

# Venture Out-Lines

[www.VentureOutRVResort.com](http://www.VentureOutRVResort.com)

5001 E. Main St., Mesa, AZ 85205

February, 2023





# Events now Available from the Activity Office

Events	Date	Deadline	Ticket Cost	Page
<b>February</b>				
Recreation Lunch Buffet	Feb 3, Mar 3 & 24	Sold at the Door	\$10.00	13
Friday Night Dance: Aaron Nelson	February 3	February 3	Advanced: \$10 At Door: \$15	15
Linda Ronstadt Revival	February 6	February 6	Advanced: \$25 At Door: \$30	16
We3 Cabaret Concert	February 7	February 7	Advanced: \$12 At Door: \$15	16
Chicken Cordon Bleu	February 8	February 1	\$17.00	17
Pet Paw Project	February 8	See Ad	\$15	17
Ice Cream Social	Feb 9, 22, Mar 9, 22	X	Pay at Event	18
Grilled Cheese & Soup Lunch	Feb 9	Feb 1	\$9.00	18
Friday Night Dance: Uncorked	February 10	February 10	Advanced: \$10 At Door: \$15	15
Biscuits & Gravy	Feb 11 & Mar 11	Feb 1	\$7.00	19
Friday Night Dance: Johnny K	February 17	February 17	Advanced: \$10 At Door: \$15	15
Brady Goss in Concert	February 13	Also at the Door	\$12.00	21
French Dip Sandwiches	February 14	February 8	\$11.00	21
Poker Run	Feb 14, Mar 7	X	\$5.00	21
Cruise Ship Variety Show	February 14	X	\$20.00	22
Chicken Dinner	February 15	February 8	\$15.00	22
Mystery Tour	February 15	X	\$125	22
Hamburger BBQ	February 18	February 15	\$7.00	23
Putting Tournament	February 18	X	\$1.00	23
Mick Adams & the Stones	February 20	February 20	\$25.00	24
Boneless Pork Chop Dinner	February 21	February 15	\$15.00	24
Taco Salad	February 22	Until Sold Out	\$11.00	25
Fleas & Bees	February 23	X	\$8.00	28
Pastrami on Rye Lunch	February 23	February 15	\$12.00	28
Friday Night Dance: Cowboy Up	February 24	February 24	Advanced: \$10 At Door: \$15	15
Hams "Comedy Tonight" Feb 1	February 25	February 25	\$10.00	13
Hams "Comedy Tonight" Feb 1	Feb 27, 28, Mar 4	February 27	\$15.00	13
<b>March</b>				
Cards can now be used to purchase any extra meals day of for recreation sponsored meals				

# Administration

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

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICE**  
(480) 832-0200  
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@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.

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**ACTIVITY OFFICE**  
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**CONTRACTOR/VENDOR  
HOURS**

8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Sunday - Saturday  
No Contractors on Holidays  
when the Administration  
Office is closed

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**SECURITY**  
(480) 832-6080  
Security

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

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**VO POST OFFICE**  
(480) 830-5813

1:30 - 2:30 pm  
Monday - Saturday

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Newsletter  
Submissions Only:  
Outlines  
@VentureOutRVResort.com

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**MISSION  
STATEMENT**

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

**CONDO BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING**  
Thursdays • February 2, February 23, March 2  
9:00 am • Oasis

**SOCIAL BOARD DIRECTORS' MEETING**  
Tuesday • February 7 • 9:00 am • Oasis  
Tuesday • February 21 • 9:00 am • Cabana  
Tuesday • March 7 • 9:00 am • Oasis

**CLUB BUDGETS DUE**  
Monday • February 13

**ANNUAL MEETING OF VENTURE OUT  
LOT OWNERS**  
Wednesday, February 15 • 1:00 pm  
Buena Vista Ballroom

**CONDO BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL  
MEETING**  
Thursday, February 16 • 9:00 am • Oasis

**CONDO BOARD ORIENTATION MEETING**  
Friday, February 17 • 9:00 am • Oasis

**SOCIAL BOARD MEET THE CANDIDATES**  
Monday • February 20 • After Grapevine  
Baja Bistro

**CONDO BOARD BUDGET MEETINGS**  
Mon-Fri • February 20-24 • 9:00 am • Oasis

**SOCIAL BOARD BUDGET MEETINGS**  
Mon-Tues • February 27-28 • 9:00 am • Cabana  
Thurs-Fri • March 2-3 • 1:00 pm • Cabana

**CONDO BOARD TOWN HALL MEETING**  
Wednesday • March 8 • 3:00 pm • BV Ballroom

## Note from Security:

In case of emergency,  
Call 911 first, before  
calling security.

**CHILDREN'S  
SWIMMING  
HOURS**  
Under the  
age of 16  
**EAST POOL**  
3:00 PM -  
5:00 PM

## OUT-LINES

The next publication of the Out-Lines will be **Friday, February 24**. The deadline for submissions is **Noon Friday, February 10**. Submissions may be turned in on the Out-Lines submission form or emailed to [Outlines@ventureoutrvresort.com](mailto:Outlines@ventureoutrvresort.com). The Out-Lines will be available during normal business hours from Activity Office, the Administration Office, The Post Office, EPC and the Baja Bistro for your convenience. You may also visit Venture Out's website at **Venture OutRVResort.com** to browse current and past editions. Registration required



# Administration

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

Pursuant to Article III, Section 2, of the Bylaws of Venture Out at Mesa, Inc., a condominium, the Annual Meeting of members has been called to be held in the Buena Vista Ballroom at Venture Out Mesa, Inc., 5001 East Main Street, Mesa, Arizona 85205 with the meeting declared officially open at 1:00 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023, for the following purposes:

**ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:** Election of three (3) Directors for the Condominium Board. The three Directors receiving the largest number of votes will be serving three-year terms. The members leaving the Board are Elko Kroon, Gordy Klofstad and John MacDonald.

**There are three (2) propositions on the ballot for approval.** (Transact all such other business as may be properly presented at this meeting.)

Please complete the ballot following the instructions from the Electronic Vote Service Provider, if you have registered to vote electronically. Or place the printed ballot mailed to you in the **return** envelope and **MAIL** to the return address on the envelope. **Only one ballot per lot is in the envelope. All ballots received electronically or by regular mail after 4:00 P.M. Arizona time the day prior to the Annual Meeting will not be counted. All voting will cease at 4:00 P.M. the day prior to the annual meeting. The service provider will deliver the electronically tabulated votes to the Venture Out Election Committee Chairman no later than 1:00 P.M. Arizona time the day of the Annual Meeting.** Last minute ballots may be hand-delivered to the Corporate Secretary in the Administration Office before 4:00 P.M., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023. **All voting will be by Absentee ballot, either electronic vote or written paper ballot mailed to you; there will be no voting the day of the Annual Meeting.**

We need your participation to ensure a quorum is present. The Annual Meeting will be declared officially open at 1:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 15, 2023. **The Board encourages all lot owners to vote and attend the Annual Meeting.**

December 20, 2022  
Pam Byfield  
Corporate Secretary  
Venture Out at Mesa, Inc.

## **The Social Board Needs You!**

The Nominating Committee for the 2023-2024 Social Board is currently seeking qualified individuals to serve on your Social Board. There are three positions to fill this year; all are three-year terms.

Many of you have the talent and skills needed for this Board. If you are a team player, can organize, enjoy working with people and have basic computer skills; you would be an excellent candidate to serve the community you live in.

If you are interested or know someone who you feel would be a good candidate, please contact Penny Brown at 605.645.7925 or [jimnpenny@rushmore.com](mailto:jimnpenny@rushmore.com). Or reach out to any current Social Board Director to apply or for more information about the Social Board.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to hearing from you



# HOMEOWNERS



Are you considering building a new home or remodeling your existing home in Venture Out? If the answer is yes or maybe, we encourage you to attend the Homeowner Information session sponsored by the Architectural Committee.

Items of Interest:

- When is a Venture Out or City of Mesa permit required.
- Approval of proposed construction by Venture Out Architectural Inspector prior to submitting building permit application to the City of Mesa.
- City of Mesa requirements for licensed contractors to perform work.
- Dumping fees and penalties in accordance with Venture Out Rules & Regulations.
- When can a handyman be used for work projects?
- Question and Answer session.

**Date:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023  
**Time:** 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
**Location:** Oasis

# Security

Safety and Security has been working diligently to put together some suggestions and plans of action to make Venture Out at Mesa safer for everyone. There are classes being set up for training for fire prevention, first aid / CPR (non-certified class), and more. Keep a lookout for the postings and fast mails with information for these [FREE CLASSES](#).

## **SECURITY TOPICS OF THE MONTH**

### **Topic # 1 Parking**

Parking within VO has become a topic of discussion this season. Let's touch base on Parking.

Lot owners are allowed 1 vehicle per lot for interior lots, and 2 vehicles for Corner lots (including inside corner lots/islands).

If you are not aware of the number of vehicles you are allowed, please contact Security and we can assist with this information during normal business hours.

Visitors can park on the street during the day, but there is **NO PARKING on the street from 1:00 AM to 5:00 AM**.

This is for Emergency Vehicle responses.

You must obtain an overnight visitor parking pass from the Administration Office.

These are available for up to 1 week if Overflow Parking is available.

There are a limited number of spaces for overflow parking.

Parking overnight at the Community Center, Sportsplex, or other common areas is **not permitted** during season.

Violation warnings will be issued to any vehicles improperly parked.

If you receive a **WARNING** notice on your vehicle, please contact the Chief of Security Carter to determine resolution.

If you have any questions, please contact Security for further information.

### **Topic # 2 Contractor Hours**

No Contractors are allowed to enter the park prior to 08:00 AM and must leave the park by 05:00 PM. The Pool and the Storm Drain projects have prior approvals to begin prior to this time by the Condo Board and General Manager.

### **Topic # 3 Visitor additions**

Prior to any Visitor/Contractor/or other check-ins for your property, the guest must be on your Visitor list. Advise your arriving guests of your property address, correct name of resident/tenant and have them provide this to the Security Gate Officer upon arrival. Any individual arriving without being on the guest list will be turned away or pulled aside until such time the resident/tenant contacts the Security Office or gate house with approval of addition for the guest.



# Security



Sponsored by your

**Safety & Security Committee**

## EMERGENCY PROTOCOL TRAINING MONDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2023 11AM

Do you know the sequence of actions during an emergency?

Are you current on your CPR and AED training?

Plan to attend this training, so you are prepared in an emergency.



### Critical Emergency Protocols being covered:

- What to do in the event of an emergency
- When to call 911
- What information to share with dispatcher
- What to do until emergency services arrive on scene
- When, and how to use an AED
- How to perform CPR (not a certification class)

**Presented by  
Heather Patterson**

A Fire and Life Safety  
Education Specialist

of the Mesa Fire Dept

**SIGN UP IN THE ACTIVITY OFFICE FOR  
MONDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2023 11AM – NOON – OASIS ROOM**

# Be Proactive and Save Water!

## WATER CONSERVATION ISSUE IN VENTURE OUT

### HIDDEN OR OVERLOOKED

One of the top water wasters in VO is leaks outside or under your park model.

Example of blistered galvanized rise pipe which is subject to external leaking



Example of an Old House Valve which could be leaking internally causing water damage inside your park model.

\*\*Being aware and checking for leaks often is one of the best ways to safeguard and conserve our water resources.

\*\*There is a water standpipe (riser pipe) and valve that provides outside water service to your park model.

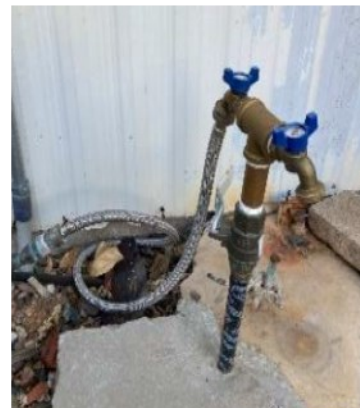
At a minimum, check for leaks at OPENING and CLOSING each season. (Optimally, check OFTEN, every time you walk through your lot easement.)

### What to look for:

1. Check for moisture around pipe and ground.
2. Check for weed growth
3. Check for possible rust or bubbling on pipe.
4. If you have silvery colored galvanized pipe, you are at very high risk for leaks.
5. Notice if the ground is sinking under your unit. This could indicate water leakage underground.

### Notify Administration Office

Maintenance personnel will help you access the leak. They will determine what repairs are needed and what the park is responsible to repair and what you, as a homeowner, are responsible to repair.



Example of: New wrapped copper rise pipe with replaced shutoff valve. Best way to ensure no leaks or water damage to your home. Eliminates the chance of wasting our vital water resources.



FEBRUARY  
2023

# VENTURE OUT FOUNDATION OF ARIZONA, INC. NEWS TODAY!

WE ARE  
BACK!

## TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS

### HOW TO DONATE -

Donations are now accepted for the purpose of supporting and enhancing the Communities of Venture Out at Mesa, Inc. and East Mesa. The Venture Out Foundation of Arizona, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) charity, EIN 45-0557397, as determined by the IRS. Donor's contributions to the Venture Out Foundation are, therefore, tax deductible.

### UNDESIGNATED DONATIONS -

Any individual can donate cash, real or personal property, or negotiable financial instruments to the Foundation. Such undesignated funds shall be used by the Foundation for projects that support and enhance our Community.

### DESIGNATED DONATIONS -

Any individual can donate cash, real or personal property, or negotiable financial instruments to the foundation for a specific project. Such designated donation shall only be used for the designated project. Any individual or club can create a project. However, if it affects the common property of Venture Out or the property of the Social Board, said project must first be approved by the appropriate Venture Out Board of Directors and the by the Venture Out Foundation. The goals for the project and the plan for funding the project must be provided to the Foundation Board. If approved by all, the Foundation will help with the fundraising. Keep in mind that the Foundation has limited resources to assist with any fund raising activities.

### MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:

VENTURE OUT FOUNDATION OF  
ARIZONA, INC.

### MAIL YOUR CHECK TO:

5001 E. MAIN STREET, BOX 1800  
MESA, ARIZONA 85205

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

**PRESIDENT:** Gary Johnson - [ljgary@gmail.com](mailto:ljgary@gmail.com)  
(218) 301-9732

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[ovabrett@gmail.com](mailto:ovabrett@gmail.com)

**SECRETARY:** Nephi Williams -  
[nephiwilliams@comcast.net](mailto:nephiwilliams@comcast.net)

## WORKING TO SUPPORT AND ENHANCE OUR COMMUNITY

The latest updates to get you through the day

### PERMANENT FUND RAISING PROGRAMS -

#### VETERAN'S MEMORIAL BRICK

A tax deductible donation of \$150 or more will purchase a personalized Brick in the name of a Veteran that you wish to honor, and have it permanently placed in our "Veteran's Park".

#### MEMORIAL BRICK

A tax deductible donation of \$150 or more will purchase a personalized memorial brick in your name or that of a loved one, and have it permanently placed in our "Walk of Fame".

### FRIENDS OF THE VENTURE OUT FOUNDATION OF ARIZONA, INC.

You can become a friend of the Foundation with a yearly donation of \$150 or more. As a Friend of the Foundation you are invited to attend Board meetings, receive periodic e-mails updating you on the work of the Foundation and help direct the Foundation through sharing your suggestions to Board members. You will also be invited to our season end wrap up dinner which is held in March of each year. Please consider becoming a Friend of the Venture Out Foundation of Arizona, Inc. It helps support and enhance all of us here at Venture Out.

#### ATM MACHINE

The ATM machine located in the Venture Out Post Office is placed there by the Venture Out Foundation of Arizona, Inc., for the benefit of all the residents of Venture Out of Mesa, Inc. Proceeds from this machine go to the Foundation and are recorded as undesignated funds. Therefore, these funds also help support our community. **PLEASE USE THIS MACHINE WHEN EVER YOU ARE IN NEED OF SOME CASH.** All proceeds come back to our Community.

## WHO ARE WE?

We are the residents of Venture Out who have a heart for our Community and wish to support and enhance our Community through tax credit donations to worthy projects.

We seek to provide charitable relief in the areas of physical and mental health and recreational activities to create an over-all environment conducive to dignity and independence to all persons in Venture Out and East Mesa

Visit our website at [www.VentureOutFoundation.com](http://www.VentureOutFoundation.com)

# Administration



Alice and Drew Anderson of 204 Debonair planted totem pole cacti after their new build. They rescued these spineless cacti from a neighbor and watered them during the summer months to get them established. The cacti now receive no irrigation and reside happily with this great sculpture. Can you find the Anderson's cat?

## 2022-2023 Venture Out-Lines

The Venture Out-Lines is going to be published monthly. When you are looking at what to put in the Out-Lines, think about the next month plus two weeks (six weeks). Before ads are approved for publication, all room reservations and details must be confirmed by the Activity Office. By the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month, everything should be set up and all planning should be done for the following six weeks regarding fundraisers or anything requiring publishing. Due to the new monthly publication, the word count for Committee and Club articles will change from 100 to 150.

The timetable for publishing will be as follows:

10<sup>th</sup> – Information due to Jon by 12:00 pm

16<sup>th</sup> – First proofing

20<sup>th</sup> – Second proofing

22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> – Printing

The last Friday of the month – Assembly and put out at 7:00 am

**\*\*If any dates fall on a weekend/holiday, it will move up to the Friday of that weekend**

**IMPORTANT:** Articles will be published in one (1) release. You must re-submit articles monthly if you would like them to be in multiple publications.

