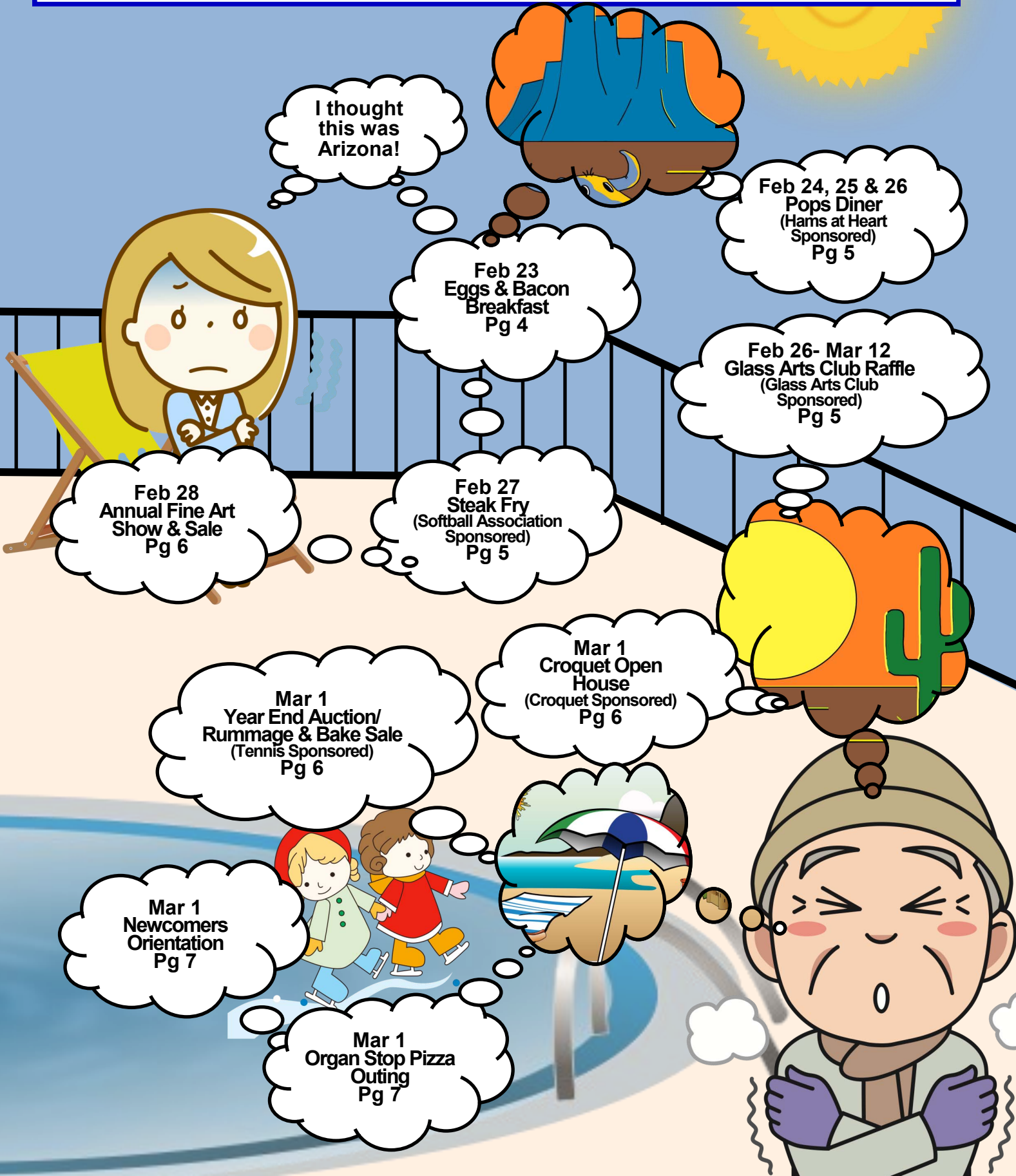


Venture Out-Lines

www.VentureOutRVResort.com

5001 E. Main St., Mesa, AZ 85205

February 22, 2019



I thought
this was
Arizona!

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Administration

Venture Out

5001 E. Main St.,
Mesa, AZ 85205

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
(480) 832-0200
VOGM

@VentureOutRVResort.com
8:00 am - 3:30 pm
Office Quiet Hours
3:30 - 4:30 pm
Monday - Friday
Closed Sat. & Sun.

For notary service call the
Administration office at
480-832-0200 to make an
appointment.

ACTIVITY OFFICE

(480) 832-9000
RecDir

@VentureOutRVResort.com
8:00 am - 3:30 pm
Monday - Friday
Closed Sat. & Sun.

VO POST OFFICE

(480) 830-5813
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Monday - Saturday

SECURITY

(480) 832-6080
Security

@VentureOutRVResort.com
24/7 EMERGENCY CELL
(480) 220-6875

Newsletter

Submissions Only:
Outlines

@VentureOutRVResort.com

MISSION STATEMENT

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

SOCIAL BOARD BUDGET SESSION

Friday • February 22
1:30 pm • Cabana

CONDO BOARD BUDGET SESSIONS

February 25 - March 1 • 9:00 am • Oasis

SOCIAL BOARD BUDGET SESSION

Tuesday • February 26
1:30 pm • Cabana

SOCIAL BOARD BUDGET SESSION

Thursday • February 28
1:30 pm • Cabana

CONDO BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING

Thursday • February 28 • 9:00 am • Oasis
AGENDA

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 • March 5 • 1:30 pm • Oasis
AGENDA

Invocation:

President's Comments:

Lot owners' and/or visitors' comments addressing any agenda item or, at the pleasure of the chair, any other matter; may not last more than two (2) minutes per speaker and must be limited to one topic.

Maximum time limit for any subject shall be five (5) minutes.

Changes to Agenda:

Adoption of minutes:

Correspondence:

Treasurer's Report:

Planning Report:

Transmittal Report:

Liaison Reports:

Condo Board Liaison Report:

Old Business:

New Business: Star Volunteer

Karaoke Request

Adjournment:

Work Session to follow

CONDO BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING

Thursday • March 7 • 9:00 am • Oasis
AGENDA

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

JOINT CONDO - SOCIAL MEETING

Friday • March 8 • 9:00 am • Oasis

CHILDREN'S SWIMMING HOURS

(under the age of 16)

WEST POOL

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

EAST POOL

12:00 - 2:00 pm

WEST & EAST POOL

4:00 - 7:00 pm

COMMON FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE

David Leach
320-290-3099

The Common Facilities Planning Committee is looking for applicants to fill positions on the committee. If interested in the future planning of Venture Out, please contact Paul Williams at 563-340-7241 or David Leach to obtain an application form. You are also invited to attend a planning meeting held **Wednesdays at 1:15 pm** at the **Sonoran** at the **Community Center** where you can also pick up an application form. Applications must be in by **March 1.**

GREEN COMMITTEE

Allan Jeska
360-573-9079

Small toilet leaks that are unheard and unseen can waste as much as 10,000 gallons of water a year – enough to fill a backyard swimming pool. We are living in a desert and water is precious and expensive. Your Green Committee has obtained Toilet Dye Kits that will be available for you to pick up at the **Administration Office** to test your toilet. (You may use a few drops of food coloring into the toilet tank and wait 15 minutes.) Any color? You have a leak that needs repair.

Administration

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE Warren Lee 540-538-0438

The Infrastructure Committee has one vacancy. We are in need of your help. We assist the Condo Board by providing recommendations on street repair, street lighting, drainage, solar, exterior walls, etc. If you have any experience that relates to any of these activities or just a desire to be part of this process, please contact me or any member of our Committee.



Congratulations to the new Condo Board Directors:

**Kay Hanks
Greg Shelby
Byron Snowden**

Your 2019 - 2020 Condo Board Officers are:

**President:
Alice Anderson**

**Vice President:
Gary Johnson**

**Secretary:
Gail Miller**

**Treasurer:
Ken Winters**

OUT-LINES SUBMISSION PROCEDURES

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

- Send your submission to outlines@ventureoutrvresort.com or drop off a hard copy to the Activity Office.
- The deadlines for ALL articles: Noon by the date listed below.

**DUE DATE
MONDAY**

February 25
March 11

**PUBLISH DATE
FRIDAY**

March 8
March 22

Hard copy submission forms available in the Activity Office

Articles are only run for two issues of the Out-Lines at which point they will be pulled. Articles with outdated information will also be pulled.

OFFICIAL NOTICE VENTURE OUT SOCIAL CLUB, INC. ELECTION AND ANNUAL MEETING

The Venture Out Social Club, Inc. Annual Meeting and Election will be held **Tuesday, March 19, 2019** in the **Buena Vista Ballroom**. The Annual Meeting will commence at 1:00 pm.

Two (2) candidates will be elected by unanimous consent by the Board of Directors of the Social Club and there is no need to have ballots, voting or elections as declared in By-Laws of the Venture Out Social Club, Inc. Article IV, Section 2. The third vacancy on the Board will be filled by the Board of Directors at a properly called meeting of the Board, and the Director elected will fill such vacancy until the next annual election in accordance with Article II, Section 5 of the By-Laws of the Venture Out Social Club, Inc.

In order to conduct business at the Annual General Meeting the quorum shall be 10% of the Active Membership. Quorum will be determined by the ticket count at the Annual Meeting as specified in Article IV, Section 2 of the By-Laws of the Venture Out Social Club, Inc.

All contracted classes & club events are not scheduled from **12:00 noon until the close of the meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 2019**, the day of the Annual Meeting and Election. The Activity Office will close for the day at 12 noon.

A quorum of 10% of the active members is required for transaction of any business at the Annual Meeting. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting.

Special Events

TGIR - Thank God I'm Retired!

HAPPY HOUR

It's time for some good music, a few laughs and great company in the Baja Bistro for TGIR!

Music by
Billy Marovich



**BYOB, Snacks & Glass
Ice & Water Provided**

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 22
3:00 - 5:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

Friday Night Dance

February 22
**Johnny K and
Kompany**
(50's & 60's)

March 1
**Midnight
Confessions**
(Oldies Rock)

March 8
Cowboy Up
(Country Western)



Tickets \$8.00

**B.Y.O.B. & Glasses
Soda & Popcorn sold
\$1.00 each**

50/25/25 Raffle

*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**

EGGS & BACON BREAKFAST

*\$5.00 Per Person
Tickets available at event*

Those
90+ eat
free!



MENU
Scrambled eggs,
crisp bacon,
toast, country
fries, chilled
juice and
coffee.

Those 90 and
over eat free!

**Everyone
welcome!**

**BRING YOUR OWN TABLE
SERVICE AND COFFEE MUG**

**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 23
7:30 - 9:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO**

WORSHIP SERVICE

The speaker for February 24 will be Rev. Ben Sanders and the offering will go to C-3. On March 3 the speaker will be Rev. Joan Gray and the offering will go to PICK.

GABFEST

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**

Special Events

Pops Diner

General Seating for the Sunday Final
Dress Rehearsal

Tickets \$10.00 from the Activity Office
or at the door

Reserved Seat Cabaret Seating Monday &
Tuesday - Sold Out



**Music from
the 60's!
Audience
Participation!
Come Rock &
Roll with the
Hams at Heart!**

**BYOB & Snacks for Cabaret Seating
Ice & Water Provided
Sponsored by the Hams at Heart**

SUNDAY • FEBRUARY 24 • 2:00 PM
MONDAY • FEBRUARY 25 • 7:00 PM - SOLD OUT
TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 26 • 7:00 PM - SOLD OUT
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM

Glass-Arts Club RAFFLE

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

**Raffle Draw
during the Ice
Cream Social
March 12**

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 26 TO MARCH 12
RAFFLE DRAW MARCH 12 FOLLOWING THE ICE
CREAM SOCIAL • 2:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

Tuesday POTLUCK Dinner & Entertainment Featuring "To be Determined"



Come
enjoy good
company,
delicious
homemade food
and entertainment.

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

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 26
5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

STEAK FRY

MENU

Sizzling Sirloin Steak
Served with
Sautéed Mushrooms
Baked Potato
Coleslaw • Roll & Butter
Coffee • Lemonade

TWO SEATINGS

5:00 pm & 6:30 pm
Steaks to be served for a
20-minute period at each
dinner seating.

PLEASE BE ON TIME

SPONSORED BY THE SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Tickets \$10.00
Past Deadline. See
Post Office Hallway
for Ticket Purchase
Opportunities



*BRING YOUR OWN
TABLE SERVICE*

**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 27
5:00 PM & 6:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

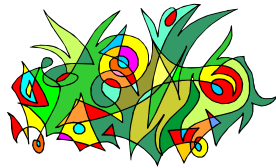
Special Events

Annual Fine Art Show & Sale

All Original Work • All Mediums

View the work of creative VO artists! Original art in various mediums on display and for sale. 10% of all sales goes to the Social Club. **Participant applications may be picked up at the Post Office, or 903 Debonair. Return application to Joyce Bell by February 21 at 903 Debonair.**

Questions, call Elma Becker at 480-396-6147.



**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 28
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**



Ed's Grill

Hamburgers & Cheeseburgers
and

— **Special of the Day** —
Menu items subject to change.

February 28

Liver & onions with
smashed potatoes & gravy

Your Choice

\$5⁰⁰

Table service included.
Specials are limited in number.
All lunches include a soda.

Bring your own container for left-overs.

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 28
11:00 AM - 12:45 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

— TENNIS CLUB'S — YEAR END AUCTION/RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE

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 Butch Short at 250-809-1028
or Sally Johnston at 970-213-2619



Drop off donated items
to the roped-off area
behind the Laundry
building before
11:00 am
on Thursday,
February 28.
For pick-up call before
Wednesday,
February 27

ALL PROCEEDS DIRECTED TO SOCIAL CLUB

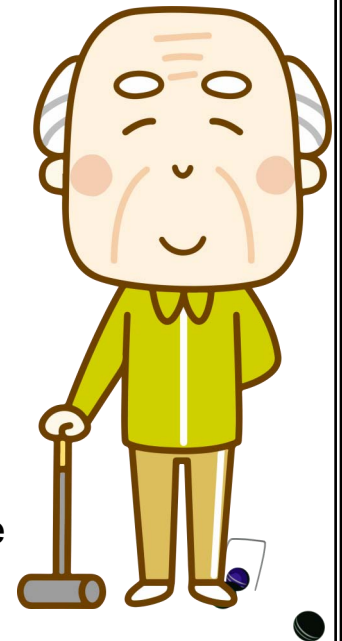
**FRIDAY • MARCH 1 • BEHIND LAUNDRY FACILITY
BAKE AND RUMMAGE SALE 8:00 AM
AUCTION STARTS AT 10:00 AM**

Croquet Open House

Come and play a
game and enjoy
food & drinks.

Chili & beverage
are \$5.00.

Become a
member of the
Croquet Club for
\$5.00 and receive
your meal for
free!



Welcoming all interested people

**FRIDAY • MARCH 1
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • CRO-**

Special Events



Newcomers' Orientation

Should you be new to our beautiful community, as a homeowner or a renter, please plan to attend a Newcomers' Orientation **Friday, March 1, 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.

**FRIDAY • MARCH 1
9:30 AM • MOJAVE ROOM**

ORGAN STOP PIZZA



Are you ready for some phenomenal organ music and yummy pizza?
\$8.00 pp includes pizza buffet, salad, tax and musical program (beverage extra). If sign-up is under 15 people - \$8.50. Cash or check only.

Provide your own transportation.
**PLEASE SIGN UP IN
THE POST OFFICE HALLWAY
BY THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

**FRIDAY • MARCH 1
11:00 AM • 1149 E. SOUTHERN AVE.
MUST PROVIDE OWN TRANSPORTATION**

It's Friday and that means
it's time for...

