTIONED EVENT=
LUNCH AVAILABLE AT THE NEW PICKLEBALL COURTS 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

## Open to All

Sponsored by the Pickleball Club
February 6-8
7:30 AM • Pickleball Courts

## Special Events

## PorkIoin Dinner

 \$8.50 Tickets available at the Activity Office Deadline: 10:00 am Wednesday, January 31| TWO SEATINGS: | MENU: |
| :---: | :---: |
| 5:00 pm | Pork Loin |
| \&: | Mashed Potatos \& Gravy |
| 6:30 pm | Stuffing |
|  | Green Beans with Bacon | Applesauce Beverage BYOB

Bring your own table service

Sponsored by the Shuffleboard Club
Wednesday • February 7 5:00 PM \& 6:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO

STRAWBERRY PANCAKE BREAKFAST
$\$ 5.00$ Per Person
Tickets available at event


Fresh strawberries over warm pancakes served with sausage links, chilled juice and piping hot coffee.
Everyone Bring your own table service and coffee mug

> Saturday • February 10 7:30-9:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO


## SEWING CLUB'S SIDEWALK SALE \& OPEN HOUSE

 Many unique and beautifully crafted items for sale. Be amazed at the many colorful and decorative fabrics used to createtruly one-of-a-kind quilts, blankets and more. Come browse our handiwork!


Raffle Quilt on Display - Tickets Available
Saturday • February 10 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM • Sewing Room

## Special Events

## CERAMICS CLUB'S OPEN HOUSE AND SIDEWALK SALE



Looking for that unique piece of pottery? Tour our newly renovated studio and check out our sale items...made by our own talented artists! Come join us for refreshments

SATURDAY • February 10 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Ceramics room
a view Home And ART O F

VENTURE OUT Refreshments
following the
tour! Tour Shuttle service provided to eight unique and beautiful homes in Venture Out... each with an individual appea!!

## TICKETS \$17.00

Monday, January 22 names were drawn following the 9:00 am Grapevine. Each name drawn is entitled to purchase
TWO tickets. Tickets may be purchased in the Baja Bistro Monday to Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm until January 30 and 9:00 am to noon. Wednesday.
January 31. Those who were not present at the drawing, check the list in the Post Office \& outside the Activity Office. 20 names will also be drawn for a waiting list for tickets not claimed.

SPONSORED BY THE PET ASSOCIATION

## Sunday • February 11 <br> 12:30 PM Registration • BAJa Bistro

## Silversmith M ake and T ake

## February 10:

 Make and take earrings. Tons of fun for everyone! Only $\$ 20.00$. Sign-up in the Silversmith Shop.
## Questions?

Contact
Nicka Lockeman 480-8329348

## Saturday • February 10

 - Silversmith

Monday • February 12
7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM

## Special Events

# Buy Yar Snethert aV aletineFlone! <br> $\$ 3.00$ for an elegantly wrapped single carnation available for sale February 13 before and after the Valentine Concert in the Baja Bistro; and February 14 before the annual Condo Board meeting. 

Sponsored by the Croquet Club
Tuesday • February 13
Before \& After Special Valentine's Day Concert Wednesday • February 14 • Before Annual Meeting Baja Bistro


Tickets $\$ 8.50$ available from the Activity Office. Deadline: 10:00 am Wednesday, February 7


Valentine's Day Special $-M E N U$ Herb Baked Mahi Mabi
Baked Potato with Butter \& Sour Cream Vegetable • Roll \& Butter Coffee E Lemonade Dessert
Bring your own table service Sponsored by the Rock \& Gem Club

## Wednesday • February 14

HAPPY Hour 5:00 • DINNER 5:30 pm BAJA Bistro


Featuring the Tower Point Band A 50 -piece concert band performing a variety of music for your listening pleasure Enjoy a scoop of ice cream for $\$ 1.00$ or the Valentine Special: a warm peach compote over a biscuit and served with a scoop of Vanilla ice cream -
$\$ 2.50$ - purchase at event (Pass the Hat) . purchase atevent


Tuesday • February 13
2:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO During the Ice Cream Social

## Car Show At the Motor Expo

Check out the
 Cast your vote for the Best in Show!

Sponsored by:


ThURSDAY•FEBRUARY 15•9:00 AM-1:00 PM Outside the Community Center Chili Dogs at BBQ Area \& Collective Goods in the Baja Bistro


Present full page flyer found in next Out-Lines at Zappone's and $15 \%$ of your dining bill of February 16 will be donated to the Venture OutSocial Club
> *Daily Baked Fresh Bread * Artisan Pizza Homemade Pasta • Wine Bar

SPONSORED BY THE PET ASSOCIATION
Friday • February 16
1652 N. Higley Rd Gilbert, AZ 85234 NW Corner of Higley \& Baseline 480-218-2338

## CHILI DOGS

During Motor Expo \& Car Show $\$ 5.00$ Purchase Tickets at Event


Table service Pro vided

## $\frac{\text { Menu }}{\text { Hot dog }}$

 topped with Southwest chili \& cheese. Served with chips and lemonade Sponsored by the Recreation DepartmentIce Cream Bars $\$ 1.50$
Sponsored by the Table Tennis Club

## Thursday • February 15 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BBQ AREA

## HAMBURGER BBQ \& ICE CREAM BARS

Menu
Grilled $1 / 3 \mathrm{lb}$
Hamburger or Cheeseburger
Grilled Onions Baked Beans • Chips Beverage $\$ 5.00$
Sponsored by the Softhall Association
Ice Cream Drumsticks \&


Klondike Bars \$150
Sponsored by the Horseshoe Club

Bring your own table service Purchase at event.
Saturday • February 17 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM BAJA Bistro

## Special Events

## Glass Art Club RAFFLE

Come and see the many wonderful hand-crafted items our artisans have provided in the display case.

Raffle Draw Following the Jumbo Hot Dog BBQ March 3 Get your tickets during various events in the Baja Bistro and March 3 prior to the draw

Tickets $\$ 1.00$
7 for $\$ 5.00$
15 for $\$ 10.00$
35 for $\$ 20.00$

Tickets available February 17 to March 3 Raffle Draw March 3 following Jumbo Нот Dog BBQ • 1:00 PM • BAJA Bistro

## Annual

 Sunshine Carvers' Cane-OffDuring the Ice Cream Social

Enjoy a bowl of ice cream and cheer on these competitive carvers!

Sponsored by the Sunshine Carvers
Tuesday • February 20 12:30-2:30 PM BAJA BIstro

Ribbons awarded to first, second \& third place winners
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## Sewing Club Quilt Raffle

Tickets $\$ 1.00$ each Enter for a chance 6 for $\$ 5.00$ on numerous 15 for $\$ 10.00$ 35 for $\$ 20.00$

Available at various Vo events Quilt displayed at time of ticket sales \& in the Sewing Room


Ticket Sales February 19 - March 5 Drawing March 5 at the Fashion Show


Don't you wish you had Enchiladas for dinner too?


## Special Events

We3 is comprised of Renee Grant Patrick, Suzanne Lansford and Nicole Pesce. When vocalist Renee, daughter of the late George Grant who traveled the world singing lead tenor for the Ink Spots in the 80's \& 90's, lost her father in 2016, she combined talents with Suzanne Lansford (violin) and Nicole Pesce (piano) to pay tribute to some of their favorite Ink Spots songs,
 such as "We Three," "Maybe", "Memories of Yout. $\mathcal{Z}$ Light jazz and blues to soothe the soul....

Reserved Seating Tickets $\mathbf{\$ 1 0 . 0 0}$ Available from Activity Office \& if still available $\$ 12.00$ at the door Cabaret table seating BYOB, Snacks \& Beverage Glass. Ice Provided Sponsored by the Solos Club

Wednesday • February 21 7:00 PM • Buena Vista BaLLROOM


Resupplying the calavery at the Country Western Jamboree



IT'S A WOMANS WORLD

Woman's Expo featuring jewelry, clothing, free massages and more!

Build your own Salad Bar
Salad greens featuring a plethora of toppings, other salads \& a bottle of water
\$6.00
Purchase at event
Table Service Provided
Thursday • February 22 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM - BAJA BISTRO SaLAd BAR 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

## Special Events

## VO's Got Talent! <br> Reserved Seat Tickets from

 $\$ 10.00$the Activity Office Cabaret Seating or
General Seating \$8.00
$\$ 1.00$ more at the door if space available
 A fun-filled evening of entertainment, including songs and dances by the talented members of the Hams at Heart Club

BYOB \& Snacks
Ice \& Water Provided Sponsored by the Hams at Heart
MONDAY • February 26 AND Tuesday • February 27•7:00 PM Buena Vista Ballroom


These lovely Bocce Ball Club Memebers kept things running smoothly at the Country Western Jamboree



## - TENNIS CLUB's YEAR END AUCTION/RUMMAGE \&BAKESALE

Open 8:00 am (Rummage Sale) Sign up for Auction Numbers at 9:00 am Auction Begins at 10:00 am Please No Early Birds
For pick up call
Don Decleene 480-854-1259.


ALL PROCEEDS DIRECTED TO SOCIAL CLUB
Friday - MARCH $2 \cdot$ Behind Laundry Facility Bake and Rummage Sale 8:00 am Auction Starts at 10:00 am

## Special Events

## for 2 Days

 New Movies!- Hugo Pool
- Detroit
- Victoria \& Abdul


## Borrow a movie or two today!



Sew M uch Col or High Tea with Styl e Fashion Show Sal e Quil t Show \& Raffle High Tea Served by Sewing Cl ub M embers Reserved Seat Tickets \$16.00 Available February 13 in the Activity Office or From Sewing Room Hostesses


## Fashions by Calle Rose

Sponsored by the Sewing Club

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DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM FOR ShOPPING PROGRAM BEGINS AT 12:30 PM Buena Vista Ballroom

## RIBS N' BIBS DINNER SHOW

Reserved Seating Tickets $\mathbf{\$ 2 0 . 0 0}$ Available from the Activity Office or from Shuffleboard Members
Deadline: 10:00 am, Wednesday, February 28

- MENU -

> BBQ Baby Back Pork Ribs Cheesy Au Gratin Potatoes Crisp Cole Slaw Three Bean Salad Biscuit \& Butter Beverage

Plus... a Stage Show! National Kenny
Rogers Tribute Show featuring Dave Karl


Sponsored by the Shuffleboard Club
Sunday • March 4-4:30 pm Happy Hour Dinner 5:30 pm • Entertainment Following Buena Vista Ballroom

# Clubs and Organizations 

# Horseshoe Club 

The Horseshoe Club is a member of the East Valley League. We play weekly tournaments against 15 other resorts between November and February. Half of the tournaments are hosted at Venture Out; half are played at other resorts per the printed schedule.
Our Horseshoe Club is struggling to keep active members and we are currently looking for new members.
The Horseshoe Shed is open during the October April Season. There are shoes available for recreational use.


CONTACT AN OFFICER FOR MORE INFO!<br>President ......... Jake Leonard 734-730-4070 Vice President . Norm Bassett 480-396-7932<br>Secretary/<br>Treasure.<br>. Bob Pederson<br>360-348-3657

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

 Come join us in our Mixed Couples Doubles Tournament every 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 <br> Mary Gilmet 480-924-0878

 Saturday, March 10, all Albertans past, present and friends are invited to the annual no-host Alberta party. Potluck, prizes, music and no charge. Further details and sign-up sheets will be posted in February in the Post Office Hallway.[^0]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.

## BIKING Pegg Noyes 480-985-4959

The biking group meets outside the Activity Office every Thursday at 9:00 am and returns before noon.
Routes and distances vary. Most rides are $12-15$ miles on flat surfaces. Leaders vary each week and your input is important. Wear your helmet, bring water and a snack for our breaks.

This is an ongoing group for the season.

## BOCCE BALL

 Kay Hanks 480-751-8828 The Country Western Jamboree was a huge success with a sell-out crowd. Sign up for a fun time at the Guys and Gals Tournament on Sunday, January 28 - snacks will be provided. Barb Butts won the singles tournament. Lessons are held on Wednesdays from 9:00 10:00 am - sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board. Please check the bulletin board and sign up to help clean the courts - this is an important job we need all leagues to help with. The next mystery trip on January 31 is sold out. The next Bocce meeting will be held at 9:00 am onFebruary 7.

[^1]Tickets are available from Joanne Moquin 970-9807722, Vicky Ross 307-8990606, or Colleen Beyer 303 -651-2816. Tickets are $\$ 10.00$. Please bring your own place settings and BYOB.

## CONVERSATIONAL GERMAN

 Lin Rigg 480-218-5024 Welcome back to Conversational German. We meet every Tuesday until March 20 at 1:003:00 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 enjoy telling stories? Would you like to write some of your family's history? Maybe fiction or poetry is enjoyable for you. At our Creative Writing group we write on all types of suggestions, share our writings and get handy tips, too! Join us on Thursdays from 1:00-3:30 pm. in the Sonoran. For more information contact Linda Wallace at 616 Merlin.

# Clubs and Organizations 

## CRIBBAGE

Tom Gorham
763-245-6058
Attention Patriotic Cribbage Players. February will soon be here, which means it is time for the $33^{\text {rd }}$ Annual U.S.A. vs. Canada Cribbage Tournament! The tournament will be played on February 11, 18 and 25 at 12:45 pm in the Mojave Room. Partners will play together the entire tournament so grab a partner or sign up and we will find one for you. For more information, call Tom Gorham 763-245-6058.

