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5001 E. Main St., Mesa, AZ 85205

August, 2021



Events now Available in the Activity Office Activity Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 7:00 am – 12:00 pm, 1:00 - 3:30 pm

Events	Date	Deadline	Ticket Cost PP	Page
August				<u>.</u>
Soup & a Half Sandwich	August 3	July 29	\$7.00	6
Food Handler's Class	August 4	Х	х	6
Happy Hour in the Baja Bistro	August 5	Х	х	6
VO Continental Breakfast	August 8	August 4	\$9.00	6
VO Club Chef's Salad	August 10	August 5	\$11.00	7
Game Day Bistro - Name That Tune	August 11	August 9	х	7
Liver & Onions Dinner	August 12	August 10	\$11.00	7
National Panini Month Lunch	August 17	August 12	\$9.00	8
VO Club Burger	August 19	August 17	\$12.00	8
American Brunch	August 22	August 4	\$9.00	8
Tortellini Tuesday	August 24	August 19	\$14.00	9
Game Day in Baja Bistro - Mexican Train	August 25	August 23	х	9
Rib Night	August 26	August 24	\$14.00	9
Fish Friday	August 27	August 25	\$14.00	10
Venture Out Arizona Party	August 30	See Ad	See Ad	10
National Panini Month Lunch	August 31	August 26	\$11.00	10
September				
Happy Hour in the Baja Bistro	September 2	Х	х	11
Day After Labor Day BBQ	September 7	September 1	????	11
Game Day in Baja Bistro - Yahtzee!	September 8	September 1	Х	12
Chicken Parm	September 9	September 7	????	12

Administration

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

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE (480) 832-0200 VOGM @VentureOutRVResort.com 7:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 - 3:00 pm Office Quiet Hours 3:00 - 5:00 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 7:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 - 3:30 pm Office Quiet Hours 3:30 - 5:00 pm Monday - Thursday Closed Sat. & Sun.

CONTRACTOR/VENDOR

6:00 am - 5:00 pm Sunday - Saturday No Contractors on Holidays when the Administration Office is closed

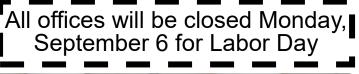
SECURITY (480) 832-6080 Security @VentureOutRVResort.com 24/7 EMERGENCY CELL (480) 220-6875

VO POST OFFICE (480) 830-5813 11:00 am - 1:30 pm Monday - Saturday

Newsletter Submissions Only: Outlines @VentureOutRVResort.com

MISSION STATEMENT

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





Congratulations to Robbie Oldemar, Winner of the July Yahtzee Tournament!



Needed: Dance Chair & Volunteer Coordinator

- Dance Chair Over see the scheduling of volunteers for the Friday Night Dances
- Volunteer Coordinator Manage
- lists of volunteers and scheduling
- additional help for the many events throughout the season.

If you are interested in filling these important positions, please email the Activity Director, Carrie Zinman at recdir@ventureoutrvresort.com CHILDREN'S SWIMMING HOURS have been suspended for the summer

SUMMER **OUT-LINES** The next publication of the Out-Lines will be Friday, August 27. The deadline for submissions is Noon Monday, August 16. The Out-Lines will be available during normal business hours from Activity Office for your convenience. You may also visit Venture Out's website at www.VentureOut **RVResort.com** to browse current and past editions.

VENTURE OUT 2021 SUMMER SCHEDULE

FITNESS CENTER HOURS SUBJECT TO CHANGE - HOURS POSTED ON DOOR

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

Recreation Office Summer Hours: Monday - Thursday 7:00 am - 12:00 noon

1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Quiet Hours 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Friday, Saturday & Sunday Closed

Maintenance Summer Hours: Monday - Friday 5:00 am - 1:30 pm Contractor Hours: Sunday – Saturday 6:00 am – 5:00 pm

Out-Lines published monthly on these SUGGESTED dates: July 30 August 27 Begin every other week publication – September 24

Trash and recycling pickup Tuesdays and Fridays only.

All recreation shops closed.