DON'S CLASSIC KARAOKE



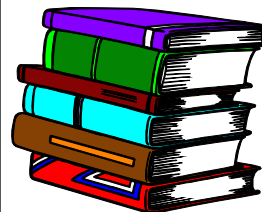
**BYOB,
Snacks, Glass
and Voice.
Ice & Water
Provided.**

TGIR - Thank God I'm Retired!

**FRIDAY • MARCH 1
3:00 - 5:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

VO LIBRARY Used Book Sale

The Library thanks everyone for donations!



**Main Lobby
BEFORE AND DURING
THE JUMBO HOT DOG &
DESSERT SALE**

Come to our book sale in the lobby of the Community Center from **9:00 am -1:00 pm**. Books for 25, 50 and 75 cents. What a bargain! No Bills larger than \$20

**SATURDAY • MARCH 2
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
COMMUNITY CENTER**

Special Events

JUMBO HOT DOGS AND DESSERT

¼ lb Grilled Hot Dog, Sauerkraut, Chips & Beverage \$4.00

Sponsored by the Poolroom Association

Tickets purchased at the event

Bundt Cake Sale \$1.50

Sponsored by the Croquet Club



BRING YOUR OWN TABLE SERVICE

**SATURDAY • MARCH 2
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

Electronics Club Raffle



Tickets available March 2 - 16 at the Electronics Club, special events at the Baja Bistro or call Nick Perrin at 403-606-9079. Raffle drawing March 16 at 1:00 pm in the Baja Bistro.

Tickets 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20

You do not need to be present to win! Good luck!

Don't miss out on our fantastic prizes:

- A Flight in a Pt Stearman
- Personal Interview with a Former Pilot
- Samsung 43" Smart HDTV
- Samsung Galaxy View
- Apple iPad Pro 10.5"
- Apple iPad Mini
- Callaway Golf Range Finder
- Blaze Fitbit
- Fold Down Table
- \$100 Fry's Gift card
- \$100 Walmart Gift Card
- \$100 Harkens Gift Card

**TICKETS AVAILABLE MARCH 2
DRAW ON MARCH 16 • 1:00 PM
BAJA BISTRO**

CONTINENTAL COFFEE HOUR ANNUAL POTLUCK SUPPER

Buena Vista Ballroom
Inspirational speaker Ben Joseph A God of Wonder
Special music by Diana McCallum



Bring your table service and Blocks 300, 400, 500, 600 a Hot Dish for 12; Blocks 700 and 800 a Vegetable Salad for 12; Blocks 900 and 000 a Fruit Salad for 12 Blocks; 100 and 200 a Dessert for 12
Men and Women Welcome A Free Will Offering will be taken

Questions contact Jean Sanders 608-778-4520

**SATURDAY • MARCH 2
5:00 PM
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

PIEOLOGY®

MEAL DEAL



You choose the toppings. You choose the crust. Make your personal pizza just how you like it! You can also select one of the Chef's inspired pies for a sure bet. Single-serve Pizzas & Custom Salads are \$8.29 (Gluten Free & Pie

Rise crust available for an additional cost)
Present full page flyer found in the next Out-Lines at Pieology and a percentage of your dining bill of March 3 will be donated to the Venture Out Social Club
SPONSORED BY THE GLASS ART CLUB

**SUNDAY • MARCH 3
1766 S GREENFIELD RD #103, MESA, AZ 85206
11:00 AM - 9:00 PM**

Special Events

Sewing Club Quilt Raffle

Tickets
 \$1.00 each
 6 for \$5.00
 15 for \$10.00
 35 for \$20.00

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



Enter for a chance on numerous prizes donated by Sewing Club members as well as the Grand Prize quilt

Drawing at the Fashion Show, Monday, March 4
 Proceeds go to Social Club!

DRAWING MARCH 4 AT THE FASHION SHOW

Buttons & Blooms High Fashion & Quilt Show

*Fashion Show Sale
 Quilt Show & Raffle
 Luncheon Served by Sewing Club Members*

Reserved Seat Tickets \$16.00

Available in the Activity Office or From Sewing Room Hostesses



Fashions by Calle Rose

Sponsored by the Sewing Club

**MONDAY • MARCH 4
 DOORS OPEN AT 10:00 AM FOR SHOPPING
 PROGRAM BEGINS AT 12:00 PM
 BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

Ladies! Let's Shop!

With Calle Rose -



Clothing, jewelry, purses and more!
 Open to everyone even if you are not attending the Sewing Club sponsored Fashion Show.
 Two hours to shop to your hearts content!
 Credit cards accepted

Sponsored by the Sewing Club

**MONDAY • MARCH 4
 10:00 AM -12:00 PM
 BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

Tuesday POTLUCK Dinner & Entertainment Featuring "The Jems"



Back for your enjoyment, a musical performance from Venture Out's lovely & talented residents Merle Heise, Sandra Hammond and Janice Schwartz!

Don't miss a dazzling performance by the one...the only..."The Jems"!

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

**TUESDAY • MARCH 5
 5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

Special Events

KARAOKE WITH RON & DON



An easy evening of Karaoke for singers and those who want to listen

*This event is different from the TGIR Don & Ron's Classic Karaoke on Fridays

TUESDAY • MARCH 5
6:30 - 9:00 PM • OASIS

CHICKEN PARMESAN DINNER



MENU

Chicken Parmesan
Served with Marinara Sauce,
Herb Roasted Potatoes
Lemon Buttered Carrots
Tossed Salad
Beverage
Spumoni Ice Cream

BYOB

*BRING YOUR OWN
TABLE SERVICE*

Tickets \$8.50

Available in the Activity Office

Deadline: Wednesday February 27, 10:00 am

Sponsored by the Glass Art Club

WEDNESDAY • MARCH 6
4:30 & 6:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

TACO SALAD

— 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!

Includes Lemonade & Cookie

Limited Number of Tickets Available.

Tickets \$7.00
Available from the Activity Office until sold out. If not sold out, available at the door.

*BRING YOUR OWN
TABLE SERVICE*



SPONSORED BY THE TENNIS CLUB

THURSDAY • MARCH 7
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

IT'S ANOTHER... MYSTERY TRIP

Tickets: \$99 per person. All inclusive with lunch & bus transportation.

AVAILABLE TUESDAYS IN THE BAJA BISTRO FROM 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM OR CALL DORIS FRASER 480-654-1858



Wear comfortable shoes & bring a warm jacket.

Open to All!

SPONSORED BY THE BOCCE BALL CLUB

FRIDAY • MARCH 8
LOADS AT 7:30 AM • BUS DEPARTS 8:00 AM
BUS LOADING ZONE

Special Events

TRIVIA BLAST!

Hosts
Forrest & Jan Simmons

Join us for group
trivia!

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



Ice & Water Provided 50/50 Drawing
Tickets \$1 each

T.G.I.R.- THANK GOODNESS I'M RETIRED

FRIDAY • MARCH 8
3:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

BLUEBERRY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

\$5.00 Per Person
Tickets available at event

Special Performance by
"The VO Kitchen Band"

MENU

The most popular
breakfast of the
season featuring
blueberry-topped
pancakes, grilled
sausage, chilled
juice and unlimited
cups of coffee.



Everyone
welcome!

BRING YOUR OWN TABLE
SERVICE AND COFFEE MUG

SATURDAY • MARCH 9
7:30 - 9:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO

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!



Flight winners awarded free breakfast tickets

Be sure to bring...
• Putter
• Ball
• \$1.00

All invited to participate!
No experience necessary!

Chairpersons:
Joe & Kathy Blitgen 563-451-4828

SATURDAY • MARCH 9
1:00 - 3:00 PM • PUTTING GREEN

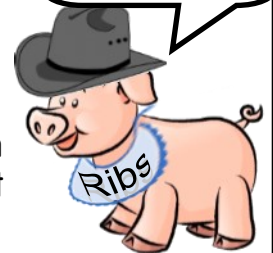
RIBS N' BIBS DINNER SHOW

Reserved Seating Tickets \$20.00
Available from the Activity Office
Deadline: 10:00 am, Wednesday, March 6

— MENU —

BBQ Baby Back Pork Ribs
Cheesy Au Gratin Potatoes
Crisp Cole Slaw
Three Bean Salad
Cornbread
Beverage

BRING YOUR OWN
TABLE SERVICE



Plus... a Stage Show!
Featuring Country Western
Recording Artist Bobby Hitt
(Also known as the
Singing Tour Bus Singer)

Sponsored by the Shuffleboard Club

SUNDAY • MARCH 10 • 4:30 PM HAPPY HOUR
DINNER 5:30 PM • ENTERTAINMENT FOLLOWING
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM

Special Events

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 • MARCH 11
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
BAJA BISTRO



Bring your favorite "meatless" dish to serve 8 and your table service.

Beverage provided

Everyone invited!

Questions -

Cheryl Epping
248-925-0204



MONDAY • MARCH 11
5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

Bluegrass Concert Featuring "Murphy's Law"

Tickets: \$10.00 from the Activity Office or \$11.00 at the door



Conceived by nationally known mandolinist and band leader Billy Parker, Murphy's Law presents an eclectic and unique mix of Bluegrass, Americana, and original acoustic music from a group of highly regarded and exhilarating musicians. With over a combined century of performance experience throughout the US and abroad, this band will present you with a variety of styles on banjo, guitar, mandolin, fiddle, and string bass. The creativity and diversity of this band makes for a show that you will not want to miss!

Sponsored by the Silversmith Club

MONDAY • MARCH 11
7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM

OPEN TO EVERYONE CASINO RUN

Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino Resort
Maricopa City • Arizona

- Bus Outing -
Cost of \$11.00
must be
paid by March 1.
Pay Richard Graff at
308 Navion.



Sign-up sheet in the
Post Office
Hallway

Bingo!
900 Slots
Table Games
Great Buffet!

Sponsored by the Rock & Gem Club

TUESDAY • MARCH 12
BUS LOADING ZONE • COMMUNITY CENTER
DEPART 10:00 AM • RETURN 3:30 PM

Special Events

JUKE BOX JIVE DANCE



\$10.00 Tickets

Available from the Activity Office & at the Door

Take a trip down Memory Lane with Arizona's most energetic rock & roll band. Prepare to dance in the aisles, or simply bounce in your seats, as the music takes you back to those good ole' days of music from the 60's & 70's.

Return appearance by the 8 - Tracks



50/50 Raffle • BYOB
Popcorn & Soda for Sale \$1

Sponsored by the Fired Clay Arts Studio

WEDNESDAY • MARCH 13
DOOR OPENS 6:30 PM • 7:00 - 10:00 PM
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM

MarketPlace



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 sponsored by the Fired Clay Arts Studio

THURSDAY • MARCH 14
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO
11:00 AM - 12:45 PM • VO DINER OPEN

VO Diner

Good Morning! 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Variety of pastries \$1.25
Coffee/tea 75 cents
(including one refill)

Lunch: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Two gigantic meatball sliders with green salad and a bottle of water \$6.00

A piece of cake \$2.00



Table Service Provided
Sponsored by the Fried Clay Arts Studio

THURSDAY • MARCH 14
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

ANNUAL YEAR-END CHAMPIONSHIP PUTTING TOURNAMENT!

Participants:

Chuck Kleinsteuber	Larry Michels
Anneliese Johnson	Sharon Carr
Dale Sudom	Beth Giliuson
Dan Katvski	Debbie Whyte
Don Gayken	Jean Skala
Doug Hamilton	Jeanette Dempewolf
Garry Whyte	Karen Kleinsteuber
Garth Kelly	Kathy Franta
Gene Waters	Lora Schmidt
Gerald Schultz	Mavis Wheatley
John Grier	Rhonda Stoner

Be sure to bring...

- **Putter**
- **Ball**
- **\$1.00 for participants only**



Everyone is welcome to watch and cheer for your favorite golfer!

Chairpersons: Joe & Kathy Blitgen 563-451-4828

THURSDAY • MARCH 14
10:00 AM - SHOTGUN START
PUTTING GREENS

Special Events

Zappone's Italian Bistro

MEAL DEAL

Present full page flyer found in next Out-Lines at Zappone's and 15% of your dining bill will be donated to the Venture Out Social Club

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

SPONSORED BY THE PET ASSOCIATION

**FRIDAY • MARCH 15
1652 N. HIGLEY RD GILBERT, AZ 85234
NW CORNER OF HIGLEY & BASELINE
480-218-2338**



**IT'S A
GYPSY CARNIVAL...
AND YOU'RE INVITED TO BE
PART OF THE FUN!**

**Join in this
community event!
Hamburger BBQ,
ice cream,
carnival games,
music &
more!**

**SATURDAY • MARCH 16
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
OUTSIDE THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

HAMBURGER BBQ & CAKE SALE

Menu

Grilled 1/3 lb Hamburger
or Cheeseburger
Grilled Onions •
Lettuce • Tomato
Baked Beans • Chips
Beverage
\$5.00

Sponsored by the
Softball Association

Ice Cream Drumsticks \$1.50
Sponsored by
the Horseshoes

Burger tickets
purchased at the event



**BRING YOUR OWN
TABLE SERVICE**

**SATURDAY • MARCH 16
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
BAJA BISTRO**

Creative Writing Club's Annual Reading

- Members will read from this season's narratives and poetry
- Free entertainment for your enjoyment & reflection



**Come one!
Come all!**

**Free - but
Donations
Appreciated**

**Refreshments
served!**

**SATURDAY • MARCH 16
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM**

Special Events

ENCHILADA DINNER



Tickets \$8.00
Available in the
Activity Office
until sold out

MENU

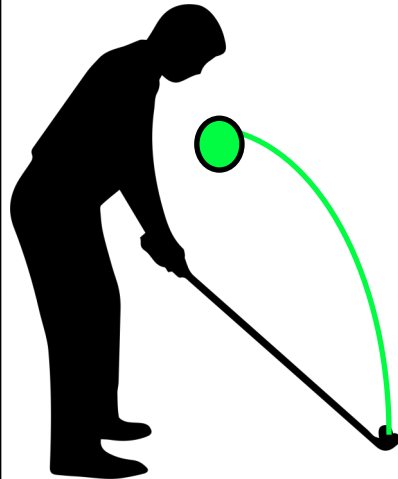
Chips & Salsa
Beef Enchilada
Tossed Salad
Refried Beans
Beverage
Ice Cream

BRING YOUR OWN TABLE SERVICE
Sponsored by the Electronics Club

MONDAY • MARCH 18
5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

TeeUp FORE Night Golf

\$1.00 Entry Fee at event



Crazy, obstacle
night putting
tournament!
Shot Gun Start!
Prizes for
“Best Lit Golfer”
Cash & Trophies

Must sign up in
the Activity Office
for
4-somes or
individuals

Start planning your “night wear” today!

WEDNESDAY • MARCH 20
7:00 PM • PUTTING GREEN

The Freddie & Sheila Show

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

Freddie and Sheila Pelletier, from Birch Hills, SK have been performing together for over 20 years. Freddie has played music professionally since 1969, played guitar for Ferlin Husky and toured extensively with singer-songwriter, Ian Tyson. Together Freddie and Sheila created the Pelletier Guitar and Music Camp that operated for 12 years. They have spent the past 18 years performing across the southern USA and when they're home they perform across western Canada for any event you can imagine.



Sponsored by the Woodshop Club

MONDAY • MARCH 25
7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM

“Everything Goes Sale!”

With the VO Diner
sponsored by the Pickleball Club

Last Sale of the Season

Flea Market,
Vendor Sale
and Craft Sale
combined!
Shop to your
heart's content!!!



Sale Tables available for
Residents \$8.00
Sign up & pay in the Activity Office Today!