**Arizona Burn Foundation's  
Deaf and Hard of Hearing Alarm System**

You only have 2 minutes to safely exit your home in the event of a fire related emergency.  
Will you be ready?



**ABF's Deaf and Hard of Hearing Alarm System includes:**

- Smoke Alarm
- Bed Shaker
- Strobe Light

Designed to wake you up INSTANTLY in case of an emergency

**Available, at no charge, to all Arizona deaf and hard of hearing residents**

Call 602-230-2041 or email [programs@azburn.org](mailto:programs@azburn.org) to schedule your installation appointment today



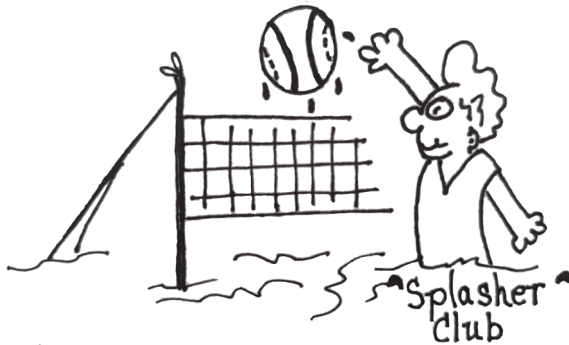
**Dick Johnson: From Taking Pickleball Lessons at V.O. to World Champion and Hall of Fame!**

Inducted into the 2022 Huntsman World Senior Games Hall of Fame (Selected from 230,000 athletes in 35 sports from 86 countries during the past 35 years. Largest annual multi-sport event in the world for athletes age 50 and over). Selection is based on outstanding athletic success, character, service. Dick also repeated his 2018 Grand Slam by winning gold medals in all 6 majors for seniors in 2022. 260 medals in 130 sanctioned tournaments in 10 years (majority against younger players). One of the few who have played in both the pickleball US Open and the tennis US Open.



## Special Events

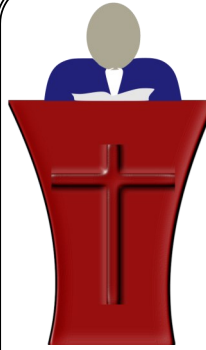
### Splashers fundraiser Venture Out Visors



Available at all Grapevines or from  
any pool volleyball player.  
Only \$12 Each.  
Questions: Call Robbie at  
480-396-9987

**AT EACH GRAPEVINE**

### WORSHIP SERVICE



**January 29 Speaker:** Rev. Benjamin Lopez. Our offering will go to Latin American Church of the Nazarene.

**February 5 Speaker:** Dr. Don Bierle. Our offering will go to Our Daily Bread.

**February 12 Speaker:** Rev. Sam Rotman. The offering will go to PICK.

**February 19 Speaker:** Rev. John Adams. The offering will go to Village Missions.

**February 26 Speaker:** Rev. John Adams. The offering will go to Village Missions.

**March 5 Speaker:** Rev. David Antonson. The offering will go to Genesis Project.

**9:00 AM • SUNDAYS  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## GABFEST

*Come enjoy fresh  
coffee and donuts!*



Coffee \$1.00  
and  
Donuts \$2.00

*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

**SUNDAYS  
8:30 AM • BAJA BISTRO**

## WATCH FOR THE VO ICE CREAM TRUCKS

In your neighborhood between  
12:30 - 2:30 pm. Klondike Bars,  
Fat Boy Ice Cream Sandwiches  
and Drumsticks only \$2.00.  
Listen for the music.



Sponsored by the Shuffleboard Club

**MONDAYS  
12:30 - 2:30 PM  
YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

## Special Events

# WOODSHOP RAFFLE

*Get your tickets January 30 through  
February 11 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm in  
the Baja Bistro.*

### RAFFLE TICKETS

**\$1.00 each...**  
6 for \$5.00  
15 for \$10.00  
35 for \$20.00



**Raffle Draw**  
Thursday • February 16  
1:00 pm  
Buena Vista Ballroom

*Watch for our display in the Baja Bistro*

**TICKET SALES STARTING JANUARY 30  
DRAWING 1:00 PM • FEBRUARY 11  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

**22<sup>nd</sup>  
Annual**

# All-City Pickleball Tournament

**TUESDAY,  
JANUARY 31  
WEDNESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 1  
THURSDAY,  
FEBRUARY 2**



**Join us for lunch at the  
Pickleball Courts  
11:00 am-2:00 pm**

All proceeds from event to benefit the Social Club.  
Please come out & support your VO Pickleball teams

**=USAPA SANCTIONED EVENT=  
Open to All**

Sponsored by the Pickleball Club

**JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 1 & 2  
BEGINNING AT 7:30 AM  
PICKLEBALL COURTS  
LUNCH • 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

# Pickleball Tournament Grill

**Tuesday, January 31:**  
Sirloin Burgers  
**Wednesday,**  
**February 1:** Pork Loin  
Sandwich  
**Thursday,**  
**February 2:** Sirloin  
Burgers  
Meals include Chips & Pop  
\$10.00.  
Klondike \$2.00.



Sponsored by the Pickleball Club

**JANUARY 31, FEBRUARY 1 & 2  
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
PICKLEBALL KITCHEN**

SPECIAL CONCERT

# CALVIN RAINWATER A COUNTRY SHOW



“If I could sing like Waylon,  
write like Jamey and  
perform like Chris Ledoux,  
this would be something!”  
Country music has always  
rung close to Calvin  
Rainwater’s heart. A  
country singer, performer  
and songwriter, Calvin is

before everything else, a storyteller and when  
he writes music, he writes it from his heart,  
often finishing up entire pieces in a single  
sitting.

**Tickets \$10.00 available from  
Activity Office & at the door.  
Concert Style Seating**

Sponsored by the Shuffleboard Club

**TUESDAY • JANUARY 31  
7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**



## Special Events

### VO's Own Hams at Heart in Association with AV Presents... "Comedy Tonight"

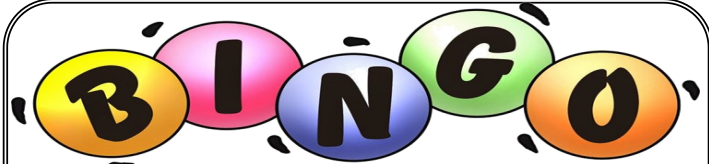
A potpourri of songs and skits adapted from musical theater and comedy shows of the 1940s through the early 2000s.



Performances in the BV Ballroom: Matinee (\$10 - theater-style seating) at 2:00 pm on February 25th; evening shows (\$15 - reserved table and theater-style seating) at 7:00 pm on February 27th, 28th and March 4th.

Reserved tickets will go on sale on **January 31st** in the **Baja Bistro**. Matinee and remaining reserved tickets will be available beginning February 1st in the Activity Office.

**MATINEE SHOW FEB 25 • 2:00 PM**  
**EVENING SHOW 7:00 PM FEB 27, 28 & MAR 4**  
**BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**



**\$1000.00 Progressive Last Game Blackout Special Games**  
**Betty Boop • Double Action**  
**Odd & Even**  
**\$110.00 Regular Game**  
**\$500.00 Money Ball**

Don't miss your chance to win big!



Please bring your own coffee mug!  
*Concession Stand Available*

**THURSDAYS**  
**6:30 PM • BV BALLROOM**  
**DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM**

### **NEWCOMERS' ORIENTATION**

Should you be new to our beautiful community as a homeowner or a renter, please plan to attend a Newcomers' Orientation in the **Mojave Room** located on the main level of the Community Center. Feel free to bring any and all questions you may have regarding your new home at Venture Out!

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 3**  
**MARCH 3**  
**9:30 AM • MOJAVE ROOM**

### RECREATION LUNCH BUFFET

Tickets \$10.00  
Available at the Door



#### MENU

Fresh Salad with a special of the day

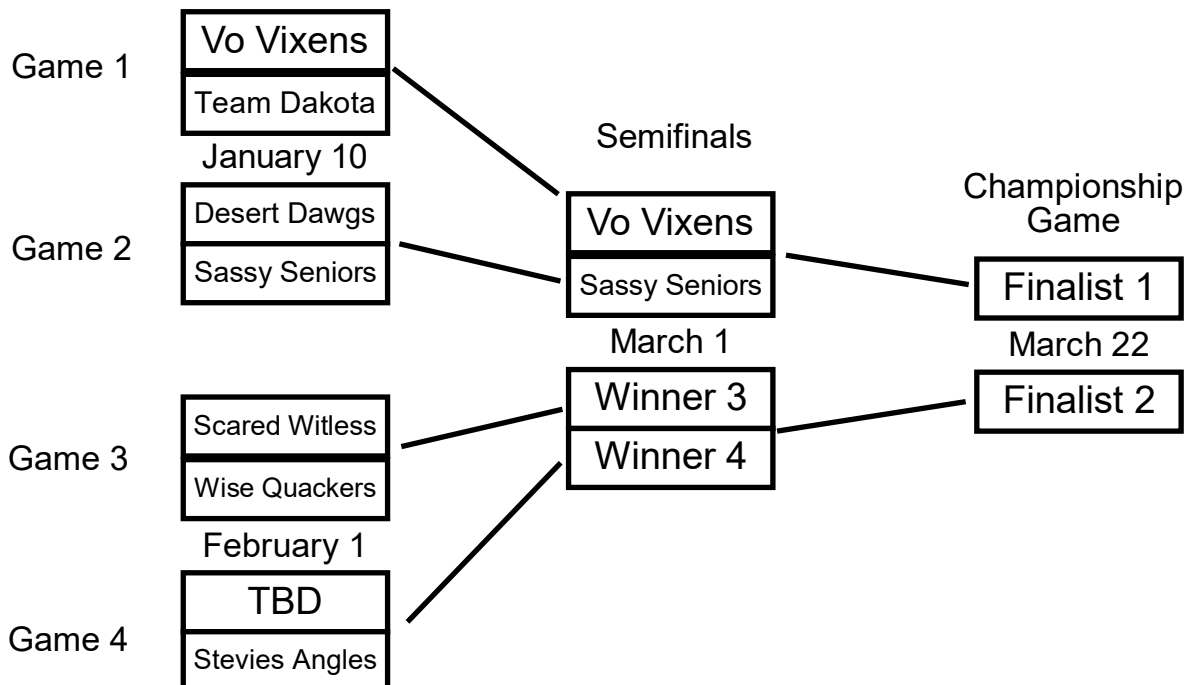
**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 3**  
**MARCH 3 & 24**  
**12:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

# Friendly Feud

**Games 3 & 4 on February 1  
Buena Vista Ballroom**

**Doors Open at 6:00 pm  
Game begins at 6:30 pm**

Free for Participants. Come watch the Show for free!  
50/50 Raffle





## 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  
Chuck-e-  
Baby**



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

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

# Friday Night Dance

February 3  
**Aaron Nelson Project**  
(Variety Rock)

February 10  
**Uncorked the Band**  
(Rock & Variety)

February 17  
**Johnny K and  
Kompany**  
(50's & 60's)

February 24  
**Cowboy Up**  
(Country Western)

*50/25/25 Raffle*

*Tickets available from the Activity Office  
Until 2:00 pm the day of the dance or at the door*



**Advanced  
Tickets \$10.00**

\$15.00 at the Door  
**B.Y.O.B. & Glasses**  
Soda & Popcorn sold  
\$1.00 each

**FRIDAYS  
DOORS OPEN 6:30 PM • 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## JUMBO HOT DOGS

**¼ lb Grilled Hot Dog,  
Sauerkraut, Chips &  
Beverage \$6.00**

Sponsored by the  
Poolroom Association

**Tickets  
purchased  
at the event**

**Cake Sale  
\$2.00**

Sponsored by the  
Croquet Club



**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 4  
& MARCH 4  
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## NEW IMAGE FASHIONS BY DON SCOTT

- Major brand fashions at 25%-75% off department store prices!
- Over 8,000 garments from many leading manufacturers such as Alfred Dunner, Euro So., Ruby Road, Lulu B, Jess & Jane, All Hrs., Maxine Swimwear & others
- Sizes to fit 4 petite - 3X Women's
- Watch Batteries replaced for \$3.50  
All Credit Cards Accepted



*Bringing the  
store to you!*

**MONDAY • FEBRUARY 6  
MARCH 6 & 27  
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## Special Events

# Grapevine



Come for an update on upcoming activities and more!

Activity Director Carrie Zinman available for your questions.

Free coffee & sweets

**MONDAY • FEBRUARY 6 & 20  
& MARCH 6 & 20  
9:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO**

## ☆☆☆ Concert Series ☆☆☆ Linda Ronstadt Revival



Ronstadt Revival is the premier tribute band to Linda Ronstadt, bringing you the songs you love and remember from this legendary artist. From Linda's 1967 beginnings with The Stone Pony to her amazing renditions in the 70s of songs by beloved songwriters like Smokey Robinson, Warren Zevon, Lowell George, The Eagles and The Rolling Stones to her 80s smash album Mad Love with it's New Wave vibe. Ronstadt Revival will take you on a timeless journey of all of your favorites including, You're No Good, Blue Bayou, When Will I Be Loved, Tracks of My Tears and so much more!

**Reserved seating: \$25.00**

**Matinee Tickets Available at the Door for \$30.00**

**Available from the Activity Office until 1:00 pm the day of the performance. Available to Non-Residents 2 weeks before performance**

**MONDAY • FEBRUARY 6  
3:00 PM & 7:00 PM  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## Silversmith Club's Jewelry Sale Is Coming Up!

Mark your calendars for the Silversmith Club's last Jewelry Sale Fundraiser of the season. Club members will offer one-of-a-kind, handmade, beautiful items made right here at Venture Out, all at great prices.



**One Day Only! Don't Miss Out!**

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 7  
9:00 AM – NOON  
COMMUNITY CENTER**

## Nicole Pesce & WE3 in A Cabaret Concert

These ladies are a powerhouse of talent featuring vocalist Renee Grant Patrick (daughter to the late George Grant of the world famous Ink Spots), violinist Suzanne Lansford and pianist Nicole Pesce. They have appeared on AZTV's Channel 7 as the "Best of the Daily Mix" and made special appearances at the Chandler Jazz Festival and AZ Classic Jazz Festival; paying tribute to timeless tunes with new and familiar interpretations of popular, jazz, swing, blues standards and so much more.



**Reserved Seating Tickets \$12.00**  
Available from Activity Office & if still available \$15.00 at the door - Cabaret table seating  
BYOB, Snacks & Beverage Glass. Ice Provided  
*Sponsored by the Solos Club*

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 7  
7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## Special Events

### Calendar Meeting



For 2023-2024 club Fundraisers, we are having a meeting on February 8 at 10:00 am in the Baja Bistro. Any club that is doing a Fundraiser for next season, please plan on attending this event. We are wanting to set all dates for next year so confirmations will be done while people are still in the park.

**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 8  
10:00 AM • BAJA BISTRO**

### Chicken Cordon Bleu

**Menu**  
House Salad,  
Chicken  
Cordon Bleu,  
Hollandaise,  
Roasted New  
Potatoes,  
Garlic  
Cannellini  
Beans & Key  
Lime Pie

Tickets \$17.00  
available from the  
Activity Office.  
Deadline:  
3:30 pm Wednesday,  
February 1



Bring your own utensils.

Sponsored by the Rock & Gem Club

**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 8  
5:00- 6:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

### PET PAW PROJECT



Fired Clay Arts and the Pet Association are offering their Pet Paw Ceramic Tiles on February 8 as a joint fundraiser. The 5-inch square tiles will include pet's name and will be glazed in an antique jade color. Artists from Fired Clay Arts will help owners imprint their pet's paw in the clay and will then finish the tiles. The cost of the tiles is \$15. Appointments must be scheduled in advance so the artists can do advance preparation. Please contact Nephi Williams at 206-931-4283 to make an appointment.

**TUESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 8**

### FIRE FIGHTERS PICKLEBALL THROW-DOWN

The Fire Fighters Fundraiser Pickleball Throwdown will be held February 9 at the SportsPlex. Our VO Pickleball Players will face off with the Fire Fighters. Wally will be grilling lunch; the proceeds will go to the Fire Fighters Charity, Pipes & Dreams. All are invited to come eat lunch and support our Mesa Fire Fighters.



Lunch Menu: Hot  
Dog with Beverage -  
\$5.00

Sponsored by the Pickleball Club

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 9 • 9:00 AM START TIME  
FOOD AVAILABLE FROM 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
PICKLEBALL COURTS**



## Special Events

# 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.

**50 + licensed vendors!**

**Enjoy lunch in the Bistro!**

**THURSDAY • FEB 9 & MAR 9**  
**9:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**  
**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • MARKETPLACE LUNCH**

# ICE CREAM SOCIAL

- **Vanilla** \$1.25 a scoop with free toppings!
- **Chocolate**
- **Mystery Flavor**



*Sponsored by the Sunshine Carvers*

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 9**  
**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 22**  
**(MYSTERY ENTERTAINMENT)**  
**11:30 AM - 1:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## GRILLED CHEESE & CREAMY TOMATO BASIL SOUP LUNCH

Tickets \$9.00

available from the Activity Office. Deadline:  
 3:30 pm Wednesday, February 1



### MENU

Grilled Cheese  
 Sandwich &  
 Creamy  
 Tomato Basil  
 Soup

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 9**  
**12:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

A PLETHORA  
 OF GREAT  
 STUFF!

## RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE



Nothing tastes better than homemade baked goods! Have fun hunting for a treasure.

Drop off items  
 February 9 at the Patio  
 behind the Laundry  
 Room 9:00-3:00.

Contact  
 Sally Johnston at  
 970-213-2619

*Sponsored by the Tennis Club*  
 All Proceeds directed to the Social Club

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 10**  
**8:00 - 11:30 AM • THE PATIO**

## Special Events

### Let's Get Cooking with Chef Arthur: Sushi



# Sold Out

This is a hands-on class. Closed toed shoes required.

This Class is Limited to 10 participants.

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 10**  
**1:00 - 2:00 PM**  
**COMMUNITY CENTER KITCHEN**

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

## VO KARAOKE WITH RON & ROWENA



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

TGIR - Thank God I'm Retired!

**FRIDAY • FEB 10 & 24**  
**3:00 - 5:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## Biscuits & Gravy

Tickets \$7.00

**Deadline: 3:30 pm February 1**  
**From the Activity Office**  
**and limited tickets at the door**

### Menu

Biscuits &  
Sausage Gravy  
Scrambled Egg &  
Sausage Links  
available at the  
door for \$1.00  
more



Bring your own utensils.

Sponsored by the Rock & Gem Club

**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 11**  
**& MARCH 11**  
**7:30 AM • BAJA BISTRO**

## SEWING CLUB'S SIDEWALK SALE & OPEN HOUSE



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

Raffle Quilt on Display - Tickets Available

**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 11**  
**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM • SEWING ROOM**

## Special Events

### FIRED CLAY ARTS CLUB'S OPEN HOUSE AND SIDEWALK SALE



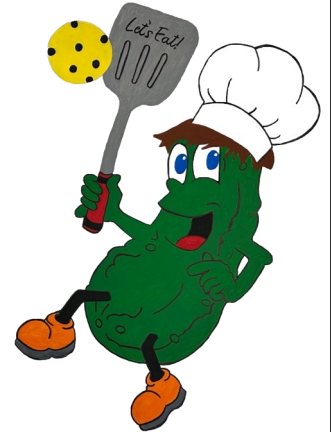
Looking for that unique piece of pottery? Tour our renovated studio and check out our sale items made by our own talented artists. Ceramics, pottery and more!

Come join us for refreshments

**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 11**  
**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**  
**FIRED CLAY ARTS STUDIO**

### Pickleball Grill

Come out to the Pickleball Building for a Sirloin Burger, Pop & Chips for \$10.00 Klondike Bar \$2.00



Sponsored by the Pickleball Club

**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 11 & 25**  
**& MARCH 11 & 25**  
**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**  
**PICKLEBALL KITCHEN**

### Musical Jam



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

For more info call  
John Grier at 612-991-0722

**SUNDAY • FEBRUARY 12 &**  
**MARCH 12**  
**1:00 - 3:30 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

### Sewing Club Quilt Raffle

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

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

Available at Grapevines, Ice Cream Socials, Saturday Breakfast, It's a woman's world and before the Fashion show.

**Quilt displayed at time of ticket sales & in the Sewing Room**



Proceeds go to Social Club!

**RAFFLE BEGINS FEBRUARY 13**  
**DRAWING MARCH 1**



## Special Events

# Brady Goss in Concert

Tickets \$12.00 available from  
Activity Office & at the door



Memphis Recording Artist Brady Goss (piano & vocals) was described from an early age as a piano phenom. Today he is recognized as an electrifying entertainer! Those

who have witnessed his live shows are awed by his formidable keyboard speed and soulful vocals loaded with passion that keeps fans of all ages wanting more. A show not to miss.

Sponsored by the Woodshop

**MONDAY • FEBRUARY 13**  
**7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

# FRENCH DIP SANDWICHES

Tickets \$11.00

available from the Activity Office. Deadline:  
3:30 pm Wednesday, February 8

## MENU

French Dip Sandwich  
Sliced  
Roast Beef on a  
French Roll with a side  
of Au Jus  
Served with  
French Fries &  
Lemonade



*BRING YOUR OWN  
UTENSILS.*

**SPONSORED BY THE BOCCE BALL CLUB**

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 14**  
**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**  
**BAJA BISTRO**

# POKER RUN

*What a fun way to play poker!*

**\$5.00 pp**  
**\$2.00 to buy**  
**extra cards**

What will happen

**Sign up &**  
**pay at the**  
**event**

You will be assigned a table where you will receive a list of five homes. You can walk, jog, run ride a bike or use your golfcart to find the five sealed envelopes. Return to your assigned table with the sealed envelopes. Once you return, the envelopes must be opened by the dealer only! The best poker hand at that table wins \$25.00 and a chance to win the Grand Pot!

The Grand Pot is determined that day. Invite your friends. The more that play the larger the Grand Pot!

Sponsored by the Sunshine Carvers



**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 14**  
**& MARCH 7**  
**1:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

# KARAOKE KORNER

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



\*This event is different from the VO  
Karaoke with Ron & Rowena on Fridays

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 14**  
**& MARCH 14**  
**6:30 - 9:00 PM • OASIS**

## Special Events

# Cruise Ship Variety Show

Reserved Cabaret Seating  
Tickets \$20.00 Available  
from the activity Office.



Enjoy this 2 for  
1 Valentines  
special with  
performances by Singer  
and pianist Heather  
Sullivan and Comedy  
Juggler Ivan Percel.

BYOB & Snacks

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 14**  
**7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

# CHICKEN DINNER



**MENU**  
Parmesan chicken,  
Italian salad,  
roasted potatoes,  
lemon pepper  
carrots, & Spumoni  
Ice Cream

**Tickets \$15.00**  
available from the  
Activity Office.

Deadline:  
3:30 pm Wednesday,  
February 8

## BYOB

*BRING YOUR OWN  
UTENSILS*

**The second seating  
will be held at  
6:00 pm**

Sponsored by the Glass Art Club

**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 15**  
**4:30 & 6:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

# MYSTERY TOUR

Tickets: \$125 per person.  
All inclusive with lunch

**AVAILABLE  
AT THE BOCCE BALL  
CLUB**



Bring comfortable shoes,  
incidentals, and an inquisitive  
mind

Questions?  
Joanne Nemec  
805-807-2994  
or  
Kim  
480-678-9559

**Open to All!**

*SPONSORED BY THE BOCCE BALL CLUB*

**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 15**  
**BUS LOADS 7:30 AM**  
**RETURN AROUND 6:00 PM**  
**BUS LOADING ZONE**

# NAME THAT TUNE

Bring a  
dollar or two  
for a 50/50

Presented by  
Laz & Linda Tollas  
With DJ Ron  
O'Genski

**Listen to short  
excerpts of 10  
songs in each  
group and  
guess the titles**

*BYOB &  
Snacks!*

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

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 17 &  
MARCH 17**  
**3:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## Special Events

### HAMBURGER BBQ & ICE CREAM

Tickets \$7.00  
Available in the Activity Office  
Deadline: 3:30 pm Wednesday, February 15  
Remaining Tickets Available at the Event for \$8.00

#### Menu

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

Sponsored by the  
Softball Association



Ice Cream \$2.00  
Sponsored by the  
Horseshoes Club

*BRING YOUR OWN  
UTENSILS*

**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 18**  
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
BAJA BISTRO

### PUTTING TOURNAMENT

MEN'S & WOMEN'S VO OPEN  
\$1.00 p.p. (Pay at Event)

**Low Score &  
Flight  
Winners**

**No sign-up  
required**

**Can start any  
time between  
1:00 pm &  
3:00 pm**

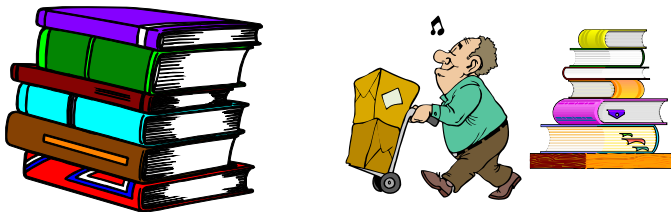
Bring putter & ball  
(provided if needed)



**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 18**  
1:00 - 3:00 PM • PUTTING GREEN

### VO LIBRARY Used Book Sale

*The Library thanks  
everyone for donations!*



Come to the best used  
book sale in the Valley!  
Books for only 25, 50 and  
75 cents. What a bargain!

**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 18 & MARCH 18**  
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
COMMUNITY CENTER LOBBY

### Silversmith Club- Make and Take! Let Your Inner Artist Loose!

Create a free-form  
textured necklace to  
take home and enjoy.  
Everyone welcome.  
\$30 cost includes  
materials and  
instruction. 10-  
person limit. Sign-up  
M-W-F mornings at  
the Studio. Samples  
are on display in the window.



**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 18**  
9:00 AM • SILVERSMITH STUDIO  
(BY THE DOG PARK)



## Special Events

TABLE TENNIS  
ROOT BEER FLOATS  
ROOT BEER FLOATS \$2.00

**Time for a  
Delicious  
Treat**



**SUNDAY • FEBRUARY 19  
1:00 - 3:00 PM • EAST POOL**



**“Meet & Greet”  
the  
2023 Social Board  
Candidates  
at a  
“Question & Answer Forum”**

**Monday, February 20  
following the  
Grapevine in  
the Baja Bistro  
at  
Approximately  
9:45 am**



☆☆☆ *Concert Series* ☆☆☆  
**Mick Adams & the Stones**



This exciting seven-piece, live re-creation of The Stones in concert, features look-alike performers, multiple costume changes, full choreography, and an all new media show. The energy is through the roof and the band will have

you dancing and singing along with every song! Named one of the top ten tribute bands in the world by Backstage Magazine, Mick Adams and The Stones are an authentic re-creation of The Rolling Stones, live in concert.

**Reserved seating: \$25.00  
Matinee Tickets Available at the Door for \$30.00  
Available from the Activity Office until 1:00 pm  
the day of the performance. Available to Non-Residents 2  
weeks before performance**

**MONDAY • FEBRUARY 20  
3:00 PM & 7:00 PM  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

# AFTERGLOW

Tickets \$5.00  
Available at the Event

**MENU**  
Lemon Bars  
& Coffee  
Available at  
the event



*SPONSORED BY FIRED CLAY ARTS*

**MONDAY • FEBRUARY 20  
FOLLOWING CONCERT SERIES  
APPROX 8:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## Special Events

### **BONELESS PORK CHOP DINNER**

Tickets \$15.00

available from the Activity Office. Deadline:  
3:30 pm Wednesday, February 15



#### **MENU**

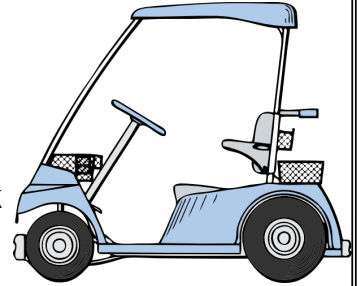
Boneless Pork Chop w/ Apricot Glaze,  
Applesauce, Mixed Vegetables &  
Roasted Potato

**SPONSORED BY SHUFFLEBOARD**

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 21  
5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

### **GOLF CART MARDI GRAS PARADE**

Decorate your golf cart & join the Golf Cart Mardi Gras Parade as it makes its way through VO. Check the Activity Office for the train schedule & Rout.



Join the Train at the Community Center Parking Lot by 1:30 pm. The Engine leaves the Train Station at 2:00 pm.

**Prize for Best Decorated Cart!  
Free event!**

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 21  
DEPARTS THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

### **TACO SALAD**

— MENU —

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

Tickets \$11.00

Available from the Activity Office beginning January 30.

*BRING YOUR OWN  
UTENSILS.*



Limited Number of Tickets Available.

**SPONSORED BY THE TENNIS CLUB**

**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 22  
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

### **MARDI GRAS STREET DANCE**

**Save the Date!**

**With music by  
The Aaron Nelson  
Band  
Everyone Invited!**



**In Case of Inclement  
Weather, this dance  
will move into the  
Baja Bistro**

Sponsored by the Recreation Department

**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 22  
6:30 - 8:30 PM • THE PATIO**



# 2023 Condo Board Nominees



**Greg Shelby**

EXPERIENCE MATTERS.....is the focus of my candidacy to be elected as a Condo Board Director.

The next Venture Out Condo Board (2023-2024 season) will face an important challenge: the hiring of a new General Manager. The nine directors will interview top candidates and make the selection of the person they feel can best serve all of us as our next General Manager.

I feel it is important that the majority of the directors have past experience and knowledge of how Venture Out works. Sharing this information with the new General Manger will assist in their transition. I'm confident my past service as a member and president of both the Social Board and Condo Board has qualified me to assist in the hiring process.

As a second-generation resident of Venture Out, my love and appreciation of the park goes back more than thirty years. Visiting my folks gave me a wonderful preview of the many opportunities and amenities V.O. has to offer. Once I became a resident, I accepted the invitations to run for both the Social Board and Condo Board. I believe I made positive contributions to the park while serving on those boards.

We all know there are many challenges facing the park; such as a healthy reserve fund, park wide internet and new club facilities, to name a few. I have the desire to help the park reach these and other goals.

I would appreciate your vote in selecting me as a Condo Board Director based on my abilities and experience.



**Gary Bentrim**

My wife Denise and I have been coming to VO for 43 years. Started out by visiting my in-laws Leo & Marie Beuter. Marie still lives in the park, and we liked it so much that we have been owner's for 40 years.

Rented them out till 6 years ago when we retired. I have volunteered for many activities in Venture Out helping Marie and special events like Oktoberfest, etc. Back home in Iowa I volunteered being a boy scout leader, soccer coach and got involved in Solon beef days which built into the largest fundraiser for the community and surrounding area. The year I became president we made \$1,300 and 25 years later when I retired, we made \$160,000. It ran like a business forming 43 committees, with a committee chair at each of them that had a passion to volunteer. In all we had over 400 volunteers from the city and surrounding communities. College majored in construction management, physical education & health and safety with minors in psychology and accounting. Throughout my career I did short-term and long-term planning, asset planning, ran the safety education, engineering department and did many construction management projects all over the world. We retired 6 years ago. Now spending 6+months a year at VO and I would like to contribute to Venture Out community. Stop by if you have any questions or comments, I would like to hear them.

Gary Bentrim, 306 Douglas



# 2023 Condo Board Nominees



**Linda Danner**

We came to Venture Out about 7 years ago for a quick visit. I knew I had found a very special place to retire. We now live here full time and I couldn't be happier. Prior to coming here we lived in Vancouver, Washington. Most my working life was in the restaurant business. I learned just about every position and spent a lot of time training new staff. Moving from the restaurants to the corporate offices, I helped convert to centralized bookkeeping and the company to go paperless.

Since coming to Venture Out I spent 6 years on the Pet Association Board, whereby I was a Secretary and a Vice President. In addition I spent many years assisting in organizing the Home Tour and the Tree Lighting. I also served on the Venture Out Foundation board for 6 years as a Secretary and then as a Treasurer. Last but not least I have and still do volunteer in the kitchen.



**Elko Kroon**

It has been my pleasure to have served on the Condo Board for the past three years as a Director and Treasurer. While we have achieved a lot in this time, there are still challenges and work to be done. We have a cohesive Board that works well together, and I would very much like to continue to be a part of this process.

I was a lawyer for over 40 years. I have been active on community Boards, including Rotary, seniors' centers, non-profit housing, and community organizations. I have also served as a Counsellor for the City.

I have enjoyed many activities in the park, including lawn bowling, bocce ball, channel 17, cribbage, shuffleboard, and the pet association. I firmly believe that it is the resident involvement and participation in the activities at VO that makes our park both unique and accountable to the owners.

I recognize the challenges and opportunities we face to balance the need for our park to be vibrant while responsive to the interests and concerns of the owners. I believe that with my background and interest, I can continue to assist the Board to make beneficial decisions for the betterment of the VO community.

## Special Events

# Fleas & Bees SALE

It's a "craft mart" and "yard sale" rolled into one!

If you have items you'd like to sell, drop by the Activity Office and purchase a participant table for only \$8.00



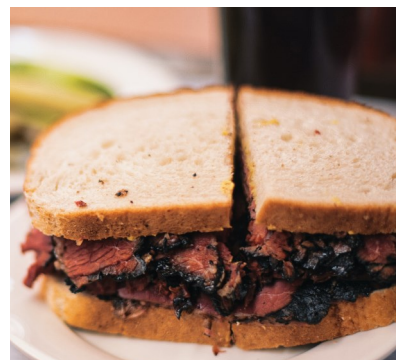
**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 23**  
**9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**  
**BAJA BISTRO**

# Pastrami on Rye Lunch

Tickets \$12.00  
Available in the Activity Office.

Deadline: 3:30 pm  
Wednesday, February 15

**Menu**  
**Pastrami & Swiss on Rye with waffle fries**



Bring your own utensils.

