

Governing Board candidate packets due Jan. 2

Members, just a reminder we are heading into Election season here in Sun City West. Petitions for those who wish to be a candidate in the Election are available now from the Governing Board Office in R.H. Johnson Rec Center.

Candidate petition packets must be returned by 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 2 to be eligible.

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Nadeen Manuel
Queen of Hypnosis

Queen of Hypnosis heads into Sun City West

The Rec Centers is excited to present Nadeen Manuel, the “Undisputed Queen of Hypnosis,” for two shows at 3 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive. Doors open at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$30 and go on sale at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12, at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

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Palm Ridge gets a little bit country for Christmas

The Rec Centers is happy to present A Country Christmas Show featuring Drew Baloh, a Garth Brooks Tribute band at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19, at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive. Doors will open at 3:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 and available at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

Get ready to kick up your boots and

embrace the festive season with a one-of-a-kind Christmas presentation that will leave you in a honkytonk holiday spirit like never before. Introducing a sensational new show, where cherished Christmas favorites collide with the soulful twang of country music, creating a heartwarming and toe-tapping experience that

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Close out 2023 with New Year's Dance

The Rec Centers is ready to ring in the New Year with dancing and entertainment from Highway 85 Band from 7 to 10:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.



The Highway 85 Band will perform at the New Year's Eve Dance.

Tickets cost \$35 per person and go on sale at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, at the

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Christmas in the Park
16 DEC 2023 | 9:00am - 12:00pm
Beardsley Park
Snow, Temp Tattoos, Christmas Crafts, Bounce Houses, Cookie Decorating, Build with Legos, Train Ride!
Tickets available Tuesday, October 31, 2023 at 8:00am Box Office & Online

Sleigh bells to ring at Beardsley Park

Feel the holiday spirit with the Recreation Centers of Sun City West as it welcomes Christmas in the Park at 9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, at Beardsley Park, 12755 W. Beardsley Road.

Tickets are free and will be issued for children only, however, Sun City West residents must show their rec card. Tickets are limited, so hurry to the R.H. Johnson Box Of-

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SCHEDULING WILL BE CLOSED for final upgrade of software
DECEMBER 4TH & 5TH
If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to kasey.huhta@suncitywest.com
We do ask that you please make sure any scheduled events for these 2 days are updated and complete on or before December 1st

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Newcomers is BACK
Wednesday, January 10, 2024

Time: 4—6pm (open house)
Location: Palm Ridge Recreation Center 13800 W. Deer Valley Dr
Please join us and learn about what the Recreation Centers have to offer in all departments as well as SCW Chartered Clubs, Board of Directors, Various service groups.



News & Events

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Friendly reminder

If you plan on attending any RCSCW events taking place at Beardsley Park, be aware that foldable/collapsible tables of any kind are not allowed in the park. If you need to sit at a table during an event, ramadas are available throughout the park. Items currently allowed to be brought into the park for events are lawn chairs and coolers with drinks and snacks.



The HiFi Allstars will perform at Palm Ridge Rec Center Jan. 26.

HiFi Allstars to rock Palm Ridge

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West is excited to bring back HiFi Allstars for a night of cool tunes and dancing at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive.

Tickets are \$20 and go on sale Tuesday, Dec. 12, at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Soda and water will be available for purchase.

HiFi Allstars is a “Hi” energy band covering multiple genres, including rock, pop, funk, country and rock and roll. They have performed at many SCW dances and the 2023 Cabaret Series under different show themes. Come out and enjoy the high energy tunes by HiFi Allstars.

Card drive delivers holiday spirit

Card Drive: Help make holidays brighter for our neighbors in Sun City West’s care centers!

With last year’s drive being so successful, the Recreation Centers of Sun City West is again planning to collect cards to ensure our neighbors in local care facilities and hospitals aren’t forgotten during the holidays.

The Holiday Card Drive will run from 8 a.m. Friday, Dec. 1, to noon on Friday, Dec. 8. To donate a card, simply write a kind, cheerful message on the inside of a holiday card. Include a festive greeting on the envelope. Do not seal it.

Beginning Dec. 1, we will have collection sites available at all four recreation centers and the R.H. Johnson Library. Please be sure to have your cards dropped off before noon Dec. 8. Although blank cards may be dropped off, we prefer you fill them out with a handwritten message.