[^2]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 our Open House on January 31. Various education sessions are upcoming. 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

Thanks to hams who helped at Electronics Open House. Don't forget the Heart Healthy 5K on Tuesday, January 30. Sign up at our 10:00 am Saturday meeting in the Oasis if you can help with the walk. Meet January 30 in the Baja Bistro at 9:15 am. Bring your 2M radios. We send best regards to Buzz Lien KIOKU who called us at
a recent Ham meeting from his home state of Minnesota. The radio classes are going well in the Electronics building. Many in our amateur radio group are assisting VO residents program their TV sets to work with the new system.

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

 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. $\cdot$

## HANDYMAMS <br> Pam Klocke

763-516-6214
Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 6 at 9:00 am in the Oasis. We welcome all handymen spouses and significant others to join us for an informational meeting.

## HAPPY HARPERS

Ian Stenberg 480-452-3707
Have you ever wanted to play a musical instrument but just never had the opportunity? Well, now you do. Play the harmonica for fun every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 to 10:00 am in the Music Room. Harmonicas available. No musical experience needed. Or just come and listen. We will also play for your club party.

# 2018 Condo B 



## 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.


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, DE, 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.

# Clubs and Organizations 

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 February 11 in the Cabana Room. Social hour will be $4: 30$ to $5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ 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.IOWA PARTY
Pat Murphy
563-340-6404
lowa party Saturday, February 10 in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Cocktails at 5:00 pm, dinner at 5:30 pm . Tickets will be sold after the Grapevine and during the Saturday lunch events. $\$ 6.00$ per ticket.
For questions about tickets
call Ron or Carol Stiers at 319-321-4435 or 319-3214195; Bill or Carol Stalter at 515-897-9800 or 515-3606090.

## KITCHEN BAND David Dagenais 708-710-6349

Your world famous kitchen band meets every Monday at 3:00 pm in the Oasis. We are always looking for new members. This year we are sponsored by the Heiny Wine Co. out of Gilbert. The Heiny Wine Co. was started by Philip A. and Anita Little back in 1935 when Phillip A. smuggled grape seeds out of Wrath, Germany. Always remember their slogan: "If you want to get the party going, grab a Little Heiny." Hope to see you Monday at 3:00 pm in the Oasis. We have professional grade musical instruments for only $\$ 5.00$.

## LAWN BOWLING

 Mardal Flynn 431-336-1172Wow, wanna have a great time? Come out and try Lawn Bowling. We had a successful Open House and now have new people out to try bowling and take lessons. So now is a good time to come out and try. Lessons are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 am. Our open play is $8: 45 \mathrm{am}$ and 12:45 pm every day. With those who show up, teams are made and games are played. There is no commitment. Come join us!

## LIBRARY

Ruby Erickson
480-924-9125
In the month of December, 947 books were signed out. This doesn't include any from the locked cases. Please sign out each book you take. When book is returned, cross off your name in the sign-out. The
slips above the sign-out book are there to help you find your name when you return the book. If you are returning a locked case book and no librarian is on duty, be sure to put it in the drop-box at the end of the large print. For books from the locked cases, the resident must have a badge. No exceptions.

## MANITOBA PARTY

Vivian Jones vivianjones3 @yahoo.com Manitoba Party will be on January 28 in the Oasis. It is a potluck but also please bring $\$ 2.00$. Sign-up sheet is in the Post Office hallway.

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 Our state gathering will be Friday, February 23, at 6:00 pm in the Cabana Room EPC. Our planning committee has chosen to serve a soup tasting this year. Several varieties of soup will be provided as well as bread, butter and lemonade. Sign up at the Post Office Hallway to bring either a salad or dessert. Come to our gathering with $\$ 3.00$, your dish to share, table service and any special drink. We hope to see you there.
## MINNESOTA GET

 TOGETHER Linda Hamilton 218-839-5455 The Minnesota GetTogether will be Saturday, February 3 in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Social hour at 5:00 pm and dinner at 6:00 pm. Tickets are on sale through January 30. Don't be left out! Final sales will be at the Monday Grapevine and Tuesday ice cream social in the Bistro. Donated door prizes may be dropped off at 820 Debonair. It's Super Bowl time so wear your purple and gold.
## MONTANA PARTY <br> Janet McCabe

 406-789-7471Our party is Sunday, January 28 at 5:00 pm. Remember to come to the Ballroom. Food and Music. BYOB and bring $\$ \$$ for raffles and auction. Also an appetizer to share at your table.

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NEBRASKA PARTY
Mary Springer 402-493-3389
Steve \& Georgia Christensen 402-968-9095
Save the date. Nebraska gathering on Sunday, February 25 at Oasis. Door prize donations welcome. Look for sign-up sheet at Post Office Hallway. Details to follow.
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## NORTH DAKOTA

 PARTYPat and Walt Just 480-325-0138 The North Dakota party will be held Tuesday,
February 27, in the Oasis. It will be pot luck with ham being provided. Happy hour is at $4: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ with dinner at 5:15 pm. A sign-up sheet is on the wall at the Post Office. Please let the
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# Clubs and Organizations 

(Continued from page 22) 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.

## OREGON PARTY 2018 <br> 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 thru February 6 in the Baja Bistro during the Tuesday ice cream socials and at the Monday Grapevines. Ticket cost will be $\$ 10$ per person. At the Rib Party in November, we decided to go with a Chinese Cuisine dinner this year. 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.

## PET ASSOCIATION

 Forrest Simmons 480-532-1813 Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 6 at 2:30 pm in the Cabana EPC. Home \& Art Tour is coming up on Sunday,February 11. We have flashers for sale. Be safe walking or riding at night. Pet Memorial board. Call Forrest.

## ROCK AND GEM <br> Sue Nobles 505-205-7894 <br> We have a lot going on. <br> The Open House is Diane Obert. Volunteers needed for Paul McDermand concert January 29 and Pork Loin Dinner February 7.

 January 27 from 10:00 amto 1:00 pm. January 27 is the Gospel concert at 3:00 pm in the Ballroom.
Tickets available. Our Mahi Mahi dinner is February 14. Happy hour at 5:00 pm, dinner at $5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. The club's year-end party is February 28 in the Oasis. Please sign up in the shop if you plan to attend. Stone carving is going on in the back of the shop. Classes are available at different costs. Please sign up in the Rock Shop if you'd like to take one.

## 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 at all Grapevines

> SHUFFLEBOARD
> Dan Stuehrenberg 480-325-4880 Lessons Wednesdays at 9:15 am. Mentors assist novices Thursdays at 9:15. Congratulations to recent Gold Cap winners Ed Talboom and Grace Lintz. January 9 Turkey Shoot winners were Men - \#1 Ed Talboom, \#2 Ron Wright, \#3 John Goluk; Women - \#1 Lucie Wood, \#2 Anne Strain, \#3 Diane Obert. Next Turkey Shoot will be February 13. Thanks to all who helped make the Any Doubles Tournament a success, especially tournament coordinator Carol Egli, who was assisted by Doreen Torcov, and kitchen coordinator

## SING 'N STRUM <br> Merle Heise 480-830-5951

We get together and play chorded songs every Thursday evening at 7:00 pm in the Auxiliary Ballroom. We'd love to have you join us if you play any type of stringed instrument. 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 $5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ 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
Wednesdays 7:559:30 am - Cabana Room East Pool. Study of Bible prophecy. Everyone welcome. DVD presentations from notable Christian authors, pastors and speakers. We live in interesting times! Many people want to know if some of these events are in Bible prophecy. 300 prophecies were fulfilled perfectly for Christ's first coming. There are 500 prophecies for his second coming. The Bible tells us numerous times to watch. What are you watching for? Many things are happening now, and others still have to happen before He comes again.

## SPADES

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

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

We meet Thursdays 9:00 $\mathrm{am}-12: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ in the Mojave Room for any and all sorts of stitching. We are not teachers but can get you started on a crochet or knitting project. If you have a neighbor who doesn't venture out of their house, bring them to our group they don't have to stitch they can just enjoy the group and chatting. In addition, if you have or know someone who has yarn they don't need or use, please donate it to our group for charity knitting and crocheting. Many thanks to all who have donated in the past!

## SUNSHINE

 CARVERS Bill Lees 406-531-5657 We just completed our gourd class and are in the middle of our peach faced dove class. Come by and check out the results. Our raffle is scheduled for January 30. There are some nice, fun pieces available. Look for ticket sales at various fund raising events. Don't forget January 27 is the Hobby Center Open House. Eats, exhibits and items for sale will be available. Chips are still flying and gourds take on new life. Stop in and check out the projects: walking sticks, canoe paddles, Northwest Indian designs, relief carving, birds, pyrography, caricatures and a wide variety of gourd work.TABLE TENNIS / PING PONG AI Manter 253-584-6307 Since 2018 arrived we have gained several new members. The club is much busier now which is great. We play Monday, Tuesday
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# Clubs and Organizations 

(Continued from page 23) and Friday at the Auxiliary Ballroom from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Also, we play Thursday from 3:00 to 5:15 pm and Saturday from 9:00 am until noon. Sunday is open play from 9:00 am until 2:30 pm. Please come and join us for a good time. Dues are very reasonable at $\$ 5.00$ a season.

TUESDAY EVENING LADIES BIBLE STUDY
Lauran Decker 702-659-0765
Through February 20 , Cabana in the Venture Out East Pool Complex 6:30 to $8: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. Program Music, Praises, Prayer, Table Discussion and Video. 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) 6590765, 910 Debonair, Lauran1945@yahoo.com•

## WANTED - PIANO PLAYER Ian 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.

## WASHINGTON STATE PARTY

 Rich Kantak 206-931-4284Mark your calendar for
February 20 at Buena
Vista Ballroom. We'll have chicken and potluck. Bring
table service and BYOB. Much more info soon at Post Office. All current, past and (wannabe) Washingtonians welcome. Call Rich if interested in joining/helping planning committee. Also want to hear what party activities worked well (or not) and worth repeating.

## WISCONSIN STATE PARTY

Rhonda \& Mick Viney 608-642-4112 \& 608-642-4113 SAVE THE DATE Saturday, February 24 in the Oasis. 5:00 pm social and 6:00 pm dinner. Current and former residents - win prizes \& cash! Tickets (\$5) sold at Grapevine February 5, 12, 19 and Saturday meal events February 3, 10, 17. Tickets must be purchased by Monday, February 19. Brats, sauerkraut, baked beans, coffee, lemonade provided. Bring a salad or dessert for 10, own table service, beverage if desired, and WI-related door prize (optional). Help us plan on January 30, 3:30 pm at 408 Douglas OR sell tickets at events, assist with set-up, etc. Call if you can help.

## WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

 Betsy Klofstad 480-854-8883The following is a list of upcoming books we will be reviewing: 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.

## It's a Weekly Thing

TGIR - Thank Goodness I'm Retired! HAPPY HOUR It's time for some good music, a few laughs and great company in the Baja Bistro for TGIR!


BYOB, Snacks \& Glass Ice \& Water Provided

FRIDAY • JANUARY 26 3:00-5:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO

## MORSH STMC

January 28 Speaker: Rev Davis Antonson
Offering to Genesis Project Feb. 4 Speaker: Rev. Paul Harrington
Offering to Salvation Army

## GABEEST

Come enjoy fresh coffee and donuts!


Coffee 75 and Donuts $\$ 1.25$

Gabfest is an informal gathering with your friends and neighbors for conversations! Please feel free to visit before \& after worship service. Sponsored by the Glass Arts Club
WORSHIP SERVICE • 9:00 AM • SUNDAYS Buena Vista Ballroom GabFEST • 8:30 AM ••BAJA Bistro

## Friday Night Dance

January 26 Julie Lee Band
(Polka \& Variety)
February 2
Midnight
Confessions
(Oldies Rock)
February 9
Cowboy Up (Country Western)

## 50/25/25 Raffle



Tickets $\$ 8.00$
B.Y.O.B. \& Glasses Soda \& Popcorn sold $\$ 1.00$ each
Tickets available from the Activity Office beginning the Friday prior to the dance or at the door

Fridays • Doors Open 6:30 PM 7:00-10:00 PM Buena Vista Ballroom


## It's a Weekly Thing



The Venture Out Bingo program includes favorite games such as Double Action and Odd \& Even!

## ThURSDAYS • 6:45 PM • BV BALLROOM DOORS OPEN AT 5:15 PM

## Tuesday POTLUCK Dinner \& Entertainment Featuring "Studio 3 Performing Arts Broadway"

At Studio 3 Performing Arts, the instructors strive to produce professional quality performances that highlight the unique talents of each student. This gives everyone a chance to feel like they're on a Broadway stage! Enjoy this high energy musical theater revue featuring songs and scenes inspired by popular Broadway musicals. Phenomenal dance numbers and your favorite characters await!

## (Pass the Hat)

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

## TUESDAY • JANUARY 30 5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO



Let's get the party started! Enjoy short format performances by local talent.


TGIR - Thank Goodness I'm Retired!
Friday • February 2
3:00-5:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO

## It's a Weekly Thing

## Tuesday POTLUCK Dinner \& Entertainment Featuring "Kitchen Band"



The Venture Out award-winning Kitchen Band and their everenthusiastic conductor will stir up some spicy fun as they entertain this evening while performing on instruments made out of tea pots, wash boards, kazoos and frying pans. A memorable performance that gives your kitchen spatula a whole new purpose in life!