Restrictions on parking under community center canopies suspended restrictions on most parking.

Bathhouses Open 3 and 5 at East and West Pool

Bathhouses Closed 1, 2, 4, 6, 7 and 8

Restrictions on children's swimming pool hours suspended.

Heat turned off at pool.

SEPTEMBER 6th, Monday

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

SEPTEMBER 20th, Monday

1. All recreation shops open for use.

2. All satellite bathhouses open.

Hot water and air conditioning turned on. 3.Restriction on children's swimming hours reinstated.

4. Heat turned on at pool.

5. Restriction on parking under community center canopies reinstated.

SEPTEMBER 24th, Friday

Begin every other week publication of Out-Lines.

OCTOBER 18th, Monday

Administration Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 3:30 pm Office Quiet Hours 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Saturday and Sunday Closed

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

Maintenance Hours: Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 3:30 pm Saturday & Sunday Closed

Contractor Hours

 $Sunday-Saturday \qquad 8:00 \ am-5:00 \ pm$

OCTOBER 18th, Monday Trash & recycling pick up on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

OCTOBER 21st, Thursday First Condo Board of Directors' meeting of 2021-2022 season, 9:00 a.m. in the Oasis.

NOVEMBER 1st, Monday

Winter overnight rates in effect.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Condo Board Nominating Committee has begun it's job of recruiting CONDO BOARD NOMINEES for 2021-2022.

PLEASE HELP by referring the names of those you believe to be a possible CONDO BOARD CANDIDATE to the Nominating Committee

We know that in Venture Out there are GREAT CONDO BOARD CANDIDATES AVAILABLE...

The upcoming candidates just may not realize it YET!!

YOU DO HAVE TIME TO CONSIDER BEING A CONDO BOARD CANDIDATE!!

THE ELECTION IS IN February, 2022. Candidates must be chosen and on the ballot by December, 2021.

IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC KNOWLEDGE OR BACKGROUND, such as finance, infrastructure, technology, or others which apply to the Condo Board needs, PLEASE CONSIDER BEING A CONDO BOARD CANDIDATE, STÉP FORWARD, AND CONTACT THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

HERE ARE IMPORTANT QUALITIES OF A CONDO BOARD MEMBER 1) BELIEVES IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

2) HAS NO PERSONAL AGENDAS, JUST VENTURE OUT'S BEST INTEREST

3) WORKS WELL WITH OTHERS

4) GOOD LISTENER

5) IS FAMILIAR WITH A VENTURE OUT BOARD, COMMITTEE, OR ACTIVITIES

6) UNDERSTANDS THE TIME AND VALUE OF BEING A CONDO BOARD MEMBER 7) HAS COMMON SENSE, KNOWLEDGE, AND A LEVEL HEAD.

8) IS AN OWNER IN VENTURE OUT AND HERE FOR FIVE MONTHS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP BY CONTACTING A NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBER

Alice Anderson

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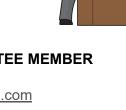


Congratulations to Joy Osburn, the second place winner of the July Yahtzee Tournament!

"Notice"

The only scheduled Water exercise classes are Monday -Friday and booked through the Activity Director and published in the Out-Lines If you wish to schedule a new class, please meet with the Activity Director.

If you are planning to use the PA system at the East Pool outside of a sanctioned class, please be conscientious of others at the pool facility and for those who have homes around the pool.





VO CLUB CHEF'S SALAD

Tickets \$11.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 1:00 pm Thursday, August 5

Menu

grilled chicken, bacon, artisan blend mixed greens, cherry tomatoes, red onions, cucumbers, pepperoncini, black olives, imported South American shaved parmesan cheese, house-made Italian/ Ranch dressing

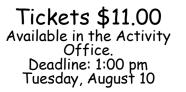


Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Tuesday • August 10 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro

Liver & Onions Dinner

Menu Liver & Onions-Sautéed Liver cooked medium, grilled onions, crisp bacon, mashed potatoes & brown gravy, steamed green beans.





Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Thursday • August 12 5:00 - 6:00 pm • Baja Bistro

Game Day in The Baja Bistro

Name That Tune Trivia!