After all the cards are collected, Rec Centers staff will separate them to ensure we have enough for each facility. The locations whose residents will be the recipients of your kindness are: Brookdale, Sol-

Holiday Card Drive!



Help us make the holidays a little brighter for our neighbors in Sun City West’s care centers & local hospitals!



The Rec Centers is collecting holiday cards and will present them to Brookdale, Solstice, Grandview Care, Avista, Sun City West Assisted Living, Sun West Choice, Heritage Legacy, as well as Del E. Webb and Boswell hospitals so they can ensure each of their residents has a holiday card!

Participating is easy!

- Write a kind, cheerful message in a holiday card.
- Include a festive greeting on the envelope. No need to seal.
- Drop the signed cards at any Rec Center or the Library **between Friday, Dec. 1, and noon, Friday, Dec. 8.**

stice, Grandview Care Center, Avista, Sun City West Assisted Living, Sun West Choice, and Heritage Legacy. Both Del E. Webb and Boswell hospitals also will receive cards. Feedback from the locations last year was very positive and they are looking forward to this

year’s drop off, with some already calling to ensure we are doing it again!

Thank you in advance for those of you able to make Christmas, Hanukkah and the holiday seasons cheerful and bright for our neighbors in Sun City West!

February Dance to feature Faded Jeans

Shake off the winter blues with one of the Valley’s best cover bands – Faded Jeans – at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive.

Tickets are \$20 per person and go on sale Tuesday, Dec. 19, at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Soda and water will be available for purchase.



Faded Jeans will perform at Palm Ridge Rec Center.

Faded Jeans is an energetic, five-piece electric band that has connected

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Rec Centers welcomes John Denver tribute

Follow those “Country Roads” to Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive, as the Recreation Centers of Sun City West proudly welcomes Jim Curry’s tribute to the music of John Denver on Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Tickets for the two-show event – 3 and 7 p.m. – are \$30 and go on sale Tuesday, Dec. 5, at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

The music of the late John Denver is like an old friend, outlasting trends and standing the test of time. Join acclaimed performer – Curry – for this tribute to the music of one of the most beloved singer/songwriters ever to



Jim Curry’s tribute to John Denver will be Jan. 16.

grace the stage.

Curry, whose voice was heard in the CBS-TV movie “Take Me Home: The John Denver Story,” has performed

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Spring Fest returns with 3 hot acts

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West is happy to bring back its popular Spring Fest at Beardsley Park, 12755 W. Beardsley Road.

The three-night event kicks off at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 7, and runs through Saturday, March 9. It will feature The Heart of Rock n' Roll; George Michael Reborn; and One of These Nights – a tribute to the Eagles. Gates open at 5 p.m.

Ticket packages for all three shows is \$54 per person, or \$22 per person for individual shows. Tickets go on sale at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23, at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

Full concessions will be available at the March 7 and 9 shows and includes hamburgers, brats, hot dogs, ice cream, popcorn, water, soda and chips.

The March 8 show will have an assortment of food trucks and partial concessions – ice cream, popcorn, and water. Non-ticket holders are welcome to visit the food trucks and grab a bite.

MARCH 7

The Heart of Rock n' Roll

The Heart of Rock & Roll is a top-tier show band that goes beyond mere tribute with a Las Vegas level frontman who brings to life the look and sound of Huey Lewis & the News so accurately, he's fooled more than a few fans.

Made up of seven talented professionals, expandable to include a three-piece horn section, The Heart of Rock n' Roll has headlined coast to coast and brings an infectious blend of rock, pop, blues and soul to fans around the country. With unforgettable hits like, "Hip to be Square," "Stuck With You," "Workin For a Livin'," "I Want a New Drug," "The Power of Love," and "The Heart of Rock & Roll," audiences will feel transported "Back in Time" as they enjoy the full Huey Lewis & The News live concert experience.