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 23**  
**11:30 AM - 12:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

# PET ASSOCIATION ROOT BEER FLOATS

ROOT BEER FLOATS \$2.00

**Come out for a sweet treat**



**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 25**  
**2:00 - 4:00 PM • EAST POOL**

# Glass-Arts Club RAFFLE

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

Get your tickets during various events in the Baja Bistro and March 5 prior to the draw



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

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FEBRUARY 27 TO MARCH 11**  
**RAFFLE DRAW MARCH 11 • 2:00 PM**  
**BAJA BISTRO**

## Special Events

### SALMON DINNER

Tickets \$25.00  
available from the Activity Office. Deadline:  
3:30 pm Wednesday, February 22



#### MENU

Fresh Salad with Salmon Beurre Blanc  
& Dessert

*SPONSORED BY FIRED CLAY ARTS*

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 28**  
**5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

### Fired Clay Arts Raffle

Tickets can be purchased at  
the club.

\$1 each or  
6/\$5.

Win a beautiful  
stoneware  
serving platter  
with 4  
appetizer  
plates.



**FEBRUARY 28**

### Golden Adventures Fashion Show Sale Quilt Parade & Raffle

**Reserved Seat Tickets \$20.00**  
available from the Sewing Room Hostess or  
the Activity Office beginning February 13.



#### Menu

Trio Salad:  
Chicken Salad with  
Grapes  
Carrot Rasen Salad  
Broccoli Cranberry  
Salad  
Lemon Square with  
Raspberry Drizzle

*Fashions by Flair Fashions.*

*Sponsored by the Sewing Club*

**WEDNESDAY • MARCH 1**  
**LUNCH AT 11:30 AM**  
**FASHION SHOW TO FOLLOW**  
**BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

### Rock & Gem Lunch

Tickets \$10.00  
available from the  
Activity Office. Deadline:  
3:30 pm Wednesday,  
February 22

Menu  
Sloppy  
Joes,  
Cole  
Slaw and  
Chips



Bring your own utensils.  
Sponsored by the Rock & Gem Club

**THURSDAY • MARCH 2**  
**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BBQ AREA**



## Special Events

# Motor Expo & Car Show

**See what's new  
in the "Motor World!"**



**GOLF CARTS  
VANS MOTORHOMES**

**5<sup>TH</sup> WHEELS**



Check out the hottest muscle cars  
and pristine classic cars in the Valley!  
Cast your vote for the Best in Show!

**Sloppy  
Joe meal  
on sale!  
11:00-  
1:00**

**Free Caricature Artist - Swag Bags—Live Entertainment  
Free Coffee & Donuts - Awards**

**THURSDAY • MARCH 2 • 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
OUTSIDE THE COMMUNITY CENTER  
SLOPPY JOES SERVED AT BBQ AREA**

Sponsored



## Trivia Party

Regular Trivia (variety of topics)  
Presented by  
Linda & Laz Tollas

**Join us for group trivia!  
Bring your thinking cap!**

**BYOB,  
snacks &  
glass.  
ice & water  
provided.**



*50/50 Raffle*

**FRIDAY • MARCH 3 & 31  
3:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## Friday Night Dance

**March 3  
Beatles Dance  
(Beatles Tribute)**

**March 10  
Midnight  
Confessions  
(Oldies Rock)**

**March 17  
Josh Roy  
(Country Western)**

**March 24  
Chuck E Baby &  
the Allstars  
(Vintage Rock)**

**March 31  
Thaddeus Rose  
(Big Band)**

**50/25/25 Raffle**

*Tickets available from the Activity Office  
Until 2:00 pm the day of the dance or at the door*



**Advanced  
Tickets \$10.00**

**\$15.00 at the Door  
B.Y.O.B. & Glasses  
Soda & Popcorn sold  
\$1.00 each**

**FRIDAYS  
DOORS OPEN 6:30 PM • 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## Special Events

### Silversmith Club- Make and Take!

*"Textured Free Form Earrings"*



Everyone is welcome to join us for a Make and Take class! \$30 cost includes all materials and instruction. No experience

needed. Limited to 10 people, so sign-up on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at the Studio.

**SATURDAY • MARCH 4  
9:00 AM**

**SILVERSMITH STUDIO (BY THE DOG PARK)**

### Scavenger Hunt



Come join in the fun!!! Receive 8 clues for locations in the park where you will have one hour to collect hidden items and turn them in at the table in the BBQ area.

Those returning with all the items within the time limit will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win one of three prizes. You may hunt individually OR with a partner (each participant will need to purchase a ticket).

Tickets are \$5 per person. Available in the Activity Office beginning February 6.

For questions, text or call  
Nephi Williams at 206-031-4283

**SPONSORED BY THE PET ASSOCIATION**

**SUNDAY • MARCH 5  
CHECK IN AT 12:30 PM  
AT BBQ AREA**

### Pickleball Tournament Grill

Come over to the Pickleball Courts for lunch and watch the in-park tournament

**Monday, March 6:**  
1/4 lb Beef Franks

**Tuesday,**

**March 7:** Bratwurst/  
Sauerkraut, Chips &  
Pop -\$8.00

**Wednesday, March 8:**  
Sirloin Burger, Chips &  
Pop,  
\$10.00.  
Klondike \$2.00.



Sponsored by the Pickleball Club

**MARCH 6-8  
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
PICKLEBALL KITCHEN**

### ☆☆☆ Concert Series ☆☆☆

## Kevin Johnson

Kevin Johnson, along with his two closest friends Clyde and Matilda, will captivate any audience with his extraordinary talent he perfected after performing 8,824 shows in a 9 year run at San Diego's Legoland Theme Park in California, which led to winning two prestigious awards "Best Male Performer" in 2004 & 2006 where the competition included other attractions from over 90 countries. He was seen by millions in 2006 on the hit TV show "America's Got Talent" which led to his lifelong dream of appearing on The Late Show with David Lettermen in 2007.

Reserved seating: \$25.00  
Matinee Tickets Available at the Door for \$30.00  
Available from the Activity Office until 1:00 pm  
the day of the performance. Available to Non-Residents 2  
weeks before performance

**MONDAY • MARCH 6  
3:00 PM & 7:00 PM  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## Special Events

# LOADED BAKED POTATOES

\$6.50 Tickets from the Activity Office  
Until Sold Out

### MENU

Huge Baked Potato  
Loaded with Your  
Choice of  
Butter • Sour Cream  
Shredded Cheese  
Onion  
Chili • Salsa  
Green Onions • Bacon  
Lemonade provided  
Pie available for  
\$2.00 a slice at the  
Event

*BRING YOUR  
OWN UTENSILS*



SPONSORED BY THE SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB

**TUESDAY • MARCH 7**  
**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

# ENCHILADA DINNER

Tickets \$10.00  
Available in the  
Activity Office  
until sold out



### MENU

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

*BRING YOUR OWN UTENSILS*

Sponsored by the Electronics Club

**WEDNESDAY • MARCH 8**  
**5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## Electronics Club Raffle



Tickets available March 10-24 in  
the Electronics Club, special  
events at the Baja Bistro, or call  
Lynn Pavlik (250-703-1302).  
Raffle drawing March 24 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:**

50" Smart HDTV  
Chromebook  
iPad pro  
Fitbit

**TICKETS AVAILABLE MARCH 10 -24**  
**DRAW ON MARCH 24 • 1:00 PM**  
**BAJA BISTRO**

## Let's Get Cooking with Chef Arthur: Rustic Italian



Learn the basics of  
rustic Italian cooking  
with Chef Arthur.

Tickets are available  
from the Activity  
Office for \$35, which  
includes all materials

needed for the class. **This is a  
hands-on class. Closed toed  
shoes required.**

This Class is Limited to 10  
participants.

**FRIDAY • MARCH 10**  
**2:00 PM**  
**COMMUNITY CENTER KITCHEN**



## Special Events

### Creative Writing Club's Annual Reading

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



**SATURDAY • MARCH 11**  
**1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM**

### 50 SEASONS OF SONG! PRESENTED BY THE VENTURE OUT CHOIR

Directed by Bernadette Carlson and accompanied by Jeanne Ekstrom and Janice Schwartz

An evening of music drawn from the last 50 years performed by the Venture Out Choir for your enjoyment.



**All Welcome - No Charge**

**TUESDAY • MARCH 14**  
**7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**



**Crazy Night Golf**  
 \$1.00 p.p. pay at event  
 Bring putter. Provided if needed.



Sign up in the Activity Office

Trophy For Lowest Score!

“Best Lit” costume-prizes for men & women!

Start planning your “glow wear” today!

**TUESDAY • MARCH 14**  
**7:00 PM • PUTTING GREEN**

### MYSTERY TOUR

Tickets: \$125 per person.  
 All inclusive with lunch

**TICKET AVAILABILITY TO BE ANNOUNCED IN THE NEXT OUT-LINES**



Bring comfortable shoes, incidentals, and an inquisitive mind

Questions?  
 Joanne Nemec  
 805-807-2994  
 or  
 Kim  
 480-678-9559

**Open to All!**

*SPONSORED BY THE BOCCE BALL CLUB*

**WEDNESDAY • MARCH 15**  
**BUS LOADS 7:30 AM**  
**RETURN AROUND 6:00 PM**  
**BUS LOADING ZONE**



*the* NOT SO  
*Newlywed*  
*Game*

**From Mesa, the Not-so-Newlywed capital of Arizona,  
lets meet our couples! Will it be you?  
Sign up now for your chance to show how  
well you know your partner.  
2 games - back to back.  
Prizes for the winning couples**

**March 13 • Buena Vista Ballroom  
Doors Open at 6:00 pm  
Game begins at 6:30 pm**

**Sign up in the Activity Office.  
Looking for 6 couples, 3 couples per game**

**Free for Participants. Come watch the Show for free!**

**50/50 Raffle**

## Special Events

### CHICKEN STIR-FRY DINNER

Tickets \$10.00

Deadline: 3:30 pm Wednesday, March 8

#### MENU

Sweet and Sour Chicken, Vegetables with White Rice  
Vegetable Spring Roll & A Fortune Cookie



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SPONSORED BY THE SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

**WEDNESDAY • MARCH 15  
5:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

### STREET DANCE

**Save the Date!  
With music by  
Uncorked the  
Band  
Everyone Invited!**



**In Case of Inclement  
weather, this dance  
will move into the  
Baja Bistro**

Sponsored by the Recreation Department

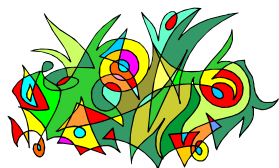
**WEDNESDAY • MARCH 15  
6:30 - 8:30 PM • THE PATIO**

### *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 411 Douglas.  
Return application to Elma Becker  
by March 6 at  
411 Douglas.**

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



**THURSDAY • MARCH 16  
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

### CHICKEN POT PIE LUNCH

Tickets \$10.00

available from the Activity Office. Deadline:  
3:30 pm Wednesday, March 8



#### MENU

Chicken Pot Pie

**THURSDAY • MARCH 16  
12:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**



# Special Events

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH

Ticket Price TBD

Deadline: 3:30 pm Wednesday, March 8



Sponsored by the Pet Association

**MAKE YOUR CALENDARS  
FRIDAY • MARCH 17  
12:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## AFTERGLOW

Tickets \$5.00

Available at the Event

### MENU

Brownies &  
Coffee  
Available at  
the event



SPONSORED BY FIRED CLAY ARTS

**MONDAY • MARCH 20  
FOLLOWING CONCERT SERIES  
APPROX 8:30 PM • BAJA BISTRO**

## ☆☆☆☆ Concert Series ☆☆☆☆

### Ted Vigil's Tribute to John Denver



Ted Vigil is a singer, songwriter, and John Denver tribute artist. Vigil has performed with John Denver's lead guitarist and has even played for Denver's own "Windstar Foundation"

in Colorado. With the uncanny resemblance and sound of the late John Denver, Ted Vigil performs many of Denver's hits, including "Rocky Mountain High," "Annie's Song," "Sunshine on My Shoulder," and "Thank God I'm a Country Boy."

Reserved seating: \$25.00

Matinee Tickets Available at the Door for \$30.00

Available from the Activity Office until 1:00 pm

the day of the performance. Available to Non-Residents 2 weeks before performance

**MONDAY • MARCH 20  
3:00 PM & 7:00 PM  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## YEAR END CELEBRATION

Tickets \$10.00

available from the Activity Office. Deadline:  
3:30 pm Wednesday, March 16

Come enjoy a stage show by Turn the Page, a Bob Seger Tribute band to wind down the season. Bring your own chair.

BYOB



**SATURDAY • MARCH 25  
SHOW 7:00 PM • SPORTSPLEX**

## Special Events

# TOWER POINT BAND CONCERT



**A 65-piece  
concert  
band  
performing  
a variety of**

**music for your  
listening pleasure.  
(Pass the Hat)**

**MONDAY • MARCH 27  
7:00 PM • BUENA VISTA  
BALLROOM**

# USA **Outrageous, Outlandish Olympics!**

Team sign-up is now open to go for GOLD as VO's Olympic Champions!  
Sign up your team of 12 or get placed on an existing team, by March 15th by calling Jane at 587-785-2800 or email [jjohnson77@shaw.ca](mailto:jjohnson77@shaw.ca)

No athletic skill required, just a good attitude.

All games are played outside.

Cost per team is \$120 (\$10 per person, includes wrap-up awards party dinner)

**APRIL 3 & 4 • 8:45 AM  
BEGINNING IN THE  
BAJA BISTRO EACH DAY**

## Any Doubles Shuffleboard Tournament



### Championship:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Anne Strain, Deanna Walker  
From Venture Out

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jim Cooks, Terry Meise  
From Greenfield

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Barb Wright, John Goluk  
From Venture Out

4<sup>th</sup> Place: Mike McClellan, Bob Colbert  
From Mesa Spirit

### Consolation:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Donna Schmitt, Dean Blada  
From Val Vista Sunlife

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Bill Hutchinson, Duane Schmidt  
From Apache Wells

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Bill Jackson, Cheryl Jackson  
From Lost Dutchman

4<sup>th</sup> Place: Clare McParland, Kirk Juffer or  
Brue Wagner  
From Venture Out



# Clubs and Organizations

## AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Patricia Malin  
[pamalin48@gmail.com](mailto:pamalin48@gmail.com)  
513-503-9828

Welcome to 2023! On Tuesday, January 10, we began with our annual Ham Radio Classes for anyone wishing to prepare to get licensed as a ham radio operator. Classes are given in the Electronic Club's building across from the Oasis on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12 noon. If you would like more information about these classes, please contact Terry Malin at 513-671-7625. Additionally, we were monitors for this month's "New Year, New You" 5-K Run/Walk on January 18. Most recently, the Ham Radio Club participated in the Electronics Club Open House on January 26. Ham Club members gave tours of the Ham Shack and explained the radio equipment there. Finally, as always, we invite all licensed hams to use the radio equipment at our Shack. And to anyone who is interested in finding out about ham radio, please join us at our weekly Saturday meetings at the Oasis at 10 a.m. We hope to see you there! 73!

## ATTENTION CRIBBAGE PLAYERS

Tom Gorham  
763-245-6058

It is getting to be that time of year again. Not the Super Bowl, it is the Annual (since 1988!) U.S.A. vs. Canada Cribbage Tournament! It will be played on **Sunday, February 12, 19 and 26 at 1:00 pm in the Mohave Room**. Partners will play together the entire tournament, so grab a partner or show up and we will find a partner for you.

For more information, call Tom Gorham.

## BARB PARTY

Barbara Walters  
616-842-5978

Barb Party **Thursday, March 16, Sonoran Room**. Please bring a dish as it is a luncheon time. **12:00 to 3:00 pm**. If your name is Barb you are welcome. Please call (616) 842-5978 if you are attending. Hope to see you there.

## BEADING

Bonnie Powell  
208-610-0716

Please come join us beading. Beginners and experienced all welcome. We have a class for beginners which includes all materials needed to make a beautiful Bracelet. We have lots of ideas for more experienced beaders and would welcome new ideas. **Tuesdays and Mondays 1:00 to 3:30 pm** at the **Sonoran Room**.

## BOCCIE

Judy Waters  
208-269-0239  
Dale Vance  
480-262-8898

Congratulations to our January singles winner, Barb Bute. **February** singles tournament will be **Saturday, the 4<sup>th</sup>** and the doubles tournament on **Saturday, the 18<sup>th</sup>**. Be sure to treat that special someone to our delicious French Dip luncheon on Valentine's Day, **Tuesday, February 14!** Please help if you can. Sign up sheets are posted in the club house.

## CREATIVE WRITING

Suzanne Schultz  
313-205-9275  
Linda Wallace  
208-596-2748

Put your interest in writing to good use. Whether you have been published or just have a yen to try your hand communicating your thoughts and imaginings, all

are welcome. Group members often use member suggested prompts to create their narratives, poems, stories, memories, family histories, opinion pieces, etc. The group is here to listen, offer support and provide constructive comments to help you convey what you want to say. We have found that humor is often an important part of our writings and responses to each other. The group meets every **Thursday from 1:00 - 3:00 pm** in the **Auxiliary Ballroom**. Call either Suzanne Schultz or Linda Wallace if you have questions.