THURSDAY • MARCH 28
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

ANNUAL WEENIE ROAST

TUESDAY . WEDNESDAY
MARCH 19 . MARCH 20
6:30 PM

BEHIND OASIS (RETENTION BASIN)

IT'S
FREE!

Fireside Music
by
Pioneer Pepper
and the
Sunset Pioneers

In case of rain watch
bulletin boards and
Fastmail for updates!



Pick up your
complimentary
ticket from the Activity
Office by
Monday, March 18

GUESTS \$3.00 EACH
Hot dogs, buns, condiments
and fireside entertainment
provided!
Please bring your
own beverage, fire stick,
table service, marshmallows
and chairs.

LIMITED PARKING

Please do not park in front of the Higley gate entrance at the Oasis

This event is your Social Club's "Thank You" for your volunteer efforts this season! Everyone Volunteers at VO!

2019 Social Board Nominees



Dianne L. Tarrant, 821 Merlin, currently resides at Venture Out from October through May. In the summer months, Dianne travels with her husband, Duane Nystedt, and dogs in their RV. Dianne became an owner when she inherited her parents' unit in 2005.

At Venture Out Dianne is a member and facilitator of the Woman's Book Club, Pet Association, and is an Activity Office volunteer cashier. She assists with decorations and other tasks related to the Montana and Alaska state parties. She is a part-time novice bridge player. Skill sets includes budget, writing, computer skills, leadership, organizing, listening, and advocating.

Dianne retired at the end of 2015 from the University of Alaska-Anchorage as an Associate Professor and Coordinator of the Family Nurse Practitioner program and founder/owner of Ravenwood Family Practice. Prior to those positions she had a 25-year career at Providence Hospital as a staff nurse, intensive care nurse, dialysis nurse, and head/manager of the cardiac care unit.

Dianne is an accomplished leader, innovator, business/practice owner, and educator. She was instrumental in establishing the Nursing Doctorate Program at UAA. She is widely published in scholarly journals for her work and expertise in hepatitis B. She is also a national speaker on generational theory and other health care topics. She maintains her family nurse practitioner licenses in both Alaska and Arizona. She has earned many honors and awards over her lifetime, including the Alaska State Award of Excellence and Advocate and the STAR award for partnering with schools in delivery of health care. Ravenwood was twice named (2004 and 2007) by Alaska Business Monthly as one of Alaska's top female businesses. She also was named by the Alaska Air National Guard as Employer of the Year.

Community service has been and remains an integral part of her life. Examples of her volunteer work in Alaska include Anchorage Gateway Rotary Club, Board of Directors for Beans Café for 12 years (fed poor and homeless), co-chair of Beans and Jeans fundraising event to help pay for a new kitchen at Beans Café, Muldoon Beautification Project, Camp Champ as a health care provider to asthmatic children, Alaska Youth and Parent Foundation, and the National Hepatitis B Foundation to name a few.

Dianne welcomes the opportunity to serve and promises to be a good learner, hard worker, and advocate on behalf of the clubs in Venture Out so they can thrive.



Keith Gustafson

I have been a home-owner in Venture Out for the past 6 years. I purchased an older unit at 428 Aztec and renovated it into an adobe casita. I have grown to love my winter life in VO and the many wonderful friends we have met from Canada and throughout the United States. My prior life consisted of a career in Special Education in North Dakota. I taught at Minot State University for 12 years, worked for the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction in Bismarck, and spent 20 years as a regional Director of Special Education based in Bottineau, ND. My volunteer activities in the park consist of serving as the Coordinator for the Annual Christmas Dinner in the Center, a volunteer driver for the annual Tour-of-Homes, serving on the Architectural Committee, and more recently on the West-pool Improvement ad hoc committee established by the Condo Board. I am also on the editorial staff of the VO Voices, which has been very rewarding. It gives me an opportunity to visit with fascinating residents in the park and hear their life stories. My favorite past-times consist of swimming in our beautiful pools, trying to learn to play bridge and sitting on my deck reading and greeting all of my friends as they take off for their assorted activities.

Special Events

Venture Out's Outrageous, Outlandish Olympics!

Openings available for one more
12-person team

Cost \$6.00 per person (including
Wrap-up Awards Party)

Must sign up by March 1

Individuals also needed as game
judges

If you want to join in the fun contact

Muriel Harkness
403-870-4338



**APRIL 2-4 • 8:45 AM
BEGINNING IN THE
BAJA BISTRO EACH DAY**

IT'S THE VO "GRAPEVINE"



Free Coffee & Donuts!

*Event updates! Door prizes!
Ticket info & news of what's
currently happening at
Venture Out!*

**MONDAYS
9:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO**

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

- Vanilla
- Chocolate
- Mystery Flavor



Please bring your own bowl & spoon.

**TUESDAYS
1:30 - 2:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

BINGO

\$900.00 Last Game Blackout

**Special Games
Betty Boop • Double Action
Odd & Even**

\$110.00 Regular Game

\$500.00 Money Ball

Win Big



Please bring your own coffee mug!
Concession Stand Available

**THURSDAYS
6:45 PM • BV BALLROOM
DOORS OPEN AT 5:15 PM**

Clubs and Organizations



SILVERSMITH CLUB

VO is one of the few select Senior Parks that offers extensive and on-going silversmith instruction. The shop is open Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm, November - April. Beginner classes can be arranged in the shop. The current lower price of silver makes this craft an enjoyable, creative and affordable hobby.

CONTACT AN OFFICER FOR MORE INFO!

President	Cleta Robbins.....	480-374-9956
Vice President.....	Nicka Lockerman.....	480-932-9348
Secretary.....	Nancy Wombacher	319-331-8758
Treasurer.....	Dean Meier	913-530-1857

ALBERTA PARTY DINNER AND DANCE

Ev Crane
587-456-8668
Doug Dyer
403-970-3014

Calling all Albertans, past and present, to join us for our provincial party. There will be a dinner, entertainment, door prizes and a dance. **Sunday, March 3 from 4:30 to 9:30 pm in the Buena Vista Ballroom.** Tickets are \$5.00 each to pay for your meat and music. Also please bring a vegetable, salad or dessert dish to share with at least 8 others. Please sign up on the attendance sheet located on the mail room south wall and be sure to get a ticket. Tickets can be purchased from: Ev Crane at 924 Aero; Jan or Doug Dyer at 710 Douglas; or Joan or Chris Logan at 509 Debonair, 403-851-0506.

everyone to bring a heavy hors d' Oeuvres along with table service and choice of beverage. Coffee will be available. Following this will be a euchre tournament. Looking forward to seeing everyone there. For any questions, please contact Joyce Michels.

BOCCE BALL Janet Whitman 480-822-8444

Thank you to Ron Doig (hamburger chef) and committee for a great fun night. Don't forget the Canada vs U.S. event on **February 23**, and Fun Night on **February 27**. March Calendar: **Saturday, March 2** – Singles Tournament; **Wednesday, March 6** – Regular Meeting; **Friday, March 8** – Mystery Trip; **Wednesday, March 23** – Mesa Regal here; **Saturday, March 16** – Doubles Tournament; and All Club Carnival – **Saturday, March 16** – Details for the Year-End banquet will be posted on the bulletin board in the club house and in the next Out-Lines. Sign up for all events on the club house bulletin board.

BELLEVUE PARTY Joyce Michels 563-381-7114

The Bellevue party will be held **Saturday, March 10** at the **Cabana** located by the **East Pool**. This includes those who reside in Bellevue or those who have resided in Bellevue along with their spouse or friend. We will begin with a social hour from **4:30 to 5:30 pm** and ask for

BRITISH COLUMBIA PARTY

Mandy Witt
480-463-3290
603 Aero

mwprotek@gmail.com
Elaine Robinson
480-478-9527
Karen Iggulden
614 Aero.

B.C. Bash – **Wednesday, March 6**, dinner, drinks, draws and live entertainment – **Buena Vista Ballroom, Happy Hour – 4:30 pm** (BYOB), **Zappone's Pasta Buffet – 6:00 pm** (table service provided), tickets \$15/ person (deadline **February 27**), sold at the **Grapevine and Ice Cream Social**. Crafted goods accepted for door prizes. Please contact Karen Iggulden at 614 Aero, or Elaine Robertson at 611 Aero. Everyone Welcome!

CREATIVE WRITING Linda Wallace 208-596-2748

Our friendly group of writers is busily working on compositions inspired by different prompts. Such as --- write about an ancestor, or a health experience, a River of Lies --- and remember to use your 5 senses when writing. If this resonates with you, come

and join us on **Thursdays at 1:00 pm** in the **Sonoran**. We are getting ready for our 'Open Readings' to be held **March 16 at 1:30 pm in the Auxiliary Ballroom**. For more information, phone Linda Wallace.

CROQUET

Mary Waitrovich

The croquet court and equipment are available every day for open play. Start a game! Get practiced up and enter our annual tournament starting on **February 26. Open House on March 1** with free chili lunch to club members. Membership: \$5.00. Lessons in singles croquet **Wednesday mornings, 10:00 am**. Doubles croquet lessons **1:00 pm on Wednesdays**. Organized open play **Saturday mornings 10:00 am, Sundays at 4:00 pm**: Happy Hour Croquet with snacks and drinks. You do not need to be a member of the Croquet Club to play.

ELECTRONICS CLUB

Jim Wallace
208-882-3975

New Hours for taking membership to E-club are

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Monday 9:00 - 10:00 am, Tuesday 10:00 - 11:00 am and Thursday from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. Bill Lawrence is available on **Tuesdays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm** to help with any problems on your Apple devices. The **Windows Interest Group (WIG)** meets **Wednesday from 2:00 - 3:00 pm.** Ask questions, get help and learn about free software and how to download them. We need monitors. Choose a 1 1/2 or 3 hour shift. Talk with Jan Brown who is available **Tuesdays from 10:30 am - 12:00 pm** to show you the ropes. No technical skills required.

FIRED CLAY ARTS Michelle Goulet 403-667-4086

Sign up for classes in the studio. **February 27** class is Hand Built Cross, time **9:00 am to noon**, cost \$25.00 and includes clay and all products used in class, firings and instructor. **March 6** class is Blooming Cactus, time **9:00 am to noon**, cost \$35.00 and includes all products used in class and instructions. We have an impressive studio where you can hand build with clay, throw clay on the pottery wheel or decorate ceramics. Stop by for a tour; join the fun.

GENEALOGY INTEREST GROUP Alice Petersen 651-214-9790

Wednesday, **March 6** at **7:00 until 8:00 pm** marks the conclusion of the VO Genealogy season. Come and share all the surprising finds you have made this year. The meeting will be held in the **Cabana**.

GLASS ART Joan Solberg 480-703-5953

Thanks to all of you who came to our Open House. If you missed it, please visit us **weekdays from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm** and we'll show you our studio and our glassworks. We sponsor the Chicken Parmesan Dinner on **Wednesday, March 6.** Tickets are available for purchase at the Activity Office. Members, please sign up to volunteer as workers for the dinner and the **Sunday morning Gabfest.** Mark **Tuesday, March 19** on your calendar for our end-of-the-year party.

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

Sign-ups 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 **Tuesday afternoons**; Linda & Laz Tollas, 480-807-7875 for Sunland Village GC on **Saturdays**; Dick & Marj Skinner, 480-924-6164, for Sunland Village East GC on **Thursday mornings.** The 9-hole tournament will be played on **February 28 and March 7** at SVE. Ticket sales for the Awards Dinner on **Friday, March 22** will be on **Tuesday mornings, March 5, 12, & 19** from **7:45 to 8:30 am** only. Refer to the Golf Bulletin Board in the **Post Office** hallway.

GOLF ASSOCIATION - 18 HOLE Larry Booth 480-854-3696

Venture Out 18-Hole Golf Tournament **Monday, March 11** at Western Skies Golf Club, **8:00 am** shotgun start. Entries by **March 4** to Larry Booth 480-854-3696. Must be a member of VO Golf Association and have a VO golf handicap.

HAM RADIO GROUP Paulette Thompson 480-807-1791

Amateur radio operators, family and friends filled the **Oasis on February 3** to celebrate the life of Alice Brewer KD7AWW. The Kitchen Band brought a smile to our faces and warmed our hearts. Thank you to Dan Dietz AD0TE and Terry Laduke W7RNF for their touching description of how much Alice meant to our radio group. Thanks also to those who shared their memories of Alice and those who helped prepare and serve refreshments. As Terry W7RNF said in our final 'Silent Key' good-bye: Calling for Alice KD7AWW (repeated 3 times)...no response heard...73, good friend, we will miss you.

HANDYMEN Don Williams 480-396-9470

The next Handyman meeting will be at **9:00 am** on **Tuesday, March 12.** Anyone interested in becoming a handyman, please join us at this meeting.

HAPPY HARPERS Ian Stenberg 480-452-3707

Music can be fun. Learn by doing. No music experience necessary. Harmonica

playing made easy as you follow the piano. No music to read, play by ear. Meet every **Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 am** in the **Music Room.** Call Ian for more information.

HIKING Jim Cox 515-999-9554 Valerie Paetz 250-208-9708

Meet at the **Baja Bistro Mondays at 7:45 am** SHARP. Hiking boots, gloves and hiking stick recommended. Bring water, lunch and money for gas. **Post Office Hallway** has detailed descriptions, hike ratings, schedule guidelines and updates. Hikes are often physically demanding. Know your limitations. Hike at your own risk. **February 24:** Robbers Roost from Peralta trail, tough climb to ridgeline. Trail/ bushwhacking to Robbers Roost. 7 mile D hike \$10.00 for gas. **March 4:** Picketpost Circumference. From Picketpost trailhead near Superior, we hike counterclockwise around the mountain. 9 mile C/D hike passes through beautiful Arnett Canyon. Little elevation gain. Lunch at Los Hermanos. \$10.00 for gas.

KITCHEN BAND Maggie Kleisath 608-732-6686

Come hear the World Famous Kitchen Band when we play at **noon** in the chapel at the Sunshine Acres BBQ and Open House on **Sunday, February 24.** Please consider supporting Sunshine Acres by having their Pork BBQ lunch and

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taking a tour of their facilities. The event is from **11:00 am to 3:00 pm.**

LAWNBOWLING Mardal Flynn 431-336-1172

We had a membership promotion in the middle of February and thanks to all who came to give our game a try. If you missed it, just drop by the greens and we can certainly give a lesson. The results of the Men vs Women tournament ended up with the men winning 10 games and women only 7. The rivalry continues! Come and try Lawn Bowling. You bowl when it is convenient, as there are no leagues, and we have wonderful refreshments. Draw times are **8:30 am and 12:30 pm** and lessons are **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 am.** Hope to see you on the green.

LIBRARY UPDATE Ruby Erickson 480-924-9125

Some trivia from the Library. There are 36 trained librarians: 3 shifts, **Monday – Friday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.** Locked cases open from **10:00 am to 3:20 pm.** **Saturday librarian 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.** The Library is available the same hours as the **Recreation Center.** In **November** there were 1001 books signed out, and in **December** 1049. This does not include anything from the locked cases. We encourage all residents to please sign out all books on the open shelves. We do not subscribe to any magazines. They are all donated. The old ones are put in the laundry room. We do not take requests for

books, and buy only large print.