MARCH 8

George Michael Reborn

The incredible George Michael Reborn, a WHAM! tribute to the late, great legend! This show is a must-see! Robert Bartko exudes the energy and passion of George in the '80s and '90s getting the crowd on the dance floor for "Wake Me



The Heart of Rock n' Roll

Up Before You Go-Go" and prompting standing ovations for his performance of "Careless Whisper." He even gets the fans involved! Robert is a spot-on George Michael lookalike, with the vocal range, dance moves, crowd interaction, and charisma that will leave you cheering for an encore. Close your eyes and you'll swear you're listening to the real deal, not a George Michael impersonator!

The following food trucks will be on hand during the March 8 concert:

Chew Philly - The only "Philly Food Truck" specializing in authentic Philly cheesesteaks in Phoenix area. Chew Philly is more than just a place to grab a sandwich, the owner is born and raised in south Philly and serves the same Philadelphia cheesesteaks he grew up on. Together with his wife and their passion for food they



strive to give the customers a unique food truck experience and get a taste of Philly here in Arizona. They will also add their gourmet cheeseburgers to Spring Fest!

Johnny Dog - Johnny Dog is an Arizona family run business serving gourmet hot dogs and live events catering since 2012. From start to finish our delicious fresh food will ensure your guests leaves with a smile. We bring you nothing but the highest quality products and exceptional fast friendly customer service.

Lobstar - With lots of love put into this old age concept

with a new age fresh look, being able to provide a one-of-a-kind New England seafood lobster food truck is our ultimate goal. What sets Lobstar aside from the rest is their lobsters are shipped straight from Maine and the New England coast, providing the most authentic and ultimate culinary experience. While others might claim they have the most authentic product, Lobstar ensures diners their New England seafood comes straight from the source.

Re Di Roma – Wood Fired Pizza - After 12 years of cooking in Rome, pizzaiolo Oualid

Ferhati brings authentic wood-fired pizza napoletana, fresh pasta, salad, and dessert to the Phoenix area. Their food is made from scratch using the freshest, highest quality ingredients.

Sanchos Tacos - Sanchos Tacos is no stranger to Sun City West and they are coming back for Spring Fest! Family operated and highly booked across the valley, Sanchos Tacos will fulfill your Mexican food cravings from their carne asada, chicken, al pastor, you name it!

MARCH 9

One of These Nights – a tribute to The Eagles

Get transported back to the golden era of classic rock as One of These Nights takes the stage! This extraordinary tribute band brings to life the timeless music of the Eagles, one of the most iconic and beloved rock bands in American history. With their impeccable musicianship and uncanny ability to capture the essence of the Eagles' sound, One of These Nights, promises an unforgettable night of nostalgia and pure musical bliss.

Led by the talented John Waxman on lead guitar and vocals; JD Madrid on guitar and lead vocals; Clayton Birtcher on lead guitar; Justin Brotman on bass and vocals; Steve Shostak on keyboard and vocals; and Ross Brotman on drums; this exceptional ensemble pays homage to The Eagles with unparalleled passion and precision.

Prepare to be swept away by the familiar melodies of timeless hits such as "Hotel California," "Take It Easy," "Desperado," "Lyn' Eyes," and many more. One of These Nights captures the spirit and essence of The Eagles, channeling their unique blend of rock, country, and folk into an unforgettable live experience.





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RCSCW is fiscally transparent, accountable and verifiable

Life here in Sun City West is full of opportunities for pursuing hobbies, recreation, social events, exercise and stimulating activities. We are blessed to live in such a vibrant community. However, a vibrant community just doesn't happen; it takes a lot of behind-the-scenes hard work by the hired staff and the 55 volunteers who make up our committees.

The Governing Board takes its fiduciary responsibilities seriously. We strictly adhere to our policies and procedures that provide transparency, accountability, and verification.



Tim Hurley
President

Fiscal Transparency

The General Manager and his staff are tasked by the Governing Board to handle the day-to-day operations of our seven golf courses, four recreation centers, library, and Sports Pavilion. What the General Manager can and cannot do is specified by our bylaws and policies. The annual budget is reviewed by the various committees, the Governing Board, and public forums no fewer than 50 times. Each iteration of the proposed budget is posted on the Association website.

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Keeping the Torch lit



Governing Board Director Terry Hamman, left, was presented a certificate from the Governing Board thanking him for his work over the years with the TORCH committee. Presenting the award was Governing Board President Tim Hurley.