## CROQUET CLUB

Mary Waitrovich

Time to start practicing for our annual tournaments: Singles: **February 27-March 1**; Doubles: **March 13-15**. The tournaments are for ALL skill levels - it's really just a fun way to play a lot of croquet in one week. Mark your calendars for our Annual Croquet Club Meeting on **March 23 at 4:00 pm**. Members, non-members and guests can play open play every day of the week. Our beautiful courts are in great shape. Singles lessons/play on **Wednesdays: 10:00 am - Noon**; Doubles lessons/play: **1:00 to 2:30 pm** on **Wednesdays**. Croquet games at **2:00 pm** on **Fridays** and **3:00 pm** on **Sundays**. Please join the club: only \$10.

## DARTS

Barbara Henderson  
208-604-6084

We play DARTS every **Friday** night at **7:00 pm** in the **Classroom** above the Activity Office. Beginners are always welcome and we do have sets of darts for you to use. Lots of fun, so join us.

## ELECTRONICS CLUB

Alex Young  
408-398-8143

Technology is rapidly changing and the Electronics Club will help you adopt and adapt to it. Interested in converting your old photos and slides to digital format? We can show you how. Go to our website ([VentureOutEclub.com](http://VentureOutEclub.com)) to see our list of classes and presentations.

## FIRED CLAY ARTS

Debbie Petersen  
605-376-7944

You will want to stop by and check out our new classes. We are having a raffle drawing on **February 28**. Tickets will be available all through February. Be sure to look for our ad featuring this beautiful appetizer stoneware set. Tickets can be purchased at the Studio. Be sure to attend our Sidewalk Sale and Open House on **February 11**. Our monthly meeting will be at **1:00 pm** at **The Patio** behind the Club. New members are always welcome. Memberships are \$30.00.

## GENEALOGY INTEREST GROUP

Barbara Henderson  
208-604-6084

GIG will be hosting meetings on **February 1** and **February 15** in the **Cabana Room at 7:00 pm**. We will meet in person and on ZOOM for both February meetings. To sign onto ZOOM the number is 428 278 7635 and the Passcode is 4qXUVm. We have re-scheduled the retired police officer for the **February 1** meeting. We share personal experiences and guide you in your search for family members. Contact David Antonson at [davidbantonsen@comcast](mailto:davidbantonsen@comcast).



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[net](#) for any questions you might have.

## GLASS ART STUDIO

**Deb Sullivan**  
269-501-0716

I hope everyone had a chance to stop in for the Glass Art Open House. We had so many projects on display and members that were willing to share information with visitors. We are scheduling more classes for February. Please sign up and start your glass experience (Stained or Fused)! Gabfest is sponsored by Glass Art and is every **Sunday** morning in the **Baja Bistro** from **8:30 to 10:30 am**. Get a cup of coffee and a donut – what a great way to start your Sunday! We will host a Chicken Parmesan Dinner on Wednesday, **February 15**. Get tickets at the Activity Office. You won't want to miss this one! The much anticipated Annual Glass Art Raffle will be held on **March 11**. Many items our members have been busy making for this event will be on display at the Baja Bistro when tickets go on sale starting **February 26**. I am sure something will catch your eye.

## GOLF ASSOCIATION – 9 HOLE GOLFERS

**Judy Sell**  
503-407-0182

Welcome back 9-hole golfers! Club membership dues are \$10.00 per year to support our Social Club. Sign-ups are **Tuesday** mornings at **7:45 am**, in the **Sonoran Room**. There are coordinators for two different courses; Linda & Laz Tollas, 480-807-7875 for Sunland Village GC on **Saturdays** with an **11:15 am** shotgun start; Judy & Rob Sell, 503-407-0182, for Sunland Village East GC on **Thursdays**, with tee times starting at **12:00 pm**.

## HAMS AT HEART

**David Heffner**  
206-949-1564

Hams at Heart is a theater group at Venture Out. Our 2023 production, "Comedy Tonight," will be a potpourri of songs and skits adapted from musical theater and comedy shows of the 1940s through the early 2000s. Our aim is to send the audience home smiling, chuckling and maybe even humming a show tune! For information about show times and tickets, please refer to page 13 of this Out-Lines edition. Anyone interested in assisting in the production of this year's show, helping out backstage or working in audiovisual, please contact David Heffner at the number above or attend the next general Hams meeting on **February 13**, at **10:00 am** in the EPC Cabana. Stay tuned for audition dates for our 2024 production in the March Out-Lines.

## IOWA PARTY

**Joyce Gardner**  
515-229-7117

Let's party Iowa! **Sunday, February 19**. Only \$10.00 per person. Potluck with chicken from Fry's, YUMM. Happy Hour: **4:30 pm**, Dinner: **5:30 pm**. BYOB. Dance music and prizes to follow dinner. Watch for sign-up sheets at Grapevine and other activities, or call to purchase tickets from Joyce Gardner of 629 Douglas, (515) 229-7117 or Kathy Junk of 404 Douglas, (563) 495-4779. Deadline to purchase tickets is **February 14**. Mark your calendars for **February 19**, sign up, pay for tickets and bring your dancing shoes! Music by David Seitz Music by Dale Seitzer Band. GO IOWA!

## KITCHEN BAND

**Maggie Kleisath**  
608-732-6686

The VO Kitchen Band is rehearsing in the **Oasis** every **Monday** afternoon at **2:00 pm**. All are welcome to join us. No previous experience is needed. Most of us play kazoos and teapots which are available when you come to your first rehearsal. It helps if you can hum a tune. We play old, familiar songs that just about everyone knows. We are playing at the Sunshine Acres Open House on **Sunday, February 26** at **noon**. Come see us there.

## LAWN BOWLING

**Mardal Flynn**  
431-336-1172

[Mardal@shaw.ca](mailto:Mardal@shaw.ca)

Greetings potential lawn bowlers. Our season is underway and we would like to have a large group of newcomers. Our lessons are on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** at **10:45 am**. Please wear flat soled shoes. We bowl everyday at **8:45 am** and **12:45 pm**. Please arrive a few minutes early. We make up the teams when everyone has arrived and only those who show up bowl. Therefore there is no commitment. There is no league play. We have had a couple of tournaments and they are fun times. There are more tournaments to come. Fees are \$20.00 for members and \$10.00 for associate members. Associate members are spouses/partners who enjoy our social activities but do not bowl. Come join the fun.

## MAHJONG

**Susan**  
503-889-6994

**Monday Mahjong! 6:30 - 9:00 pm** in the **Mojave Room**. Beginners to Expert - All are welcome!

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

**Mark Chandler**  
360-202-7177  
[marknshar@gmail.com](mailto:marknshar@gmail.com)

Please join us for fantastic study of God's Word. Don't miss the excellent discussion, learning & fellowship. Every **Wednesday** from **8:00 - 9:00 am** we read/study God's Word. **9:00 - 10:00 am** open to fellowship and prayer. Our study of Simon Peter led by David Allen will continue until **February 22**. Stay tuned for additional teachings / study beyond the 22nd. Location - Sonoran Room (main / Community Center building). Coffee & treats served. Questions ~ Please contact Mark Chandler.

## MICHIGAN GATHERING

**Ann Diehm**  
231-878-0614

The Michigan Gathering will be **Friday, March 10**. Look for more information in the next VO Out-Lines.

## MOBILE NOBLES SHRINERS

**Larry Bain**  
406-871-3530

The Mobile Nobles have been busy collecting soda and beer aluminum cans. Thanks to the residents that have donated their cans. We look forward to continue collecting cans with the goal of sending another check to the Salt Lake City Shriners Hospital for children. The money is earmarked for the greatest need at this time. We ask that aluminum cans only be donated. The Shriners cans are located at Bathhouse #1, Laundry, East Pool, Bathhouse #5, Dog Walk, Administration Office, & Maintenance Yard. Hope you all have a great winter and thank you for your continued help for the children served by the

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Shriners. All Masons and Shriners are invited to attend monthly meeting held the **third Thursday at 7:00 pm** in the **Oasis**.

## MONTANA PARTY

**Janet McCabe**  
406-789-7471

**Sunday, February 5, 5:30 pm** at the **Buena Vista Ballroom**. Free Beer Band. BYOB and Appetizers for 12. Hope to see you there!

## NEBRASKA PARTY

**Bonnie Fauss**  
402-720-3341

Come and visit with your Nebraska friends at the **Oasis** on Friday, **February 24, at 4:30 pm**. Bring a snack to share and BYOB. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Post Office. Hope to see you on the **24<sup>th</sup>**.

## NOT YOUR MOTHER'S BOARD GAMES

**Leslie Connelly**  
[Leslic3939@gmail.com](mailto:Leslic3939@gmail.com)  
480-272-0850

We teach new games. We will be learning games like 7 Wonders, Dominion, Ticket to Ride, Quirkle, Splendor, and many others. We will start with easy games and work our way up to more complex games. We meet in the **Sonoran** on **Mondays at 1:00 pm**. Last month we played Splendor, Farkle, Vegas Dice, Qwixx, 7 Wonders, and a few others. It is a great way to keep your brain active. Stop by and play with us. No RSVP's or experience needed.

## NORTH DAKOTA PARTY

**Beth Thorngren**  
701-567-3360

North Dakota Potluck Party!  
**February 19, 4:30 pm**  
Happy Hour, **5:00 pm**

Dinner. \$5.00 at the door. Sign-up sheet at the Post Office. Chicken provided. Sign up for the side dishes. BYOB and utensils (plates, coffee, lemonade provided). Free Beer Band and Door Prizes! Questions call Beth Thorngren (701) 567-3360.

## OREGON PARTY

The Next Oregon party will be at the **Oasis**. The Chinese dinner will start at **4:30 pm** for Happy Hour and followed by the dinner at **5:30 pm** on **Sunday, February 5**. We will have both a gift exchange and a 50/50 draw. Please buy your tickets from Denta Persinger, 327 Navajo, 602-718-6466. The cost per person is \$13.00. We will have Paris White for music and Dancing. The final deadline for tickets is **February 1**. We have also scheduled the End of year Sandwich dinner on the Desert Terrace for **Sunday, March 19 at 4:30 pm** for Happy Hour and Sandwiches at **5:30 pm**. Cost per person will be \$3.00. Final deadline for Tickets is **March 16**. Mark your calendars and we are looking forward to seeing all of you fellow Oregonians to share that last wonderful sunset!

## PAN

**Susan**  
503-889-6994

**Wednesday 12:30 - 3:30 pm - Classroom**.  
Bring your Nickels!

## PARKINSON'S / TREMBLE CLEFS

**Rocky Junk**  
563-451-9774  
**Libby D'Adamo**  
307-472-2953

If you have Parkinson's disease or know someone who does, you are invited to come to our Music Therapy group. We meet every **Monday from 3:00 - 5:00 pm**. We meet in the

**Music Room**, which is just above the Activity Office. Proof of vaccination is no longer required. Our group is directed by a professional Music Therapist and accompanied by an expert pianist. Because the vocal chords can be affected by Parkinson's, we are taught facial exercises that stretch and strengthen the vocal chords. We sing old, familiar songs and we have a good time singing and supporting each other. Being a singer is not required or expected. Caregivers / spouses are encouraged to attend. We welcome anyone from outside Venture Out, so if you know someone in this area who has Parkinson's, please help us spread the word that this group is open to anyone who has Parkinson's. We will perform in Concert in March. Details will follow in the March Out-Lines. If you have any questions, please call Rocky or Libby.

## PEO

**Karen Herckx**  
608-778-9334

PEO members will meet for cookies and coffee on **February 13 at 9:00 am** at the **Oasis**. Join your sisters, old and new.

## PHOTOGRAPHY INTEREST GROUP

**Mike Curran**  
307-630-3722

This is a meeting to explore the interest of a photography group. Open to any level of photo experience. It doesn't matter what your area of interest is; whether it's wildlife, landscape, or whatever, or you just want to learn. Join us at **10:00 am, February 6**, in the **Sonoran Room** for more information. Hosted by Mike Curran. See you there.

## PICKLEBALL JUDY SCHAD

Membership taken at the courts **Monday-Wednesday-Saturday 9:00 - 11:00 am**. It's amazing how our club has grown. The first week of January we have over 650 active members!!! One of our largest fundraisers is the All-City Tournament held **1/31, 2/1 & 2/2**. Lunch served all 3 days. Everyone is welcome, come cheer on your VO friends. Vendors will be set up, and raffles and a lot of fun! FireFighters ThrowDown is **February 9**, where our former Fire Fighters, First Responders & Medical will go up against the Mesa Fire Fighters. Everyone is welcome. Lunch is served. All proceeds go to the Fire Fighters charity of choice. Membership General Meeting is **February 7, 4:00 pm** at the courts. Our February private event "PickleBall Rocks" is **February 16** held at the **Patio**, It will be food, music, dance and fun! Members only. Prior to the event, tickets will be sold at the courts. Check the bulletin board for details. Our Spring In-House Tournament is **March 6, 7 & 8**. At our **March 7** Membership meeting we will elect 3 board members, candidates welcome! Our WrapUp Party is **March 21** at the **Patio**, details to follow. Remember, we all strive to be heavy dinkers!

## SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE "MIXED COUPLES BILLIARD POOL

**Sharon Ellis**  
602-524-3769

Effective immediately the Saturday Evening Pool Tournaments have been cancelled until further notice. If you would like to

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# Clubs and Organizations

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keep them going by volunteering to running those tournaments, please call me at 602-524-3769.

## SEWING CLUB

Linda St Andre  
360-739-4409

Welcome new Sewing Club Members! Sewing Room Orientation is offered on **Thursdays at 4:00 pm**. Many classes scheduled in house for \$5 each. See samples and sign up with a monitor. Volunteers needed for **February 11** Sidewalk Sale and **March 1st** Fashion Show fundraisers. Sign up on bulletin board inside door! Sew items for sale to help our club. Small quilted household items are great! AZB4K sewing day is **February 20**. Potluck lunch that day!

## SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB NEWS

Vicki Van Slyke  
509-703-2807

Thank you Shuffler's Barb, John, Keith and Linda for De-Decorating the courts. January's Baked Potato and pie slices were a big success due to the hard working shuffle crew and Chairwoman Diane Obert. The Week Long Any Doubles Tournament hosted by Venture Out required all hands on deck. It was a great week for District 1 Shuffleboarders. The Turkey Shoots are **February 7**, a meal will be provided, and on the **14th** snack's will follow play. Sign-up sheets at the courts. Monday afternoon Ice Cream Truck delivery is a wonderful money earner for the park. We greatly appreciate all who sign-up to help sell and honk. Lessons every **Tuesday 9:00 am. February 3** Club Meeting after league play. Please plan on attending. **February 21** is our Boneless Pork Chop dinner. This is a huge money

earner for us with a full course meal being served, We'll need all to pitch in to help. Sign-up sheets at the boards.

## SILVERSMITH CLUB

Leslie Eggers  
503-799-5760

We have more of the very popular "Make and Take" projects coming up, so see our ads in this issue of the Out-Lines and come by the studio to check out the projects on display in the window. Dates are **February 18** and **March 4**. You don't have to be a member to participate, and can sign-up for the classes any **Monday-Wednesday-Friday** morning. Class size is limited to 10 people. Cost is \$30 and includes instruction and materials. You'll be surprised to see how easy it is to make something beautiful and special for yourself or a friend. New members are welcome to join the Club. You'll receive excellent instruction, and our experienced members are there to help you get started in the creative process, so stop by the Studio for a tour. Our next jewelry sale fundraiser is **February 7** from **9:00 am** to noon at the **Community Center**. See you there!

## SING AND STRUM

Teri Whalen  
605-321-7808

We'd love to have you join us on **Thursdays** from **7:00 to 8:30 pm** in the **Auxiliary Ballroom**. We're musicians of all abilities playing chords to songs that span the decades. We sing along while playing guitars (acoustic and electric), ukuleles, mandolins, banjos, and even a harp. We access lyric sheets with chord notations from our own iPads or from paper binders. We supply our own instruments. (Local music stores have rentals.) We

play to keep learning, to rehearse for informal park events, and to lift our spirits. Beginners and singers are welcome! Lift your spirit and check us out!

## SLEEPING MATS FOR THE HOMELESS

Dena Grutz

Join us in keeping plastic bags out of our landfills by repurposing them into sleeping mats for the homeless. We meet **Tuesday** evenings at **6:30 pm** in the **Baja Bistro**. *Beginning on **January 31** we will be moving to the **Sonoran Room**.* We will **NOT** be meeting on Valentines Day **February 14**. We need cutters, crocheters and weavers. All you need to bring is scissors or a Size N crochet hook. We do have a few extra homemade looms to purchase for \$25. At this time we do not need any bags.

## SOLOS

Suzi Picotte  
480-296-3010

Solos is a social club where single residents can meet and greet other singles and enjoy a happy hour and a potluck dinner. They meet weekly at the **Oasis** at **4:00 pm** on **Thursdays** through the season. Men bring an adult beverage and women bring a dish for 8 to pass. All singles are welcome. Come join us for the fun and companionship.

## SPLASHERS

Robbie Oldemar

As soon as the West Pool is finished, The Splashers will be back. **Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1:00 - 2:30 pm**. Watch for the Grand Opening and join us for fun and laughter. No previous experience necessary. Try us! You may even enjoy it, especially if you like to laugh and have fun.