MANITOBA PARTY Vivian Penner

Manitoba Party to be held **Sunday, March 3** instead of **Sunday, February 3** due to conflict with Super Bowl. Sign-up sheet is in the **Community Center.** Happy hour **4:30 pm** with dinner to follow. Please bring a dish to share, your own table service, beverage and \$2.00 at the door. Looking for new hosts for next year. •

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Mark Chandler
360-202-7177

Meets every **Thursday at 7:00 am** in the **Sonoran.** *Special Blessing* Don Bierle will teach a 4-week study on Genesis 1-4. •

NEBRASKA PARTY

Georgia Christensen
402-968-9095
Mary Springer
402-493-3389

Sunday, February 24 from **4:30 - 6:30 pm** in the **Oasis.** Chicken and dessert will be provided. BYOB and table service. Sign up to bring a salad or side dish to share. \$5.00 per person at door. Door prize donations welcome. Sign-up sheet is in the **Post Office Hallway.**

NORTH DAKOTA PARTY

Walt & Pat Just
480-325-0138

All past and present North Dakotans are invited to gather at the **Oasis** on **Tuesday, February 26** at **4:30 pm** for happy hour, and potluck dinner at **5:15 pm.** Ham and coffee will be provided. Please bring your own table service

and wear your VO name badge. A \$5.00 charge will be collected at the door. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the **Post Office** to let the committee know what you plan to bring to share. •

OREGON PARTY

Judy Sell
503-407-0182

Oregonians, save the date!! Our final party of the year is scheduled for **Sunday, March 24** at **5:00 pm** on the **Desert Terrace.** It's our Sunset Party 2019! Tickets will be sold at the Grapevine starting **March 11** and at the **Baja Bistro** from **1:30 to 2:30 pm** during the Ice Cream Socials, starting **March 12.** Tickets are \$5.00 each.

P.E.O.

Susie Griffith
480-228-7407

P.E.O. will have our Spring Fling Social on **Sunday, February 28** at **5:00 pm.** Our next luncheon/meeting will be on **Monday, March 11** at the **Oasis.** Come from **12:30 to 2:00 pm** for social time and lunch, (**Note: new time**) followed by our meeting. Susie Griffith, Clea Robbins and Donna Felderman will provide the food. Table service will be provided, but please bring your own cup for drinks. Come with the name of a favorite book for our Summer Reading List. Call Cheryl Spear at 480-924-4431 if you plan to attend, and please wear green.

PET ASSOCIATION

Chris Johnson
480-622-4171

Our next club meeting is on **Tuesday, March 12** at

2:30 pm at the **Cabana** in the **EPC.** Volunteers are needed for the end-of-year party on **March 9**, setting up the ballroom, selling tickets. Zappone's fund raiser **March 15.** Need volunteers for the VO Carnival on **March 16.** Safety Products are available – Contact Chris Johnson.

PICKLEBALL

Toni Nelson
603-381-8484

Brrrrrr! Pickleball never stops - no matter if it's a chilly morning or we expect a little precipitation. Beginner lessons continue every **Wed/Thurs at 11:00 am.** Clinics continue for a variety of levels throughout the day led by amazing volunteers. Come to play most any time of day. The In House Tournament is scheduled for **March 7, 8 and 9.** Get yourself a partner, sign up, and play. New this year are "Singles" and "Dinking" competitions. Stay healthy, be positive, play Pickleball! Check vopickleball.com for more info.

SEWING ROOM

Karen Frank
206-391-9594

Tickets for the Annual Fashion Show and Quilt Raffle available from a hostess (list in **Sewing Room**) or at the **Activity Office.** Tickets for the Quilt Raffle will be on sale in the **Baja Bistro** when there is an event. The Fashion Show and Luncheon will be held on **Monday, March 4** in the **BV Ballroom.** Everyone is invited to shop at our Vendor "Calle Rose" from **10:00 am** until the

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luncheon starts at **noon**. Elections for next year's Board will be held at our next meeting, **Monday, March 11**.

SEWING ROOM SILENT AUCTION

**Julie Maresh
612-518-3010**

The Sewing Club will have used sewing machines available for purchase through our Silent Auction from **February 12** through **February 26**. If you are interested please come into the **Sewing Room** before **February 26**.

SHUFFLEBOARD

**Dan Stuehrenberg
403-851-9819**

Congratulations to Brian Rebus and Clare McParland, champions of the Valley-wide Any Doubles Tournament held at Venture Out last month! Dime Draws: **Tuesdays 6:30 pm, Thursdays 9:15 am, and Saturdays 9:15 am**. Thanks to all who made the **February 5** Pork Loin Dinner a success. Congratulations Gold Cap winners Dan Stuehrenberg, Dawn Desautels, and Paul Summer – also to Gold Star winners Clare McParland and Dan Stuehrenberg. Volunteers are needed for the **March 10** Ribs N Bibs Dinner Show - see sign-up sheet at the courts. Next Club meeting will be **March 8**. Next Turkey Shoot will be **March 12**.

SILVERSMITH

**Nancy Wombacher
319-331-8758**

Make & Take classes are in such demand that, if helpers can be recruited, an additional class will be offered **February 23**. Silversmith/Rock Shop end-

of-year party is **March 9** in the **Oasis**. Sign up at the shop if you plan to attend. **March 11** is the Bluegrass Concert. Helpers are needed for this event. On a different "note," Silversmith members are excited about the new 3D printer, which will make casting SO much easier. With spring break upon us, everyone is invited to bring family and friends by the shop to see and purchase beautiful items made by our members.

SILVERSMITH KILN FOR SALE

Silversmith Club has for sale a Cress Electric Guillotine Kiln. Model C-100-6, S/N 7708, 115AC, 12 Amp. Up to 2000 degrees or Cone 3. Dimensions 8 1/2" w x 8 1/2" d x 9 1/2" h. Asking \$300.00 or best offer.

SONS OF ISSACHAR STUDY

**Bob Burkhart
360-652-0444**

Wednesdays 7:55 to 9:30 am – Sonoran – Study of Bible Prophecy. Everyone welcome! DVD presentations from notable Christian authors, pastors and speakers. Prophecy is estimated to be 27% of the Bible. It proves, without a doubt, that the Bible is God's word. We are told to watch for signs that precede God's redemptive work. What are you watching for? There are many things to be watching for. Come join others also interested in Bible prophecy to learn and share.

SOUTH DAKOTA PARTY

**Mike Millard
605-376-3357**

The South Dakota Party will be held at the **East Pool Cabana** on **Wednesday, February 27** at **4:30 pm**

social hour and dinner at 5:30 pm. Be sure to attend the Pot Luck. Bring a dish to share, your own table service and your favorite beverage. The theme is "All Things South Dakota." Please email, text or call with your name and number of people in your group – Mike Millard: millard@s.b.midco.net.

SPADES

**Vivian Evans
320-295-6410**

Every **Thursday at 7:00 pm** in the **Sonoran**. Come and join us for an evening of fun.

SPANISH CONVERSATION

Mandy Witt

mwprotek@gmail.com
Spanish Conversation is a newly formed group that meets once a week for an hour and a half. We have a variety of ability levels. If you are interested, come to **the Activity Office Conference Room** on **Thursdays from 3:00 to 4:30 pm**, or contact Mandy by email.

SPLASHERS

**Robbie Oldemar
480-396-9987**

Come and try Venture Out's version of Water Volleyball. Laughter is good medicine, and we have a lot of that! Even if you have never played volleyball, this is fun. West Pool. **M-W-F from 1:00 until 2:30 pm**. We will be having a night game again this year under the "light of the moon"! Watch for the date and time. Everyone is welcome, even if you are just a spectator and enjoy a good laugh! Any questions? Call Robbie or any of the "Splashers"!

STITCH AND CHAT

**Dianne Gilbert
480-993-7794**

We are enjoying a great group of stitchers, doing all sorts of different projects. Stop in to check us out. We are going to Crackers & Co. for our end-of-the-year luncheon. If you would like to join us, please sign up on **Thursday** in the **Mojave Room, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**. If you have any yarn that you are not using, please donate it to our group, as we do a lot of stitching for the VO Christmas Angels Project.

SUNSHINE CARVERS

**Gerry Fontaine
403-394-6491**

Are you interested in learning to create beautiful carvings or gourds? Come and join the Sunshine Carvers **Monday to Saturday** at the **Shop**. Tony's cowboy boot toothpick holder classes were a great success. Come and join us for carving, painting, wood burning and some fun. Membership is only \$20.00.

TABLE TENNIS/ PING PONG

**Al Manter
253-584-6307**

We are right in the middle of several activities in our Table Tennis Club. On **February 8**, we had our annual meeting. Tuesday, **February 19** was our Men's Tournament and the Women's Tournament will be **Tuesday, February 26** at **7:00 pm**. We play at the **Auxiliary Ballroom Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays** from **7:00 pm until**

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Clubs and Organizations

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9:00 pm. On **Thursdays**, we play from **3:15 until 5:30 pm**, and on **Saturdays** from **9:00 am until noon.** **Sunday** is Open Play from **9:00 am until 4:15 pm.**

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

We host Greenfield **Saturday, February 23.** 75+ **February 23** MV and **March 2** VDO. All hands needed to sell rummage and baked goods **Friday, March 1**; help set up previous day at front courts. For large pickup items call Butch Short 250-809-1028. Please vote at the last general meeting in the **Oasis at 4:30 pm on Monday, March 4.** Taco salad **March 7** needs servers; sign up at kiosk. Register for **October 28** Fall Classic play; details www.votennisclub.com.

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

All widows are invited to a monthly potluck lunch on the **fourth Wednesday** of each month. We meet for a time of fellowship and lunch. Our next potluck will be held on **February 27** in the **Activity Office Conference Room** at the end of the Annex breezeway from **11:45 am to 1:15 pm.** Bring a dish to share and BYOTS. Beverage provided. For further information please call Laurie. •

WISCONSIN PARTY FUN

Rhonda & Mick Viney
608-642-4112

Tickets are sold, brats will be ready, and we'll have about 100 people at the Wisconsin Party held on **Saturday, February 23** at the **Oasis.** Social and fun begins at **5:00 pm** with Wisconsin cheese donated by the Nelsons. Dinner at **6:00 pm**, program and prizes to follow. Bring a salad or dessert with serving utensils, own table service, own beverages if desired, \$1.00 for 50/50 raffle (Wally's version), and a Wisconsin-related item to donate (optional). You **MAY** win prizes, you **WILL** meet friends, you **CAN** enjoy your first brat of the season, and you **WILL** have a good time.

WOMANS BOOK GROUP

Betsy Klofstad

The Women's Book Group meets on the **second and fourth Friday** of each month at **9:30 am** in the **Mojave Room.** The book for **February 22** is "The Great Alone" by Kristen Hannah. On **March 5**, the book will be "Missing Mother/Veronica's Grave" by Barbara Bracht Donsky. We will soon begin compiling the Summer Reading list, so be sure to be prepared to add your favorites. Also, be thinking about the book you are going to give away.

WOODSHOP **Kent Morrison** **435-881-9248**

Again, the **Wood Shop** raffle was a tremendous success! Thanks to everyone who organized and contributed to it. The

executive committee met and prepared the budget for next year. Input from members helped form an excellent submission for the Social Board. Knife sharpening is **Wednesdays, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.** The next Wood Shop members meeting will be on **March 13 at 3:45 pm.** The year-end social will be **March 15.** The Wood Shop sponsors the Freddie and Sheila Show on **March 25.**

CARDS & GAMES

500

Tue • 1:00 pm • Mojave

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Wed • 7:00 pm • Sonoran

Court Whist

Sun • 6:30 pm • Sonoran

Cribbage -

Tue • 7:00 pm • Mojave

Duplicate Bridge

Wed • 6:00 pm

Fri • 12:00 pm • Mojave

Euchre

Fri • 6:30 pm • Mojave

Hand Foot & Toe

Wed • 12:30 pm • Mojave

Men's Poker

Mon Tue Wed Thur

5:30 pm • Classroom

5:30 pm • Fri • Music Room

Pan

Mon & Wed • 12:30 pm

Sat • 8:30 am • Classroom

Pinochle

Mon • Thur • 6:30 pm

Mojave

Scrabble

Tue • 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Sonoran

Social Bridge

1:00 pm • Thur

6:00 pm Su • Mojave

Spades

7:00 pm • Thur • Sonoran

Texas Hold-em

6:45 pm • Wed

Aux Ballroom

GOLF SIGN-UPS **18-HOLE COURSES**

WESTERN SKIES

Play Monday 8:30 am
Please sign-up at
605 Navajo
Larry Booth
480-854-3696

ARIZONA GOLF RESORT

Play Thursday @ 10:00 AM
Please sign-up at
306 Merlin
Norm Lawrence
306-230-8597
gnlawrence@hotmail.com

9-HOLE COURSES

ROYAL PALMS

Play Tuesdays 1:50 pm
John Lloyd
480-329-1439

SUNLAND VILLAGE

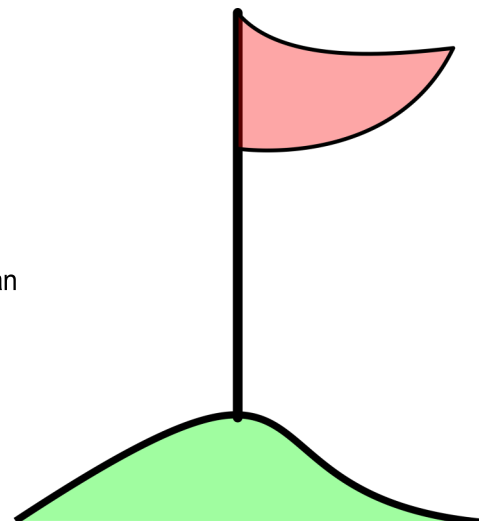
Play Saturdays 11:00 am
Shotgun Start
Linda & Laz Tollas
480-807-7875

SUNLAND EAST

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

9-HOLE SIGN UP

7:45 am • Tuesdays
Sonoran



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:

Look for individuals at the EPC desk wearing a "Volunteer" badge. **Please understand these are volunteers, not certified trainers.** Volunteers needed. See Jennifer in the Activity Director's Office.

**MONDAY - FRIDAY
8:00 - 10:00 AM
FITNESS CENTER AT THE EPC**

FRIDAY SEMINAR

"Bats Among Us"

Arizona is home to 28 species of bats, many of which live and forage right in our neighborhoods. Even in Venture Out! This



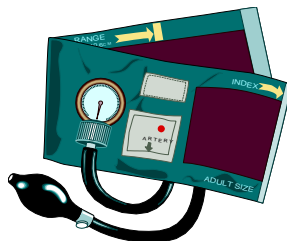
presentation by Arizona Game and Fish is a great way to learn more about these fascinating, yet often misunderstood creatures.

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 22
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM**

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

Monitor your Blood Pressure

High blood pressure, also known as hypertension, is a repeatedly elevated blood pressure exceeding **140 over 90** mmHg. Have your blood pressure checked by Volunteers on Mondays in the main Lobby of the Community Center.



**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK EVERY MONDAY
9:45 - 11:15 AM
COMMUNITY CENTER LOBBY**

THURSDAY HEALTH SEMINAR

"Sports Medicine"



Cancelled

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 28
1:00 PM • THE CABANA (EPC)**

Classes, Seminars & Wellness

Do Your Eyeglasses Need to be Adjusted?



Resident Barbara 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.

She does not repair glasses and she does not have parts.

**FRIDAY • MARCH 1, 15 & 29
9:30-10:30 AM
THERAPY ROOM #2 (EPC)**

Free Dental Consultation

Meet with Dr. Pease & Associates Family Dentistry in the **EPC Therapy Room 2** on **Friday, March 1** for a free dental consultation.



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

Keep that smile healthy!

**FRIDAY • MARCH 1
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • EPC THERAPY ROOM 2**

FRIDAY SEMINAR

“Machu Picchu”

Like a brilliant meteor, the Incan empire, during its brief and brilliant period, flourished in unimaginable ways. Jay Mark, a columnist at the Mesa/Tempe Republic, takes his audience on an engaging photographic adventure, touring a number of the Incans remarkable Sacred Valley accomplishments culminating in the spectacular, spiritual mountaintop retreat - Machu Picchu.



**FRIDAY • MARCH 1
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM**

Come to a Painting Party!