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

## TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 6 5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO



Venture Out Pickleball VS the Mesa Fire Department Two teams entered the Pickleball court and VO came out the winner!



Hosts:
Forrest \& J an Simmons


Tickets \$1 each
I ce \& Water Provided
T.G.I.R.- THANK GOODNESS IM RETIRED

| FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 9 |
| :---: |
| 3:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO |



TGIR - Thank Goodness I'm Retired!
Friday • February 16 3:00-5:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO

## 7:30 AM WATER EXERCISE

Robbie Oldemar 480-396-9987
Start your morning off with gentle aerobic exercise in the West Pool at 7:30 am. We exercise everything from head-to-toes Monday thru Friday. It's a lot of fun and a great way to start your day. We even stop to share a joke or two. Check us out. Any questions please call Robbie 480-396 -9987.

8:45/9:00 AM WATER AEROBICS WEST POOL Marie Austin 480-396-8766<br>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. And, don't forget, Wednesday is Fashion Hat Day at the West Pool. If you have any questions, please call.

## 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!-

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 1:304:00 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. If you are interested in Beading, you can sign up for a beginning class. Contact Loralee for information or just come by the Sonoran around 2:30 pm. Hope you can 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!••

DANCE AEROBICS
Ann Fox \& Em Williams 480-654-2141
Tuesday and Thursday
8:40-9:20 am. Buena Vista Ballroom. No charge.

## EAST POOL WATER

 AEROBICS Elma Becker 480-695-7222These 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•

FUNCTIONAL FITNESS AND BALANCE Ann Marie Henry 480-205-5942
Utilizing a chair, bands, and weights, come work on your balance, coordination and core strength. Let's improve posture and mobility as well as fall prevention. Come join in the fun! Most 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.

> 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. 1:00$1: 50 \mathrm{pm}$ is the very popular West Coast Swing basics class, learn from the beginning. 1:50-2:40 pm is beginning Ballroom, learning the Waltz and Foxtrot. 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. For more information call 480-491-2393, email info@shallwedancephoenix. com or check out the website at www.shallwedancephoenix. com.

## 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 <br> Maryanne Schuster 210-287-4719

I am excited for this year. Keep in mind massage therapy is a cost-effective 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.••

## MEDITATION AND

 SOUND HEALINGJoin Gretchen Bickert for an introduction to meditation and sound healing February 6, March 6 \& 27 in the Cabana from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm! Signup in the EPC required. Classes $\$ 5$ each. Every other week we will learn techniques to help us with meditating and becoming mindful. There are many ways we can bring the meditative mind into our daily lives. Its not just about sitting in lotus position and chanting Om! Learning to become mindful and present in our daily lives goes a long way to helping us to get the most of each moment. We will also spend some time just being as Sound and Vibration does its work to heal us! There will be time for questions and discussion

## 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.

## 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, and our 6-week cha cha class for beginners is 10:00 am - noon. 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

 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 you come to Stretch and Tone, you check off two of
those things. It will improve the quality of your life. So bring a mat and weights and come join us! MondayFriday 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!...

> 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 WATCHERS

 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 $1 / 4$-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

Come dance, shake and have fun, all while burning calories. Zumba Gold is a low impact, dance cardio class. No dance experience is needed, easy to follow steps and routines. Make some new friends while grooving to the hottest Latin and World Music tracks.

## 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

## Classes, Seminars \& Wellness

## 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 <br> 8:00-10:00 AM <br> Fitness Center at the EPC

Sudoku

| 6 | 5 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 9 |  |  | 8 |  |  | 1 | 6 |  |
| 3 |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 3 |  | 4 |  |  | 9 | 1 |
| 4 |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |  | 7 |
| 2 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 4 | 5 |
|  | 3 | 9 | 6 |  |  |  |  | 8 |
| 8 |  |  |  | 1 | 4 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 7 |  | 8 | 9 |  |  |

Sudoku is easy to play and the rules are simple. Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine $3 \times 3$ grids contain one instance of each of the numbers 1 through 9 .

## BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK Monitor your Blood Pressure

 High blood pressure, also known ashypertension, 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

## FRIDAY SEMINAR "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.

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## Classes, Seminars \& Wellness



Miles of smiles at Venture Out


## Ventrue Ou's Hearthealthy 55 5. me

 Stroll • Walk • Power Walk • Jog • Run

Route map available in the Activity Office and at the event. Refreshments served at the finish line.

Ham Radio operators on duty to assist en route!

TUESDAY • JANUARY 30•10:00 AM
9:55 am Warm-Up Stretches Outside Front Community Center

## "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


## MONDAY • JANUARY 29 8:00-10:00 am - The Cabana (EPC)

## BREAKFAST WITH THE DOCTOR

"Skin Cancer"
Skin cancer is the most common form of ancer in the United States. Join Banner Health as he discuss prevention, diagnosis and treatment. T il also discuss treatment updates and adva es the most fatal types of skin cancer. $\mathrm{Fr} \Rightarrow \mathrm{b}_{1}$ aki $\quad \ddagger$ provided.
*Please note time. Sign-c. re fuirm in the EPC. Limited to 50 participants à specified by Banner


Banner Health 9:00 AM•CABANA

## Classes, Seminars \& Wellness

## FODD IIANDLERS

 classIs your Food Handler's card about to expire? Would you like to volunteer in the kitchen but have no card?

Attend one of the monthly Food Handler's classes instructed by our own Chef Ed.

No Studying Required! No Test! No Cost!


No need to go off property to take a test.

This 30-minute class does the trick! Receive your Food Service card - good for 3 years

## Friday • February 2 10:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO

## FRIDAY SEMINAR

"Bonsai Trees"


Bonsai Trees captivate us through their unique styles and design. Susie Kingston of the Phoenix Bonsai Society will discuss the history of Bonsai trees and the challenges you might encounter growing Bonsai in the desert. Learn about the different "styles" of Bonsai, including, informal upright, cascade and literati. She will also bring a display of Bonsai Trees including tropicals, desert and deciduous.

## Friday • February 2

## 1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM

## 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

## SPECIAL CLASS Native Flute Workshop

The hauntingly beautiful sounds of the native flute speak to your spirit. Using the life force of your breath, you express your feelings and emotions through the flute. Learn the techniques and concepts necessary to play this unique instrument, which requires no musical background or formal lessons. Topics include overview of the native flute, basic fingering, breath control, sounds and embellishments, care of the flute, songs and tablature, selecting a flute, and playing from the heart. Flutes will be provided for the workshop and available for purchase. Sign-up in the Post Office Hallway. Pay with cash only at the class Wednesday, February 7 at 2:00 pm in the Music Room. $\$ 20.00$.

> Wednesday • February 7 2:00 PM • MUSIC ROOM

## Classes, Seminars \& Wellness

THURSDAY HEALTH SEMINAR "Use it or Lose it"


Health Tips
Tips for Heahthy Ifing Learn secrets to staying young, being happy and maintaining your brain health. Your genes play the biggest role in how long you'll live, but if you adopt a healthy lifestyle you will maximize your genetic potential. 1. Stay active. 2. Eat your fruits and veggies. 3. Reach for whole grains. 4. Don't smoke. 5. Sleep enough, but not too much. 6. Maintain a healthy weight. 7. Minimize red meat. 8. Manage stress. Presented by resident Dr. Bernard Hoggarth.

## Thursday • February 8 1:00 PM • The Cabana (EPC)

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 Resuming February 9 9:30-10:30 AM THERAPY Room \#2 (EPC)


## Friday • February 9 8:00 AM • OASIS

## FRIDAY SEMINAR Ordeal of Reconstruction "1865-1877"



Venture Out history buff and resident, Ron Gumm, returns to examine one of the most turbulent and violent periods of American history. In discussing the Ordeal of Reconstruction fron 1865-1877 Ron will expand on major influences of this time including President Andrew Johnson, Thaddeus Stevens, Charles Sumner, as well as the Freedmen's Bureau, Black Codes and radical Republicans.

Friday • February 9
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM

# Classes, Seminars \& Wellness 

THURSDAY HEALTH SEMINAR

## "Hip \& Knee

 Pain"Medical
professionals from Mountain Vista Medical Center will enlighten you on the uncomfortable world of hip and knee pain. The pain of damaged joints and bones can be debilitating. From congenital defects to athletic injuries and the effects of old age, we've all experienced joint pain at one time or another. Discover the latest in options to relieve pain and the most innovative options for knee and hip replacements.

## Thursday • February 15 1:00 Pm • The Cabana (EPC)

## Heal thy Eating Cooki ng C ass

Conducted by Chef Joseph Turley
$\$ 20 .{ }^{00}$ includes instruction, samples \& recipes Sign up \& pay in the Activity Office Deadline: Noon, Friday February 16

## Reversing Inflammation

You will learn which common foods possess anti-inflammatory properties, and which familiar Pro-inflammatory foods (even in a natural foods diet) can aggravate a condition.

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

FRIDAY SEMINAR

## "Second Generation Holocaust Survivors"

Evidence shows that the children of Holocaust survivors, referred to as the "Second Generation", can be deeply affected negatively and positively by the horrific events their parents experienced. This "Second Generation" realizes the urgency in keeping the memories of their families alive, by telling their stories. Venture Out welcomes a small group of these "Second Generation" children and their amazing life experiences. Limited Space

## Friday • February 16 <br> 1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM

## BLOOD DRIVE United Blood Service

Bring your Photo ID
Sign up in the Post Office Hallway.
Free cholesterol \& Zika Virus testing with every donation! Drink extra water and
eat a HEALTHY small low-fat meal or snack
2 - 4 hours before giving blood.
For donor eligibility questions, donors can call 1-822-827-4326


Thursday • February 22•9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Sign up in Post Office Hallway Blood Mobile •
Community Center Parking Lot

## This and That

## PHOTO

For those who had their picture taken, your free directory is ready to be picked up in the Activity =1 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



The Sportsplex Grand Opening and VO Pickleball Vs Mesa Fire Department Throw Down was a crowd pleaser!


## This and That

## ${ }^{2018}$ <br> Artisan Showcase

## Entry Form <br> Tuesday - February 6 - Baja Bistro Resident Voting 9:00 Am - 1:30 Pm Winners Announced 2:00 pm

All mediums of art accepted. The ONLY requirements are that a "Butterfly" must be inconorated somewhere in the artwork and the art work must be original. A maximum of two entries per person accepted. Bring your entries to the Baja Bistro between 8:30-9:00 am on Tuesday, February 6

Cash prizes: 1st Place $\$ 50.00$ 2nd Place $\$ 25.00$
3rd Place \$15.00

RETURN THIS FORM TO THE ACTIVITY OFFICE BY 3:30 pm • Friday, February 2 Name: Address:
Email:
Phone:
Type of Entry: 1) $\qquad$ 2) $\qquad$

## 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 started in J anuary 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 <br> W | Contact <br> M | Phone |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 9:00 am | Title |  |  |  |
| Karen Wood | $563-210-0152$ |  |  |  |
| What is God Like |  |  |  |  |

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

## PUTTING TOURNAMENT

- Win cash prizes
- Winners qualify for the Championship Tournament!
- Hole-in-One prize!
- Most Aces prize!
- Will pay 1st place in every flight for men and women!
- Putter and ball available at the Green

Be sure to bring...

- Putter
- Ball
- \$ 1.00

All invited to participate! No experience necessary! Chairpersons: Joe \& Kathy Blitgen 563-451-4828

## Saturday • February 10

 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM • PUTTING
## This and That

## CONTINENTAL COFFEE HOUR

 Inspirational Speaker: Julie Whaley: "Everything Has a Price...What Are You Worth" Special music by the JemsJanice, Jeanne, SandraBring 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


Plenty of sunshine and good music at Music by the Pool


Room Reservation forms for the 2018-2019 season will be available in advance from the Activity Office. Completed forms will be accepted in the Activity Office beginning Tuesday, February 27 at 8:00am. Please plan accordingly.


Club Meetings! Private Parties! Card Games! Everything in Between! Forms must be submitted.

Now Available from the Activity Office

## Artísan Showcase

Come vote for your favorite!


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, quilts, 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 1:45pm

## This and That

## Putting Tournament

Winners for January 13
Prizes can be picked up at the Activity Office
Men:
1st Flight Winner
John Grieman
2nd Flight Winner
John Grier
3rd Flight Winner
Ray Wasyliw
High Score
Loran Clark
Ladies:
1st Flight Winner
Nan Larson
2nd Flight Winner
3rd Flight Winner
Margaret Clark
High Score
Elizabeth Laprwy
Aces Men:
Don Russell 7
Aces Ladies:
Jeanette Dempewolf

# 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 AM - 2:00 PM BAJA Bistro

## No Wood Needed

Wood donations are not needed for the Annual Weenie Roasts. The Fire Marshal now requires that only "clean" fire wood is burned.


Thank you!

Attention Residents
Here is the break down for fines attached to speeding in the park:


First Violation Notice will result in a warning.
Second Violation Notice will result in a $\$ 25$ fine.
Third Violation Notice will result in a $\$ 50$ fine.
Fourth Violation Notice will require the offender to appear before the Condo Board for further action.
The posted speed limit in the park is 10 MPH .
Thank You for your cooperation.