## STITCH & CHAT

Dianne Gilbert  
480-993-7794

Welcome all new visitors as of 1-1-23. Stitchers of all types are wanted to visit with us on **Thursdays** in the **Mojave Card Room 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**. We have a good group doing stitching and chatting - sometimes more of one or the other. If you are interested to see what we are doing, please feel free to join us even if you don't stitch. Again this year we are collecting any extra yarn you may have for the Christmas Angel projects we do.

## SUNSHINE CARVERS

Karen Kleinsteuber  
612-812-4444

It is a quieter month for us as we pursue our talents at carving. This month on **February 14** will be our Valentine Poker Run starting at **1:30 pm** in the **Baja Bistro**. Our monthly meeting will be the next morning at **10:00 am** in the shop. Hope to see a crowd and please sign up to help at our fundraisers.

## TABLE TENNIS

Al Manter  
253- 584-6307

We play Table Tennis at the **Auxiliary Ballroom** on a very fine table. We play **Monday, Tuesday, and Friday** from **7:00** until **9:00 pm**. We also play on **Thursdays** from **3:00** until **5:30 pm**, and **Saturday** from **9:00 am** until **noon**. **Sunday** is open play from **9:00 am** until **4:15 pm**. Paddles and balls are provided. Dues are \$10.00 a season. Come join us for a great time playing a wonderful sport.



# Clubs and Organizations

## TENNIS CLUB

**Janice Hawley**  
306-491-6224

Welcome new and returning residents to Venture Out. If you have played tennis before or are a beginner we have something for you. Beginner lessons **Friday 2:00 pm** at the Northeast Sportsplex. We supply racquets and instruction. Open to all residents of the park, we have Drop In tennis on **Thursdays 3:30-5:00 pm**. Ladies, **Friday** from **12:30-2:00 pm** there are opportunities for all residents to play casual women's tennis. Racquets, balls and a good time supplied! There are many other opportunities to play tennis in leagues, play and practice or round robins so consider becoming a member. Check the kiosk or website [votennisclub.com](http://votennisclub.com) for more information. Pauline Sauve at 403-404-0171 has information on specific times for the round robins. **February 10** is our second **Rummage/Bake Sale** of the season. We accept items from all residents so drop off any items you want to donate **February 9** at the patio behind the laundry room. You will find some fantastic bargains on **February 10** at the sale. **February 22** taco salad will be on the menu at the **Baja Bistro**. Get your tickets at the activity office. Renew your membership at

[votennisclub.com](http://votennisclub.com) and by contacting Janice Mauer, membership coordinator, at 260-615-1310. See you on the courts!

## VO CHOIR

**Bernadette Carlson**  
480 985-4060

Singing changes the brain! Some studies show that when we sing our bodies release hormones that relieve anxiety and stress. Other research indicates that when a group of people sing together their heartbeats actually synchronize with each other. The VO choir welcomes new members. We meet every **Wednesday at 9:00 am** in the music room located above the Activity Office. We sing an anthem at the worship service each Sunday. All levels of ability are welcome. An encore concert is being planned for **March 14**. It is not too late to join the choir to be part of this performance.

## WISCONSIN STATE PARTY

**Rhonda Viney**  
608-642-4112

**Saturday, February 18, 5:00 – 7:30 pm Buena Vista Ballroom. Social @ 5:00 pm** and dinner begins at **5:45 pm**. Ticket sales: Every **Wednesday (February 1, 8)** from **9:00 –**

**10:00 am at 206 Boeing** patio and every **Thursday (February 2, 9)** from **4:00 – 5:00 pm at 702 Merlin** patio. Deadline to purchase tickets is **February 9**. Cost is \$5 per ticket – bring correct amount! Menu: Wisconsin cheese, brats, buns, sauerkraut, beans, each family brings a salad or dessert to share and serving utensil for it. BYO Beverage, BYO plates and table service. Bring \$1 for a fun activity! Optional – bring a WI themed item to donate for the giveaways. Party Info Sheets: Reminders to pick up are located in the **Post Office** area clipboard for the Wisconsin Party. Purchase tickets by the deadline of **February 9**. Fun & prizes!

## CARDS & GAMES

### 31 Cards

Wed • 7:00 pm • Sonoran

### 500 Cards

Sat • 6:30 pm • Mojave

### American Hand and Foot

Sat • 12:30 pm • Sonoran

### Cribbage

Tue • 7:00 pm

Mojave

### Darts

Fri • 7:00 pm • Classroom

### 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

## Mahjong

Mon • 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Mojave

## Men's Poker

Mon - Fri • Class Room

5:45 to ~8:30 pm

## Not Your Mother's Board Games

Mon • 1:00 - 3:30 pm •

Sonoran

## Pan

Wed & Fri

12:30 - 3:30 pm •

Classroom

## Pinochle

Mon & Thurs • 6:30 pm

Mojave

## Spades

Thurs • 7:00 pm • Sonoran

## Texas Hold'em

Wed • 7:00 pm • Aux

Ballroom

## GOLF SIGN-UPS 18-HOLE COURSES

### START IN NOVEMBER

### WESTERN SKIES

Play Monday, 8:30 am

\$55 Plus Tax

Please sign up at

306 Merlin

Norm Lawrence

306-230-8597

email:

[gnlawrence@hotmail.com](mailto:gnlawrence@hotmail.com)

### ARIZONA GOLF RESORT

Play Thursday, 8:30 AM

Please sign up at

306 Merlin

Norm Lawrence

306-230-8597

email:

[gnlawrence@hotmail.com](mailto:gnlawrence@hotmail.com)

## READING SELECTIONS FOR 2023 SEASON

Book Group Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays at 9:30 am In the Mojave

### Room

Leslie Connelly 480-272-0850

DATE	BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	REVIEWER
2/10.....	The Shape of Mercy.....	Susan Meissner.....	Marlys Sewall
2/24.....	Bel Canto.....	Ann Patchett.....	Diane Tarrant
3/10.....	A Long Petal of the Sea .....	Isabelle Allende .....	Nancy Thuesen
3/24.....	Handmaid's Tale.....	Margaret Atwood .....	Laurie Vasey
4/14.....	The Magnificent Ambersons.....	Booth Tarkington .....	Betsy Klofstad
4/28.....	(Tentative) .....	Pick the books for summer and next season	

## Classes, Seminars & Wellness

### **FREE TECH PRESENTATIONS OPEN TO ALL**

February 1 –  
GPS for Hikers/Bicyclists

February 3 –  
Photographic Composition  
(NEW)

February 8 –  
Build Your Own Website

Feb 17 –  
Smartphone Photography (NEW)

Feb 22 –  
Security in Electronics

### THURSDAY HEALTH SEMINAR

#### **“Heart Attack and Stroke—Know the warning signs!”**

Join Dr. Laven of Oak Street Health as he goes over the warning signs of having a heart attack or a stroke for both men and women (they are different!) Dr. Laven will also discuss how preventative care can help ward off these two very common health events.

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 2  
1:30 PM • THE CABANA (EPC)**

### FRIDAY SEMINAR

#### **“Psychic Detecting”**

As a pendulum dowser, find out how Dan Baldwin has used his psychic skills to search for missing persons in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Ireland, Japan, France, Japan and Italy. He has been interviewed on numerous national and international radio and podcast programs, including Coast-To-Coast AM With George Noory. He is the author of The Psychic Detective Guidebook and They Are Not Yet Lost, which details true stories of psychic detecting. His program includes a demonstration of pendulum dowsing techniques.

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 3  
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM**



### Driver Safety

**Safer Driving can save you money!**

Take the AARP Smart Driver™ course and you could save money on your car insurance!

Learn Techniques for handling left turns, right-of-way and roundabouts

Discover proven driving methods to help keep you and your loved ones safe on the road.

Sign up in the Activity Office  
Money will be collected at the event

\$20 for AARP Members  
\$25 for non-members

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 3  
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM • OASIS**

## Classes, Seminars & Wellness

### Free Dental Consultation

Meet with  
Dr. Pease &  
Associates  
Family  
Dentistry for  
a free dental  
consultation



Sign-up required on the bulletin board located in the Fitness Center  
*Keep that smile healthy!*

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH  
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM • EPC THERAPY ROOM 2

### 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 class 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

TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 7  
12:00 PM • BAJA BISTRO

### THURSDAY HEALTH SEMINAR "Why Posture is the Key to Reducing Shoulder and Elbow Pain"

Don't let shoulder, elbow and upper back pain limit your activities. This seminar is a practical, interactive way to learn what causes these issues as well as ways to alleviate pain and limitations. We will review quick ways to improve motion, strength and posture with exercises, stretching and external supports.

THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 9  
1:30 PM • THE CABANA (EPC)

### FRIDAY SEMINAR

### "Tulip Time in the Netherlands"

Tulip time in The Netherlands is magical and colorful. Join Suzanne and Don Brown as they share their experience throughout The Netherlands coastal rivers, Belgium, and the beautiful Kuekenhof Gardens outside Amsterdam on a riverboat cruise.

FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 10  
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM



## Classes, Seminars & Wellness

Venture Out's

# Rhapsody 5K

(3.1 mile)

Stroll · Walk · Power Walk · Jog · Run



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

Ham Radio operators on duty to assist enroute!

**WEDNESDAY • FEBRUARY 15 • 10:00 AM**  
9:45 AM WARM-UP STRETCHES  
OUTSIDE FRONT COMMUNITY CENTER

FRIDAY SEMINAR

## “The Gluten-Free Guest: What to Feed Them!”

You are all set to entertain and one of your guests says “Oh, by the way, I’m gluten free now. That’s no problem, is it?” Do you panic then or wait until you have sticker shock on the cost of gluten-free products? Join Suzanne Brown for hints that won’t break the bank and will fit into any menu.

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 17**  
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM



# Health Summit

Thursday • February 16 • 9:00 am - 1:00 pm • Baja Bistro

Come to the Venture Out Health Summit and meet various health providers and professionals from the East Valley. There will be health presentations going on in the Mojave room and Sonoran Café, door prizes and much more!



GSC Therapy Services  
Epicure  
Thrive by le-vel  
Be Well 360  
Reformed Health & Wellness  
( Located in Venture Out)  
Oak Street Health

Mesa Fire  
Aaaah Wellness  
Village Medical  
Pomerantz Insurance  
Laser Pain Away  
Targeted Chiropractic  
Vitalant

Plus More...

**Be proactive in your health!**

## Classes, Seminars & Wellness

### THURSDAY HEALTH SEMINAR

## “Getting to the Core – How to Keep Back Pain Away! ”

What does “the core” really mean? How does it affect our back? Learn about these questions and more at this informative and interactive seminar. Come and learn some core exercises as well as the relationship between the core and your hips and your lower back. Bring a yoga mat if desired for demonstration. Participation is not required.

**THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 23  
1:30 PM • THE CABANA (EPC)**

### FRIDAY SEMINAR

## “History Repeated: Poland and the Ukraine in 1939 and today”

Join Katrina Shawver, an experienced writer, speaker and author of the award-winning book *Henry: A Polish Swimmer's True Story of Friendship from Auschwitz to America*. More than eighty years later, Russia is using the same playbook for the invasion of Ukraine in 2022 that it used when it invaded Poland in 1939. Yet, while many of the tactics remain the same, the Internet, social media and NATO alliances have changed the nature of war and given Ukraine advantages not available to Poland in 1939.

**FRIDAY • FEBRUARY 24  
1:30 PM • AUXILIARY BALLROOM**

## VITALANT BLOOD DRIVE



Sign up by scanning the QR code or at [donors.vitalant.org](https://donors.vitalant.org) (Sponsor Code: P1AD5)

Drink extra water and eat a **HEALTHY** small low-fat meal or snack 2 - 4 hours before giving blood.

Bring your Photo ID

For donor eligibility questions, donors can call 1-877-258-4825

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 28  
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM • COMMUNITY  
CENTER PARKING LOT**

## TECH CLASSES FOR YOU

**Price includes a \$10 discount for Electronic Club members**

iPhone for Beginners A, B, and C: Friday, February 10, 17, and 24, 1:00-2:30 pm (NEW)

iPhone for Beginners A, B, and C: Friday, March 10, 17, and 24, 1:00-2:30 pm (NEW)

iPad for Beginners:  
Thursday, February 9, 16 10:30 am - noon

Intro to Publisher:  
Monday, February 20, 1:00-2:30 pm

Intro to Excel:  
Monday, February 27, 1:00-2:30 pm

Sign up and pay in full for these classes on the Electronics Club bulletin board near the sink.



## Venture Out

In partnership with Dignity Health East Valley  
**Presents: Healthier Living, chronic Pain Workshop**

### Are you living with Chronic Pain?

Managing chronic pain can be complex and sometimes frustrating. Let us help!  
Have Less Pain! Live Longer, Live Healthier, Live Happier!

#### The Program Teaches You How To:

- Set and meet personal goals
- Safely move and exercise your way to reduced pain
- Pace activities with rest
- Handle stress better with relaxation techniques
- Problem solve
- Improve your diet
- Increase your energy level
- Communicate better with your doctor
- Learn positive thinking and self-motivation strategies
- Appropriate use of medications
- Evaluate new treatments

FREE 6-Week Workshop!

**Tuesdays**

**February 28, 2023 – April 4, 2023**

1:00 PM – 3:30 PM

5001 East Main St., Mesa, AZ 85205

Music Room

**To register:**

[Sign up at the Activities Office](#)

For questions, contact **Ginny,**

**Assistant Activity Director**

[astdir@ventureoutvresort.com](mailto:astdir@ventureoutvresort.com)

480.832.9000

**Sessions are 2.5 hours each, and meet once per week.**

**Register Today. Change your life!**

All participants who complete the series receive a “Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Pain” book



# Classes, Seminars & Wellness

## GET FIT AT VO (BODY WORKS)

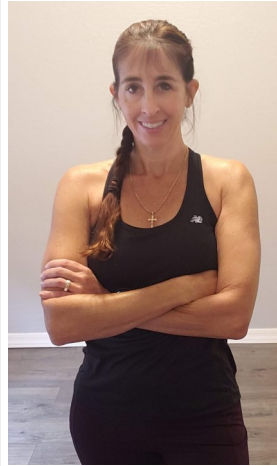
Hi, we are Cheryl & Tom Epping, and we are FITA (Fitness Instructor Training Academy) certified group fitness instructors. We offer a group fitness class called "Body Works" here at Venture Out.

This class is a great strength and tone class utilizing dumbbell weights. We will lead all class attendees through a full body workout using proper form and technique. This is a fun class with great music and it is free. Please bring a set or two of light to medium dumbbell weights, a towel, and water, and get ready to sweat and have fun getting into shape and maintaining a fit, tone body.



**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS  
8:45-9:45 AM  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## Personal Trainer



Venture Out is proud to welcome back Stacy Huston to our Fitness Center!

- Interested in getting Stronger?
- Unsure how to use the equipment?
- Looking to prevent falls and improve Balance?

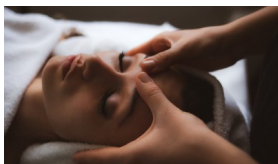
These are just *some* of the reasons why you should consider working with a personal trainer

It is never too late to feel great!

Contact Stacy to book one-on-one coaching or small group training

**STACY HUSTON  
FIITWITHSTACY@GMAIL.COM  
480-861-9978  
CALL/TEXT/EMAIL**

## Massage



Enjoy a massage here at Venture Out by a Licensed Massage Therapist

30 Minute Chair Massage ..... \$38  
60 Minute Therapeutic Massage..... \$75  
90 Minute Therapeutic Massage..... \$110

See all massage modalities offered online! at [Massagebook.com/biz/Venture-out-massage](http://Massagebook.com/biz/Venture-out-massage)



Available by Appointment only  
Monday-Saturday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
480-808-0200

Scan the QR Code to book your session and view availability

## THERAPY ROOM AT THE EAST POOL COMPLEX

### 7:30 AM WATER EXERCISE

**Robbie Oldemar**

If you are an early riser, we would love to see you in the pool. Meet some new friends and get a gentle aerobic exercise as well.

**Monday - Friday** in the East Pool. As soon as the **West Pool** is finished, we will be moving back to our "home" pool. Thank you for sharing the **East Pool** while construction is going on. If you like to laugh, this is the exercise program for you!

### DRAWING CLASS: FREE ON WED MORNINGS

**Annette Ripplinger**

[watercolorsbbyannette.com](http://watercolorsbbyannette.com)

Give yourself the gift of 90 minutes improving your drawing skills with Annette Ripplinger, watercolorist and former 6th grade teacher. Come to the **Sonoran**, a room in the **Bistro**, at **10:00 am** every **Wednesday**. All you need is a sharp pencil, an eraser,

and some paper to begin. We'll talk about what kind of drawing notebook you'll want to treat yourself to, and how much we love tortillons. We're starting with basic shapes, a backlit still life, and using our materials in different ways. All skill levels are welcome, including first timers and art teachers. We're a very supportive group, especially to our newbies.

### END-OF-SEASON POOL LEADER APPRECIATION

**Rhonda Viney  
608-642-4112**

Mark your calendars now for our annual end-of-season pool leaders appreciation gatherings for the **9:00 am** and **10:00 am** classes. **Monday, March 13** in the **Cabana**. More information will be available closer to the date, but we know you'll want to be there to say thanks!