Talk with the GB President

Have questions, comments or concerns for the Governing Board? GB President Tim Hurley would like to hear them!

President Hurley will have office hours once a month from 10 a.m. to noon: Dec. 4; Jan. 8; Feb. 5; March 4; April 1; May 6; and June 3. Residents may also visit with President Hurley by appointment.

For information, contact executive assistant Karen Roepken at karen.roepken@suncitywest.com or call 623-544-6115.



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MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

The next **Governing Board Workshop** will be at **9 a.m. Dec. 8** in the **Lecture Hall**. The **GB Regular Meeting** will be at **9 a.m. Dec. 21** in the **Lecture Hall**. The next **GM Operations meeting** will be **1:30 p.m. Dec. 4** in the **Village Meeting Room**. Meetings are available online at suncitywest.com and youtube.com/suncitywestaz. The schedule is subject to change. Call 623-544-6115 for meeting dates and other information. Visit suncitywest.com and sign up for the eNews to receive the latest information.



Hear some great tunes at December's Talent Spotlight.

Talent Spotlight rocks Kuentz

Talent Spotlight is back with holiday flair! Join the Rec Centers of Sun City West at 11 a.m. at the Kuentz Courtyard for an hour of fun.

Our lineup for December is:

Dec. 6 - Singer/guitarist Tony Miller

Dec. 13 - Singer/keyboardist Dave Mrocek

Dec. 20 - Singer/ukelele Kathy Clary

For questions, contact Dori Miller at 623-544-6031 or dori.miller@suncitywest.com.

December tours of rec centers set

Join us for tours of our Rec Centers in December. Learn where the clubs are located plus see the pools and exercise rooms. All tours start at 9 a.m.

Dec. 4, 18 – Beardsley, meet in front of the Arts/Crafts Building. Tour takes approximately one hour.

Dec. 5, 19 – Palm Ridge, meet in front of the Pool Building. Tour takes approximately one hour.

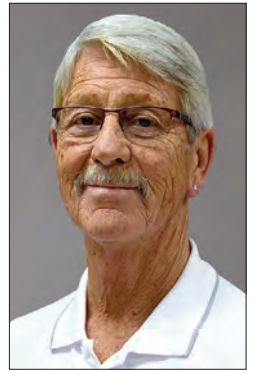
Dec. 6, 20 – Kuentz, meet in front of the

Stardust Theatre. Tour takes approximately one hour.

Dec. 7, 21 – R.H. Johnson, meet in front of the Social Hall. Tour takes approximately two hours.

Dec. 12 – Tour Library, Metal Shop, and Agriculture Club. Tour takes approximately 90 minutes.

For questions, call Tim Peterson at 623-544-6194.



Tim Peterson

Beware of holiday elves lurking in Sun City West!

Find six elves to the enter raffle

For residents who love scavenger hunts, the Rec Centers have the perfect free event!

Elves will be hiding at all rec centers from Dec. 4 to Dec. 14.

Follow the rules carefully below:

You must find all six elves (do not remove them)

Each elf will give you a clue of where to find the next one!

Keep track of the names of each elf

When you have found all the elves, go to the box office and inform staff the names of all elves.

You will be entered into a raffle for the grand prize!

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Enjoy Christmas in the Park

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...fice, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., while they last.

The Rec Centers also would like to thank the event's sponsors – Edward Jones and Sun Canyon Bank.