## Brandon Fowers Chief of Security

## M arketPlace

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

must-haves that you can't do without and just-gotta-have "thingamajiggies." Don't miss your 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

| HAPPY BIRTHDAY |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| John Novak | Jan 19 |
| Nan Larson | Jan 19 |
| Pam Klocke | Jan 26 |
| Rose Schiltz | Jan 27 |
| Dennis Spear | Jan 28 |
| Lowell Butman | Jan 30 |
| Pat Puppe | Feb 1 |
| Joan Paylor | Feb 2 |
| Dan Meyer | Feb 2 |
| Barb Meyer | Feb 3 |
| George Goodno | Feb 8 |
| Carol Lid | Feb 15 |

## HAPPY

ANNIVERSARY
Les and Sandy Hanson Jan $25 \quad 54$ years George and Bev Goodno Jan 30

58 years
Tom and Cheryl Epping Feb 4 1 year

HAVE YOU HEARD? To submit information Email Pat Laurita at pattyjo2012@gmail.com or call the Activity Office at 480-832-9000
Betty Block of 819 Merlin passed away January 4. Cards may be sent to her husband James Block, 5001 E Main St \#980, Mesa, AZ 85205. A celebration of life will be held on January 27 at 4:00 pm held between 819 \& 821 Merlin. Please bring a side dish or dessert. RSVP by January 20 to Marilyn at 902 Merlin-480-364-9790.
Faye Bowman a Former Resident passed away January 12. Condolences can be sent to her family at 6302-224 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ S.W. Montlake Terrace, WA, 98043-2540


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.


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 $50^{\text {Th }}$ 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
Recdir@ventureoutrvresort.com

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\text { Here's to " } 50 \text { " and " } 50 \text { " more! }
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## Reminder:

The Speed Limit in Venture Out is 10 M.P.H. Slow down and stay safe.

Time for a swim and serenade at the Music by the Pool



# (1) Manager's Corner January 26, 2018 

The Architectural Committee is holding their annual contractors meeting at 9:00 A.M. today in the Oasis. If you are planning on building this year please attend to be better informed.

We've had a little bit of excitement these last couple of weeks. A Pizza delivery lady t-boned the front planter, but a small miracle, she had decent insurance, so we have repaired and replanted the planter and have already submitted the costs to her insurance company.

On Friday we had a small fire start in the men's sauna. It was quickly extinguished by two lot owners who also found out our 911 button at the front desk in the fitness room works like a charm. The fire Department arrived and determined there was no fire danger. Staff came in and shut down the power. The electrician looked at the sauna and found the heating element heavily calcified and rusted. He said it was likely that we had folks coming in and using the sauna still dripping from the pool. That we must make sure everyone towel dries down before stepping in the sauna. We have ordered two new heating elements and expect them in, in the next two weeks.

The west pool north hot tub has been down while waiting for a part as well. We expect it still this week and hope to get it up and running the day it comes in. While the tub was down, Paul took the opportunity to repair some tiles.

We are currently working on budget items which is only a month away. We have several infrastructure projects on the plans for this next summer; sealcoating most of the west side of the community, some street replacements and at the minimum beginning to install conduit for new street lighting. The street lights are as old as the community so its time to make these kinds of plans. Probably the largest work load right now, is the 36 new transmittals we are working on from the clubs in addition to those still in the hopper. Most of these are capital projects, some are long term but many are short term requests. We will be trying to get bids on these items in time for budget which is very little time to work on so many of these. This is also the time that we look for regular maintenance items that must be addressed during the summer.

All RV spots have been reserved for next season, but we do need anyone who wants an RV storage space in the SE corner to please come in now and fill out your reservation forms. Lynette did an amazing job last year squeezing as many RV's into the corner that she could, but we do have a wait list for the spaces so let us know ASAP that you still require your space.

A Survey Monkey survey will be coming out soon in your e-mail, asking for feedback on parking in the community. This was drafted by the Safety and Security committee. We hope you will all participate.

We are starting to beta test the wi fi this next week with approximately 50 volunteers. We will report on this in the coming weeks and we thank all of the volunteers in advance.

It looks like another beautiful weekend coming up, so get out and enjoy it!


## January 26, 2018

Grab the flyer from today's edition of the Out-Lines and enjoy a delicious Mexican Meal Deal at Tia Rosa's located at 891 N. Higley Road in Gilbert. $15 \%$ of your bill will be donated back to the Venture Out Social Club. If you pass Guadalupe Road turn around because you've gone too far! The Woodshop, Silversmith, Sunshine Woodcarvers, Rock \& Gem, Handymen, Pet Association and the Green Committee open their doors on Saturday, January 28 from 10:00 am -1:00 pm for the ever-popular Hobby Center Open House. You won't want to miss this!
The Glass Art Club welcomes everyone to visit their beautiful facility for their Open House on Wednesday, January 31 from 1:00-3:00 pm. You won't want to miss this either!
Before heading the Hobby Center Open House on Saturday, be sure to fill up on a breakfast burrito in the Baja Bistro. Breakfast is served 7:30-9:00 am for only $\$ 5.00$ and that includes all the coffee you can drink. Be sure to BYOTSAM (Bring Your Own Table Service and Mug)
Tickets are currently on sale in the Activity Office for the January 27 Rock and Gem Club sponsored Gospel Concert featuring The Legacy Quartet. Tickets will also be available at the door the afternoon of the performance. The concert begins at 3:00 pm with doors opening to the Buena Vista Ballroom at 2:30 pm.
There are a few tickets available for the delicious Salmon potluck dinner to be held in the Baja Bistro Monday, January 29.
The Woodshop will sell tickets for their gigantic, humongous, packed-to-the gill raffle beginning Monday, February 5 until their draw in the Buena Vista Ballroom on February 19. Tickets available Monday through Saturday in the Baja Bistro.
Be sure to check out the All-City Pickleball Tournament taking place on February 6-9. Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in the country and we just happen to have some of the finest courts in the valley!
There are still a few tickets for the Pickleball sponsored California Dreaming. You just might get lucky if you get to the Activity Office right now and get those tickets.
There's still time to pick up tickets for the February 1 Taco Salad lunch prepared by the mighty Tennis Club. Tickets are only $\$ 6.50$ and you are guaranteed one of the tastiest taco salads in town!
Please remember when a room is occupied do not enter. This is particularly true for the Mojave Room. Go a feet more and enter through the main Lobby entrance. Your cooperation is appreciated by all.
You just might notice the mouthwatering smell of grilled hot dogs around the Community Center on Saturday, February 3. That's because the Poolroom Association will be grilling their famous jumbo dogs while the Croquet Club sells their delectable Bundt cake and the Library offers another of their incredible book sales. Tickets may be purchased at the event. As a special bonus the talented VO Combo will perform for your listening pleasure. Hope to see you there!
During peak hours at the Fitness Center please be cognizant of your time on the cardio equipment. Gym etiquette is $30-40$ minutes when others are waiting to use the equipment.
The Shuffleboard Club is sponsoring the extremely talented Paul McDermand in concert on Monday, January 29 beginning at 7:00 pm in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Tickets are available from the Activity Office for at the door the evening of the performance.
There's still time to buy tickets to the party for the biggest football game of the year. It's going to be an afternoon of crazy tailgating games, great football on three large screens, unbelievable door prizes, football pools and great meal to top it all off. Again this year, the event is being held in the Buena Vista Ballroom with the popular lounge seating available! Tickets may be purchased until Wednesday, 10:00 am January 31 in the Activity Office.
NEW THIS YEAR! Room Reservation forms for the 2018-2019 season may now be picked up in advance from the Activity Office. However, completed forms will not be accepted in the Activity Office until 8:00am, Tuesday, February 27.
Venture Out is a huge facility with numerous things to do, clubs to join and fun to be had. But if you're new to this beautiful community it can all be a bit overwhelming. We can help sort it out and answer any questions and concerns you may have at the Newcomers Orientation Friday, February 2 at 9:30 am in the Mojave Room.
Have you turned in your application for the Artisan Showcase? All mediums of art are accepted in this friendly competition as long as a "butterfly" is incorporated somewhere in the art work. Monarch, Swallowtail, Nymphalidae or Pieridae...any kind of butterfly! Remember all art work must be original and two entries per person will be accepted.
One of the most popular dinners is just around the corner on Wednesday, February 7. Tickets for the Shuffleboard sponsored Pork Loin Dinner are currently on sale from the Activity Office for $\$ 8.50$.
Please do not change the settings on the TV's in the Fitness Center. Should you wish a different station you may use one of the remotes made available on the walls located on either side of the Cardio equipment.
The next Food Handler's class is schedule for Friday, February 2 at 10:00 am in the Baja Bistro. No studying required. No test given! Hope to see you there!
The Solos Club is sponsoring a new act for their Cabaret Show this season. We3 is a soft jazz/blues trio comprised of three extremely talented women including Nicole Pesce on the piano. Reserved seat tickets are currently on sale from the Activity Office.
See you at the Heart Healthy 5 K and the 30 Sunshine Carvers Raffle draw on Tuesday, January 30 and at Don's Variety Show on February 2. Both to be eventful!

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED MONDAY - FRIDAY

| Lap Swimming | 6:00-8:30 am | East Pool |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Water Walking | 6:00-7:30 am | West Pool |
| Co-ed Exercise | 7:25-7:55 am | BV Ballroom |
| Water Exercise | 7:30 am | West Pool |
| Bocce Open Play | 7:30 am | Bocce Courts |
| Know your Gym | 8:00-10:00 am | EPC |
| Stretch \& Tone | 8:00 am | BV Ballroom |
| Croquet Open Play | 8:00 am-6:00 pm | Croquet |
| Sewing Room | 8:00 am-4:00 pm | Sewing Room |
| Noodles | 8:45 am | West Pool |
| Lawnbowling | 8:45 am | Lawnbowling |
| Water Aerobics | 8:45 am | West Pool |
| Water Aerobics | 9:00 am | East Pool |
| E-Club Treasurer | 9:00-10:00 am | E-Club |
| Water Aerobics | 10:00 am | East Pool |
| Water Exercise | 10:00 am | West Pool |
| Librarian on Duty | 10:00 am - 4:00 pm | Library |
| Children's Swimming | 11:00 am-1:00 pm | West Pool |
| Children's Swimming | 12:00 pm-2:00 pm | West Pool |
| Lawnbowling | 12:45 am | Lawnbowling |
| Post Office | 3:00-4:30 pm | VO Post Office |
| Children's Swimming | 4:00-7:00 pm | East \& West Pool |
| Lap Swimming | 7:00-8:00 pm | West Pool |

## Weekly Recurring Events

## MONDAYS

Hiking
Zumba Gold 12-4
Grapevine
Men's 8-Ball Tourny
Fired Clay Teacher
Tai Chi
Blood Pressure Check
Ham 20M
Line Dance Beginners
Ham 2M
Learn to Dance
Splashers
Beading
Kitchen Band
Tennis Beginners class
Men's Poker
Pinochle
Table Tennis

## TUESDAYS

| 9-hole Golf Sign-Up | 7:45 am | Sonoran |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Rock \& Gem Open | $8: 00 \mathrm{am}-12: 00$ noon | Lapidary |
| Dance Aerobics | $8: 40 \mathrm{am}-9: 20 \mathrm{am}$ | BV Ballroom |
| Happy Harpers | $9: 00-10: 00 \mathrm{am}$ | Music Room |
| Lawn Bowl Lessons | 10:30 am | Lawn Bowl Court |


| Conversational German | 1:00-3:00 pm | Sonoran |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 500 | 1:00 pm | Mojave Rm |
| Fired Clay Teacher | 1:00-4:00 pm | Fired Clay |
| Bocce Treasurer | 1:00-2:00 pm | Baja Bistro |
| Ice Cream Social | 1:30-2:30 pm | Baja Bistro |
| Potluck | 5:00 pm | Baja Bistro |
| Men's Poker | 5:50 pm | Classroom |
| Mah Jongg | 6:30 pm | Music Room |
| Cribbage | 6:45 pm | Mojave |
| Table Tennis | 7:00-9:00 pm | Aux Ballroom |
| WEDNESDAYS |  |  |
| Sons of Issachar | 8:00-9:30 am | Cabana |
| Tai Chi | 9:00-10:00 am | Aux Ballroom |
| Shuffleboard Lessons | 9:15 am | Shuffleboard |
| Croquet Lessons |  |  |
| Singles | 10:00-12:00 pm | Croquet |
| Doubles | 1:00-2:30 pm | Croquet |
| Qigong | 10:30-11:30 am | Cabana |
| Knife Sharpening | 11:00 am-1:00 pm | Woodshop |
| Fired Clay Class | 9:00am Fi | Fired Clay Studio |
| Hand-Foot-Toe | 12:15 pm | Mojave Rm |
| Ham 20M | 12:30 pm | Ham Shack |
| Ham 2M | 1:00 pm | Ham Shack |
| Splashers | 1:00-2:30 pm | West Pool |
| Men's Poker | 5:50 pm | Classroom |
| Scrabble | 6:00 pm | Sonoran |
| Duplicate Bridge | 6:00 pm | Mojave Rm |
| Texas Hold-em | 7:00 pm | Aux Ballroom |
| 31 | 7:00 pm | Sonoran |
| THURSDAYS |  |  |
| Rock \& Gem Open | 8:00 am -12:00 noon | Lapidary |
| Dance Aerobics | 8:40 am-9:20 am | BV Ballroom |
| Biking Group | 9:00 am Outside | de Activity Office |
| Stitch'N'Chat | 9:00 am-12:00 pm | Mojave |
| Art in the Park | 9:00 am | Sonoran |
| Happy Harpers | 9:00-10:00 am | Music Room |
| Lawn Bowl Lessons | 10:30 am Law | Lawn Bowl Court |
| Creative Writing | 1:00-3:30 pm | Sonoran |
| Social Bridge | 1:00 pm | Mojave Rm |
| Fired Clay Teacher | 1:00-4:00 pm | Fired Clay |
| LineDanoeBeginners | 12:30 pm | Aux Ballroom |
| LineDanceintermediate | 1:30 pm | Aux Ballroom |
| Table Tennis | 3:00-5:15 pm | Aux Ballroom |
| Weight Watchers | 3:45 pm | Sonoran |
| Solos Social | 4:00 pm-HH 5:00 pm-Dinner | ner Oasis |
| Bingo | Doors 5:15 pm |  |
|  | Play 6:45 pm | BV Ballroom |
| Men's Poker | 5:50 pm | Classroom |
| Pinochle | 6:30 pm | Mojave |
| Spades | 7:00 pm | Sonoran |
| Sing'n'Strum | 7:00 pm | Aux Ballroom |