Join the fun as the Recreation Department hosts a good time -Name That Tune Trivia!

Join your friends and neighbors in

our Name That Tune Trivia. Sign-up in the Activity Office is required for this free event.

Sign up deadline is 10:00 am, Monday, August 9.

Wednesday • August 11 2:00 - 4:00 pm • Baja Bistro



It's time to eat at the Chicken Salad Lunch



Olly Mann performing for music by the pool



Tickets \$12.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 1:00 pm Tuesday, August 17

Menu

6.5 ounces of handpressed beef, crisp bacon, cheddar cheese, with fresh lettuce, heirloom tomato, red onions and pickles on a brioche bun. Served with fries.



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Thursday • August 19 5:00 - 6:00 рм • Ваја Візтго

National Panini Month

Tickets \$9.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 1:00 pm Thursday, August 12



Menu Chipotle Chicken Panini- Grilled chicken, peppers & onions, provolone cheese, housemade chipotle sauce, Garden Veggie Soup

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Tuesday • August 17 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro

American Brunch

Tickets \$9.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 1:00 pm Wednesday, August 18

Menu

Omelet w/fire roasted peppers, onions, chorizo or ham, shredded cheddar cheese, served w/side of salsa, toast, country style home fries, seasonal fruit, coffee, tea, fresh squeezed OJ.



Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Sunday • August 22 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro

Tortellini Tuesday

Tickets \$14.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 1:00 pm Thursday, August 19



Menu - chicken tortellini w/ creamy garlic alfredo sauce, blistered cherry tomatoes, or sweet sausage tortellini w/ pomodoro garlic cream sauce, baby spinach,

both topped with imported South American shaved parmesan cheese. Italian Side salad & garlic knot.

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Tuesday • August 24 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro



Kicking back for music by the Cabana...er Pool

Game Day in The Baja Bistro Mexican Train!

Choo Choo! Join the fun as the Recreation Department hosts a game of Mexican Train!



Join your friends and neighbors for a Bit of something different: Mexican Train. Signup in the Activity Office is required for

this free event.

Sign up deadline is 10:00 am, Monday, August 23.

Wednesday • August 25 2:00 - 4:00 рм • Ваја Віstro



Tickets \$14.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 1:00 pm Tuesday, August 24

Menu

Dry rubbed half rack baby back ribs w/ Chef Mackeisha's house -made BBQ Sauce, baked potato, corn on the cob w/garlic herbed butter.



Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Thursday • August 26 5:00 - 6:00 рм • Baja Bistro



Kicking back for music by the Cabana...er Pool





Menu

hand breaded beer batter fried haddock, baked 5-cheese mac and

cheese, green beans, coleslaw, house-made tartar sauce, fresh lemon wedge.



Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Friday • August 27 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro

National Panini Month

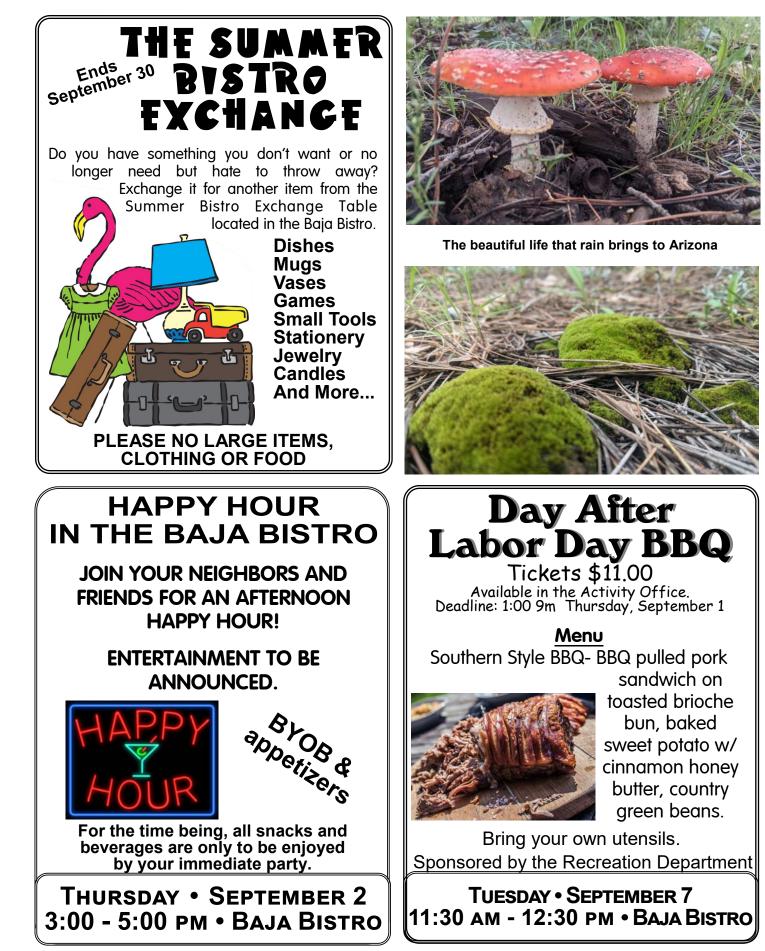
Tickets \$11.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 1:00 pm Thursday, August 26



Menu Philly Cheesesteak Panini- thinly sliced roast beef, grilled onions & bell peppers, whole grain mustard, melted provolone cheese & homemade cheese sauce, sweet potato fries.

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Tuesday • August 31 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro



Game Day in The Baja Bistro Yahtzee Edition!

Join the fun as the Recreation Department hosts something new -Yahtzee!



Join your friends and neighbors in our inhouse Yahtzee Tournament. Sign-up in the Activity Office is required for this free event.

Sign up deadline is 10:00 am, Thursday, September 1

Wednesday • September 8 2:00 - 4:00 pm • Baja Bistro



These beautiful fly amanita mushrooms sprung up on the Mogollon Rim after the recent rains. Look but don't pick these as they are toxic.



Chicken Parmesan

<u>Menu</u> Breaded chicken breast topped w/ marinara sauce, provolone & fresh basil, spaghetti, Italian side salad, garlic bread.



Tickets \$13.00

Available in the Activity

Office. Deadline: 1:00 pm

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Thursday • September 9 5:00 - 6:00 pm • Baja Bistro

Water Drive

Bring new, unopened water bottles to the Activity Office during the months of July, August & September. Bring a single bottle, a case, a gallon or anything in between. Water will be donated to the United Food Bank Water Drive. This Water Drive will continue through September 23



ROSE PARADE TRIP



\$100 <u>Holding Fee</u> reserves your seat! More details will be available by March-April.

Holding Fee is fully refundable until you see the detailed itinerary and the price of the trip.

Don't miss our most popular trip every year! Holding Fee is payable by check or cash (see Robbie Oldemar).

All Sinclair Travel Motorcoach Trips include Deluxe Motorcoach and a Professional Tour Director

Contact Robbie Oldemar 480.396.9987 (h) 360.425.4670 (c) to Reserve Your Seats! Sponsored by Lawnbowling Club

DECEMBER 29, 2021 TO JANUARY 1, 2022

It's Time To Register YOUR PET

Annual pet registration is required at Venture Out and begins July 1 for the coming season. Proof of current rabies vaccination is needed for dogs. Upon registration, a tag will be issued which must be attached to the collar or harness of the pet.

Rules:

- 1. Pets are to be on leash unless in the gated pet exercise area. Maximum length 5 ft.
- 2. Always pick up after your pet.
- 3. Use the Entrance and Exits as marked. Doing so helps control odor for nearby residents and will assist with social distancing.
- The pet wash is available for your use. Please bring and take your own supplies. Don't leave anything behind.

Dogs:

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



ALL SEASON! TAGS AVAILABLE FROM THE ACTIVITY OFFICE DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS

FITNESS CENTER HOURS

Daily 5:00 am - 9:00 pm



Please remember to wipe down equipment before and after use

Daily • 5:00 am - 9:00 pm East Pool Complex Fitness Center





Ice Cream-Drumsticks, Fat Boys and Klondike Bars \$2.00

Candy -Various Selections \$1.25

Now available for purchase in the Activity Office!