December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Rec Center News Submission Deadline	2
3	4 Tour Beardsley, 9 am GB President Hours 10 am-Noon GM Ops Meeting, 1:30 pm	5 Tour Palm Ridge 9 am Budget & Finance Committee Meeting 9 am Chartered Clubs Committee Meeting 1:30 pm	6 Tour Kuentz, 9 am Talent Spotlight - Tony Miller, 11 am, Kuentz	7 Tour RH Johnson 9 am Properties Committee 9 am	8 GB Workshop, 9 am	9
10	11 Torch Committee 10:30 am	12 Tour Library, Metal & Agriculture Clubs 9 am December Dance - HiFi Allstars, 7 pm Palm Ridge	13 Talent Spotlight - Dave Mrocek, 11 am, Kuentz Sports Pavilion Committee Meeting 1:30 pm	14 Golf Committee Meeting, 1:30 pm	15	16 Holiday in the Park 9 am, Beardsley Park
17	18 Tour Beardsley, 9 am	19 Tour Palm Ridge, 9 am Budget & Finance Committee Meeting, 9 am Chartered Clubs Committee Meeting, 1:30 pm Country Christmas Show 4 pm, Palm Ridge	20 Tour Kuentz, 9 am Talent Spotlight - Kathy Clarys, 11 am, Kuentz	21 Tour RH Johnson 9 am Regular GB Meeting 9 am	22	23
24 Christmas Eve Sports Pavilion Closed	25 Christmas Day Admin, Membership, Sports Pavilion, Rec Centers Closed	26 Christmas observed Admin, Membership Closed Special Elections Committee Meeting, 9 am	27	28	29	30
31 New Year's Eve New Year's Eve Dance 7 pm, Palm Ridge						

To confirm Governing Board activities, call 623-544-6115.



September 2023 Financials

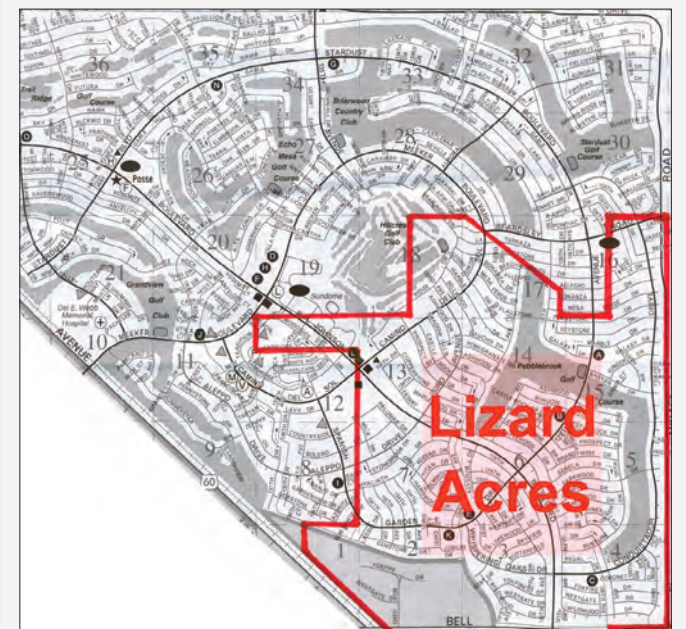


OPERATING REVENUES	September Actual	September Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD PY
Membership	1,197,351	1,196,798	3,602,640	3,591,696	3,408,211
Recreation	5,029	15,678	12,145	22,651	21,571
Golf Fees	373,740	360,271	999,910	1,005,162	963,588
Bowling	53,901	69,411	101,273	112,944	127,301
Special Events	16,158	4,375	15,503	3,721	2,928
Ancillary Revenue	99,671	75,972	164,130	166,301	173,485
Merchandise Sales	(4,014)	7,415	1,662	17,970	17,114
Food and Beverage	40,466	28,753	91,364	66,675	74,235
Interest Income - Operating	0	0	77,476	70,867	826
Other Income	0	54	267	138	247
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	1,782,302	1,758,727	5,066,370	5,058,125	4,789,506
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Wages And Benefits	1,407,274	1,393,996	4,138,974	4,258,041	3,842,768
Utilities	273,834	247,228	859,915	741,635	720,030
Repair and Maintenance	225,337	215,690	641,201	595,321	527,086
Landscape Maintenance	569,034	527,138	810,311	714,597	814,127
Supplies and Services	67,710	77,757	161,049	198,045	193,675
Equipment	34,081	3,201	61,218	84,406	47,148
Taxes and Insurance	65,339	64,951	196,724	202,098	189,401
Interest & Financial Expense	31,569	32,971	103,593	95,109	91,339
Operating Expenses	27,814	79,379	137,338	186,172	166,610
Legal and Professional	9,611	10,097	52,904	50,808	46,750
Employee Related Expenses	8,495	21,743	39,482	62,687	42,799
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	2,720,098	2,674,151	7,202,709	7,188,919	6,681,733
OPERATING CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW)	(937,796)	(915,424)	(2,136,339)	(2,130,794)	(1,892,227)
CAPITAL RELATED					
Investment Income-Reserves	86,041	40,910	(10,335)	122,102	112,147
Unrealized Gain (Loss) Investments	(599,086)	0	(508,375)	0	(1,320,091)
Club Funded Capital	0	0	0	0	14,622
Asset Preservation Fee	321,100	359,220	1,253,960	1,191,336	1,072,900
Estimated Reserve Fund Allocation	81,269	82,009	242,984	245,008	287,921
Gain / (Loss) on Asset Disposal	23,425	0	20,650	0	30,000
Depreciation Expense	(425,891)	(440,440)	(1,257,173)	(1,235,256)	(1,107,477)
TOTAL CAPITAL RELATED	(513,142)	41,699	(258,289)	323,190	(909,978)
REVENUES OVER / (UNDER) EXPENSES	(1,450,938)	(873,725)	(2,394,628)	(1,807,604)	(2,802,205)
Capital Project Expenditures	2,055,848	1,875,000	5,434,071	2,754,000	1,998,774