Join us for an unforgettable evening of friends, fun, drinks and painting! Go home with a completed piece of art painted by you. Pinot's Palette provides everything you need for a great night out.

\$40 per person
Minimum of 15 needed to hold this class. Sign up in the Post Office Hallway (Pay at event)
All painting supplies included • No experience needed
BYOB & Snacks

**FRIDAY • MARCH 1
6:00 PM • ACTIVITY OFFICE
CONFERENCE ROOM**

Classes, Seminars & Wellness

FOOD HANDLER'S CLASS

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

If so, you can 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.

BREAKFAST WITH THE DOCTOR -

Bone/Joint Health "Life is Not a Spectator Sport"

The human skeleton is made up of 206 bones. These bones are responsible for supporting the weight of the entire body. Learn about common joint and bone problems.

**Please note time. Sign-up required. Sign up in the EPC. Limited to 50 participants as specified by Banner Health.*

Free Event!
Sponsored By



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**TUESDAY • MARCH 5
9:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO**

**THURSDAY • MARCH 7
9:00 AM • CABANA**

FRIDAY SEMINAR

"Kennedy Assassination"

Venture Out resident, Gary Robertson, will discuss whether or not Lee Harvey Oswald could have really killed John F. Kennedy on that 22nd day of November. By



digging into the medical evidence, he will analyze the "single bullet story". He will also discuss the theory that Lyndon B. Johnson was involved in the conspiracy as well as touch on the assassinations of Robert F. Kennedy and Sirhan Sirhan.

**FRIDAY • MARCH 8
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM**

SPECIAL SEMINAR

"Buckhorn Baths"



Over the course of seven decades, the *Buckhorn Mineral Baths and Wildlife Museum* became one of Mesa's and the State's most recognizable and memorable roadside icons – attracting celebrities and others to its

healing waters, wildlife museum and quirky amenities. The Buckhorn was a chief influence on enticing major league baseball to begin annual spring training in Mesa and the Valley. The fascinating account of Ted & Alice Slinger and their rags-to-riches story should not be missed. Preservation architect Ron Peters, co-author of the recently published Buckhorn book, joins historian, writer Jay Mark for a special presentation featuring many never-before-seen historic photographs that chronicle the Buckhorn's incredible tragedy to triumph story.

**MONDAY
MARCH 11 • 11:00 AM
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

Classes, Seminars & Wellness

New Menu

Tour of Italy Cooking Class

Conducted by Chef Salvatore Zappone of Zappone's Italian Bistro

\$38.⁰⁰ includes instruction, lunch & recipes

Sign up & pay in the Activity Office



"Flavors of Italy Menu"

Spinach-fontina calzone, Wild mushroom ravioli in porcini sauce

Saltimbocca chicken with prosciutto, sage & mozzarella

Cannoli cream puffs with candied fruit

20 person Minimum
30 person Maximum

BYO Wine - Ice Tea & Water Provided

MONDAY • MARCH 11
11:00 AM • SONORAN

THURSDAY HEALTH SEMINAR

"Understanding and Natural Solutions to Allergies"

Dr. Harvey Abrams with Aaaaah...

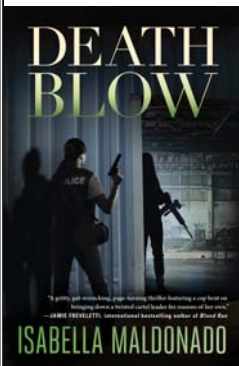
Wellness will be discussing allergies including what causes allergic reactions, what conditions are related to allergies such as depression and ADHD, test for allergies, side effects from allergy medications, and how natural healthcare can offer solutions to these tiring problems.



THURSDAY • MARCH 14
1:00 PM • THE CABANA (EPC)

FRIDAY SEMINAR

"Author of Death Blow"



Isabella Maldonado will discuss her career in law enforcement as a Phoenix Police Department agent and how that influenced her writing. Her third book, **Death Blow**, tells the story of homicide detective, Veranda Cruz, who takes on the most ruthless member of the Villalobas cartel in this fast-

paced thriller. There will be giveaways as well as books available to purchase. Join her to hear the inside scoop about writing and law enforcement!

FRIDAY • MARCH 15
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM

Venture Out's Spring Break 5K

(3.1 mile)

Stroll • Walk • Power Walk • Jog • Run



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

Ham Radio operators on duty to assist en route!

TUESDAY • MARCH 12 • 10:00 AM
OUTSIDE FRONT COMMUNITY CENTER

Classes, Seminars & Wellness

7:30 AM EXERCISE

Robbie Oldemar
480-396-9987

Are you still working on those New Year's Resolutions? We're waiting for you, in the **West Pool** at **7:30 am Monday - Friday**. We work on core strengthening and stretching exercises while doing gentle aerobics. Work at your own pace and start your day with lots of friends. The water is warm, and the exercises are fun. Join us!

8:45 AM WEST POOL EXERCISES

Irene Fuller
480-628-3019

Noodles **8:45 - 9:00 am**;
Water exercise **9:00 - 9:45 am, Monday to Saturday**. To keep healthy you need to eat well, exercise and spend time with friends. Water exercises stretch, build and maintain strength and help your balance for a full and active senior lifestyle. The friends you make and the music exercises give joy to our daily living. The Arizona Department for Senior Health reminds us to hydrate regularly. So, bring your water bottle and hydrate while you exercise. Come and join the fun.

9:00 AM WATER AEROBICS EAST POOL (CO-ED)

Elma Becker
480-695-7222
Rhonda Viney
608-642-4112

Save the date -- **Monday, March 11** after class in the **Cabana**. Please come to say THANKS to our leaders! Bring breakfast items to share. Contact Rhonda if you have questions.

10:00 AM WATER EXERCISE EAST POOL

Janis Seville
780-940-5416

Everyone is welcome to join our healthy living water aerobics class. Using the natural resistance and buoyancy of the water against our bodies, this fun-filled class targets specific muscle groups while helping to increase energy, stamina, strength and balance. Come join our group, meet new people and have lots of fun while getting in your daily exercise. All you need is a bathing suit, water for hydration (plastic bottle) and a smile. See you at the pool!••

ADVANCED/NULINE DANCE PRACTICE

Cindy Gould
513 Boeing
text 308-830-3383

Free Advanced & NuLine Dance reviews weekly in the **Auxiliary Ballroom** every **Sunday** from **4:30 to 6:00 pm**. No Beginner dances practiced or reviewed; all upper level line dances.•

BALLROOM DANCE LESSONS

Mona Brandt
480-491-2393

info@shallwedancephoenix.com
shallwedancephoenix.com

Come learn to dance every **Monday** in the **Auxiliary Ballroom!** The first class is Beginning Ballroom from **1:00 - 1:50 pm** - learn the basics of the most popular ballroom dances. Then from **1:50 - 2:40 pm** is Ballroom-Beyond the Basics - learn more social patterns in Waltz and Foxtrot. From **2:40 - 3:30 pm** is Rumba - learn some fun moves for the social dance floor. Classes are \$7.00 each or

\$5.00 per class if you take 2 or more classes on the same day. For more information see www.shallwedancephoenix.com, email info@shallwedancephoenix.com or call Mona Brandt. She makes learning to dance fun and easy!••

BEADING CLASS

Loralee Cambell
503-680-9136

Open House - **Friday, March 1**. Come on in and see what we have been making this year. We will have some items for sale. Make your own lanyard or someone can make one for you. Prices begin at \$5.00. Beading classes are **Mondays and Fridays** from **1:15 - 3:45 pm** in the **Sonoran**. Project Kits range from \$10.00-\$20.00. Space is limited so you must sign up to attend class. Call or email me to sign up. There will be beginning and intermediate classes offered. Hope you can come and join us.

CHAIR YOGA

Vikki Lane Kunstman
920-246-5340

Come and join Chair Yoga on **Tuesdays** at **8:45 am** in **Auxiliary Ballroom**. Chair Yoga is for those unable to participate in regular Yoga, but desiring to reap the benefits of Yoga while moving, seated on a chair doing breath work, then moving into physical poses (asanas), sitting, standing, balancing, and finishing with relaxation (savasana). Yoga integrates mind, body and spirit and builds strength, flexibility, and body control. Through regular Yoga practice, one can experience multiple benefits including respiratory, digestive and cellular functioning. Come experience Yoga for

yourself. Please bring a 1/4 inch Yoga mat and water.••

CRAFT CLASS

Elma Becker
480-695-7222

Craft class for **Tuesday, March 5** will be a craft out of towel and toilet tissue rounds. You will not want to miss this interesting craft. On **March 12** make a cross, wall hanging or a small all-occasion wreath for a small wall space. This is advanced from the previous class. Come and join me in the **Activities Conference Room**. Go through the breeze way all the way to the back and look to your left. Bring scissors and a ruler. Call me to reserve a space. There is a \$5.00 charge for these classes.

DANCE AEROBICS

Em Williams
Ann Fox
480-654-2141

Join us for Dance Aerobics on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** from **8:40 to 9:20 am** in the **Buena Vista Ballroom**.

DRAWING CLASS FREE

Annette Ripplinger
503-246-1276

"Learning to draw is learning to see." Just bring a pencil, an eraser, and some paper, and we'll provide a subject, a 30-minute lesson, and lots of encouragement. Come Wednesdays to the **Sonoran** from **9:45 am to 10:15 am** for two hours of fun. We've covered one point perspective, facial features, flowers, umbrellas, a bike, a car, and hope to cover the human figure, and maybe a still life of fruit. We will head outside when it's warm enough to draw trees,

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palms, and cacti. We may even take a field trip! Join Annette Ripplinger and the welcoming class this **Wednesday**.

FUNCTIONAL FITNESS AND BALANCE

Ann Marie Henry
480-205-5942

Balance, coordination and core strength are linked to improved posture and mobility as well as fall prevention. Exercises can be performed standing or seated in a chair. Wear comfortable clothes and athletic shoes. Classes are suitable for all fitness levels. Hand-held weights will be provided. Just bring water and a resistance band (if you have one). Come join in the fun, **Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 to 10:45 am** in the **Cabana Room** at the **EPC**. \$4.00 per class. Please contact me with any questions.

LINE DANCE LESSONS

Liz Johnson
712-298-4019

Line dance lessons are **Thursdays** in the **Buena Vista Ballroom**: Beginners at **12:30 pm** and Intermediate at **1:15 pm**. Interest in the class is still building. We had 80 last class.

MASSAGE BY MARYANNE

Maryanne Schuster
210-287-4719

Start an exercise routine walking, water aerobics, biking or hiking 3 to 5 times a week. And don't forget to reward yourself with a massage. Call 210-287-4719 **Monday – Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm** for your appointment with Maryanne. \$50.00 for an hour massage. •

PERSONAL FITNESS TRAINING

Ann Marie Henry
480-205-5942

Fitness programs designed to improve your core strength, mobility, overall strength, balance, aerobic capacity or flexibility. One-on-one sessions, partner sessions, or small group sessions are conducted in the **Fitness Center** located in the **East Pool Complex**. Sessions are by appointment only. Prices vary. Please contact me for more information.

ROUND DANCE

Lori Harris
480-664-0805

Our foxtrot and rumba class for beginners is **1:00 - 3:00 pm Thursdays** in the **Auxiliary Ballroom**. With our class, you will learn the steps, understand music and practice leading and following. Then you can take your dance moves into our beautiful ballroom every **Friday** night! \$8 per couple. Singles are welcome, too. •

STRETCH AND TONE

Joe & Kathy Blitgen
563-451-4828

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

SWEATIN' TO THE OLDIES

Cheryl Epping
248-925-0204

Join us **Wednesdays** and **Fridays 8:40 - 9:45 am** in the **Buena Vista Ballroom** for a fun workout with the Richard Simmons 'Sweatin' to the Oldies series of aerobic workouts. This is a low-impact workout that is guaranteed to make you smile and sing while you sweat away the pounds. There is **no charge** for this class. All you need to bring is a water bottle and your enthusiasm. ••

TAI CHI

Kathy Smith
403-547-2359

Tai Chi tones the muscles, increases breathing capacity, lowers stress levels, improves organ function and corrects poor posture. All of these things help the body maximize its self-healing potential. We meet for our practice on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday** mornings from **9:00 to 10:00 am** in the **Auxiliary Ballroom**.

WEIGHT WATCHERS

602-248-0303

Thursdays at **3:45 pm** in the **Sonoran**.

YOGA

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** Yoga in the **Auxiliary Ballroom**, wearing comfortable clothes and bring a ¼ inch yoga mat. Yoga practice includes breath work, warm-ups, physical poses

(asanas) and relaxation (savasana). If you are new to yoga, take time to sit and watch the DVD 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 what Yoga can do for you. ••

EXERCISE CLASSES

Co-ed Exercise

7:25 am • Mon - Fri
Aux Ballroom

East Pool Aqua Aerobics

10:00 am • Mon - Fri

East Pool Water Aerobics

9:00 am • Mon - Sat

Exercise at the West Pool

7:30 am • Mon - Fri

Lap Swimming (Daily)

6:00-7:30 am • East Pool
7:00-8:00 pm • West Pool

Stretch & Tone

8:00 am • Mon - Fri
Buena Vista Ballroom

Sweatin' to the Oldies

8:45 - 9:45 am • Wed, Fri
Cabana

Tai Chi

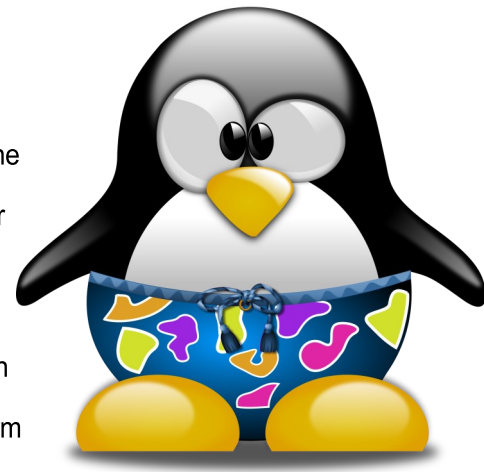
9:00 - 10:00 am • Mon,
Wed, Fri • Aux Ballroom

Water Walking

6:00 - 7:30 am • West Pool

West Pool Water Exercise

10:00 - 11:00 am • Mon - Fri



This and That

Star Volunteer

Way to go, Peggy Lou Deyak!



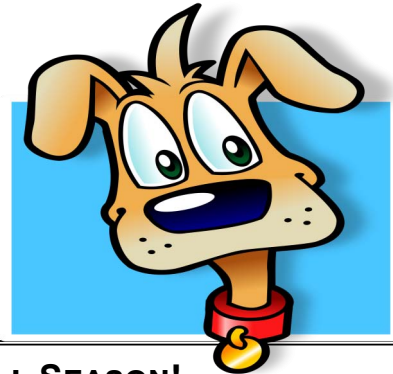
Peggy Deyak has been involved in several volunteering positions in Venture Out. These include the Dance

Committee, the AV Club running cameras while currently recording the Hams at Heart practices & performances. Peggy is a member of the Electronics Club, Pet Association, and Solos Club. She helps with Breakfasts in the Bistro, runs a booth at MarketPlace, and generally helps wherever needed. She likes to be around people, learning new skills and enjoys playing bridge.

Please Register... **YOUR PET**

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

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



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

Room Reservation forms for the 2019-2020 season are now available from the Activity Office. Completed forms will be accepted in the Activity Office beginning Wednesday, February 27 at 8:00am. Please plan accordingly.