7:30 WEST POOL EXERCISE

Please join us for a great way to start your summer morning! **7:30 am West Pool** for gentle aerobic exercise and fun. See you there!•

ATTENTION SOCIAL BRIDGE PLAYERS Chuck Anderson 480-703-7662

If you would like to play bridge each week please call Chuck Anderson at 480-703-7662.

EAST POOL WATER EXERCISE Ardis Egli 602-369-4358 Do you like to keep cool with music as you exercise? East Pool at 9:00 am Monday -Saturday welcomes you to join in for some fun

water exercise and meeting new friends.

HAND FOOT & TOE Beverly Chaloupka 480-654-5357 Hand Foot & Toe is every Wednesday at 12:30 pm. Everyone Welcome.

HIKING GROUP Jim Cox 515-999-9554

The hiking program remains on hold for the summer months but will be offering some exciting new options starting next season. Stay tuned for more information in the October issue of the Out-Lines and check our flyer on the Activity Wall in the Post Office. In the meantime, contact president Jim Cox at the above number if you would like to talk to us about membership. The cost is a nominal \$5/year. What a fantastic value and way to experience the beauty of our Sonoran Desert home!

NOT YOUR MOTHER'S BOARD GAMES Leslie Connelly 480-272-0850

Are you interested in learning some new card or board games? I will be hosting and teaching games like Vegas, Ticket to Ride, Quixx, and serval others. I'll start off with easy games and work up to more complex games. For August we will meet on Mondays at 1:00 pm at my home, 914 Douglas. Please RSVP to Leslie at 480-272-0850

or lesliec3939@gmail.com. I

have a miniature poodle and do not smoke.

POOLROOM Sharon Ellis 602-524-3769

We are looking for women who would like to play Billiard Pool on The Ladies Cactus League starting in **December 2021** for the 2021-22 Season. You do not have to be a great pool shooter but willing to learn and have fun. We will play against several other parks in the valley. We have been in this league since 1982 and would like to continue if we can get enough participation. We will even provide some lessons before the season starts if interested. If you have any questions, I can be reached by email at sharon-ellis@att.net or text me at 602-524-3769. Unfortunately, my cell phone does not work well where we spend the summer.

SILVERSMITH CLUB Leslie Eggers 503-799-5760

The Club will be reopening a little earlier than originally thought. It will now be open by September 20th. Hopefully the pandemic will be under control and Covid restrictions lifted. Thanks again to all of our members for your support and understanding as we operated in a limited capacity during 2020 -21. We're looking forward to being fully operational in the fall and hope to again welcome and train

new members during the 2021-22 season. Feel free to contact Club president Leslie if you are considering membership or have questions. We're looking forward to seeing you again in the fall.•

TENNIS CLUB Patricia Murphy 563-340-6404

The tennis program at VO is on hold for the summer, but members are still playing informally at a number of other area communities. Contact Pat on your arrival and she can dial you into those opportunities. The Fall Classic, which is scheduled to take place from

October 25 through the **30th**, continues to accept applications. Find a partner and sign-up at https://sites.google.com/ site/ventureoutclassic/ home . Questionscontact Barry Taylor at bct17vofc@gmail.com. You can become a new or renewing member by going to our website at www.votennisclub.com or by contacting Janice Maurer, membership coordinator. at 2 60-615-1310.

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(Continued from page 14) WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP Betsy Klofstad 480-854-8883

The Women's book group will resume it's Fall Season on October 8 at 9:30 am in the Mojave Room. We will meet every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month. Those of vou who received a schedule last spring will find some changes have been made. The first three books of the season are: October 8th – A Spool of Blue Thread by Anne Tyler. October 22nd – The Splendid and the Vile by Erik Larson. November 12th – West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge. Keep watching this location for further updates. The newly revised book list is available on the clipboard in the Post Office area.