Financials are preliminary until accepted by the Governing Board.
Complete financial statements are posted monthly on suncitywest.com

Fiscal Year 22-23 Capital Projects \$100K or Higher - as of 9/30/23		
Project/Equipment	Budget	Total
General/Administration		
Recreation / Sports Pavilion		
RJH Parking Lot #3 - Mill & Resurface	1,063,000	918,252
Beardsley Arts & Crafts Parking Lot Mill & Resurface	517,000	287,684
Bowling Lanes Overlay/Replacement	278,226	310,528
Bocce Courts Flooring Replacement	207,480	105,858
RHJ Pool Deck Resurface	205,516	205,530
Beardsley Cardio Equip Treadmills(6)/Crosstrainers (4)	123,600	0
Bowling Ball Returns Replacement	108,948	108,948
Golf		
Grandview Irrigation Replacement	3,093,944	2,486,481
Golf Maintenance Equipment	985,889	99,954
Golf Maintenance Equipment - Carryover	308,882	186,251
Grandview Irrigation & Turf Reduction	258,949	40,512
Stardust #14 Lake Shoreline Repair	250,403	0
Echo Mesa Irrigation R&R Design Work	206,000	17,165
Golf Maint Vehicles	169,593	58,215
Trail Ridge Pro Shop Parking Lot Mill & Resurface	174,000	0
Grandview Pro Shop Parking Lot Mill & Resurface	168,000	238,696
Golf Carts (20)	123,600	0

Includes Carryover Budget and/or savings allocated by GM



The southeast corner of Sun City West was once home to Lizard Acres, one of the most successful cattle operations in the Southwest.

A Walk Through Sun Cities History

'Jumpin' Jehosophat! The Lizard Acres story

In 1971 and 1972, as Sun City was being completed, the Del E. Webb Development Company (DEVCO) purchased 13,000 acres of land to the west for eventual development. The purchase included 15 parcels of land owned separately. One of those parcels has an intriguing history—the area known as Lizard Acres.

Lizard Acres was the nickname for the Circle One Livestock Company, a 1,800 -acre cattle feed lot owned by E.S. Spurlock and J.C. "Charlie" Wetzler. The story goes that in the 1940s, as the two men drove over the land that would eventually become Sun City West, Spurlock is reported to have exclaimed, "Jumpin' Jehosophat. This country isn't fit for raising any-

thing but lizards." These 1800 acres, however, raised far more than lizards!

In September 1944, Mark Gemmill, from Prescott, was hired as foreman for the Circle One Livestock Company. He, his wife Gloria, and their infant son moved, first to a trailer on the ranch and later, built a home there, where they lived for the next 30 years, until their house was demolished to make room for the retirement community of Sun City West.

The Gemmill home was one of three dwellings and a dozen trailers and tents that housed up to 45 employees at the height of the ranch activity. Life was initially quite primitive. Everyone had to share one outhouse!

