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5001 E. Main St., Mesa, AZ 85205

September, 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				•	
Fish Friday	August 27	Past Deadline	\$14.00	6	
Venture Out Arizona Party	August 30	See Ad	See Ad	6	
National Panini Month Lunch	August 31	Past Deadline	\$11.00	6	
September				•	
Happy Hour in the Baja Bistro	September 2	Х	х	6	
Day After Labor Day BBQ	September 7	September 1	\$11.00	7	
Game Day in Baja Bistro - Yahtzee!	September 8	September 1	Sign-up	7	
Chicken Parmesan	September 9	September 1	\$13.00	7	
Chicken Chasseur	September 14	September 8	\$14.00	7	
Cardmaking Workshop	September 15	Х	\$20.00	8	
London Broil	September 16	September 8	\$14.00	8	
Seafood Fryday	September 17	September 8	\$14.00	8	
Coffee & Donuts	September 20	Х	Sign-up	8	
Turkey & Swiss Croissant Club	September 21	September 15	\$13.00	9	
Game Day in the Baja Bistro - Bunco	September 22	September 20	Sign-up	9	
Traditional Country Meatloaf Dinner	September 23	September 15	\$14.00	9	
Three Egg Denver Omelet Breakfast	September 26	September 22	\$9.00	10	
Chicken Caesar Salad	September 28	September 22	\$11.00	10	
Food Handlers Class	September 29	Х	Х	10	
Turkey Dinner	September 30	September 22	\$15.00	10	
October	•			•	
Summer Spinach Wrap	October 5	September 29	\$12.00	11	
Fish Fryday	October 8	September 29	\$16.00	11	

Upcoming Events	Date	On Sale/ Sign-up		
October				
Street Dance	October 20	Info to come		
Woof'n'Treat	October 29	See Pg 12		
You are What You Drink Halloween Party	October 29	Info to come		
Ticket sales are final and non-refundable.				

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 @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 HOURS

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

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> 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.

All offices will be closed Monday, September 6 for Labor Day CONDO & SOCIAL BOARD DIRECTORS' 9X9 MEETING Thursday • September 9 • 9:00 am • Zoom Please click the link below to join the webinar: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82908518225? pwd=dlpyRVJiVG9ZTkk0YUpBOS93Q2Njdz0 Passcode: 750143 Or One tap mobile : US: +13462487799,,82908518225#,,,,*750143# or +16699006833..82908518225#....*750143#

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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, September 24. The deadline for submissions is Noon Monday, September 13. 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 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, STEP 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

509-220-2669 - alicerainesanderson@gmail.com

Marnee Bogle

602-312-7729 - <u>marneebogle@hotmail.com</u>

Margaret Clark 406-396-1881 - margeheidi@yahoo.com Walt Just 218-849-8501 - <u>waltjust@yahoo.com</u> Mary Olson 612-743-3880 - 6279mary@comcast.net

"My therapist told me the way to achieve true inner peace is to finish what I start. So far I've finished two bags of M&Ms and a chocolate cake. I feel better already." —Dave Barry



Eggs are fantastic for a fitness diet. If you don't like the taste, just add cocoa, flour, sugar, butter, baking powder and cook at 350 for 30 minutes.

"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.



Past Deadline

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



French Roll with a side of Au Jus Served with French Fries

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Tuesday • August 31 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro Venture Out Arizona Party!

Menu

Roasted Chicken in a Rich Creamy Sauce that includes Green Beans, Peas, Corn and Pearl Onions in a Flaky Baked Pastry Pie Served with a Crisp Summer Iceberg Salad with Onions, Heirloom Tomato and Croutons. Caesar Dressing on the Side & *Chef's Choice Cookies*

For more information or to sign up, contact Marlice Fenske at 480-654-9616 or Betsy Klofstad at 480-854-8883

Volunteers to help with clean-up would be appreciated.

Monday • August 30 5:30 pm • Baja Bistro

HAPPY HOUR IN THE BAJA BISTRO

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS FOR AN AFTERNOON HAPPY HOUR!

WITH MUSIC BY PARIS WHITE





For the time being, all snacks and beverages are only to be enjoyed by your immediate party.





Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Thursday • September 9 5:00 - 6:00 pm • Baja Bistro **Game Day in The Baja Bistro** Yahtzee Edition!

Join the fun as the Recreation Department hosts the new classic-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 2.

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

Chicken Chasseur

Tickets \$14.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 3:00 pm, Wednesday, September 8



Menu Baked Chicken Breast Topped with a French Inspired White Wine Mushroom Sauce. Served with Seasoned Oven Roasted Red Potatoes and Fresh Seasoned Green Beans.