WATER EXERCISE CLASSES

Please Note: The following are the only scheduled exercise classes. If you wish to schedule a new class, please meet with the Activity Director.

Water Exercise 7:30 am • West Pool Mon - Fri East Pool Water Exercise 9:00 am • East Pool Mon - Sat Lap Swimming 6:00 - 7:30 am • Daily East Pool Lap Swimming 7:00 - 8:00 pm • Daily West Pool

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Russ MorfeldAug 28Ardo JunkAug 30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Donna & Roger Grantham Aug 1 16 yrs Mary & Ed Brannin Aug 8 40 yrs Matt & Cathy Walker Aug 12 34 yrs Tony & Karen Pascoal Aug 29 49 yrs



HAVE YOU HEARD? To submit information Email <u>outlines</u> @ventureoutrvresort <u>.com</u> or Activity Office at 480-832-9000 Bill Luther, a former owner, passed away June 19. Condolences may be sent to his wife, Judy at 1871 Lyster Lane, Troy, MI. 48085.

Edward Talboom of 214 Aztec passed away July 13. No cards please.

Ed Reierson, a former owner. passed away July 2. Concolances may be sent at <u>stettlerfuneralhome.com/</u> <u>tribute/all-services/</u> index.html

Sudoku

3	2		9		4	1		7
				5	3			
			2				3	
		4		3	1	9		
	6						1	
		1	8	9		2		
	1				9			
			3	8				
6		9	1		5		2	3

Sudoku is easy to play and the rules are simple. Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine 3x3 grids contain one instance of each of the numbers 1 through 9.



Oliver is ready for the heat. Are you?

August 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	Soup & Half 3 Sandwich	Food 4 Handler's Class	Happy Hour in the Baja Bistro	6	7
VO 8 Continental Breakfast	9	Chef's Salad	Game Day 11 in the Baja Bistro - Name That Tune Trivia	Liver & 12 Onions Dinner	13	14
15	16	National 17 Panini Month Lunch	18	VO Club 19 Burger	20	21
American 22 Brunch	23	Tortellini 24 Tuesday	Game Day 25 in the Baja Bistro - Mexican Train	Rib Night 26	Fish Friday 27	28
29	Venture Out 30 Arizona Party	National 31 Panini Month Lunch	Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces us up, snow is exhilarating; there is really no such thing as bad weather, only different kinds of good weather. - John Ruskin			



Recreation Update

August, 2021

We had our first true events in July, and we are excited to hear buzz around the community again. Thank you all for your participation and support of the activities.

I know many are reading this remotely and were not able to attend the Meet and Greet, but I would like to welcome our new Assistant Activities

Director Donna Eastwood and our new Chef Mackeisha Peeples. Donna has extensive knowledge of event management, planning, HOAs, private clubs, and food & beverage. She is a delight to work with and will be planning some great events. Chef Mackeisha has a background in private clubs and had great guidance from an Italian chef. She is going to bring healthier fresh food, as we look forward at being able to offer more food options (including more dining experiences) in the future. Please help in welcoming these two new assets to our Recreation Department. Mark your calendars for November 29 where we will be doing another Meet & Greet your Recreation Staff.

One of the side effects of Covid is the price of food seems to keep rising. As we are preparing for season, Chef Mackeisha and I will be working with Clubs to confirm their menus, offer new menus and update all pricing on events. I do not want anyone to have a shock, but unfortunately pricing is going to go up a little. We also want to work together with Clubs and private events to offer catering through our kitchen for Year End Parties and other events, trying to keep things in house with a nice selection. Watch for more information on this in November or December.

As we are looking forward to the upcoming season, we are looking to fill a few positions in the volunteer's department. Sandra Hanson has stepped down as the Volunteers and Dance Volunteers Chairwoman but is willing to help us train the next person/people that will take over this role. We are looking for either someone (or couple) to help with monitoring the volunteers list, along with helping schedule volunteers where needed, and we are looking for someone to head up the Dance Volunteers. The other area we are looking for is one or two people to volunteer in the office as a receptionist, answering phones, directing calls, and taking messages. If you are interested, please reach out to Carrie Zinman at recdir@ventureoutrvresort.com and let us know if you would be interested in doing the volunteers, dance volunteers or both. If you have any questions, please reach out as well.