## DAILY TIMETABLE

## FRIDAYS

| Croquet Organized Play | 9:00 am |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tai Chi | $9: 00-10: 00 \mathrm{am}$ |
| Eyeglass Adjustment | $9: 30-10: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| Duplicate Bridge | $12: 00 \mathrm{noon}$ |
| Ham 20M | $12: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Ham 2M | $1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Splashers | $1: 00-2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Beading | $1: 30-4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Friday Seminars | $1: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| T.G.I.R. | $3: 00-5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Euchre | $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Friday Night Dances | $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Men's Poker | $5: 50 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Darts | $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Table Tennis | $7: 00-9: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |

SATURDAYS

| Lap Swimming | 6:00-8:30 am |
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| Water Walking | 6:00-7:30 am |
| Water Aerobics | 8:45 am |
| Table Tennis | 9:00 am- 12:00 pm |
| Lawnbowling | 9:00 am-1:00 pm |
| Croquet Organized Play | 10:00 am |
| Ham Radio Mtg | 10:00 am |
| Lunch Bunch | 11:15 am |
| Children's Swimming | 11:00 am - 1:00 pm |
| Children's Swimming | 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm |
| Duplicate Bridge | 12:00 noon |
| Hand and Foot | 1:00-4:00 pm |
| Children's Swimming | 4:00-7:00 pm |
| Men's Poker | 5:50 pm |
| SNL | 6:15 pm |
| 500 | 7:00 pm |
| Lap Swimming | 7:00-8:00 pm |

SUNDAYS

| Lap Swimming | 6:00-8:30 am | East Pool |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Water Walking | 6:00-7:30 am | West Pool |
| Gabfest | 8:30-9:00 am | Baja Bistro |
| Worship Service | 9:00 am | BV Ballroom |
| Lawnbowling | 9:00 am -1:00 pm | Lawnbowling |
| Table Tennis Open Play | 9:00 am-2:30 pm | Aux Ballroom |
| Children's Swimming | $11: 00 \mathrm{am}-1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | West Pool |
| Children's Swimming | 12:00 pm-2:00 pm | West Pool |
| Children's Swimming | 4:00-7:00 pm | East \& West Pool |
| Social Bridge | 6:00 pm | Mojave |
| Court Whist | 6:30 pm | Sonoran |
| Woman's Tex-Holdem | 6:30 pm | Mojave Rm |
| Lap Swimming | $7: 00-8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | West Pool |

## Special Events

SATURDAY

| Breakfast Burritos | 7:30-9:00 am Baja Bistro <br> Hobby Center Open Hse 10:00 am-1:00 pm | Hobby Center |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Gospel Concert | $3: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |  |
| BV Ballroom |  |  |
| Betty Block Memorial | 4:00 pm | Between $819 \& 821$ Merlin |

## SUNDAY

Manitoba Party
Montana Party

## JANUARY 28

4:00 pm
5:00 pm

MONDAY
Lifesaver Class
8:00-10:00 am
Paul McDermqand Conc. 7:00 pm

## TUESDAY

Architectural Comm Mtg Ham Radio Club Mtg. Heart Healthy 5K Sunshine Carvers Raffle California Dreaming

WEDNESDAY
Mystery Trip $\quad$ 7:30 am Bus Loading Zone Fired Clay Class $\quad$ 9:00 am-Noon Fired Clay Art Studio Glass Art Open House 1:00-3:00 pm Glass Art Studio

THURSDAY
Breakfast with Doctor
Taco Salad
FRIDAY
Newcomers Orientation Food Handlers Class
SATURDAY
Used Book Sale
Continental Coffee Jumbo Hot Dogs Free Dental Consult Bike Registration MN Get Together

SUNDAY
Big Game Party
MONDAY
New Image Fashions $\quad$ 10:00 am-2:00 pm Baja Bistro Woodshop Raffle Starts
Duplicate Bridge Potluck 4:30 pm Cabana

Piano Men / Concert $\quad$ 7:00 pm
Pickleball Tournament Handymams Mtg Artisan Showcase Social Board Mtg
Pet Assn Meeting
WEDNESDAY
Pickleball Tournament Fired Clay Class
Native Flute Workshop
Pork Loin Dinner
Canada Immigration Info 7:00 pm
THURSDAY
Pickleball Tournament
Ed's Grill
Market Place
FRIDAY
55 Alive

FEBRUARY 6

## JANUARY 30

9:00 am
Oasis
Baja Bistro
.15 am
Outside Community Cent.
Baja Bistro
BV Ballroom

## FEBRUARY 1

9:00 am
Cabana
11:00 am-1:00 pm Baja Bistro
FEBRUARY 2
9:30 am Mojave Room
10:00 am
Baja Bistro

## FEBRUARY $\mathbf{3}$

9:00 am-1:00 pm Community Center
9:00-10:15 am BV Ballroom
11;00 am-1:00 pm Baja Bistro
11:00 am-1:00 pm EPC Therapy rm 2
11:00 am-1:00 pm Patio
5:00 pm
BV Ballroom
FEBRUARY 4
3:00 pm BV Ballroom
FEBRUARY 5

Cabana
BV Ballroom

| 7:30 am | Pickleball Courts |
| :--- | ---: |
| $9: 00 \mathrm{am}$ | Oasis |
| 10:00 am-1:45 pm | Baja Bistro |
| 1:30 pm | Oasis |
| 2:30 pm | Cabana |
| FEBRUARY 7 |  |

Pickleball Courts
Fired Clay Art Studio
Music Room
Baja Bistro
Cabana
FEBRUARY 8
7:30 am
8:00 am-1:00 pm
Pickleball Courts
VO Diner
Baja Bistro

## FEBRUARY $\underline{9}$

8:00 am
Oasis

## January 2018

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Happy 2018! <br> Round Dance Party | Out-Lines <br> Deadline <br> Ice Cream Social <br> \& National Cream <br> Puff Day <br> Potluck-Boyce <br> Thompson <br> Arboretum | Prime Rib Dinner | Condo Board Mtg <br> Ed's Grill Open <br> Health Seminar - <br> Breakfast with <br> Banner - Men's <br> Health <br> Bingo | Newcomers <br> Free Dental Consult <br> Dons Classic Karaoke <br> Seminar - Buying or Keeping a Car in Arizona <br> Friday Night Dance Midnight Confessions | Jumbo Hot Dogs \& Cake Sale with music by Keith Beyrs <br> Used Book Sale <br> Bike Registration <br> Continental Coffee |
| Gabfest <br> Worship Service | Grapevine <br> Recreation Open <br> House <br> Bike Registration <br> Silversmith Auction <br> Begins <br> Zappones Cooking <br> Class <br> New Image Fashions <br> Concert Series <br> Saturday Night <br> Fever | Social Board Mtg <br> Ice Cream Social <br> Food Handlers Class <br> Potluck - Roy Pollon <br> Round Dance | Coffee with a Cop <br> Harrah's Casino Outing <br> Enchilada Dinner | Condo/Social 11 Joint Mtg <br> Marketplace <br> VO Diner Open <br> Health Seminar Macular Degeneration <br> Bingo | Out-Lines $\quad 12$ Published Zappones Meal Deal Trivia Blast Seminar-FBI Terrorism Friday Night Dance - Flipside 45 | Eggs \& Bacon 13 Breakfast with Sing-n-Strum Beginners Tennis Clinic Putting Toumament Electric Boog-a-loo |
| Worship Servicel4 <br> Gabfest | Grapevine <br> 15 <br> Silversmith Auction Ends <br> Canadian Snowbird Association Seminar <br> Out-Lines Deadline | Club Officers Mtg <br> Loaded Baked Potato Lunch Ice Cream Social Potluck-Dolphinaris <br> Sunshine Carver's Raffle Begins <br> Meet the Condo Board Candidates | Grand <br> Opening NE <br> Sportsplex <br> Mesa Fire Dept <br> Pickleball <br> Throw-Down <br> Country Western Jamboree | Condo Board Mtg <br> Ed's Grill Open <br> Health Seminar - <br> Dental Implants <br> Bingo | Glass Arts Make \& Take <br> Dons Classic Karaoke <br> Seminar Christians and Politics <br> Friday Night Dance - Lonny Lynn Orchestra | Hamburger <br> 20 BBQ \& Ice Cream with Music by lan Eric |
| Worship Service <br> Musical Jam <br> Sing-a-Long | Grapevine 22 Emergency Procedures Class Healthy Eating Cooking Class - Food \& Your Mood Meatless Monday Potluck Concert Series - Motown Magic | Social Board Mtg <br> Ice Cream Social \& Bake Sale <br> Ft. McDowell Casino Outing <br> Potluck - Native American Flute <br> Round Dance | Smart Cycling 24 Seminar <br> Music by the Pool w/Chuck E Baby \& Root Beer Floats <br> Lasagna Dinner | Condo Work 25 Session <br> Fleas \& Bees Sale <br> Chili Bar <br> Health Seminar Medical Marijuana <br> Bingo | Out-Lines <br> Tia Rosa Meal Deal <br> Seminar - Art of Gardening <br> Happy Hour with Billy Marovich <br> Friday Night Dance - Julie Lee Band | Breakfast 27 <br> Burrito Breeakfast <br> Hobby Center Open House <br> Gospel Concert with Legacy Quartet |
|  | Grapevine <br> Out-Lines- <br> Deadline <br> CPR \& First Aid <br> Salmon BBQ <br> Potluck <br> Paul McDermand <br> in Concert | Heart Healthy 30 5-K <br> Ice Cream Social <br> Sunshine Carvers Raffle Draw <br> Potluck-Studio 3 Performing Arts <br> California Dreaming | Glass Arts Open House <br> Mystery Trip | Silversm Silent Au January <br> Sunshin Carvers January | On <br> 15 <br> ffle -30 |  |

## February 2018

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Condo Board Mtg <br> Taco Salad <br> Health Seminar Breakfast with Banner-Skin Cancer Bingo |  | Jumbo Hot with VO Combo <br> Used Book Sale <br> Bike Registration <br> Continental Coffee |
| Gabfest <br> Worship Service <br> Big Bowl Party | Grapevine <br> New Images <br> Fashion <br> Woodshop Raffle Begins <br> Concert Series Piano Men Generations | All City Pickleball Tournament <br> Social Board Mtg <br> Ice Cream Social <br> Artisan Showcase <br> Potluck - Kitchen Band | All City Pickleball Tournament <br> Pork Loin Dinner <br> Round Dance | All City Pickleball Tournament <br> Marketplace <br> VO Diner Open <br> Health Seminar - <br> Don't Use it You <br> Lose it <br> Bingo | Out-Lines <br> Published <br> Trivia Blast <br> 55 Alive Defensive Driving Course <br> Seminar-Ordeal of Reconstruction 1865 -1877 <br> Friday Night Dance Cowboy Up | Strawberry <br> Pancake <br> Breakfast with <br> Sing \& Strum <br> Silversmith Make and Take <br> Fired Clay Arts Studio \& Sewing Open House \& Sidewalk Sale <br> Putting <br> Tournament |
| Gabfest 11 <br> Worship Service <br> Home Tour <br> Mobile Nobles Dinner Dance | Club <br> Budgets Due <br> Grapevine <br> Zappones Cooking Class <br> Out-Lines Deadline <br> Special <br> Performance- <br> Late Night <br> Catechism | Valentine's 13 <br> Party-Towerpoint <br> Band <br> Ice Cream Social <br> \& Valentines <br> Special Flower <br> Sale <br> Potluck - Diana McCallum | Ash <br> Wednesday <br> Annual Condo Mtg \& Election <br> Mahi Mahi Dinner | Ondo Board 15 Organizational Mtg <br> Motor Expo \& Car Show with Chili Dogs \& Ice Cream Health Seminar Hip \& Knee Pain Bingo | Condo Board 16 Orientation <br> Zappones Meal Deal <br> Seminar - Second Generation of Holocaust Survivors <br> Dons Classic Karaoke <br> Friday Night Dance - Flipside 45 | Hamburger 17 BBQ \& lce Cream <br> Glass Arts Raffle Begins |
| Gabfest <br> Worship Service <br> Musical Jam <br> Sing-a-Long | Grapevine <br> Candidates <br> Social Board Budget <br> Mtg <br> Woodshop Raffle Draw <br> Healthy Eating Cooking <br> Class <br> Meatless Monday <br> Potluck <br> Sewing Raffle to Begin <br> Concert Series - String Fever | Social Board 20 Mtg <br> Ice Cream Social <br> Sunshine Carvers Carve Off <br> Ft. McDowell Casino Outing <br> Potluck - The Jems | Social Board <br> Budget Mtg <br> Poker Run <br> French Dip Sandwiches <br> We3 Cabaret Show | Condo Board 22 Work Session <br> Blood Mobile <br> It's a Woman's <br> World <br> Salad Bar <br> Collective Goods <br> Bistro Sale <br> Health Seminar-P.I.T. <br> Bingo | Social Board <br> Budget Mtg <br> Out-Lines Published <br> Seminar - <br> Northern Lights <br> Name That Tune <br> Friday Night Dance - Myron Sommerfeld |  |
| Gabfest <br> 25 <br> Worship Service | Condo $\quad 26$ Budget Mtg Grapevine Out-Lines Deadline Vo's Got Talent | Condo Budget Mtg <br> Social Board Budget Mtg Ice Cream Social <br> Potluck -Teri Whalen <br> VO's Got Talent | Condo <br> Budget Mtg <br> Music by the Pool with Dr. Dave \& Root Beer Floats <br> Chicken Dinner <br> Round Dance | Wood | ss Arts ary 17 - | $3$ |

I always take my obligation for President's comments seriously, but there is an extra burden felt today in light of the announcement last Friday via FastMail concerning the condominium board's decision to withdraw from contract negotiations with the Social Club.
What is the best approach going forward? I've thought about just acknowledging the the decision today and then; knowing it is potentially painful for some, just move on to business as usual as soon as possible.