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Tuesday • September 14 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro





Menu Thinly Sliced Deli Turkey, Swiss Cheese, Applewood Smoked Bacon, Tomato and Green Leaf Lettuce on a Fresh Baked Croissant with Mayo on the Side Served with House Fried, Skin-On Potato Chips



Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Tuesday • September 21 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro

Traditional Country Meatloaf Dinner

Tickets \$14.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 3:00 pm, Wednesday, September 15



Menu Tomato Sauce topped Meatloaf with Brown Gravy. Served with Mashed Potatoes and Fresh, Crisp Green Beans.

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Thursday • September 23 5:00 - 6:00 pm • Baja Bistro

Game Day in The Baja Bistro Bunco!



Join the fun as the Recreation Department hosts something new - Bunco! Join your friends and

neighbors for a good game of Bunco. Sign-up in the Activity Office is required for this free event.

Sign up deadline is 10:00 am, Monday, September 20.

Wednesday • September 22 2:00 - 4:00 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



Three Egg Denver Omelet Breakfast Brunch



Tickets \$9.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 3:00 pm Wednesday, September 22

<u>Menu</u>

Ham, Onions, Bell Peppers and Cheddar Cheese Served with Country Potatoes and Fresh Seasonal Fruit. Regular, Decaf Coffee, Hot Tea and Orange Juice

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Sunday • September 26 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro

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 this Food Handler's classes instructed by our own Chef Arthur Acedo.

No Studying Required! A simple quiz! No Cost!



No need to go off property to take a test.

This class does the trick!

Receive your Food Service card - good for 3 years

Wednesday • September 29 10:00 - 11:00 am • Baja Bistro

Chicken Caesar Salad

Tickets \$11.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 3:00 pm, Wednesday, September 22



Menu Romaine Lettuce, Grilled Chicken Breast, Fresh Grated Parmesan and Croutons and Garnished with Red Tomato Served with Warm Rolls & Whipped Butter

Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Tuesday • September 28 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Baja Bistro

Turkey Dinner

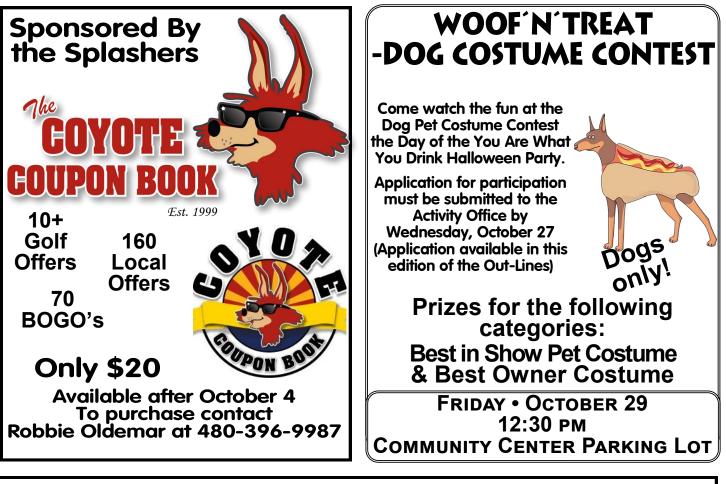
Menu Sliced Oven Roasted Turkey Breast Served with Yukon Gold Mashed Potatoes & Gravy and Green Bean Almondine Tickets \$15.00 Available in the Activity Office. Deadline: 3:00 pm Wednesday, September 22



Bring your own utensils. Sponsored by the Recreation Department

Thursday • September 30 5:00 - 6:00 pm • Baja Bistro







YOU ARE WHAT YOU DRINK HALLOWEEN PARTY

More information & Menu to come in the September 24 Issue of the Out-Lines

- Drunken Nacho Bar
- Music by Zen & Tonic
- Prizes for Best Theme, Funniest, Scariest & Duo Costumes!
 BYOB

Tickets Required



Friday • October 29 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm BYOB Happy Hour Baja Bistro

FITNESS CENTER HOURS

Daily 5:00 am - 9:00 pm



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

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





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

Keep up with your exercise by joining a great group of people in the **West Pool** at **7:30** am, **Monday** thru **Friday**. Gentle aerobics with the focus on stretching and core building. Come try it out. It's a great way to start your morning.

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. ••

STITCH & CHAT Dianne Gilbert 480-993-7794

I have received notice that our group will be able to meet in the Mojave Card Room on Thursdays 9-12 for our Stitch & Chat time. The start date will be November 4. Hopefully both our US and Canadian stitchers will be there in full force with new ideas and ready to have fun times once again. Please call me if you have questions - if you don't get me, please leave a message.