# Classes, Seminars & Wellness

## LINE DANCING

Line Dancing classes meet on **Thursdays** from **11:45 am to 2:00 pm** in the **Buena Vista Ballroom**. You are welcome to come to one or all the sessions. **11:45 am – 12:30 pm:** Absolute Beginner steps and dances taught by Deb Halver and Kay Biediger **12:30 - 1:15 pm:** Beginner dances taught by Vicki Postel **1:15 – 2:00 pm:** High Beginner/Improver dances taught by Vicki Postel. We offer Absolute Beginner Review Sessions every **Saturday** from **12:15-1:15 pm** and **1:30-2:30 pm** in the **Auxiliary Ballroom**. The sessions will cover previously taught dances so you should attend only one of the sessions. No need to sign up, just show up. We look forward to all of our past dancers coming back to learn new dances and reviews of our old favorites. Hope to see you there.

## PICKLEBALL LESSONS

**Carol Schmidt**  
**303-587-9708**

Come learn Pickleball!!! Free lessons. Intro to Pickleball Class **Thursday** and **Friday, 11:30 am** and **12:30 pm**. Sign up at the Pickleball Courts.

## SPANISH FOR BEGINNERS

**Janet Taylor**  
**970-222-3724**

Come learn the basics of Spanish. This class is for Beginners to Advanced Beginners. The first half hour is for those who have no Spanish background. The next hour is for those who have had an introduction to Spanish already. Meet us at **2:00 pm** on **Thursdays** in the **Conference Room** next to the Activities Office.

## 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**

Come work out with us **Wednesdays 8:45 - 9:45 am** in the **Buena Vista Ballroom**. This is a low-impact workout that is guaranteed to make you smile and laugh while you sweat away the pounds! There is no charge for this class! All you need to bring is a water bottle and your smile.

## TAI CHI

**Shari Salzman**  
**425-417-6920**

Come experience the art of body and mind in motion. No experience is needed. Class consists of: \*Gentle warm-up exercises, \*The "Flow" (VO's full Tai Chi routine), \*Movement instruction, and a \*Second "Flow". Tai Chi requires no special equipment nor getting down onto the floor. This gentle exercise is good for all activity levels. Class is free. We meet in the **Auxiliary Ballroom** located on the second level of the Community Center above the Activity Office. Classes are from **9:00 - 10:00 am, Monday-Wednesday-Friday** Tai Chi calms your mind, gets your blood

flowing, your joints lubricated, and is a fun and peaceful start to your day.

## WATER EXERCISE CLASS COMBINED SOCIAL EVENT

**Janis Seville**  
**780-940-5416**  
**Marsha Vink**  
**605-415-9559**

**Wednesday, February 22 4:00-6:00 pm** at the **Oasis**. BYO beverage and table service Pot Luck: Bring a food dish to share. Come see what your fellow pool class participants look like with real clothes on! Spouse or significant other welcome.

## WATER EXERCISE EAST POOL 9:00 MONDAY - SATURDAY

**Marsha Vink/Pam Myrum**  
**605-415-9559**

## 10:00 MONDAY - FRIDAY

**Janis Seville**  
**780-940-5416**

The East Pool Water Exercise classes are in full swing! Did you know that water largely eliminates the effect of gravity leaving body weight approximately 10% of normal. It offers an excellent means for low impact exercise and physical rehabilitation. Join the fun! Using the natural resistance and buoyancy of water against our bodies, our pool classes target specific muscle groups while helping to increase cardiovascular endurance, energy, stamina, strength and balance. All you need is a bathing suit, water for hydration (plastic bottle) and a smile. See you at the pool!

## YOGA

**Al Manter**  
**253-584-6307**

We have Yoga classes at **7:15 am** and **11:00 am** at the **Auxiliary Ballroom**

**Monday thru Friday**. We don't provide mats or straps, but we do have some blocks. Our classes are on DVD's. Please come and enjoy the benefits of Yoga. The classes are free.

## EXERCISE CLASSES

### Absolute Beginner Line Dance

Sat • 12:15 - 1:15 pm  
1:30 - 2:30 pm  
Aux Ballroom

### Advanced Line Dance

Sun • 4:15-5:45 pm  
Aux Ballroom

### Body Works

Tues & Thurs  
8:45 - 9:45 am

BV Ballroom

### Chair Yoga

Tues • 9:00 am  
Aux Ballroom

### Early Bird Coed Exercise

Mon - Fri • 7:25 - 7:55 am  
BV Ballroom

### Improver Line Dance

Mon & Wed • 3:45-5:15 pm  
Aux Ballroom

### Line Dancing

Thurs • BV Ballroom  
11:45 am - 2:00 pm

### Stretch and Tone

Mon - Fri • 8:00 am  
BV Ballroom

### Sweatin to the Oldies

Wed • 8:45 - 9:45 am  
BV Ballroom

### Tai Chi

Mon, Wed, Fri  
9:00 - 10:00 am

Aux Ballroom

### Vinyasa Yoga

Mon • 4:00 - 5:00 pm  
Oasis

### Yoga

Mon - Fri • 7:15 am  
& 11:00 am • Aux Ballroom

## WATER EXERCISE CLASSES

### Water Exercise

Mon - Fri • 7:30 am  
East Pool

### East Pool Water Exercise

Mon - Sat • 9:00 am  
East Pool

### Water Exercise

Mon - Fri • 10:00 am  
East Pool

### Water Walking

5:30 - 6:00 am • Daily  
East Pool

### Lap Swimming

6:00 - 7:30 am • Daily  
East Pool

## This and That

### The Gospel Music Of Johnny Cash, A Story Of Faith And Redemption

Bring your voice and ears as you come to the Ballroom on **Sunday, February 19** at 12 noon. Several Venture Out residents will deliver a special inspirational message through a program with selected music and share some of their experiences. The theme will follow **“The Gospel Music Of Johnny Cash, A Story Of Faith And Redemption”** Please come and join us in this gospel sing along with ukuleles, guitars and the banjo. The words to all the music and other information will be on the big screens.

**SUNDAY • FEBRUARY 19**  
**12:00 PM**  
**BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

### “American History Seminar” By Ron Gumm

President James Madison and the Second War of American Independence. Ron Gumm, retired history teacher, will present this seminar. This discussion will start off with the change to James Madison as President. We will discuss the War Hawks, Tecumseh, Battle of Tippecanoe, on to Canada, War of 1812, the USS Constitution, Burning of Washington, Battle of New Orleans, Hartford Convention and heightened nationalism. The next American History Seminar will be held March 21.

**TUESDAY • FEBRUARY 21**  
**1:30 PM • OASIS**

**Room Reservation forms for the 2023-2024 season will be available from the Activity Office beginning February 27. Completed forms will be accepted in the Baja Bistro at 9:00 am on March 10.**

**Pool Use (including Classes)  
Exercise Classes**



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

**COMPLETED FORMS ACCEPTED  
IN THE ACTIVITY OFFICE BEGINNING  
MARCH 13**

## Star Volunteer

*Way to go,  
Bonnie Haapala*



Bonnie and her husband have been active members of the Venture Out community for eighteen years and although they do not expect to return for another full season, they are looking forward to spending several weeks or months here in the coming years.

Bonnie has demonstrated her commitment to the improvement of our Venture Out community through her hard work in a variety of areas. She has worked on the dance committee, helped to coordinate Gabfest for many years, and helped maintain a safe environment for our population by volunteering as a safety instructor. Her work in the kitchen has allowed VO to continue to offer outstanding meals to the residents. Although COVID restrictions ended the twice monthly breakfast gathering, Bonnie is proud of the community she helped build through the event.

Bonnie enjoyed her time with Dancing with the Stars for two years, taking first place her first year, and volunteering as a judge the second year. Bonnie even showcased her ability to perform a backflip, for the first time in her life. A very impressive feat!

Bonnie is an active member of the wood carvers and glass arts clubs, creating beautiful carved gourds and stained glass art. She manages to find time for her own work between the multiple classes she offers in each club. Bonnie held the office of president and spent several years working with contractors and management overseeing the construction of the new glass arts building, a task any would have left for someone else.

Bonnie's full season presence will be missed, but we look forward to the opportunity to engage with her while she is here now and in the future. Thank you, Bonnie, for everything you have given to our Venture Out community.



# This and That

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Vicki & Rick VanSlyke  
Mar 5 56 yrs  
Dave & Diane Obert  
Mar 9 60 yrs

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Daniel Meyer Feb 2  
Barb Meyer Feb 3  
Bill Little Feb 23  
Karen Watters Mar 7  
Kandy Rose Mar 9  
Susie Griffith Mar 11

## HAVE YOU HEARD?

To submit information  
Email  
[outlines@ventureoutvresort.com](mailto:outlines@ventureoutvresort.com)  
or Activity Office at  
480-832-9000

Hugh C Cheesman of 328 Aztec passed away June 21, 2022, at 88 years old, and after celebrating his 60th wedding anniversary. Condolences may be sent to his wife, Marnie Cheesman at 5001 E. Main St. #328.



## Tech Assistance and Troubleshooting (Members only)

Examples:

How can I organize my digital photos and slides?

How do I spot suspicious emails?

How do I print from my phone?

We can help you with these and other technical issues. Signup for assistance in the Electronics Building.

## CONTINENTAL COFFEE HOUR

Continental Coffee Hour Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. Buena Vista Ballroom

Linda Vieth will speak "My Tapestry"  
Music by Women's Trio Men and Women Invited



Come share....Bring a coffee cup and a friend. Blocks 000, 100, 200

Please bring muffins or sweet breads. A Freewill offering will be taken

**SATURDAY • FEBRUARY 4  
9:00 TO 10:00 AM  
BUENA VISTA BALLROOM**

## It's Time To Register YOUR PET

A Few Things to Know About Pets in Venture Out

1. Pets are required to be registered at the Activity Office. 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. You will also receive stickers for your badge, and a "Rules & Guidelines for Pets at Venture Out".
2. Pets are to be on a leash unless in the gated Pet Walk area or in your private yard.
3. Pets may be walked on the streets and sidewalks of VO. They may not be taken to "do their business" in yards other than your own, or any common areas other than the Pet Walk. Be prepared to clean up any accidents that may occur when walking your dog (carry bags and water).
4. Pets are not allowed on any common areas other than the Pet Walk, streets, and sidewalks.
5. When using the Pet Walk, use the Entrance and Exits as marked.
6. A Pet Wash is available for your use. Please bring and take your own supplies.
7. For more information, please read Section 2, Article 8 in our Condominium Rule & Regulations.

### Dogs:

Seasonal: \$15.00 - Monthly: \$10.00 - Weekly: \$5.00

### Cats:

Seasonal: \$10.00 - Monthly: \$5.00



**2022-2023 TAGS NOW AVAILABLE**







# **Recreation Update**

*February, 2023*



We are in full swing of season and have so much going on. I would like to take this time to thank the Clubs, the many volunteers and the wonderful recreation staff that have made everything come together this season; without ALL of you we would not be able to do what we do!

The First round of the remaining 8 teams of Friendly Feud is coming up on February 1. Come enjoy the show and cheer on your neighbors. We will not be charging an entry fee, but will be doing a 50/50 raffle during the event. The semifinal round will be on March 1 and the championship is on March 22.

Club Reminders...We are having a calendar meeting on Wednesday, February 8 at 10:00 am in the Baja Bistro. This meeting will be to set all the fundraiser dates for 2023-2024. Any club doing a fundraiser next season should have a representative at this event. We will have a special Fundraiser Worksheet for each Club to fill out for each fundraiser that will help them with their Club Budgets ( see the back). Speaking of Club Budgets, remember that all Club Budgets are due Monday, February 13. If you have any questions, please reach out to Sunshine and she will be more than glad to give you any assistance and/or to answer any questions.

Stop by for the Health Summit on February 16 from 9 am to 1 pm in the Baja Bistro. There will free presentations in the Mojave Room and Sonoran Café throughout the event. The presentation schedule will be available at the event.

If you didn't see it yet, the 2024 Concert Series is included in this edition of the Out-Lines! We have a fun lineup for next year and will be offering both matinee and the traditional evening show. You will see in the ad how the ticket sales will go, look it over and we look forward to seeing everyone coming up to get their seats for next year. A friendly reminder, tickets for this event will be available to pick up from the Activity Office starting in October.

I know we have a lot of individuals and Clubs asking if Chef Arthur can do catering for their private events. Due to the number of events that are going on at this time, it is not possible for Chef and the volunteers to do all the fundraisers along with private events. We thank everyone for their understanding to this change.

In closing, I would like to mention to all the residents, please support the Club Fundraisers. This supports all of Venture Out Clubs, along with supporting your Social Club. All money raised goes to support your Clubs and all they can offer. It purchases saws, kilns, nets, balls, rocks, lights and so much more. Any unallocated funds at the end of the year go to the RAC Fund, which then helps Condo in providing improvements in infrastructure for our Clubs. We have a lot of transmittals that are in the works, and this will help fund or contribute to these requests.

If you have any questions or feedback, please come by and see us at the Activity Office. We have comment card boxes in various areas and always look forward to your feedback. We look forward to seeing you at an event soon!

**Carrie Zinman**

Activity Director  
recdir@ventureoutrvresort.com





# Venture Out at Mesa 2023-2024 Fundraiser Worksheet

## Event Information

Event \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Event Date \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Phone

(home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Number of Tickets to Sell \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to sell tickets the day of the event  Yes  No  If Available

Time of Food/Time of Seatings \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Entertainment (start) \_\_\_\_\_ (end) \_\_\_\_\_

Menu (please include everything you would like served, including beverage)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Income \_\_\_\_\_

Expenses \_\_\_\_\_

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Ticket Price TBD Closer to event \_\_\_\_\_

VO OutLines Deadline \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to the Activity Office by March 15, 2023**  
All events and/or menus are subject to change, availability, and pricing closer to your event



# Manager's Corner

February, 2023

This month's occupancy is 1519 or 87% vs 1312 at the last report and 1371 the year prior. There are currently 318 renters in the Park.

Dear Venture Out Owners and Residents,

This is my last column to you. I have literally written hundreds of these over the last 22 seasons, and so its kind of bitter sweet to do so one last time. Sweet in that I won't have to ponder about what to write anymore... and bitter in that I have made so many long and lasting friends here at VO and I will miss you.

As you know I have been planning on retiring for some time, but recent events have moved that up. I not only am still bouncing back and forth to Nebraska caring for my 94-year-old father, but I now have two siblings both battling serious illness that need my help in caretaking. So with those concerns on my plate, and with the Board getting close to making a hiring decision, we all decided it was in my best interests, to focus on my immediate family, and leave my VO family behind.

The good news is that you have a great crew here at VO. They are long term employees who truly care about VO and work extremely hard to make your life as pleasant as possible. Having the best possible staff always there supporting you, and good supportive Boards, is how I managed to survive 22 seasons at VO when the average GM in this industry can only make it five years due to the pressure of the job. So many thanks to all of you and best wishes for your future, both here and beyond. I could not have done it without you, and I consider you my friends as well as associates.

For all of you that have given me words of support and encouragement over the years, thank you so much. You made it possible to keep going even in the most difficult times. For those of you who have not? Thanks for giving me the perspective of your opinion. Often times it opened up other avenues, ways of thinking and a resolution to problems that was mutually agreeable.

If things work out and I am in Phoenix I hope to come back to the grand opening for the pool and say Goodbye to you then. It all depends however on my family's health and where I need to be at the time.

Now for some other news. You can see the west pool is moving along. It looks like mid-February for that opening. Just pray for no more rain. It will be quite the facility when it is done, I know you will enjoy it. Brycon is our trusted General Contractor and Gordy Klofstad (Condo Director) and Keith Kettle (Architectural Inspector) have sat in on every meeting with me, so they are well in tune to close it out. We are down to the finish line.

The leak (s) at the EPC were found, and we determined that the grout needs to be re-done in all the showers. After many years and constant scrubbing, we were just thinning it out and with all the increased usage, its time to re-do it. Fortunately, it's not a huge tear out job, but will entail shutting each shower down, one by one, letting it dry out for several days, re-grouting, sealing the grout and letting that shower dry and then moving on to the next one. We will be doing in this in both Men's and Women's bathrooms because we can expect we will soon see the same wear and tear in there. So the mystery was solved and we are grateful it is 'only' that. We will need your co-operation to not tear off the barricade tape and use the shower that is designated as closed until we release it. We typically re-grout the bathhouse showers every few years and have done it once already at the EPC, but this is earlier than normal, probably due to the high use at the facility. Similar to the high wear and tear we have experienced on the Pickleball courts. You learn things with each new facility and adjust your preventative maintenance schedule accordingly.

Finally in closing for the last time, one of my Planning Committee members asked me what I would say to the lot owners with my 22 seasons of experience and perspective looking back? Well in those years, we did a lot of construction in VO. More than any HOA I know of in the valley. We are somewhere in the range of \$20,000,000 in projects, not including SRP's work. Necessary construction, because you are a 53-year-old community, but also because back in 2001-02 when I came in, the Board started to do Professional Long Range Planning. We have done two of those with Dr. Wendy Hultsman, from ASU and that helped to prioritize the homeowners, wants and needs. The Boards then methodically went through those, took them to a vote of the owners, and one by one accomplished those projects. Starting with the new Community Center and most recently ending with the West Pool.