However, that approach fails to address that a major goal of mine and others on the board going into the negotiations process in October, which was to fix this so that this schism in our community never happens again. So how does going back to the 2012 agreement meet that goal? It simply doesn't.
There are consequences to our actions...we all understand that concept. Being able to rely upon contracts is a basis for all kinds of agreements and relationships in life. The Social Club failed to up hold their end of our contract...I've stated that before and given a broad description of the failure in the past. We are a VO family and so, I didn't share the details out of concern for harmony in our community. But I find that folks are still asking for information... what really happened? Was it really that serious?
I believe the rule of law and ethics are important. How else can we trust each other? Plus, without the checks and balances found in the contract; good stewardship and wise use of funds are principles lost. And finally, there is the issue of lost director's and officer's liability insurance coverage if our contracts are not followed.
So, let's air our dirty laundry today. Answer those questions that folks have about what really happened and why the board withdrew from negotiations and then move on to the more positive task of finding solutions for the future.

Within the report section of our 2/1/18 regular board agenda our Controller, Scott Daily, will provide a presentation on the contract breach and explained those graphs you received in the FastMail Friday. And, in the process, explain how the contract was broken. The other ad hoc negotiation team members (Terry, Gary and Alice) shared Thursday their rationale for withdrawing from the negotiations process and an explanation of why the Condo board reached a consensus to withdraw from the negotiations process and why we feel our 2-board system of governance is due for review and consideration given to another approach...which is common in other parks.

Herein, you will find a document with common questions and answers on this topic. Of course, if your question is not answered there, come ask a board member.
The Q\&A document and the team members' documents are included here today.
We, at VO, have a culture of saying to ourselves that our 2-board system is different and better than other park organizations and the Social Club is the only reason for our robust lifestyle. Well our organization is different, but it may not be better than others. There are other very significant reasons for our successes such as the wise decision to embark on long range planning and the subsequent upgrading of our property in the last 15 years, which makes us attractive to look at and provides excellent facilities for all those activities. Consider recent additions to our park such as the EPC and Sportsplex. Also, a willingness to invest $\$ 600,000 / \mathrm{yr}$ in our recreational department making it second to none other in the East Valley. All our concert series and special events are organized by the recreation department personnel and not the Social Club Board.
This is not to diminish the contributions of the Social Club Board, which are substantial and essential in working with our robust community of clubs. But these functions can be accomplished without a 2-board system. For example, a social club council could perform these functions. We should explore other models for organizing ourselves and insuring the continuing success of VO while preventing conflict between boards.
After reading the history of VO, it is clear to me that the Social Club organization we have today is not the one we started with 40 years ago. It has evolved into an organization that seeks to be totally autonomous from the condominium and has lost the original vision of raising funds for recreational facilities.
The Condominium board is appreciative of the many expressions of support received in recent days. As volunteers, it is encouraging to hear these expressions of appreciation.
We are now prepared to move on. Initially we will rely upon the existing 2012 agreement, but we sincerely hope to embark on a community wide process, which will engage all stakeholders, to envision what other governance organizational models may better serve VO. The presidents and VP's of both the Social Club and the Condominium have agreed to start meeting together on a regular basis ...that's a good start.

## A NEW BEGINNING

It was January 11, 2018, at about 2PM in the afternoon. I had just returned home from a meeting with our Joint Counsel, Laura Lo Bianco. It was supposed to have been a joint meeting of both the CB (Condo Board) and the SB (Social Board) to review the tentative agreement. Instead, it turned into a mediation session with Lo Bianco serving as a mediator. It ended with the SB reneging on our tentative agreement of January $5^{\text {th. }}$

So, that afternoon, feeling conflicted by what had happened in the morning, I wrote down some of the things we had accomplished in negotiations. I wanted to look at the positive aspects of our agreement. However, I was very unsettled by where the morning session had ended. I decided I needed to review all the things that happened over the last several months, including the numerous meetings, the written documents created, the financial documents of the SB and notes from our negotiating sessions. In hindsight, I was searching for an answer to explain how I was feeling.

As a new Board member last March, I did not expect that I would be involved in a conflict between the CB and the SB that has been an on and off problem for the last 30 years. I was deeply troubled by this issue from the very beginning. I took the time to talk to past condo and social board members to better understand what this was all about. I met with Connie and the treasurer of the SB to better understand their budgeting process. I met with the President of the SB to express my concern over the divisiveness that I felt this conflict would cause in our community. It is something that I did not want to see happen. I love our community and the lifestyle that comes with it. My goal was to try and resolve this conflict as quickly as possible With 30 years' experience in negotiating contracts I believed that I could help do this.

## From the beginning, the one item that was made clear to us all through this process was the SB

 expressing at almost every meeting the importance of maintaining their tax-exempt status. This was their number one issue. They believed that the CB's required approval of their budget jeopardized their tax-exempt status.With the mutually agreed upon hiring of an expert in HOAs and tax-exempt status issues, as a joint counsel, the issue of CB approval of the SB's budget was quickly put to rest. Our agreed upon joint counsel stated clearly that our approval of their budget did not jeopardize their tax-exempt status. With that issue supposedly resolved we began negotiations.

We held four negotiation sessions with a tentative agreement reached on January 5, 2018. The tentative agreement was contingent upon confirmation from our joint counsel that again, the CB approval of the SB budget did not jeopardize the SB's tax-exempt status. This question was brought forward, in the $11^{\text {th }}$ hour of negotiations, by the legal counsel of the SB. The SB had asked their attorney, Lynn Krupnik, to talk to our agreed upon joint counsel, Lo Bianco, about the tax-exempt question. This was a move that stunned the CB's, negotiating team. We had agreed early on, in order to keep legal expenses at a minimum, to use our joint counsel. Obviously, the SB was not happy with the answer from our agreed upon joint counsel. The conversation between Ms. Krupnik and Ms. Lo Bianco did take place and again, our joint counsel stated that the tax-exempt status of the SB was not in jeopardy. Therefore, we should have had an agreement. Instead, the SB reneged on our agreement and stated that they did not want the CB having oversight of their budget. An autonomous SB would serve no purpose other than to create two governing bodies within VO. I cannot accept having two governing bodies trying to run this park. It would do nothing but divide us and doom us to failure.

Further, when you analyze the SB's budgets and compare them to the actual financial results over the last 10 years, you find a budget process that was totally misleading with absolutely no reliable information with respect to cash flow and cash flow uses. Approval of capital asset purchases by the SB could not always be verified in their monthly SB minutes. The actual operating cash as compared to budget amounts has been consistently $\$ 100,000+$ more than what was budgeted. End of the year spending on capital assets by the SB in excess of $\$ 400,000$ over the last five years and not included in their budget, resulted in the CB having to retroactively approve those purchases in order to avoid loss of our D \& O insurance. Why did the SB's budget so under-state their revenue? What was the purpose of a large spend down at year end?

Ethically speaking, I would be embarrassed by the budgets that have been put forth for the CB to approve. It points to a misrepresentation of the actual results with the goal of minimizing or having no "excess funds" as defined in the 2012 agreement. It opened the door for the SB to go on spending sprees at the end of the year. All of that spending was probably items we could use, but that doesn't make it right. There should be full financial transparency by the SB in order for all to see clearly what the priorities are for the clubs and owners of this park. Their misrepresentation of their finances only reinforces the need for CB oversight.

Given the above, the SB never had a tax-exempt issue. Their budget process only pointed to misrepresentation of facts. I believe they have misled us all. What they wanted was elimination of the CB oversight of their budget. It did not seem to matter that $\$ 600,000+$ of lot owners assessments go to running the recreation department of VO each year. They wanted to be an autonomous organization.

As has been said, "United we stand, divided we fall". I cannot support a new agreement that does not solve our long running conflicts. We cannot have two governing bodies within VO. It is time to look at other alternative models that continue to support the lifestyle we all cherish. It is time for a new beginning!

This purpose of this report is to explain how I came to the conclusion that I can no longer support the creation of a new contract with the SB (Social Board). What I still strongly support is all the hard work and dedication that individual SB members, not only currently but throughout the years, have given to the VO community and the positive effect that collectively they have had. Having set in on several of their meetings this season, I've not only gained a high level of appreciation, but have had reaffirmed in my mind that the tasks performed by the SB are crucial to sustaining the VO life style. I have also learned that those same tasks can be accomplished outside of the "two board model." I have come to believe that the two board model, with an increasing emphasis by the SB leadership upon the need for the boards to be totally separate and independent of each other is the basic source of VO's cycle of conflict that we have all had to endure. This emphasis seems to have accelerated significantly since approximately 2012 and in my mind made the "trauma and drama" that exploded last spring nearly inevitable.

The following four factors are the major ones that have led me to this early morning decision:
At our first CB (Condo Board) meeting on Oct. $26^{\text {th }}$, you heard me describe how several CB and SB members had already been meeting in the attempt to quell some of the unrest that had been generated over the summer and to begin a dialogue based on trust. You also heard that all parties had agreed that our employees should never again be caught in the middle of disagreements between the boards. After the negotiating session of January $11^{\text {th }}$, I realized that the new agreement had clearly established that all VO employees are without question employees of the Association and even though they need to work closely with the SB and the Recreation Department, their ultimate responsibility is to the Association. In addition however, the negotiations process had gotten stuck on the SB insistence that the CB should not have the right of final approval over the SB budget. We were actually considering a compromise plan regarding this issue when it dawned on me that we would be setting up our employees to perhaps be used as pawns or to be faced with being willing accomplices. If the only leverage that CB would have in the future would be the management of our employees, then the boards through this agreement would be making it a certainty that our employees would be caught in the middle. Something that we all had said was absolutely unacceptable.
The second thing that we had agreed upon in October was that both boards were committed to not just "kick the can down the road" again. In other words, this solution would need to be able to stand the test of time and to ensure that our community would never have to endure such turmoil again. The negotiations process seemed to me to be a band aid approach. We went from issue to issue searching for a solution. We were successful in doing this, but in that success we lost sight of the reality that the root cause of most of the disputes would be removed if we just did not continue with the two board model. This was the elephant in the room that we were ignoring, largely because of our high regard of the good work of the SB.
We have approximately 5 months each year that we can effectively take care of the governance of our community. Decisions can be made during the remainder of the year, but the process is significantly less efficient. The new agreement was heading in the direction that the boards would need to meet and possibly negotiate regarding multiple issues, including the budgeting format, procedures, and amounts, the creation of communications to our community including both written and electronic, and the creation of an operations manual. The number of meetings that would be required to deal with just these three issues on a yearly basis would be nearly prohibitive, especially in light of the schedule of meetings that both boards must already attend. All three of these issues are important, but they can be much more easily accomplished with a one board model, that would obviously have to include some form of a quasidecision making body, such as the Recreation Council that is used by the Road Haven concept or that of other similar organizations utilized by other parks.
It is my belief that the past 5 or 6 weeks have actually been a good learning experience, although sometimes painful. We can honestly say that we have made a sincere effort to sustain the two board model. However, we have not only been unsuccessful, but have come to the realization that the only final, long term pathway that will never again lead us toward divisions in our community is to explore and ultimately choose a different governance model.

To summarize, at the beginning of this process we had four major goals that included the following:
Remove the potential for future conflicts: The new contract would not do this, but changing to a one board model would.
Never again put employees in the middle: The new contract would not do this, but changing to a one board model would.
Maintain our tax except status: We learned that this was never really at risk.
Insure that our D \& O Liability Insurance would not be jeopardized: The jeopardy was created by not following our own agreements. Consequently, changing to a one board model would alleviate the need for even having agreements.

You know, this is quite an exciting first year on the Board.
I arrived at my conclusion that we should not go forward with negotiations for many of the same reasons that Terry, Gary and Bruce did. I won't restate all of them, but will give you the highlights of my reasoning.