A couple of Save the Dates are coming up before we know it... Friday, October 29 is going to be the Halloween Party/Dance in the Baja Bistro, with the theme being "You are What You Drink". Zen and Tonic providing the entertainment. Saturday, November 20 will be the Homecoming Party and Street Dance. We are going with a Brazilian Carnivale Theme this year. Look for further information in the upcoming VO Out-Lines.

There has been a lot of questions about potlucks, food service and buffets with the upcoming season; at this point we are going by CDC Guidelines and by following the direction of the Condo Board. We will continue to monitor this and let everyone know changes as they come about. A good place to find updates is our VO Facebook Page and (thanks to Jon) our VO Website Calendar. Under the Events and Activities section, Jon has put in a new "Calendar" tab that will feature an interactive calendar for our upcoming events. Here is the link to the calendar on the website https:// ventureoutrvresort.com/calendar/.

We are always looking for suggestions and feedback. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Carrie Zinman

Activity Director recdir@ventureoutrvresort.com

Manager's Corner



August, 2021

This month's occupancy is 391 or 22% vs. 394 at the last report and 348 the year prior. There are currently 38 renters in the park.

What a blessing. We just had 2.5 inches of rain in Venture Out over the span of three days. It came down relatively gently and slow so we had no flooding and the Pet retention basin never filled to the top. The

new drains that were put in two seasons ago, empty directly into the City of Mesa storm water system, and steadily drained the water from the basin. We have yet to see how they will work when we have the torrential downpours with several inches in an hour. We expect they will help but will not alleviate the problem when the water flows that fast.

What we do expect is another bumper crop of weeds, that are already starting. If you have a caretaker please make sure they are watching your lot. If you don't, call the office there are a number of staff and homeowners that will watch your property for you while you are gone. I know many new owners don't understand why we worry about weeds in the summer. The simple answer is, besides being unsightly they become a fire hazard the minute they dry out.

This summer we installed some temporary motion cameras and lights along the 48th street wall, where we had so many problems last summer with 'over the wall visitors'. It seems to have worked, (knock on wood), and Security is reporting very few issues this summer. They are obvious and that in itself is a deterrent. The downside is the motion lights are set off frequently by even trees blowing in the wind, so it's not a permanent solution for year-round.

Staff is working through a long 'to do' list, the same as we do every year, and we are methodically inspecting each facility for wear and tear and needed repairs. The street and valley gutter work is completed and just this week the LED street lights are being installed. The solar structure which was damaged by an outside vendor at the Center, is under repair also. We are crossing our fingers that the steel will be here by September.

Work on Palm trees is progressing but very slow this summer. Everyone has had trouble finding people to hire. Arizona eliminated the Federal Covid unemployment money as of July 10th, so perhaps this will improve, but all summer long we have heard from all our contractors just how difficult it is to find people to work. Some are paying up to \$30/hr. for general labor, just to get them to show. Our own experience is similar, many job applicants are going through the motions to qualify for unemployment benefits and do not even show up for interviews.

Arizona continues to be in a building boom the likes of which we have not seen since the early 2000's. We can expect to see this affect us for several years to come as many major businesses have moved into the valley, many coming to AZ due to the more business friendly tax schedules. They anticipate 125,000 new residents per year for the next ten years in the valley. Affordable housing for Seniors is becoming harder to find and more people that would live in conventional housing are now looking at Park Model Communities. We expect you will see sales very brisk in the coming years. We are also starting to see more year-round residents reside in Venture Out and creeping up from formerly an 11% occupancy in the summer to now a 22% occupancy. The RV overnights have been staying approximately 50% occupied all summer long as well.

We hope you are having a good summer and we pray for rain everywhere, especially the northwest where so many forests are on fire.

Mary Schmit

General Manager vogm@ventureoutrvresort.com