If you stick with your Long Range Plan and continue to follow it, you will represent the community as a whole. Otherwise you can easily get off track. There are many items on the most recent plan that still remain to be done and considering that there are so many new owners in the park they are more than likely not aware of it. I know they are planning on bringing forth the Masterplan later this year and hope that you all attend that meeting when they do have it.

When I first started, Venture Out went from an aged community with no young people buying in it and 167 homes for sale, to now one of the hottest properties in the Valley. You accomplished that by working together and seeing yourself as a whole and what was best for the community. You also don't forget the Senior seniors in here who might need some help accomplishing these goals. That is what makes VO unique and a wonderful place to live.

Thank you again for your friendship and support! Now get out there and enjoy your weekend!

**Mary Schmit**

General Manager  
vogm@ventureoutrvresort.com

# President's Comments

If you've been following the Board then you know it is far from a normal year. We have had many changes; much work, and lots of new owners in the park. This Board has been faced with challenges; and I commend and appreciate the work that this board has put in; and doing all this as a volunteer. We have had more meetings than the usual every two weeks; and I'd like to take the time to thank them for their dedication and commitment to Venture Out.

With the challenges that have come this past year, I'd also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and commend the Security officers for the outstanding work they have done in investigating and solving some of the issues we have faced. Thank you, Carter and your team.

As long as I am acknowledging people, let me also take the time to recognize all the volunteers who have assisted in the various events and committees in the park. It is all of you who help to make Venture Out the premiere park that is the envy of the other parks around here.

I would also like to take this time to thank Mary Schmit for the many years of service – it is because of her knowledge, skills, commitment, and dedication that has helped to create the Venture Out we know today. On behalf of the Condo Board, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for all you've done for Venture Out. You will be missed.

And on another note, remember that we have a 52+ year old park – that means that things begin to wear and deteriorate; fortunately we have a staff and past boards that have continued to try to stay ahead of the problems. Our proactive measures do cost money but it also preserves the park to be the type of park you chose to become a part of. With that being said, be patient with us as we continue to move forward.

Lorraine Hee  
Condo Board





## *2024 Venture Out Concert Series*

**6 National Acts will take stage in the Buena Vista Ballroom  
3:00 pm and 7:00 pm Shows**

**Series Tickets for all 6 Shows \$150 (\$25 each)**

*Guarantees you the same seat for each show at a discount price  
Individual tickets will go on sale starting, Monday November 5 at \$30 per show*

**Season tickets will be on sale through the  
Activities Office starting February 20**

From February 20 through February 24, Concert Series Tickets sales will be limited to those *repeating* the same seats from the previous year. February 27 through March 3, all other Series Tickets Holders will be able to come in and choose new seats. March 6 to November 2 will be open to everyone to purchase series tickets.

## *2024 Concert Series Shows*

**January 8**

The Arizona Highwaymen (Cash, Jennings, Nelson and Kristofferson)

**January 22**

All McCartney

**February 5**

White Winged Dove (Fleetwood Mac Tribute)

**February 19 - 7 pm Show    February 20 - 3 pm Show**


Sherie Rae Parker (Bette Midler Tribute)

**March 4**

Ultimate Chicago

**March 18**

Michael Misko (Comedian/Magician)





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*All motorcoach tours (MC) include our tour director and motorcoach transportation to/from Mesa.*

**64<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TUBAC FESTIVAL OF ARTS**  
**\$109 pp                      Feb 8**

**Join the fun for this popular day! After a stop for breakfast enroute, browse the local artists at this favorite annual event! (MC)**



**TURF PARADISE !!!!!**  
**\$119      Feb 18**

We've waited a LONG time, but Turf Paradise is finally back! Enjoy a buffet meal of Brisket or Turkey with 2 sides &

dessert. A souvenir group photo (digital that you can have printed) will be available after the trip.



**VALENTINE'S DAY**  
**\$169 pp                      Feb 14**

Enjoy a beautiful twilight cruise and dinner on the Dolly Steamboat! Includes motorcoach transportation and a little Valentine's Day extra.  
 Min 30, Max 48.                      (MC)

**DEADLINES for DAY TRIPS:**

Unless noted with individual MC tour details:

**Day Trips** – Registration closes 14 days prior to tour  
**Cancellation Penalty** = 100% penalty (no refund and no credit voucher) 7 days prior  
 Call Sinclair Travel or your Rep with questions! Thanks.

**PREMIUM CUSTOM TOUR SERIES**



**\$389 pp dbl; \$                      March 7-8**

Step back in time on Route 66 with us! This special 2 day trip will depart Mesa, and step back in time visiting diners, antique shops and infamous sites along the way. The flyer lists everything included in this fantastic tour!

Registration closes 2/16/23. Cancellation penalties apply. Min 32, Max 40. (MC)    Revision pending – change in accommodations.

**LAUGHLIN**

**\$399 pp dbl; \$485 single                      March 28-30**



One of your favorite locations! Spend 2 nights at the Riverside Resort Hotel & Casino. Enjoy a fun trip to Oatman, and spend an evening entertained by The Lettermen, celebrating over 60

years of performing your favorite hits! Includes \$15 pp food voucher at the Riverside.

Registration closes 2/21/23    Min 30, Max 38    (MC)

**GOLF & SPA GETAWAY!**

**\$399 pp; \$489 single                      April 11-13**

Relax at the beautiful CasaBlanca Resort in Mesquite!! Relax and explore the grounds, try your luck in the casino, or treat yourself to a Golf or Spa package (optional – additional cost). Includes a \$30 pp credit for breakfast or other purchases.



Travel protection is optional and available at an additional cost.

Registration closes 3/01/23    Min 32; Max 38    (MC)

**ROSE PARADE 2024!**

We will accept a fully-refundable **Holding Fee** of \$100 pp beginning 2/01/23 for our next Rose Parade trip departing December 2023!

Call your Community Rep or the office for details. Thank you!!!!

# VENTURE OUT ANNUAL FINE ART SHOW & SALE - MARCH 16, 2023

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATING ARTISTS

1. Show only your own, original art, (including all media), original prints, paintings, sculptures, cards, wood, or stained glass. Club Tables welcome to show or sell. THERE ARE NO HANGING BOARDS FOR PAINTING DISPLAYS
2. Each Participant is required to contribute to the "raffle" table. Not For Sale Participants are still required to contribute to the Raffle Table. Contributions should be brought before 8:30 AM day of show.
3. Space per artist is allocated in order of sign up and assigned by the coordinator. Participants are allowed (1) table but may request (2) pending availability.
4. The following will be at your table: A Table tent with your name/table number, Name Badge, sold slips and price tickets. **Please have your art displayed from 8-9 AM. Please do not arrive earlier than 8.**
5. All Sales will be done at the designated Cashier table. Price Ticket cards will be provided to the artist. For every sale, you will fill out a Price Ticket, tear off the back pink sheet for your records and give the customer the white and yellow remaining copy to take to the cashier. The Cashier will keep the white slip and give the yellow to the customer as a receipt.
6. At the end of the Sale(1:00 pm), the cashier will fill out a slip with your total sales amount, less 10% and the total amount that is owed to you. You will then be given that amount along with any checks that were received. You are responsible for the 10% allocation fee for any checks made out to you.
7. Artists or their representatives MUST be at your table throughout the entire show. Do not leave your table unattended.

Please contact Elma Becker with any questions 480-695-7222 and return application below to Elma at 411 Douglas by March 6, 2023



## ANNUAL FINE ART SHOW AND SALE

MARCH 16, 2023 - BAJA BISTRO  
PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

SUBMIT TO Elma Becker - 411 DOUGLAS by March 6, 2023

Artist Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number : \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Requirements : The Coordinator will try their best to accommodate your needs

Please specify if you will require Easels : Large: How Many? \_\_\_\_ Small: How many? \_\_\_\_

Will you need electricity? (must supply own extension cord) *Circle one* Yes No

How many Tables would you like? *Circle one* 1 2 Pending availability

Description of your original art: Painting, including all mediums, cards, magnets, etc)

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# February 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>Pickleball All-City Tournament 1</b>  <b>Friend or Feud</b>  <b>Mob Class</b>	<b>Condo Board Mtg 2</b>  <b>Pickleball All-City Tournament</b>  <b>Bingo</b>	<b>Newcomers Orientation 3</b> <b>Recreation Lunch Buffet</b> <b>T.G.I.R: Happy Hour</b> <b>Friday Night Dance</b>  <b>AARP Safe Driving Course</b> <b>Free Dental Consult</b>	<b>Pool Room Jumbo Hot Dogs 4</b>  
<b>Worship Service 5</b>  <b>Gabfest</b>  <b>Pet Association's Home Tour</b>	<b>Grapevine 6</b> <b>New Image Fashions</b>  <b>Shuffleboard Ice Cream Truck</b>  <b>Concert Series: Linda Ronstadt Revival</b>	<b>Social Board Mtg 7</b>  <b>Solo's Concert - We3</b>  <b>Diabetes Empowerment</b>  <b>Food Handler's Class 12pm</b>  <b>Silversmith Sale</b>	<b>Rock &amp; Gem's Chicken Cordon Bleu Dinner 8</b>  <b>Fired Clay Arts Pet Tiles</b>  <b>Mob Class</b>	<b>Bingo 9</b>  <b>Pickleball VS Mesa Fire Throwdown</b>  <b>Marketplace</b>  <b>Grilled Cheese &amp; Creamy Tomato Basil Soup</b>  <b>Health Seminar</b>  <b>Sunshine Carvers Ice Cream Social</b>	<b>Friday Night Dance 10</b>  <b>T.G.I.R: Karaoke</b>  <b>Tennis Bake &amp; Rummage Sale</b>  <b>Chef's Cooking Class - Sushi</b>  <b>Friday Seminar</b>	<b>Pickleball Grill 11</b> <b>Sewing Club &amp; Fired Clay Arts Open House</b> <b>Rock &amp; Gem Biscuits &amp; Gravy</b>  <b>Woodshop Raffle Draw</b>
<b>Worship Service 12</b>  <b>Gabfest</b>  <b>Musical Jam</b>	<b>Shuffleboard Ice Cream Truck 13</b>  <b>Club Budgets Due</b>  <b>Brady Goss in Concert</b>  <b>Sewing Club Raffle Begins</b>	<b>Bocce's French Dip 14</b>  <b>Sunshine Carvers Poker Run</b>  <b>Karaoke Kor ner</b>  <b>Valentine's Day Cruise Ship Variety Show</b>	<b>Rhapsody 5k 15</b> <b>Annual Mtg 1 pm</b>  <b>Glass Art Chicken Parmesan Dinner</b>  <b>Mystery Trip</b>  <b>Mob Class</b>  	<b>Condo Board Organizational Mtg 16</b>  <b>Woodshop Raffle Draw</b>  <b>Bingo</b>  <b>Health Summit</b>	<b>Condo Board Orientation Mtg 17</b>  <b>T.G.I.R: Name That tune</b>  <b>Friday Night Dance</b>  <b>Friday Seminar</b>	<b>Softball's Hamburger BBQ 18</b>  <b>Library Used Book Sale</b>  <b>Putting Tournament</b>  <b>Silversmith Make &amp; Take</b>
<b>Worship Service 19</b>  <b>Gabfest</b>  <b>Table Tennis Root Beer Floats 1-3pm</b>	<b>Grapevine 20</b> <b>Condo Board Budget Mtg</b>  <b>Meet the Social Board Candidates</b>  <b>Shuffleboard Ice Cream Truck</b>  <b>Concert Series: Mick Adams &amp; the Stones</b>  <b>Fired Clay Arts Afterglow</b>	<b>Condo Board Budget Mtg 21</b>  <b>Social Board Mtg</b>  <b>Shuffleboard Pork Dinner</b>  <b>Mardi Gras Golf Cart Parade 2pm</b>	<b>Condo Board Budget Mtg 22</b>  <b>Sunshine Carvers Ice Cream Social</b>  <b>Tennis Taco Salad</b>  <b>Mardi Gras Street Dance</b>  <b>Mob Class</b>	<b>Condo Board Budget Mtg 23</b>  <b>Fleas &amp; Bees</b>  <b>Bingo</b>  <b>Health Seminar</b>  <b>Pastrami on Rye Lunch</b>	<b>Condo Board Budget Mtg 24</b>  <b>Friday Night Dance</b>  <b>T.G.I.R: Karaoke</b>  <b>Friday Seminar</b>	<b>Pickleball Grill 25</b>  <b>Hams at Heart Matinee Show</b>  <b>Pet Association Root Beer Floats</b>
<b>Worship Service 26</b>  <b>Gabfest</b>	<b>Shuffleboard Ice Cream Truck 27</b>  <b>Hams at Heart Show</b>  <b>Social Board Budget Mtg</b>  <b>Glass Arts Raffle Begins</b>	<b>Social Board Budget Mtg 28</b>  <b>Hams at Heart Show</b>  <b>Fired Clay Art's Salmon</b>  <b>Chronic Pain</b>  <b>Blood Drive</b>				

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>Sewing Club Fashion Show &amp; Luncheon 1</b> <b>Social Board</b> <b>Friendly Feud</b> <b>Mob Class</b> <b>Sewing Club Raffle Draw</b>	<b>Condo Board Budget Mtg 2</b> <b>Bingo</b> <b>Moto Expo &amp; Car Show Show</b> <b>Rock &amp; Gem Sloppy Joe</b> <b>Health Seminar</b>	<b>Newcomers Orientation 3</b> <b>Recreation Lunch Buffet</b> <b>Friday Seminar</b> <b>Social Board Budget Mtg</b> <b>T.G.I.R: Trivia</b> <b>Friday Night Dance</b> <b>Free Dental Consult</b>	<b>Pool Room's Jumbo Hot Dogs 4</b> <b>Hams at Heart Show</b> <b>Silversmith Make &amp; Take</b>
<b>Worship Service 5</b> <b>Gabfest</b> <b>Pet Association's Scavenger Hunt</b>	<b>Grapevine 6</b> <b>Pickleball In-Park Tournament</b> <b>New Image Fashions</b> <b>Shuffleboard Ice Cream Truck</b> <b>Concert Series: Kevin Johnson</b> <b>Social Board Budget Mtg</b>	<b>Pickleball In-Park Tournament 7</b> <b>Social Board Mtg</b> <b>Shuffleboard TBD</b> <b>Sunshine Carver's Poker Run</b> <b>Social Board Budget Mtg</b> <b>Chronic Pain</b>	<b>Pickleball In-Park Tournament 8</b> <b>Condo Board Town Hall Meeting 3:00 pm</b> <b>Electronics Enchilada Dinner</b> <b>Mob Class</b>	<b>Marketplace 9</b> <b>Bingo</b> <b>Health Seminar</b> 	<b>T.G.I.R: Karaoke 10</b> <b>Friday Night Dance</b> <b>Chef's Cooking Class - Rustic Italian 2pm</b> <b>Friday Seminar</b> <b>Electronics Raffle Begins</b>	<b>Pickleball Grill 11</b> <b>Creative Writing's Annual Reading</b> <b>Rock &amp; Gem Biscuits &amp; Gravy</b> <b>Glass Arts Raffle Begins</b>
<b>Worship Service 12</b> <b>Gabfest</b> 	<b>Shuffleboard Ice Cream Truck 13</b> <b>Recreation Not So Newlywed Game</b>	<b>Karaoke Kor ner 14</b> <b>Church Choir Show</b> <b>Food Handler's Class 2pm</b> <b>Chronic Pain</b>	<b>5K 15</b> <b>Street Dance</b> <b>Bocce Ball Mystery Trip</b> <b>Softball Chicken Stir fry</b> <b>Mob Class</b>	<b>Condo Board Mtg 16</b> <b>Bingo</b> <b>Fine Art Show &amp; Sale</b> <b>Lunch</b> <b>Health Seminar</b>	<b>T.G.I.R: Music Trivia 17</b> <b>Friday Night Dance</b> <b>Pet Association's St. Patrick's Day Lunch</b> <b>Friday Seminar</b>	<b>Softball Hamburger BBQ 18</b> <b>Library Used Book Sale</b> 
<b>Worship Service 19</b> <b>Gabfest</b>	<b>Grapevine 20</b> <b>Shuffleboard Ice Cream Truck</b> <b>Concert Series: Ted Virgil</b> <b>Fired Clay Arts After Glow</b>	<b>Annual Social Club Mtg 21</b> <b>Chronic Pain</b> 	<b>Friendly Feud 22</b> <b>Mob Class</b>	<b>Bingo 23</b> <b>Health Seminar</b>	<b>9x9 Mtg 24</b> <b>Recreation Lunch Buffet</b> <b>T.G.I.R: Karaoke</b> <b>Friday Night Dance</b> <b>Friday Seminar</b> <b>Electronics Raffle Draw</b>	<b>Year End Blowout 25</b> <b>Pickleball Grill</b>
<b>Worship Service 26</b> <b>Gabfest</b>	<b>Shuffleboard Ice Cream Truck 27</b> <b>New Image Fashions</b> <b>Tower Point Band</b>	<b>Social Board Mtg 28</b> <b>Chronic Pain</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>Bingo Ends 30</b> <b>Health Seminar</b>	<b>T.G.I.R: Trivia? 31</b> <b>Friday Night Dance</b> <b>Friday Seminar</b>	

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