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

Questions- contact Barry Taylor

at <u>bct17vofc@gmail.com</u>. 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 260.615.1310.

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 you 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 Morfeld Aug 28

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Ardo Junk	Aug 30
Beverty Chaloupka	Sep 24
Lorraine Hee	Sep 30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Tony & Karen Pascoal Aug 29 49 yrs



HAVE YOU HEARD? To submit information

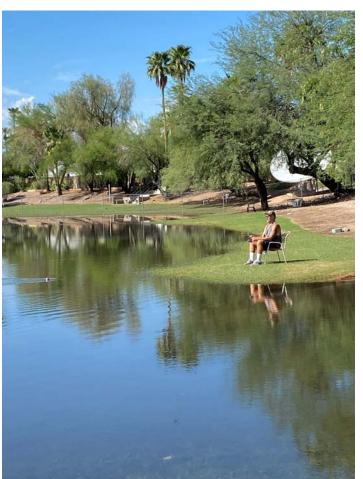
Email <u>outlines</u> @ventureoutrvresort .com

or Activity Office at 480-832-9000 Jerry W. Olson, a former

owner, passed away August 10 Condolences can be sent to his wife. Carolee Olson at PO Box 388 Somers, MT 59932.

Otis Vaughn passed August 23, Condolences can be sent to his wife Jean Vaughn 5001 E. Main St. #572 Mesa, AZ 85205.

Bernie Visokey of 17 Merlin, Passed away August 9. Condolences may be sent to his wife, Barbara Visokey at 5001 E. Main St. #1492 Mesa, AZ 85205.



Brian Lally Summer fishing for elusive Venture Out trout after some of the Monsoon rains.

Sudoku

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

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.

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

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	BC	DAY •	1	Happy Hour 2 in the Baja Bistro with Music by Paris White	3	4
5	Labor Day 6 All Offices Closed	Day After 7 Labor Day BBQ	Game Day 8 in the Baja Bistro - Yahtzee	Condo & 9 Social 9X9 Chicken Parmesan Dinner	10	11
12	Out-Lines 13 Deadline	Chicken 14 Chasseur Lunch	Cardmaking 15 Workshop	London 16 Broil Dinner	Seafood 17 Fryday	18
19	Coffee & 20 Donuts	Turkey & 21 Swiss Croissant Lunch	Game Day 22 in the Baja Bistro - Bunco	Traditional 23 Country Meatloaf Dinner Water Drive Ends	Out-Lines 24 Published	25
Three Egg 26 Denver Omelet Breakfast	27	Chicken 28 Caesar Salad Lunch	Food 29 Handler's Class	Turkey 30 Dinner Summer Bistro Exchange Table Ends		RTFM



Recreation Update

September, 2021

Through rain and storms, this summer has been very interesting with all the chaos Mother Nature has brought our way. With all that, our fulltime residents have been joining us for some great events and we are excited with the comments we are getting back.

Last month I introduced our new chef, Mack, who has moved onto other things, and we are extremely excited to have Chef Arthur Acedo coming to Venture Out with a lot of experience. Chef Arthur has a background in hotels, clubs, bistro chef at AJ's Fine Foods and is a parttime instructor at Central Arizona College for the last 7 years! If you are wanting to get your kitchen certification to work in the kitchen along with Chef, mark your calendar for September 29th's Food Handlers Course with Chef Art. Also watch the October *Out-Lines* as we will list the Chef's cooking classes coming up... one that I think will be a big hit is the Sushi Rolling Class! Classes will be available by signup only and will be available to a set number of people.

It is wonderful to see all the participants for the 2021-2022 Concert Series coming in, we have sold a total of 544 seats out of 574! That only leave 30 seats available for the Series. I have had people ask about Covid and how this is going to affect the concerts, we are proceeding as events will be normal but if things change, we are already talking about how to do these events outside.

The Volunteers and Dance Volunteers are still looking for a chairperson(s) to step up into these rolls. The Volunteer's Chairperson(s) would help work with the Activities Department in keeping the list up to date, along with helping to get volunteers to help in the kitchen and dining room. The Dance Volunteers Chairperson(s) will be specifically setting up all the volunteers for the Friday Night Dances and making sure the leads of each dance know the specifics of their duties for the evening. If you have interests in taking on the roll for either position or would like further information, please reach out to Carrie at recdir@ventureoutrvresort.com.

When looking at *The Out-Lines* this month, you will see a new trend in our tickets sells. To help Chef Art with orders in a timely fashion, we are closing all ticket sells on Wednesdays at 3:00 pm the week before the event. As things are growing and numbers are increasing, it is going to be essential to get tickets purchased in advance to help the kitchen out. We thank all our residents in their help with this!

Residents have been asking about plates and utensils for our food events, at this time we are providing plates but we encourage residents to continue to bring their own utensils. We will continue to monitor this for future events and let everyone know as changes come about. You will also see new comment cards at all events, we ask that you fill them out and return them to the Activity Office. We love to hear from our homeowners/renters (both good and bad) and your suggestions are always welcome as well!

If you haven't checked out the new Activities Calendar on the VO Website, you might want to check it out. Jon has been working hard to get this setup and will be a tool for our upcoming events (especially changes after *The Out-Lines* is published). You will find this under the Events and Activities Section of the website. If you do not have access to the website, please reach out to the Administrative Office and they can get you logged in and/ or signed up. Here is the direct link for the calendar: <u>https://ventureoutrvresort.com/</u> calendar/.

It has been a long 2020 and 2021, we have many so many activities kicking off this fall, but most events start rolling in January. Keep watching for upcoming events and get prepared for some fun times! We look forward to seeing you at the Community Center and are always looking for suggestions/feedback.

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Manager's Corner

This month's occupancy is 391 vs, the exact same number of 391 the month prior and 386 the year prior. There are currently 39 renters in VO. It is of some interest that in recent years our year round occupancy has increased from 11% in August to now 22%. This is definitely in part due to rising home prices in the region and many year round residents, looking for more affordable housing that can be found in the conventional Real Estate market. The average home price in the valley is now

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\$400,000, up 31% from last year. You can expect to see this trend grow, as they project 125,000 new residents to move into the valley, each year for the next decade.

This past month has been a nice reprieve in that we received almost six inches of rain in the last 30 days, according to the rain gauge we keep at the Administration office. All of that rain brought lower temperatures and for the first two weeks in August, while steamy it was not horribly hot. However it was hot enough to grow a great crop of weeds.

This year we have sent out over 300 weed notices. We have only a couple of employees that are interested in pulling weeds after hours, so its long and tedious to get these cleaned up. The weed problem was made worse by the fact that so many people did not come down last season and therefore did not do any lot prep. If you received notice of having a weed problem, and did not resolve it, by now those weeds are probably three feet high. I'm attaching a photo so you can see what we are dealing with.





Why do we care about maintaining the lots during the summer? # 1. This is the main reason; when weeds dry out they become a fire hazard. #2. Your CC & R's state that you will keep your lot in a clean and orderly state. # 3. The CC & R's state if you don't keep your lot clean, we have to do it and bill it back to you. #4. We have people buying homes all year long. They have sold 11 homes since July 1st. Having a property that is full of weeds, is detrimental to home re-sales.

So please, please, help us. If you did receive a notice and have yet to do something about it, arrange with a caretaker to get it cleaned. Otherwise, as VO employees get to them they are cleaning those lots and we will bill back the lot owner for their time worked.

Palm tree trimming and hard wood trimming has been very slow this season. Like so many other vendors out there including Venture Out, finding people willing to work has been difficult. One tree vendor had to completely drop out of his contract, as he was never able to hire a crew. Our regular Palm tree vendor who is generally so excellent, has only been able to hire two teams this summer, instead of the normal four. Then with the many storms, they have been pulled off to do storm damage cleanup of downed trees around the valley. Shane our Supervisor for ILM, told me it's the worst season ILM has ever had for storm damage and trying to hire people. We can relate.

On a very positive note. A new chef, Art Acedo has been hired for the next season. The food that is being produced is excellent. He is also an instructor at Central Arizona College. I understand he will be offering cooking classes this next season and he specializes in French cuisine. What a great opportunity to learn something new! We also recently had three very long term employees retire. Bob Hassert and Robert Shaw, in Janitorial and Margo Bralich in Security. Bob and Robert are both moving back east to Vermont, to kick back out of the heat. We thank them all for their many long years of service to Venture Out.

Covid remains stubborn it seems across the country and in Canada. I have had several Canadians ask me what the plans are for next season. I tell everyone that right now, we are planning on living our lives as normally as possible as most Arizonans have been doing for several months. The Condo Board and the Social Board will be meeting to discuss protocols for the next season, watch for that Zoom meeting announcement. The current policy is if you are not vaccinated to please wear a mask. That is true also for staff. We cannot predict the future, but we did so well at VO last year,

with very few Covid cases, if it gets worse again, we know the drill and we can weather the storm.



We hope you are having a great summer.

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