I first considered a statement that Laura Lo Bianco, the attorney said. She said that one of the controls that Condo Board has is over the employees. As Terry said, they are Condo Board employees that are assigned to assist the Social Board. I think we have tried to be reasonable in the past by not interfering with the relationship between the employees that are assigned to the Social Board, intervening only when necessary. Controlling those employees not only sounds harsh, but would put them in the middle, not something I want to see happen.

I then went through the agreement that we had been working on to see what it gives us. The following are just a few of those items:

1. Agreement to develop a standard operations manual - we can and should do that without a contract.
2. We would have an agreed upon budget and reserve fund budget format - we have that already.
3. It would have mandated joint budget meetings during budget preparation as well as timelines. Things that we should be doing anyway and could do without a contract.
4. Social Club agreement to give Condo Board a fixed percentage of their audited gross revenue annually for a recreational projects fund. That would have addressed the 'excess funds' issue.

I also considered what happened when we were finally down to the one remaining issue - that being Condo Boards request for budget approval.

As has already been stated, we had a tentative agreement that we 8 shook on. The agreement was pending clarification of the following one question: would Condo Board having approval of the Social Board budget jeopardize the Social Club non profit status.

That question was answered again on the morning of $1 / 11 / 18$ when all 18 Board members met. The answer is no. Our having budget approval does not jeopardize their tax status.

It takes a lot to upset me. But when I heard that Lynn Krupnik, the Social Board attorney had called Laura Lo Bianco, our mutual attorney and that Social Board was now NOT going to honor our tentative agreement, even though their question had been answered, but instead was proposing new language, I got upset. Probably why I was up at 3:15 in the morning writing out these concerns.

I did ask myself why I should care about having budget approval. To me, it is needed because of the large amounts of money that had NOT been approved by Condo, that HAD been spent over the past 5-6 years. And by the fact that we were put into a position of having to retroactively approve that spending so as to not jeopardize both Boards D\&O insurance. I also believe that I have stewardship responsibility for the over $\$ 600,000$ dollars that we as residents contribute so the Social Club can function.

I do not regret the past few months of time spent with our Social Board Directors. I learned a lot. I hope they learned something about us too.

I do not take my Board responsibility lightly and I do not think that you would want me to.
So, given the above - I came to the conclusion that I could no support going forward with the new agreement.

I am optimistic about the future. I believe that Residents with Condo and Social Board representatives can objectively look at other models, pick and choose the best parts of them and develop something that would work here in Venture Out. Something that would allow us to keep the lifestyle that we all enjoy - the great activities and clubs and friendships. I am committed to working with Social Board Directors to keep us the premier resort that we are.

Thank you for listening to me.

## 1/25/18 CONDO BOARD Questions and Answers

The following are questions that we have commonly been asked over the past week.

## Why could you not come to an agreement?

Social Board would not agree to Condo Board having approval of their budget.

## Why does Condo want that?

Given the recent past experience of Social Board spending money that was not in their Condo approved budget we felt that we needed to continue to be involved. We also feel that we should practice good stewardship over the $\$ 600,000+$ that the Condominium Association contributes annually to enable the Social Club to run.

Why does the Social Club care if the Condo Board has budget approval?
You will have to ask the Social Club that question. The Condo Board has always approved the Social Club budget. Only after receiving a letter in March 2017 from the Social Board attorney, L.Krupnik, did the Condo Board Board investigate the budget, which led to our identifying spending beyond what was approved by the Condo Board.

## Will condo being involved in budget approval jeopardize the tax exempt status of the Social Club?

No. The attorney that we both agreed to use is a tax expert in this area, and she said that budget approval by Condo Board does not jeopardize the Social Club tax exempt status.

## What happens now?

We will go back to the 2012 agreement, so Social Club can continue to operate. We do not want in any way to see any of the activities we all enjoy stop.

You talk about a new model, I like the model we have now and am afraid that it may change my lifestyle if we go to another model.

I like our lifestyle too, and like you do not want it to change. But please be objective and stay informed and get involved when we do start exploring other models.

## Was the attorney Laura LoBianco mutually selected by both boards?

Yes. Both boards searched for an independent attorney that was an
expert in non-profit and tax-exempt organizations. Both boards agreed to her selection. Ms LoBianco required a list of all 18 board member names to look for potential conflict of interest before accepting the assignment.

## Does my annual condo assessment contribute to the support of the Social

 Club?Yes. Approximately $\$ 350$ of your annual assessment goes to support Recreation payroll and other Social Board support costs.

On graph \#2 what does the orange color that represents other activities/events consist of?

Other activities and events include such things as the Friday night and other dances, the concert series, and other special events put on by Recreation Department.

## Was there theft?

We are not aware of any.

NOTE: If you have other questions please write them down and hand them to a Condo Board member or drop it off in Administration in care of Pam Byfield, Condo Board Secretary.

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

## Current badges are required to purchase tickets

Friday Night Dance (Julie Lee).......F - Jan 26 ....... Jan 26 (3:00 pm)....... \$8.00 ....[ ]
Legacy Quartet Gospel Concert ..Sa - Jan 27..... Jan 26 (30ld alsoat the door pm)..... \$11.00 ....[ ] Salmon BBQ \& Potluck ......M - Jan 29 ...... Until Sold Out........... \$8.50 ....[ ] Paul McDermand Concert..M - Jan 29 ...... Jan 29 (3:00 pm)..... \$11.00 ....[ ] California Dreaming ...........Tu - Jan 30 ..... Until Sold Out......... \$12.00 ....[ ] Taco Salad...........................Th - Feb 1....... Until Sold not sold out, available at the di...... \$6.50 ....[ ] Friday Night Dance (Midnight Confs)F - Feb 2......... Feb 2 (3:00 pm)......... \$8.00 ....[ ] Big Game Party..................Su - Feb 4 ...... Jan 31 (10:00 am)... \$10.00 ....[ ] Pork Loin Dinner.................W - Feb 7........ Jan 31 (10:00 am)..... \$8.50 ....[ ]
Friday Night Dance (Cowboy Up)....F - Feb 9......... Feb 9 (3:00 pm)......... $\$ 8.00 \ldots$....[ ]
Mahi Mahi Fish Dinner .......W - Feb 14...... Feb 7 (10:00 am)....... \$8.50 ....[ ]
French Dip Sandwiches .....W - Feb 21...... Feb 14 (10:00 am)..... \$7.00 ....[ ]
 VO's Got Talent Gen AD.....M - Feb $27 \ldots . .$. Feb 27 (3:00 pm) $\ldots$....... $\$ 8.00 \ldots$.... [ ] Chicken Parmesan Dinner.W - Feb 28...... Feb 21 (10:00 am)..... \$8.50 ....[ ] Steak Fry ............................W - March 7 ... Feb 28 (10:00 am)... \$10.00 ....[ ]

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If you fail to meet the purchase deadline or the event is sold out, check the Post Office Hallway Ticket Bulletin Board Clipboard for resale offerings.
Bring this list with you to the Activity Office to expedite your ticket purchases.

## A newsletter by and for the residents of Venture Out

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## Editorial

## by Maureen Robertson

"A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step". Lao Tzu
Happy New Year to all and welcome back to those just arriving. January always presents an opportunity to begin anew, to refresh ourselves and look forward to whatever the future may hold.
At the Open House for the clubs in January, one could not help but become awed at the sheer number of residents visiting the many tables. At each one, representatives from the clubs provided information and encouragement for all who had the good fortune to stop by.
A friend recently noticed that here, at Venture Out, we live the lives we used to believe were available only to the wealthy; those for whom a day at the office seemed reserved for mere workers who struggled to put food on the table.
But for all of us, we can look back upon our "salad days" as those times that enabled us to enjoy our years in retirement. How fortunate that we found our way to Venture Out and all it offers to us. Here, with all the opportunities available to us, we can take that single step to begin a new and exciting journey each year.
Many of us look forward to the celebration of significant events in 2018, and may the year bring health, happiness and peace to all.

## Senior Olympics

## by Keith Gustafson

The Senior Olympics, held in April of each year, was introduced to our park in 2013 by Elma and Eldon Becker, and is patterned after a similar event in which they participated in Show Low the summer before.
The Olympics consist of six teams of twelve people who engage in a total of 8 games played over a four day period. Each team member has the opportunity to compete in every game. The games are selected by a committee of twelve individuals, designed to be enjoyable, and in many cases, humorous. Examples include throwing toilet bowl plungers with feathers through hoola-hoops,
 a ladder toss, bean bag toss, scavenger hunts, and poker run. More traditional activities such as shuffle-board, bocce ball, horseshoe toss, among others are included to acquaint team members with activities currently available in the park. Participants are as enthusiastic as any Olympic contestant based on the amount of laughter and squeals of delight that accompany the efforts. All activities are selected in order to provide competition for people with varying physical abilities. A water cart and first aid station travels with the teams for the comfort of contestants.
The teams develop a culture of their own to express their competitiveness and individuality. This often includes Tee-shirts, coordinated hats, mascots, cheers, or even team songs. Closing ceremonies on the Friday of Olympics week highlight the eccentricities of the teams. The Senior Olympics are advertised via the Outlines and Grape Vine. If you have a team of 12 people on your block or in your social group, an easy one-page form needs to be submitted. Your team will have a lot of fun and may even earn Gold!

## Meet the Beckers

Eldon and Elma Becker, a fascinating, high energy couple residing in VO, began vacationing here in 1995 after spending 55 years in Denver Colorado with careers in Accounting (Elma), and Building and Grounds Supervision (Eldon). The Beckers rented for several seasons and purchased their own unit on Douglas in 2003. They sold their home in Colorado in 2009 and moved to VO as year-round residents.

Few people can keep up with the Beckers' enthusiasm and varied interests. Elma, an artist at heart with a passion for pottery, china painting, quilting, and interior design, teaches forms of origami including Iris and tea bag folding during the months of January and February. Eldon is best known for his "Ask Eldon" seminars. In addition to his home-improvement sessions, he is an invaluable resource for homeowners' questions about any aspect of home building and maintenance. Both are avid Bocce Ball players and in addition, they take care of over 30 houses and 14 golf carts for friends during the summer season.
The Beckers are the epitome of volunteerism. Elma has served on and chaired many committees. She is the chairperson for the annual Art Show which showcases the work of numerous artists within the park. Elma was responsible for redefining the scope of "art" to include multiple mediums such as pottery, wood carving, lapidary, silversmithing, etc. The Beckers have been in charge of decorating the center for Christmas for many years. In addition to performing their annual volunteer decoration, Elma has created manuals for the exact replication of patterns and designs which include written directions and photographs.
The Beckers' enthusiasm for their retirement life style is also evident in their efforts to bring new ideas into the park. They vacation in Show Low during the summer months in a resort similar to VO and were responsible for bringing the concept of the Monday morning donuts and coffee session, known as the Grape Vine, to the park after reporting on the success of the concept in Show Low. Other concepts adopted include adding music to the water aerobics class that Elma conducts daily and the Senior Olympics.
The Beckers are both ordained pastors in their nondenominational church and have conducted weddings and memorial services in the park. They host a "Prayer and Praise" group in their home every Monday morning and have a Bible Study group that meets on Thursday evenings. They are involved with a local Mesa church which provides services to the homeless and disenfranchised populations. The Beckers are a valuable resource which all new residents of the park should access for information on purchasing a unit, tips for remodeling and decorating, as well as volunteer activities. People in the park know that when the Beckers agree to do a job, it will get done in style.