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

**COMPLETED FORMS ACCEPTED
BEGINNING WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 27
8:00 AM • ACTIVITY OFFICE**

VENTURE OUT TURNS 50 IN 2020

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 through the front gate to their home away from home, the Condo and Social Boards invite you to be a part of the 50th 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, stories of family members or friends you'd like to share, stop in to the Activity Office or email

Recdir@ventureoutvresort.com

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

This and That



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
 Bernie Wiebe Feb 25
 LaVerne Wilger Mar 15
 Laura Wahl Mar 16

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
 Jim and Martha Gunderson
 Feb 18 52 yrs
 Ken and Janice Dowlin
 Mar 11 58 yrs

HAVE YOU HEARD?
 To submit information Email outlines @ventureoutroversort.com or Activity Office at 480-832-9000
 Geri Shippam, of 521 Douglas, passed away on January 30, 2019.


VO SOFTBALL SCHEDULE LOCATIONS OF GAMES:
 Red Mountain Park – 7808 East Brown Rd (Red M)
 Skyline Softball Complex - 655 S. Crismon Rd (Skyline)
 Apache Wells – 2656 N. 56th St (Apache)
 Sunland Village East - 2145 S. Farnsworth Drive Mesa (SVE)



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

TEAM	TIME	LOCATION
Vipers	1:10&2:20	SSV

DO YOU KNOW



What are the required minimum setbacks for properties?

- ◆ A Park Model or Recreational Vehicle or any other structure must be:
- ◆ Five (5) feet from the rear lot line
- ◆ Zero (0) feet on the non-patio side
- ◆ Three (3) feet on the patio side
- ◆ Four (4) feet from the front property line

Contact Keith Kettle
 Architectural Inspector at 480-832-0200

2019 - 2020 CLUB OFFICERS
 To be completed by club president

Name of Club: _____

	<u>EMAIL</u>	<u>PHONE #</u>
President _____		
Vice-President _____		
Secretary _____		
Treasurer _____		
Other _____		
Other _____		
Other _____		
Other _____		

Month officers are elected _____ When term becomes effective _____

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE ACTIVITY OFFICE



Mar 8
Mystery Trip
(Bocce Sponsored)
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Mar 2
Used Book Sale
(Library Sponsored)
Pg 7

Mar 2
Jumbo Hot Dogs
(Poolroom Sponsored)
& **Cake Sale**
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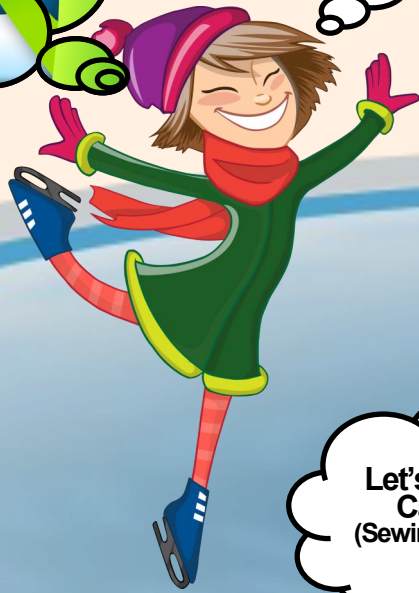
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Manager's Corner

February 22, 2019

This week's occupancy is 1618 or 93% vs. 1598 at the prior report and 1567 the year prior. There are currently 429 renters in the park.

Wow! Normally this time of year we are bragging about our weather and instead right now we are looking for thermal underwear!

I heard a 'rumor' today and so I thought I had better clarify things fast. The rumor was that the Condo Board was going to ask homeowners to bring their homes into compliance before the 2040 deadline. NO! That is not what the Board is discussing. They are talking about the always favorite topic of getting the easements clear of anything that is NOT your living structure that is not supposed to be back in the easements.

The flier that was put out in the Out-Lines, explains all of this carefully. The focus is to get the easements clear of fences, trellis, storage sheds, vegetation over 12 inches etc. Why is this so important? Well we have had over 900 new homeowners move in since the agreement was signed in 2010. Many of those homeowners don't know about the major issues we had with SRP prior to that agreement, or our agreement to get the easements cleared and keep them cleared.

The tragic fire we had in December, really underlined just how important this is. If those easements had not been as clear as they were, the fire could easily have found enough fuel, to move on down the line and catch many more units on fire. One of the things that the Architectural Committee report at the annual meeting underlined was that the nearby storage shed caught fire easily and the citrus tree that was to the rear was very 'crispy'. If the fire department had not arrived as soon as they did, there definitely would have been more units involved.

Also of interest, after Gordy Klofstad and Keith Kettle walked the units this past summer, I compared their notes to ours and 302 homes that were originally brought into compliance with new construction, actually had fallen out of compliance, by adding an additional shed, a fence, or vegetation had grown up, etc. The focus is to make certain all homeowners are aware of those SRP requirements for a clear easement, but also to make sure that we are addressing issues that could impact life safety. As I asked before, step out back look at your home, your neighbor's home and ask yourself, 'what can I do to remove any obstacles or potential fuel'.

On March 5th at 1:00 P.M. in the Buena Vista Ballroom, Gary Johnson, Vice President and Ken Winters Treasurer, have taken on the job of re-educating everyone on the importance of these easements being clear. We hope you will attend.

We are in the midst of budget and if we all seem a bit rushed, it's because at this time of year, we are all working overtime, trying to get bids in, look at the overall property for potential repairs and then sit in a room for a week and discuss it all, (until no one can focus), for one solid week. We do invite you into this process, starting Monday for the Condo Board at 9:00 a.m. at the Oasis.

The biggest issue we are looking at this year is salaries. A few years ago, the voters of AZ voted for a new minimum wage law and that has put upward pressure on all wages. Add to that a very low unemployment rate and the fact that jobs at fast food outlets start between \$13 - \$15.00 and hour and you have pressure on staffing here at VO. That staff does everything from helping put on a food/club event to digging holes and replacing stand pipes and saddles. So we hope some of you come to the Budget meetings. I think once you do, you will have a deeper appreciation for the difficult work your Condo Board must do balancing all the needs of the community and deciding the proverbial question.. "is this a Want or a Need".

Mary Schmit

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Recreation Update



February 22, 2019

It's Happy Hour with entertainer Billy Marovich on Friday, February 22 in the Baja Bistro. Bring your favorite beverage and a snack or two and join Billy for some great music from the 60's and 70's. The fun goes from 3:00 - 5:30 pm and is free!

If you're 90 years' age or older you're invited to a free breakfast in your honor Saturday, February 23 from 7:30 - 9:00 am in the Baja Bistro. Those under that golden age will pay the low, low price of only \$5.00 for a breakfast of scrambled eggs, bacon, country potatoes, toast, juice and bottomless cups of coffee!

Mark Thursday, February 28 on your calendar and head to the Baja Bistro between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm for the resident Fine Art Show and Sale. You will not only be amazed at the talent displayed, you just might find that one special piece of art for which you've been searching. Bring a bit of extra cash as Ed's Grill will be open for lunch.

The Hams at Heart production of Pop's Diner is sold out for the cabaret seatings! Check the Ticket Resale Board in the Post Office Hallway for possible ticket opportunities. Your other option is to purchase general admission tickets to their final dress rehearsal scheduled for Sunday, February 24 at 2:00 pm in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Tickets are \$10.00 and may be purchased from the Activity Office or at the door.

Those innovative Shuffleboard Club members will be at it again with their Ribs and Bibs Dinner Show scheduled for March 10. Complete with a full BBQ baby back pork rib dinner and a stage show featuring Country Western recording artist Bobby Hitt. It will be an evening you won't want to miss!

The last Tennis Auction and Bake sale of the season is Friday, March 1 behind the laundry facility. One never knows what treasures can be found at this bargain sale. The Rummage and Bake Sales begin at 8:00 am with the auction slated for 10:00 am sharp.

If you are new to our beautiful community and are interested as to the who, what, where, when and the why's of Venture Out plan to attend the Newcomers Orientation on March 1. The meeting is at 9:30 am in the Mojave Room which is on the main floor of the Community Center.

Ladies! Even if you are not planning to attend the Sewing Club Fashion Show March 4, you can still shop before the event as sales are open to everyone with shopping hours from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm in the Buena Vista Ballroom. Clothing of all sizes, purses and the most beautiful jewelry you see this season will all be available for you at fabulous prices. Credit cards accepted so there's no excuse not to pick up an outfit or two and some new bling!

The Poolroom Association will host their last Jumbo Hot Dog BBQ of the season on Saturday, March 2. The Croquet Club will sell cake and the Library has another of their famous used book sales on that day as well.

Grab that flyer from this newsletter and head over to Pieology for lunch or dinner on Sunday, March 3. Never been to Pieology? Ooohhhh...you are in for a real treat!

The last Food Handler's class of the season is Tuesday, March 5 at 9:00 am in the Baja Bistro. Take a look at the sticker on your badge to see if it's time to renew.

The fabulous Venture Out Swing Band will be featured during the Tuesday, March 5 Ice Cream Social in the Baja Bistro. Enjoy a scoop or two of your favorite ice creams while listening to the smooth sounds of the Big Band era.

Please remember, unless noted otherwise, you are to provide your own table service and beverage glass for food events. This assists your community in their "green" efforts and saves the Social Club money on paper products.

Now's the time to sign up for our second annual "Tee Up Fore Night Golf Putting Tournament". Groups of fours or singles may sign up and pay in the Activity Office. Then start planning your glow in the dark costume for this crazy event! Prizes for "Best Lit Golfer" plus cash winnings for this shotgun event. No experience necessary! Just need to be a little zany!

The 8-Tracks Band has been requested back for the Fired Clay Arts Studio's Juke Box Jive Dance. Tickets are now on sale for the Wednesday, March 13 event from the Activity Office or at the door the evening of the dance.

Please be courteous of others should you have a room booked for a private party. Do not enter until your assigned time. If you wish to get into the room earlier than assigned, please check with the Activity Office to see if it is possible.

Tickets are currently on sale in the Activity Office for the March 6, Glass Arts-sponsored Chicken Parmesan Dinner as well as the March 7, Tennis-sponsored Taco Salad. You won't want to miss either meal. Both have proven to be top notch!

It's outlandish! It's outrageous! It's the Outlandish Outrageous Olympus and it's time to get your team together for this year's event scheduled for April 2-3-4 Olympics! One more team is needed to fill the roaster and you should be a part of it. See this week's edition of the Out-Lines for contact information. This event is guaranteed to be outlandish, outrageous, wild and fun!

Be sure to get your raffle tickets for both the Sewing Club Quilt and the Glass Arts Raffles. These clubs have outdone themselves this year with their gorgeous hand work.

There's still time to sign up for the March 12 Harrah's Casino bus outing sponsored by the Rock and Gem Club. The sign-up sheet can be found in the Post Office Hallway.

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Venture Out Condo Board Presidents Comments
for February 28, 2019

The **Annual Meeting of VO lot owners** was held on February 13, 2019. If you were unable to attend, it is well worth watching on Channel 17 as the Committee Reports gave information on such things as which streets are next in line for being repaved and which streets will be getting new street lights – pending budget approval. The reports also show the work being done by your friends and neighbors who serve on those committees. Be sure and thank them for their work on your behalf.

I am happy to report that **you elected Kay Hanks, Byron Snowdon and Greg Shelby** to represent you as new Condo Board Directors. We swore them in as Board members the very next day and on the 15th began their orientation. To make room for these three new Directors, we had three retire from the Board. I know that we will all miss the wisdom and guidance of Terry Farris, John MacDonald and Gene Waters as they move on to a life with fewer meetings.

Your **Board officers for 2019/20** are as follows: Alice Anderson as President, Gary Johnson as Vice President, Ken Winters as Treasurer and Gail Miller as Secretary.

I am humbled to have been asked to serve as President for another year and look forward to completing projects that were started this year.

Board liaison standing committee assignments were also finalized and are as follows:

Audit committee – Ken Winters	Architecture – Gail Miller
Governing documents – Beryl Willerton	Elections – Kay Hanks
Safety & Security – Greg Shelby	Transmittals – Byron Snowdon
Green committee – Kay Hanks	Infrastructure – Bert Sebastian
Communications – Greg Shelby	Legislative action – Kay Hanks

Directors also have other projects that they take lead on such as easements, master planning, WiFi work group, joint finance with Social Board and West Pool, to name just a few.

At our February 7th Board meeting we passed a motion that would allow us to **pursue a contract for the VoIP (voice over internet) phone system**. We will review the numbers during budget sessions but research indicates that the service would be better and save us right at \$1,000 per month.

A Security suggestion – we all have a **guest list**, people whose name you give to Security and are then allowed in because they are on your list. Do you realize that you periodically need to go in and take people or vendors off your list or they can come in, forever. Security has found people in here who were NOT supposed to be here, but were on someone's guest list 2 or 3 years ago. Did you know that if you use the **electronic application** to put people on your list, you can also enter the date that they come off the list? **Please look at the guest list assigned to your unit**. You may be surprised by how many people you are allowing in. And if you have **rentals**, look at that list also, delete everyone when the renters move out. This is a **huge security lapse that we owners are allowing to happen**. Please take a look at your list.

Last but not least, I closed the annual meeting with the following comment: I think we live in a wonderful community, and **it is up to all of us to contribute to VO – not just take from VO**. I have been told that your volunteer efforts are 'worth' around 8-10 fulltime employees that we would have to hire to do what you do. **Volunteers are priceless. I hope that you all will find a way to contribute to VO while you are here.**

Alice Anderson, Condo Board President

Social Board President's Comments
February 22, 2019

The Social Board has begun their marathon budget meetings. It is during these days that we go through every club's proposed budget. Their budgets consist of various equipment and supply requests as well as their proposed fundraisers. Once we have reviewed every club's budget and the Recreation Department's budget, we then formulate the overall financial plan that we will manage during the 2019-2020 season.

Keep in mind, it is also through the fundraising efforts of these 27 clubs and the Recreation Department that the needs of the entire park are met and maintained for furniture, fixtures, and equipment. Every chair, table, AV microphone, wall hanging, umbrella, pool lounge, decoration as well as all of the exercise and kitchen equipment are purchased as a result of fundraisers. By you purchasing tickets and participating in these fundraisers, you help furnish the needs of this park!

Our budget process is unique in that we manage 30 separate accounts under one umbrella. If you are interested in learning about the Social Club's finances, please feel free to attend one of our budget sessions. The last of our meetings are Friday, February 22, Tuesday, February 26 and Thursday, February 28 at 1:30 PM in the Cabana.

We also just completed our Meet the Candidates event. We currently have 2 qualified directors running for three open positions. Article II Section 1. of the Social Club Bylaws speaks to the composition of our Board: "The control and management of the affairs of the corporation and the distribution of its funds shall be vested in a Board of Directors of not less than three (3) or more than nine (9) Members."

Based on Article IV Section 2., these 2 members will join our Board by acclamation as our Articles state that in the event that "...the number of candidates for election to the Board of Directors of the Social Club equals the number of positions available, these candidates can be elected by unanimous consent by the Board of Directors of the Social Club and there is no need to have ballots, voting or elections. The remaining position will be filled by an appointment by the Social Board of Directors.

Please plan to attend the Social Club's Annual Meeting to be held in the Buena Vista Ballroom on Tuesday, March 19 at 1:00 pm. Not only will you be provided with a year in review of your Clubs and the Recreation Department, you will be offered a chance to win several door prizes including a chance to win two tickets to next season's Concert Series and two tickets to each of next year's Friday Night Dances.

Lorraine Hee
Social Board President

DAILY TIMETABLE

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED MONDAY - FRIDAY

Lap Swimming	6:00 - 7:30 am	East Pool
Water Walking	6:00 - 7:30 am	West Pool
Co-ed Exercise	7:30 - 8:00 am	BV Ballroom
Water Exercise	7:30 - 8:30 am	West Pool
Know your Gym	8:00 - 10:00 am	EPC
Stretch & Tone	8:00 am	BV Ballroom
Lawnbowling Games	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lawnbowling
Noodles	8:45 am	West Pool
Water Exercise	9:00 am	West Pool
Water Exercise	9:00 - 10:00 am	East Pool
Sunshine Carvers Open	9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Carvers Shop
Glass Arts Open	9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Glass Arts
Library Locked Cases	10:00 am - 3:30 pm	Library
Water Exercise	10:00 - 11:00 am	West Pool
Children's Pool Hours	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	West Pool
Children's Pool Hours	12:00 - 2:00 pm	East Pool
Post Office	2:00 - 3:30 pm	VO Post Office
Children's Pool Hours	4:00 - 7:00 pm	Both Pools
Lap Swimming	7:00 - 8:00 pm	West Pool

Weekly Recurring Events

MONDAYS

Hiking	7:45 am	Baja Bistro
Grapevine	9:00 am	Baja Bistro
Men's 8-Ball Pool	9:00 am	Pool Room
Electronics Membership	9:00 - 10:00 am	Electronics
Blood Pressure Chk	9:45 - 11:15 am	CC lobby
Ham 20M	12:30 pm	Ham Shack
Pan	12:30 pm	Classroom
Splashers	1:00 - 2:30 pm	West Pool
Beading	1:15 - 3:45 pm	Sonoran
Electronics Classes	2:00 pm	Ham Shack
Badminton	3:30 - 5:00 pm	Game Zone
Western Skies Sign-up	4:00 pm	523 Aztec
Pinochle	6:30 pm	Mojave
Table Tennis	7:00 - 9:00 pm	Aux Ballroom

TUESDAYS

9-hole Sign-up	7:45 am	Sonoran
Bocce Fall League	8:00 - 10:00 am	Bocce
Happy Harpers	9:00 am	Music Room
Lawnboling Lessons	10:30 am	Lawnbowling
Conversational German	1:00 - 3:00 pm	Music Room
Ice Cream Social	1:30-2:30 pm	Baja Bistro
Potlucks	5:00 pm	Baja Bistro
Scrabble	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Sonoran
National Mah Jongg	6:30 pm	Classroom
Cribbage	7:00 pm	Mojave
Table Tennis	7:00 - 9:00 pm	Aux Ballroom

WEDNESDAYS

Sweatin' w/Oldies	8:40 - 9:45 am	Buena Vista Ballroom
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Choir Rehearsals	9:00 am	Music Room
Shuffleboard Lesn	9:15 am	Shuffleboard
Drawing Class	9:45 am	Sonoran
Electronics Membership	10:00 - 11:00 am	Electronics
Croquet Singles Lsn	10:00 am	Croquet
Pickleball Beginner	11:00 am	Pickleball
Knife Sharpening	12:00 - 2:00 pm	Wood Shop
Ham 20M	12:30 pm	Ham Shack
Pan	12:30 pm	Classroom
Hand Foot & Toe	12:30 pm	Mojave
Splashers	1:00 - 2:30 pm	West Pool
Long Range Mtg	1:15 pm	Sonoran
Badminton	3:30 - 5:00 pm	Game Zone
Duplicate Bridge	6:00 pm	Mojave
Texas Hold-em	7:00 pm	Aux Ballroom
31 Cards	7:00 pm	Sonoran

THURSDAYS

Men's Bible Study	7:00 am	Sonoran
Biking	9:00 am	Activity Office
Stitch n Chat	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Mojave
Fired Clay Classes	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Fired Clay
Happy Harpers	9:00 am	Music Room
Art in the Park	9:00 am	Sonoran
Lawnboling Lessons	10:30 am	Lawnbowling
Ed's Grill	11:00 am - 12:45 pm	Baja Bistro
Pickleball Beginner	11:00 am	Pickleball
Creative Writing	1:00 pm	Sonoran
Social Bridge	1:00 pm	Mojave
Electronics Membership	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Electronics
Table Tennis	3:15 - 5:30 pm	Aux Ballroom
Solos	4:00 pm	Oasis
Pinochle	6:30 pm	Mojave
Bingo	6:45 pm	BV Ballroom
Sing'n'Strum	7:00 pm	Aux Ballroom
Spades	7:00 pm	Sonoran

FRIDAYS

Sweatin' w/Oldies	8:45 - 9:45 am	Cabana
Duplicate Bridge	12:00 pm	Mojave
Ham 20M	12:30 pm	Ham Shack
Splashers	1:00 - 2:30 pm	West Pool
Beading	1:15 - 3:45 pm	Sonoran
TGIR	3:00 - 5:30 pm	Baja Bistro
Euchre	6:30 pm	Mojave Rm
Table Tennis	7:00 - 9:00 pm	Aux Ballroom
Friday Night Dance	7:00 pm	BV Ballroom
Darts	7:00 pm	Classroom

SATURDAYS

Lap Swimming	6:00 - 7:30 am	East Pool
Water Walking	6:00 - 7:30 am	West Pool
Pan	8:30 am	Classroom

DAILY TIMETABLE

SATURDAYS (CONTENUED)

Lawnbowling Games	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lawnbowling
Noodles	8:45 am	West Pool
Water Exercise	9:00 am	West Pool
Sunshine Carvers Opn	9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Carvers Shop
Table Tennis	9:00 am - 12:00pm	Aux Ballroom
Horseshoe practice	9:00 am	Horseshoe Court
Water Exercise	9:00 - 10:00 am	East Pool
Croquet Organized opn	10:00 am	Croquet
Ham Radio Mtg	10:00 am	Oasis
Children's Pool Hours	11:00 am -1:00 pm	West Pool
Children's Pool Hours	12:00 - 2:00 pm	East Pool
SNL Pool	5:45 pm	Pool Room
Mixed Couples 8-Ball	6:00 pm	Pool Room
Children's Pool Hours	4:00 - 7:00 pm	Both Pools
Lap Swimming	7:00 - 8:00 pm	West Pool

SUNDAYS

Lap Swimming	6:00 - 7:30 am	East Pool
Water Walking	6:00 - 7:30 am	West Pool
Gabfest	8:30 am	Baja Bistro
Lawnbowling Games	8:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lawnbowling
Table Tennis Open play	9:00 am - 4:15 pm	Aux Ballroom
Worship Service	9:00 am	BV Ballroom
Children's Pool Hours	11:00 am -1:00 pm	West Pool
Children's Pool Hours	12:00 - 2:00 pm	East Pool
Croquet Happy Hour	4:00 pm	Croquet
Social Bridge	6:00 pm	Mojave
Court Whist	6:30 pm	Sonoran
Children's Pool Hours	4:00 - 7:00 pm	Both Pools
Lap Swimming	7:00 - 8:00 pm	West Pool

Special Events

<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 22</u>	
Social Budget Session	1:30 pm	Cabana
<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 23</u>	
Eggs & Bacon Breakfast	7:30 - 9:00 am	Baja Bistro
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 24</u>	
Pop's Diner Matinee	2:00 pm	BV Ballroom
<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 25</u>	
Condo Budget Session	9:00 am	Oasis
Out-Lines Deadline	12:00 pm	Activity Office
Pop's Diner	7:00 pm	BV Ballroom
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY 26</u>	
Condo Budget Session	9:00 am	Oasis
Social Budget Session	1:30 pm	Cabana
Pop's Diner	7:00 pm	BV Ballroom

WEDNESDAY

Condo Budget Session	9:00 am	Oasis
Steak Fry	5:00 & 6:30 pm	Baja Bistro

THURSDAY

Condo Budget Session	9:00 am	Oasis
Fine Art Show	9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Baja Bistro
Ed's Grill	11:00 am - 12:45 pm	Baja Bistro
Social Budget Session	1:30 pm	Cabana

FRIDAY

Auction/Rummage/Bake	8:00 am	The Patio
Condo Budget Session	9:00 am	Oasis
Eyeglass Adjustment	9:30 - 10:30	Therapy #2
Newcomers	9:30 am	Mojave Room
Dental Consultation	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Therapy #2
Croquet Open House	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Croquet
Painting Party	6:00 pm	AO Conference Room

SATURDAY

Used Book Sale	9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Community Center
Jumbo Hot Dogs	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Baja Bistro
Continental Coffee	5:00 pm	BV Ballroom

SUNDAY

Alberta Party	4:30 - 9:30 pm	BV Ballroom
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MONDAY

Cale Rose	10:00 am 12:00 pm	BV Ballroom
Buttons & Blooms	12:00 pm	BV Ballroom

TUESDAY

Food Handler's Class	9:00 am	Baja Bistro
Social Board Mtg	1:30 pm	Oasis
Karaoke w/ Don & Ron	6:30 - 9:00 pm	Oasis

WEDNESDAY

Chicken Parmesan	4:30 & 6:00 pm	Baja Bistro
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THURSDAY

Condo Board Mtg	9:00 am	Oasis
Breakfast w/ Doc	9:00 am	Cabana
Taco Salad	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Baja Bistro

FRIDAY

Joint Mtg	9:00 am	Oasis
Mystery Trip	7:30 am	Buss Loading Zone

FEBRUARY 27

9:00 am	Oasis
5:00 & 6:30 pm	Baja Bistro

FEBRUARY 28

9:00 am	Oasis
9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Baja Bistro
11:00 am - 12:45 pm	Baja Bistro
1:30 pm	Cabana

MARCH 1

8:00 am	The Patio
9:00 am	Oasis
9:30 - 10:30	Therapy #2
9:30 am	Mojave Room
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Therapy #2
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Croquet
6:00 pm	AO Conference Room

MARCH 2

9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Community Center
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Baja Bistro
5:00 pm	BV Ballroom

MARCH 3

4:30 - 9:30 pm	BV Ballroom
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MARCH 4

10:00 am 12:00 pm	BV Ballroom
12:00 pm	BV Ballroom

MARCH 5

9:00 am	Baja Bistro
1:30 pm	Oasis
6:30 - 9:00 pm	Oasis

MARCH 6

4:30 & 6:00 pm	Baja Bistro
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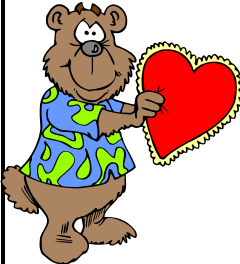






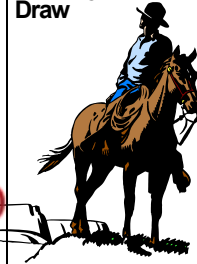





MARCH 7

9:00 am	Oasis
9:00 am	Cabana
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Baja Bistro










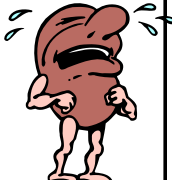


MARCH 8

9:00 am	Oasis
7:30 am	Buss Loading Zone

February 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>"Keep your faith in beautiful things; in the sun when it is hidden, in the Spring when it is gone." - Roy R. Gibson</p> 					<p>Newcomers Orientation 1</p> <p>Don's Fabulous Variety Show</p> <p>Dental Consult</p> <p>Food Handlers Class</p> <p>Seminar - Quad Amputee</p> <p>Dance: Midnight Confessions</p> <p>Organ Stop Pizza Party</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Jumbo Hot Dogs & Ice Cream Sale</p> <p>Used Book Sale</p> <p>Continental Coffee</p> <p>Shuffleboard Open House</p>
<p>Worship Service 3</p> <p>Gabfest</p> <p>Big Game Party</p> 	<p>Grapevine 4</p> <p>Woodshop Raffle Begins</p> <p>Blood Pressure Screening</p> <p>Concert Series: The Best of Broadway</p>	<p>All City Pickleball Tournament 5</p> <p>Social Board Meeting</p> <p>Ice Cream Social</p> <p>Artisan Showcase</p> <p>Potluck - Kitchen Band</p> <p>Round Dance</p>	<p>All City Pickleball Tournament 6</p> <p>Pork Loin Dinner</p> 	<p>All City Pickleball Tournament 7</p> <p>Breakfast with Banner</p> <p>It's A Woman's World Expo & Salad Bar</p> <p>Collective Goods</p> <p>Bingo</p>	<p>All City Pickleball Tournament 8</p> <p>Trivia Blast</p> <p>Out-Lines Published</p> <p>Seminar - Journey to Africa</p> <p>Friday Night Dance: Cowboy Up</p>	<p>Sewing Club & Fired Clay Studio Sidewalk Sale & Open House 9</p> <p>Strawberry Topped Pancake Breakfast with Sing & Strum</p> <p>Putting Tournament</p> <p>Silversmith Make & Take</p>
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March 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <h2 style="margin: 0;">Electronics Club Raffle</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">3/2 - 3/6</h3> 					Organ Stop Pizza 1 Outing Auction & Bake Sale Dental Consult Newcomers Orientation Paint & Wine Seminar-Machu Picchu Don & Ron's Karaoke Dance: Midnight Confessions	Jumbo Hot Dogs & Cake Sale 2 Used Book Sale Electronics Club Raffle Begins Continental Coffee
Worship Service 3 Gabfest Pieology Meal Deal 	Buttons & Blooms High Fashion & Quilt Show 4 Quilt Raffle Draw Calle Rose Fashion Sale Grapevine Blood Pressure Screening Concert Series: Groovin' Thru The 60's	Social Board Meeting 5 Food Handler's Class Ice Cream Social Potluck - The Jems Round Dance Karaoke with Ron & Don	Ash Wednesday 6 Chicken Parmesan Dinner 	Condo Board Mtg 7 Breakfast with Banner Taco Salad Bingo	Condo/Social Joint Mtg 8 Out-Lines Published Mystery Trip Seminar - Kennedy Assassination Trivia Blast Dance: Cowboy Up	Blueberry Pancake Breakfast With the Kitchen Band 9 Putting Tournament 
Worship Service 10 Gabfest Ribs & Bibs Dinner & Show with Bobby Hit 	New Image Fashions 11 Out-Lines Deadline Grapevine Cooking Class Blood Pressure Screening Meatless Monday Potluck Bluegrass Concert Murphy's Law	Spring Break 5K 12 Ice Cream Social & Glass Arts Raffle Draw Harrah's Casino Outing Potluck - Sing & Strum Town Hall Meeting	Juke Box Jive with the 8-Tracks 13 	Condo Work Session 14 Marketplace VO Diner Open Health Seminar - Understanding and Natural Solutions to Allergies Championship Putting Tournament Bingo	Zappones Meal Deal 15 Don & Ron's Classic Karaoke Seminar - Author of "Death Blow" Dance: Myron Sommerfeld Orchestra	Hamburger BBQ & Ice Cream 16 Community Gypsy Carnival Electronics Club Raffle Draw Creative Writing Reading 
Worship Service 17 Gabfest 	Grapevine 18 Blood Pressure Screening Enchilada Dinner Concert Series: The Fitzgeralds	Annual Social Club Meeting 19 Organizational Mtg -Social Board No Ice Cream Social Potluck - Dianna McCallum Weenie Roast	Tee Up For Nite Golf 20 Weenie Roast 	Condo Board Mtg 21 Ed's Grill Music By The Pool Root Beer Floats Music by Ian Eric Health Seminar - Genealogy Bingo	Out-Lines Published 22 Name That Tune Seminar - Eye Dog Foundation Dance: Johnny K and Kompany Night Water Volleyball Game	It's A Wrap Breakfast 23 Used Book Sale 
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31 Worship Service Gabfest	Blood Pressure Screening Freddie & Sheila Show					

The Following Tickets Are Now Available In The Activity Office

Current badges (with a red hologram) are required to purchase tickets

Event	Date of Event	Deadline	Amount	Qty.
Friday Night Dance (Johnny K)	F - Feb 22	Feb 22 (3:00 pm)	\$8.00	[]
			Sold also at the door	
Pop's Diner Final Dress Rehearsal ..	Su - Feb 24	Feb 22 (3:00 pm)	\$10.00	[]
			Sold also at the door	
Friday Night Dance (Midnight)	F - Mar 1	Mar1 (3:00 pm)	\$8.00	[]
			Sold also at the door	
Chicken Parmesan Dinner W -	Mar 6	Feb 27 (10:00 am)	\$8.50	[]
Taco Salad	Th - Mar 7	Until Sold Out	\$7.00	[]
Friday Night Dance (Cowboy Up)..	F - Mar 8	Mar 8 (3:00 pm)	\$8.00	[]
			Sold also at the door	
Murphy's Law	M - Mar 11	Mar 11 (3:00 pm)	\$10.00	[]
			\$1.00 more at the door	
Juke Box Jive	W - Mar 13	Mar 13 (3:00 pm)	\$10.00	[]
			Sold also at the door	
Enchilada Dinner.....	M - Mar 18	Until Sold Out	\$8.00	[]
Annual Weenie Roast	Tu - Mar 19	Mar 18 (3:00 pm)	Free	[]
			\$3.00 for guests	
Annual Weenie Roast	Tu - Mar 20	Mar 18 (3:00 pm)	Free	[]
			\$3.00 for guests	
Freddie & Sheila Show	M - Mar 26	Mar 26 (3:00 pm)	\$10.00	[]
			Sold also at the door	



Reserved Seating Tickets				
Fashion Show Buttons & Blooms M -	Mar 4	Feb 27 (10:00 am)	\$16.00	[]
Ribs n' Bibs	Su - Mar 10	Mar 6 (10:00 am)	\$20.00	[]

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

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



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Mar 12 - 14 TUCSON TRAILS
\$399 pp dbl; add \$125 single
 3 Days/2 Nights at the beautiful Desert Diamond Resort & Casino in Tucson! Tour the PIMA Air & Space Museum, and the famous "Boneyard." Visit Mission San Xavier, the "Sistine Chapel of North America." Enjoy a tour of Borderland Brewery (sample the beer or the wine), and enjoy the acclaimed tamales from Tuscon Tamale Company. Relax on a Tram tour of gorgeous Sabino Canyon. (M)



Apr 3 GOLDFIELD GHOST TOWN & DOLLY STEAMBOAT
\$99 pp

This fun day trip starts with browsing the Goldfield Ghost Town and stopping by the Mammoth Saloon & Steakhouse for lunch! Then off to board the Dolly Steamboat for a relaxing afternoon cruise!



Dec 4 - 9 BRANSON HOLIDAY SHOWS
 Details on this popular, highly rated trip are coming soon so save the date!

Dec 29 - Jan 1 ROSE PARADE
 We are now accepting a \$100 per person deposit to hold your seat! Planning in underway, and we'll send you the details as soon as we finalize everything (maybe April??) You'll make your final decision once we release the details.



Motorcoach will start planning the 2019-2020 season soon, and finalize details during the summer months! Check our website or sign up for an email list if you're a winter visitor!

A publication by and for the residents of Venture Out

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Editorial

by Maureen Robertson

"The secret of success is to do the common things uncommonly well."
John D. Rockefeller

Next year Venture Out celebrates its 50th anniversary. Reaching such a milestone can only be achieved when the enterprise makes its start from a solid foundation and thoughtful plan. The success of Venture Out can be attributed to many individuals and groups over the years, from forward-thinking Condo and Social Boards, to strong leadership from our management, dedicated employees and hundreds, if not thousands, of enthusiastic volunteers.

Those of us fortunate enough to have been in the park for the past 25 years have witnessed a multitude of changes, both within and without. At one time, surrounded by orange groves and cotton fields, our park grew from a charming RV facility to a first-class resort. We've seen the advent of raised Arizona rooms, second bathrooms, a state-of-the-art fitness and recreation area as well as a magnificent center.

A friend posed the question, "What will Venture Out be like in 25 years?" That query sparked a lively discussion, ranging from dedicating a section of the park to condos, to a mini-mall complete with hair salon and corner store as well as the ability of owners to purchase side-by-side lots on which to build one large home.

In 2020, we shall enjoy a well-deserved celebration. We can all join in, each in one's own unique way, to commemorate a wonderfully successful venture and look forward to continued success in the future.

Kudos to the Pet Owners' Association

by Marion Thiessen

When I take friends or family on a tour of Venture Out, I enjoy their delighted surprise when we walk around the pet walk park. It is a special corner of Venture Out where friendships amongst the two and four-legged creatures are nurtured. Besides being a well-cared-for desert garden we can all enjoy, it is a place that allows one to meditate on our good life at Venture Out.

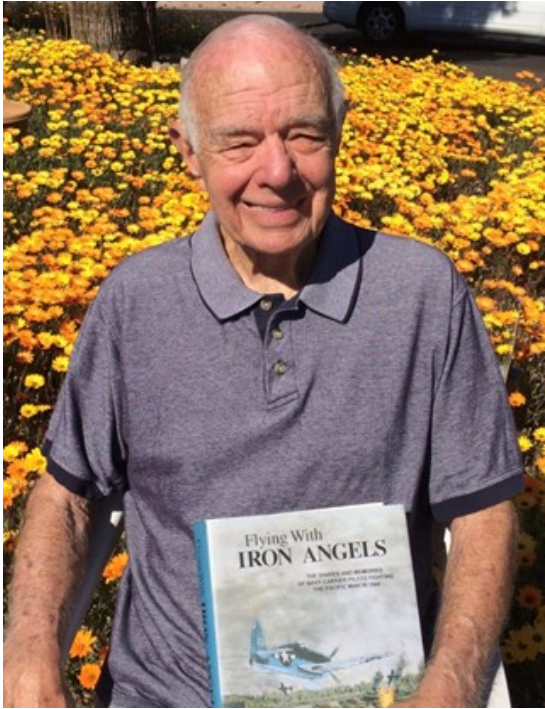
Recently, while walking and musing in the pet-walk, I was struck by the ways in which the Pet Association has made significant contributions to our life here. The auction that the tennis club now runs was originally a fund-raiser sponsored by the Pet Owners' Association. The Home Tour is such a popular fund-raiser that the tickets are sold through a lottery system. They also sell safety lights to assist night walkers and cyclists.

The addition of a dog wash area is a practical idea that I am sure all pet owners appreciate. Pet owners, thanks for making Venture Out a better place for all of us and for maintaining a place where those with pets can enjoy a safe, well maintained park within the walls of Venture Out.



Jack Chaffee: Fighter Pilot in World War II

by Jeri Robbins



"Why the Navy?" I asked Jack as we sat on his patio in VO.

"Well," he said, remembering back 73 years, "I wanted to learn to fly and the Navy had a pilot training program. But after graduating from high school, I still had to wait until I turned 18 in June before I could enlist."

First, they sent Jack to Lincoln, Nebraska, not far from home, for two weeks to learn to fly a J3 Cub. Then it was off for ground school and training in other planes; in California, then Texas and finally to Florida for fighter planes. Lastly, he went through a short stint learning to land on a flight deck the size of a "postage stamp" on Lake Superior. After making the required 10 landings, he was shipped to the Pacific to join a squadron called the Iron Angels aboard the carrier, USS Wasp.

Off the bat, Jack and three other newbies were given 4 old, beat up, bullet-ridden planes to fly to an island and fly new ones back. As Jack was firing up his engine he noticed a bunch of sailors passing money back and forth. He asked his crew chief what was going on and was told they were placing bets on who would or wouldn't make it. Jack was one of two that didn't. They did make it as far as the island but when the engines died, they had to belly into the bay and be fished out.

Getting ready for a flight, Jack would strap in and wait for the signal. If there was a good head wind, they did a regular take off. Otherwise, they were catapulted, released as the front of the ship rose skyward.

Most of their flights were patrolling airspace and covering troop loading and unloading. He flew wingman for the squadron leader which meant in a dogfight his job was to cover the captain's tail.

After the war Jack was sent by some "desk jockey" back to Nebraska to train British bomber pilots on small single engine planes. Because they were used to sitting high in a big plane they kept coming in 50 feet above the runway, much to the amusement of the fighter pilots.

Jack is a delight to talk to and I'm sure would be glad to show anyone his book and other stories on the Iron Angels.

Food Glorious Food

by Jeri Robbins

Food. A necessity for life. While many in this world struggle to find enough, for others it becomes an addiction. But it is at the center of our lives, a sharing with families, friends, community. We break bread together for a multitude of occasions.

I remembered a young German teacher on our bus while driving out of Guatemala. She was carefully eating an avocado and I asked her if she had had problems with the food in Central America. When she said, "Yes, she had had a miserable time," I replied that my husband and I had quite enjoyed it.

"Of course," she almost snarled. "You are Americans. You eat fast foods and you all have cast iron stomachs."

It got me to thinking. It is not the fast food. It is the variety. We eat foods from France and China, Germany and Japan, Mexico and the Middle East. What a choice we have. Just one more perk in the country of mixed cultures and cuisines. A cornucopia of food, glorious, food.



Dog Musher in the Park

by Keith Gustafson

Anne Strain, a wonderful conversationalist and story-teller shares experiences of her life in Canada's north. Anne's late husband, Jack, was a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). During their career days in Canada, they were assigned to rural outposts in Alberta, the Northwest Territories, and the Yukon Territory.

Anne relates that the most interesting, and most difficult, of their assignments was in Old Crow Village in the Yukon. She found herself as a young wife with 2 small children living in an Indian village of 200 people located 60 miles north of the Arctic Circle. The only transportation to the village was by plane on clear days when weather permitted and it had to land on the Porcupine River which flows past Old Crow. During the months of July and August, the plane actually landed on the river as it was free of ice. During the fall season, they needed to wait until there was 18 inches of solid ice before a plane could land. In the spring they needed to wait for the big ice melt in late May. All food and fuel for an entire year were imported by barge on the river during the two summer months.

Anne's exceptional skill in driving dog sleds over ice and snow-covered tundra was born of necessity. The RCMP office in Old Crow came equipped with 34 Siberian Huskies. One of the RCMP officer's responsibilities was to feed and maintain this pack of dogs. Fishing and hunting for them became their biggest responsibility of the job. They were also responsible for periodic trips to check on local trappers who spent weeks at a time minding their trap-lines in the wooded areas. The RCMP team would need 3 toboggans or sleds when they travelled up to 55 miles in order to look in on the trappers. These trips often required over-night stays in tents erected on the cold tundra. Anne always drove the smallest sled requiring only 4 dogs.

Whenever visiting paleontologists, anthropologists or linguists came to study the tribe and location, it was Anne's job to provide them with 3 meals per day during their stay. Anne said that she baked enough bread to pave the entire Alaska Highway!

Another highlight of their stay in Old Crow was attending regular feasts sponsored by the clans of the Leaucheux Indian Tribe. The Wolf and Crow Clans would throw a feast after a successful moose hunt where the entire population of the village gathered in the community hall. There was a large table in the center where the white people sat, while all 200 of the natives sat on the surrounding floor. The best dish, "Moose Nose Soup," was reserved for last. After each feast the floor was cleared and everyone danced a jig.

Visiting with Anne about her experiences is absolutely fascinating. She'll tell you about the local Native newspaper correspondent who was syndicated all over Canada and had an article written about her that appeared in the Life Magazine. This same woman had so many children that she started giving them away. The custom of the tribe was that women who had too many children would share with those who could not have their own. These experiences are only a taste of what her life was like. She has much more to share.

Anne's story is featured in a wonderful book entitled, "*Edge of the Wilderness*" by Joann Penny-Flynn (2002). A copy of the book will be available in the Venture Out Library beginning next season.



Is it a “She” or a “He?”

by Norm Thiessen



In most homes in Venture Out, the computer has become a mainstay to our daily living. Its status is similar to that of our family car, which is frequently honored with a loving, usually feminine, name. Have you thought of a special name for your computer, and if you haven't, shouldn't you?

A study at Harvard reported on the Internet that a key consideration in choosing an appropriate name for your computer is for you to first determine what you consider to be its gender. If you see it to be feminine, you've probably noticed that *“no one other than her creator can understand her internal logic”*; or *“that the native language she uses to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else”*; or *“that even the smallest mistakes are stored in her long term memory for possible later review”*; or *“that as soon as you make a commitment to her, you will constantly need more money to buy accessories for her.”*

On the other hand, you might consider your computer to be masculine if you have observed that *“in order to do anything with him, you have to turn him on first”*; or *“that he has a lot of data but still can't think for himself”*, or *“that he is supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time he is the problem”*; and finally, *“as soon as you commit to him, you realize that if you had waited a little longer you could have gotten a better model!”*

Upon reflection, it is probably safer to simply refer to your computer as “It”.

Tai Chi

by Keith Gustafson



Tai Chi, a Chinese martial art practiced for both its defensive training and health benefits, refers to a philosophy related to the forces of yin and yang. Yin and yang, seemingly opposite or contrary forces, actually complement and interconnect in the natural world. Through Tai Chi they are brought into harmony.

Tai Chi has been practiced for over 3,000 years and the current movements used came from the Taoist and Buddhist monasteries in the 12th century. While this form of martial art has evolved over the years under different names, current variations used world-wide are traced back to the master Fu Chen Sung (1580-1660).

One book describes the process of Tai Chi as consisting of slow, soft and gentle movements like the waves of the ocean. They push and merge into one another, creating a continuous flow of energy, seemingly with no beginning and no end. These gentle movements, combined with relaxation of the body and mind, are sometimes called “meditation in motion”. Scientifically proven benefits of Tai Chi consist of reducing anxiety and depression, improving balance, coordination, and sleep quality, slowing bone loss, lowering blood pressure,

improving cardiovascular fitness, relieving chronic pain, and improving everyday physical functioning. It is certainly well worth your time to give it a try!

A dedicated group of practitioners meet every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the Auxiliary Ballroom at the Center from 9:00 am – 10:00 am. The group is open to everyone, including beginners. Kathy Smith, the Facilitator, maintains that you can do nothing wrong; any movement that you can perform will serve the same purpose. There is no charge to join.

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To all Venture Out Homeowners

On Tuesday **March 5th** the Condo Board will sponsor an Easement Compliance Seminar. The Seminar will take place in the Ballroom commencing at 1 PM.

The subject of Easement Compliance was an agenda item at the Town Hall meeting in December and subsequently broadcast on Channel 17. Additionally an insert was placed in the Jan 25th Outlines providing information about our (VO) obligation to set in place a process to clear the easements of fixed objects and obstructions.

This Seminar will follow up with a more detailed presentation including the following:

- Why it is necessary and required to clear the rear easement.
- Specific details from the 2010 agreement between SRP and Venture Out.
- Our (VO) obligations and timelines under the 2010 SRP and Venture Out agreement.
- An outline of the plan to move forward and fulfill our obligations.
- A detailed report showing by street and lot the fixed objects and obstructions, by type, within the rear easement.
- The 'next steps.'

The easement report referenced above is the result of a comprehensive on site 'walk thru' conducted last summer within Venture Out. The observations were then entered into a spreadsheet. We will have a copy of the report at the Seminar. VO monitors will be available to assist homeowners to locate and review their unit listings, record the issues on a (provided) form, retaining one copy for themselves and submitting the other to attending monitors for recording and filing.

Since each lot has different issues (or none) a form letter would not meet our obligation. Attempting to write resident letters individually with their specific issues is not practical. Doing so would literally be an organizational and paperwork nightmare, with exorbitant expense to VO and would only meet the minimum requirement of providing notice with minimal information. We have concluded that conducting a Seminar is the most efficient and informative way to move forward.

The Seminar will allow for, presentations, information sharing, interactive explanations and time for questions and answers.

Finally – Any reference to Venture Out (VO) in this letter or in fact in the 2010 SRP/VO agreement is in reality a reference to each and every VO homeowner. **Compliance with the SRP/VO Agreement requires we all work together and proceed in an organized and cooperative manner.**

The Seminar is the first step.

Ken Winters
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