Introduced to VO by a cousin, Shirley and Joe Ebli came to Venture Out from Bloomington, MN in 1994. They liked it so much that they immediately bought a unit. In 1999, they sold the original unit and bought another one from Bob Nelson.
Bob Nelson, from San Jose, CA, was a golfer with a good sized motor home. His friend, Hank McGaugh, lived in VO at the time so Bob, his wife and a friend, came to AZ for some golf and visiting. They stayed in the park in Bob's motor home and while golfing was the main objective, they wouldn't turn down an invitation to a block party. Everyone at the block party had such a good time they decided to extend the fun and climbed into Bob's motor home heading for a pizza place. While it got a little crowded, it didn't hamper the enjoyment of the evening.
They enjoyed VO so much, that on the way back to San Jose, Bob and his wife called VO's real estate office to buy a unit and they lived in it from 1981 to 1999 when he sold it to Shirley and Joe Ebli.
Bob's wife passed away in 2007 and he came back on his own to VO to visit friends. Since it was his birthday, they planned to celebrate but wanted an even number of guests. Bob decided to invite the previous buyer of his home, Shirley Ebli. Her husband had passed away in 2002, and while she had to break a date with another person, she agreed to go with Bob, even though she wasn't sure that she remembered him when he came to the door.
Later, Shirley visited Bob in San Jose, and Bob visited Shirley in Bloomington. They soon became a couple and have been together for 10 years. Now Bob is back living in VO in the same house he sold to Shirley in 1999! When they reach the age of 100 in the year 2030, they plan to get married--a long engagement! They expect their friends to attend--if they're still alive. Another surprise connection.
If you have a "Surprise Connection", Jean would like to hear from you.
She can be reached at 6123284383

## Meet Your Neighbors

## hy Jean Deloye



There are many second generation owners at Venture Out, and Bob and Judy Parks are among them. Bob's parents, John and Irene Parks, bought in VO in 1989 when Bob was 29 years old. They had vacationed in Hawaii and Palm Springs for a number of years, and then decided to visit friends at VO instead. They were taken on a tour of the facilities and were so impressed with the park, they bought a unit the same day! No more Hawaii or Palm Springs for them. That says a lot for VO. John is no longer able to come, but at 95 years old, he still drives, keeps fit and attributes his longevity to an active retirement at VO.
As a young man, Bob enjoyed coming to visit his parents once a year and sometimes, twice, if vacation time allowed. He says he was often referred to as "the Kid" by older residents.
Bob worked for Safeway Stores in Vancouver and clocked over 40 years under his belt as manager of the meat department. He met his wife, Judy, when she also worked at Safeway as the floral manager and they married in 1998.
Bob planned to retire at 57, just old enough to be a legal resident at VO, and that is exactly what he did. And it didn't take his wife, Judy, long to love VO, either. She says that by the second day she was won over. Since they are now retired, Bob and Judy hope to be more involved in activities. He plans to golf, play baseball and bocce ball. Judy is interested in yoga, water exercise, and wants to join more activities as time permits.
Bob and Judy have two daughters and one of them loves to come with her family to visit her parents and to enjoy the weather and amenities offered here. Bob says she no doubt will be a third generation owner someday.
 A Night at the Movies

## by Maureen Rohertson



A popular diversion for our evening's entertainment occasionally includes a night out at the movies. But life is not as simple as it once was. We used to pay 15 cents for a newsreel, serial (usually The Lone Ranger), a couple of cartoons and the feature show. Not only that, but for a quarter, we could buy a few chocolate covered ice cream Bonbons.
Attending a movie now requires a degree in computer technology and a large bank account.
Arriving at the theater, especially selected for its power reclining seats, my friend, who is less technically challenged that I, proudly presented her cell phone to the ticket taker. She had cleverly purchased our tickets on-line, and all we needed to do was to present the cell phone with the validated tickets.
The young man in charge of ticket taking took the phone and pronounced in a rather flat tone of voice, "Your phone is off."
Not a problem. My friend retrieved her phone, turned it on and presented it to him once again. I won't use the word, "snatched", but the ticket taker did take the phone rather quickly from my friend's hand and firmly punched the surface a few times. He had not only discovered the elusive on-line tickets, but also kindly brightened the screen lighting, turned off the "Do not disturb" feature (thus solving the problem of why the phone never rang), and found the app for the theater chain. Returning the phone to my friend, he pointed down the hall and with a whispered mutter and quick toss of the head, directed us to the correct theater. One of our group who suffers with a slight hearing problem, asked, "Where do we go?"
I believe I caught a slight rolling of the eyes as our charming young friend repeated in a distinctly loud voice, "DOWN THE HALL AND TO THE LEFT."
We followed his clear directions with a brief stop at the refreshment bar. It was truly brief when we discovered that a cold drink would set us back almost $\$ 7.00$. For this we could buy 2 dozen Diet Pepsi at Fry's! We didn't even ask about the popcorn.
Eventually we found our seats, reclined them fully and soon fell fast asleep.
Perhaps the early evening news and a feature on Turner Classic Movies might suit us better.


## Addiction

## by Roger Stoufer

Daily, newspapers across the country warn of the dangers of addictions. In California, there are concerns with the legalization of marijuana. In Minnesota, a law is being passed raising the legal age from eighteen to twenty-one to purchase cigarettes. Florida has criminally charged numerous MD's for over-prescribing opioid pain killers. Government and the media seem intent on saving us from our weaknesses, but nobody warned us of the possibility of becoming addicted to spending all our future winters at Venture Out.
Last year, having spent fourteen wonderful winters at VO, my wife, Bev, and I reviewed the arguments for and against returning for another season. These included the usual stuff; concerns with our health, our diminished driving skills and the harshness of winters in Minnesota. While she leaned toward returning for another year, I felt our time at Venture out should come to an end.
When the decision was finally made to sell our home here and spend the remainder of our winters in Minnesota, I was aware that Bev would use her charm and skills to convince me to reconsider. Following in the footsteps of Odysseus, when he returned from the Trojan War, I tied myself to the mast of my ship and prepared myself not to be steered off course by her enchantment.
I was completely caught off guard last April when we left the park for our return to Minnesota. In February, when we made the decision, I experienced no tremors or withdrawal. Likewise when we listed our home for sale, I was free of symptoms.
But the experience of leaving Venture Out was traumatic. Again, following the footsteps of Odysseus, I secured my seatbelt as tightly as I could, stared straight ahead and resisted being seduced by the last look at our friend's homes, the palm trees, the bougainvillea and all the desert beauty that had surrounded me for the past fourteen winters.
In early December, Mary Stouffer, our long term VO friend, called us. She was interested in our plans for the winter. She probably sensed that we were struggling with our decision. When Clancy and Mary left VO, they withdrew from their addiction to VO over an extended period of time. They sold their home, and then bought another. When they sold that one, they rented a unit for two more years.
Other VO friends also encouraged us to withdraw more slowly. Their Facebook stories were the sirens that teased us to return this winter to the pleasant nonnarcotic ecstasy that is a daily part of life here.
Next year? Who knows!



The Tour of Homes, an annual event sponsored by the Pet Association, will be held on Sunday, February 25, 2018. Approximately 80 invited guests are escorted through 8-10 properties in the park. The homes are selected based on multiple criteria that showcase emerging trends, new construction techniques, decorating styles, and alternatives for older units. The variety selected provides ideas for almost every person whether they intend to build a new unit, remodel or redecorate.
The process for selection as a guest consists of entering a lottery in the Activities Office. If your number is selected, you have the opportunity to purchase a ticket for the home show. During the day of the show, you arrive at the center and are assigned to a driver who escorts you with a small
group to each home. Staggered teams consist of a limited number of participants at each home at any given time. After completion of the tour, coffee and cookies are served to the homeowners and guests in the center. This provides an opportunity to visit with homeowners about your favorite unit and solicit additional ideas, tips and resources for your project.

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Flying Saucer (beef, pork, or chicken) With beans, lettuce, cheese, sour cream, guacamole. \& salsa fresca add all three (3) meats
Stuffed Quesadilla (beef, pork, or chicken) With green chile strips, sour cream, guacamole. \& salsa fresca add all three (3) meats add shrimp
Chimichanga (beef, pork, chicken or Bean)
Deep fried burro served with guacamole, sour cream, salsa fresca, lettuce, cheese, rice \& beans
Enchilada style
Carne Asada Plate (beef, pork, or chicken)
With beans, rice, tortillas, sour cream, guacamole. \& salsa fresca add all three (3) meats

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Beef, Pork, or Chicken
With beans \& salsa fresca
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Green Chili Pork
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Beef \& Potato
Bean \& Cheese
Black Bean
Shrimp
add Cheese
add Sour Cream
add Lettuce
add Rice
add Guacamole
add Green Chile Strip
add Enchilada Style

Tortilla Soup
Butternut Squash Soup
Black Bean Soup
Cup of Soup
Mexican Salad
Leafy greens, salsa fresca, bell pepper, cabbage, cheese, avocado, and choice of dressing add beef, pork, or chicken

## Salmon Salad

Leafy greens, grilled salmon, red onion, seasonal fruit with our house cinnamon basil dressing

Shrimp Salad
Leafy greens, sautéed shrimp, pineapple salsa, with our house poppy seed dressing
Crab Salad
Leafy greens, mango, avocado, tomato, mixed peppers, red onion, with our house poppy seed dressing

Additional Menu Items Available
Sample menu. availability may vary

Feb 6-9 SAN DIEGO GETAWAY!

## $\mathbf{\$ 5 7 5} \mathbf{~ p p ~ d b l} /$ add $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 0}$ 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
$\$ 298 \mathrm{pp}$ 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 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ 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 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 $16 \quad 40^{\text {th }}$ 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.

## Mar 6 SUNSET CRATER

## \$139 pp

Bring your cameras!! This long day trip starts with lunch at a local favorite spot in Flagstaff, then on to the Sunset Crater Visitor Center. Visit the Wupatki National Monument for a short walking tour of the ruins. Next we stop at the Cameron Trading Post for dinner, and time for shopping. Return to Mesa approx. 10 pm .

## Mar 8 ARIZONA HERITAGE CENTER

$\mathbf{\$ 8 9} \mathbf{~ p p}$ Relaxing day trip in the Valley! Visit the Arizona Heritage Museum to explore the vast collections, including the "Footprints On The Desert"" exhibit of Frank Lloyd Wright design and buildings in Arizona. Then stop for happy hour at The Thirsty Lion, for a drink and hors d'oeuvres in our private room! (Be sure to have a big breakfast at home - no stop for lunch.)

## Mar 13 CHASE FIELD TOUR

\$89 pp Enjoy a guided tour of Chase Field, one of the most unique MLB facilities in the U.S.! Then we'll stop for lunch at TGI Friday's Front Row before returning to Mesa.

Mar 15 ZELMA BASHA SALMERI GALLERY $\$ 79 \mathrm{pp}$ The Zelma Basha Salmeri Gallery draws visitors from around the world, and is home to The Eddie Basha Collection. Stroll through the contemporary collections of Western American and Native American Art. Next enjoy lunch at Black Bear Diner, before returning to Mesa.

## DR DHIL 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

$\$ 298 \mathrm{pp}$ 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 $\$ 459 \mathrm{pp} \mathrm{dbl}$, 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.

## VENTURE OUT ANNUAL FINE ART SHOW \& SALE March 1, 2018

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATING ARTISTS

In the interest of making this art show one of the best in the Valley, please follow all directions on the Participant Information sheet.

1. Show only your own, original art, (including all media), original prints, paintings, sculptures, cards, wood, or stained glass. Club Tables welcome to show or sell
2. Each participant is required to contribute to the "raffle" table. NFY (Not For Sale) participants are still required to contribute to the Raffle Table. Contributions should be brought before 8:30 a.m.
3. Space per artist is allocated in order of sign up. Please indicate your requirements. Participants are allowed one (1) table each. THERE ARE NO HANGING BOARDS FOR PAINTING DISPLAYS
4. A sign with your name will be on your space. Do not bring your art before $8: 00 \mathrm{am}$. as it is confusing before the tables with names are set up. Let us know the exact number of tables required. DO NOT expand into other's spaces.
5. Tables will be set up around the room starting at 8:00 a.m. Have your art in place before 9:00 a.m. Standard "Artist" cards will be provided for your use. Include a card for each piece of art with a description (title, medium and price). Make any other tags of your own display to display on the art. Be creative! Bring your own display materials.
6. Allocation of space will be assigned by the coordinator. The coordinator will try their best to accommodate your needs as you have indicated. Take down is at 1:00 p.m. Be sure to clean up your area.
7. Individual sales for items under $\$ 20.00$ each are to be handled by the artist. $10 \%$ of all sales are to be given to the treasurer at 1:00 p.m. Sales desk will NOT have change. Bring change to deal with purchases under $\$ 20.00$ and to pay your $10 \%$ allocation to the cash table for the Social Board at the end of the sale.
8. Artists or their representatives MUST be in attendance throughout the show.

Please return attached form and information to 903 Debonair by February 23, 2018
\& Pick up sales tags

# ANNVAL FINE ART SHOW AND SALE 

March 1 - Baja Bistro PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Submit to 903 Debonair by FEBRUARY 23, 2018
ARTIST NAME: $\qquad$
ADDRESS:

PHONE:
Description of your original art: (Painting, including all mediums, cards, magnets, Adult Coloring Books etc.)

Your space requirements: (Note: special lighting or power not available) One table per participant Additional tables not reserved distributed by Joyce with consensus.

Everyone handles his or her own work or has someone cover for you.


[^0]:    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

[^1]:    COLORADO/ WYOMING PARTY REQUESTS Colleen Beyer 303-651-2816 Mark your calendars Saturday, March 3 at 5:00 pm in the EPC Cabana. "Let's Have a Fiesta" is the theme. Mexican food, entertainment, door prizes, games and dancing - what more would you want?

[^2]:    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.

    ## DUPLICATE BRIDGE Jan Carr 515-971-7907

    Come join us for duplicate bridge at Mojave Room on Wednesday at 6:00 pm and Friday and Saturday at 12:00 pm. Annual Chicken Potluck Party at 4:30 pm in the Cabana on

    February 5. Bring side dish, tableware and BYOB.

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

    Two more exciting classes are happening! January 31 and February 7, both on a Wednesday. Open to all residents 9:00 am to noon. Prices include all materials and instructions. January 31 learn to blend colors on a brush to paint beautiful butterflies on a bowl. February 7 learn to paint with string on a twohandled vase/jug. Stop by Saturday, February 10 and see our newly renovated studio at our open house and sidewalk sale. You could find something you can't live without to buy. Studio open Mondays 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Tuesdays and Thursday 1:00 to 4:00 pm . See samples of classes. Teacher will answer any questions.

    > GENEALOGY INTEREST GROUP Alice Petersen 651-214-9790 February 7 at 7:00 pm David Antonson will speak on "What's your Family Story." Canadian immigration information will be presented by Mr. Steve Packer from the Mesa Family History Center on Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 pm in the Cabana. This gathering of family researchers is open to all levels of family history seekers.

    ## GLASS ART STUDIO Janis Seville 780-940-5416 Happy New Year and welcome back! Member artisans are excited to start working on their awesome

[^3]:    Friday • JanUary 26
    1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM