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Phone Numbers



<p>MAIN TELEPHONE NUMBER: 623-544-6000 (All numbers have 623 area code unless otherwise noted)</p>	<p>544-6147 Men's Club: 544-6150 Metal Club: 584-0150 Model Railroad: 544-6148 Rip 'N' Sew: 546-4050 Silvercraft: 584-8153</p>	<p>12755 Beardsley Road at Stardust Boulevard Pool/Fitness/Mini Golf: 544-6525 Bridge Club: 544-6529 Clay Club: 544-6530 Glass Fusing & Enameling: 544-6532 Horseshoe: 215-5807 Photography: 544-6520 Porcelain Painters: 544-6521</p>	<p>Weavers: 544-6515 Woodworking: 546-4722</p> <p>PALM RIDGE REC CENTER: 544-6581 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive Swimming Pool/Fitness: 544-6581 Computers West: 214-1546 Stained Glass: 544-6586</p>	<p>Crooked Putter: 544-6090 PEBBLEBROOK: 544-6010 STARDUST: 544-6012 TRAIL RIDGE: 544-6015 Course Conditions: 544-6175 Golf Operations: 544-6037</p>
<p>RH JOHNSON REC CENTER: 544-6000 19803 R.H. Johnson Blvd. Fitness Center: 544-6107 Swimming Pool: 544-6106 Tennis Reservations: 544-6151 Mini Golf, Table Tennis, Racquetball, Bocce: 544-6108 Auto Restoration: 518-3226 Broadcast: 602-538-1031 Ceramics: 546-0975 Lapidary: 584-8952 Lawn Bowls: 584-0617 or</p>	<p>RH JOHNSON LIBRARY: 544-6130 Data Resource Center: 544-6644</p> <p>SPORTS PAVILION (Bowling): 544-6140 Lizard Acres: 544-6097 Memo's Bistro: 544-6116</p> <p>BEARDSLEY REC CENTER: 544-6525</p>	<p>KUENTZ REC CENTER: 544-6561 14401 R.H. Johnson Blvd. Swimming Pool/Fitness: 544-6561 Softball: 544-6157, 544-6158</p>	<p>GOLF OPERATIONS: Tee Time Reservations: scw.totalegolf.com DEER VALLEY: 544-6016 DESERT TRAILS: 544-6017 ECHO MESA: 544-6014 GRANDVIEW: 544-6013</p>	<p>ADMINISTRATION General Manager: 544-6110 Human Resources: 544-6123 Member Services: 544-6100 Rec Center News: 544-6519 Recreation Manager: 544-6114 Scheduling: 544-6032 Tours: 544-6030 Box Office: 544-6093 CC&Rs: 544-6661</p>



Club Contacts

For more information visit scwclubs.com to access each club's website



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Includes: Bid Euchre: Darrell Stachler 513-433-8230; Euchre, Diana Ringsmuth: 602-908-3425; Five Hundred, Dan & Karen Luska: 815-919-4742; Pan, Sheryl Cohen: 562-713-2367; Sheepshead, Rodney Schwarzhuber: 262-352-3810; Scott Hennecke: 623-243-9512 • Club 52 Card Club, Dana Sledd: 253-670-5850 • Cribbage, Robert Asher: 632-266-3835 • Mah Jongg, Barb McCart: 623-330-5708 • Pinochle, Louis Bonar: 847-404-9835 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday Night Gamesters, Larry Bosma: 701-729-1572 <p>DANCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country Western, Maureen Riter: 719-235-2420 • Line Dancers, Patti Anderson, 701-371-6392 • Rock 'n' Roll Dance, Debbie Gould: 602-376-0175 <p>HEALTH & FITNESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aquacizers, Debra Etheridge: 828-773-9186 • Arthritis Club, Mary Jo Monten: 623-975-6671 • Energetic Exercise, Gloria Schroeder: 623-986-9392 • Fitness Club, Marilyn Shaw: 541-980-4444 • Water Fitness, Sandra Forsey: 623-261-7889 • Yoga, Teri Huff: 360-901-7969 <p>HOBBIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture, Jesse Ruskowsky: 623-440-5557 • Automotive Restoration, Tom Jones: 503-887-3430 • Broadcast, John Christianson: 847-533-6958 • Computers West, Norm Falcone: 360-250-2382 • Desert Garden Club, David Wiegand: 715-370-4789 • Investment Club, Jamie Gunyuz: 623-293-0238; includes Coin & Stamp 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Model Railroad, Bob Rose: 623-826-3448 • Recreational Vehicle, Don Lothrop: 623-414-2940 • Rockhounds West, Joseph Toce: 608-797-1151 <p>MUSIC & PERFORMANCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DanceSensations, Sandy Gruin: 480-321-9652. Includes: Barre/Ballet, Hula, Jazz, Musical Theatre, Tap, Clogging, Jazzy Poms, Tai Chi and Pilates • Karaoke, Byron Brothers: 719-291-0379 • Music Club of Sun City West, Cameron Craig: 303-324-4787 • Stardust Theatre Council, Aletha Dellamo: 623-363-6612 • Theatre West, Frances DeWell: 623-680-1605 • Westernaires Chorus, Ken Kunze: 402-366-7377 <p>SOCIAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boomers, Pam Kiest: 815-228-8585 • Canine Companions, Peggy Hunter: 623-734-2209 • LGBT Club, Patty Book: 970-556-3745 • Men's Social, Jack Huff: 544-6150 • Singles Club, Carol Sarna: 602-422-0361 • Spanish, David Hodnik: 320-492-0725 • Sunshine Animal Club, Diane Cloud: 425-409- 	<p>1365</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Social Club, Julie Koehn: 480-235-2400 • Zymurgy, Jacquelyn Ryg: 815-218-1002 <p>SPORTS - GOLF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deer Valley Men, Ray Passarella: 920-579-0651 • Deer Valley Women, Teresa Pirkel: 608-220-7404 • Desert Trails Men, Dean Jaacks: 712-899-0575 • Desert Trails Women, Jane Heydt, 701-391-8526 • Echo Mesa Men, Curtis Cooper: 253-397-7702 • Echo Mesa Women, Janis Nesper: 920-323-3117 • Golf Council SCW, Jim Anderson: 425-750-9258 • Grandview Men, John Lundien: 503-947-4344 • Grandview Women, Tina Walker: 602-620-2127 • Lady Putters SCW, Tracy Anderson: 503-559-0361 • Men's Niners, Tim Flynn: 480-334-2237 • Men's Putters, Carl Kempf: 574-360-1526 • Pebblebrook Men, Jay Nimens: 218-289-2695 • Pebblebrook Women, Shay Eikner: 970-420-1177 • Pebblebrook Lady Niners, Sue Bromley: 225-326-3628 • Stardust Men's, Bill Messersmith: 818-219-8202 • Stardust Ladies, Rebekah Minton: 360-789-8628; Gail Selander: 	<p>425-375-3552</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail Ridge Men, Richard Coon: 623-223-6179 • Trail Ridge Women, Terri Stauffer-Schmidt: 217-685-5763 <p>SPORTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bocce, Carol Card: 207-951-3831 • Bowlers Association, Jim Maley: 708-254-0236 • Cyclists, Kerrie Johnson: 480-427-7754 • Horseshoe Club, Arlin Bates: 605-939-5757 • Johnson Lawn Bowls, Tracy Anderson: 503-559-0361 • Mini Golf, Harry Abramowski: 623-374-2993 • Pickleball, Coleen Schaefer: 503-348-7650 • Racquetball/Whisperball, Greg Steger: 563-271-3053 • Softball, Nicholas Misos: 574-551-4969 • Sportsman's, Audrey Graff: 623-238-3499; includes Master Swimmers, Diane Heisner: 248-703-8242 • Tennis Club, Bruce Dougan: 763-370-9795; includes: Platform Tennis, Butch Lynd: 618-581-0729; Table Tennis, Debra Ross: 602-330-6224 <p><i>Chartered Clubs leadership is subject to change. The list will be updated as necessary. Call 544-6031.</i></p>
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Enjoy festive tunes at St. Patrick's Day Show

Get ready to don some green and celebrate with a festive St. Patrick's Day Show featuring the Irish-inspired band Kilted Spirit at noon Friday, March 15, at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive. Doors open at 11:30 a.m.

Tickets are \$15 per person and go on sale at 8 a.m. Tuesday, January 30, at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19801 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

Limited concessions will include popcorn, soda and water. Kilted Spirit has entertained audiences around Phoenix for about 14 years with lively and rowdy renditions of Irish and Scottish music, as well as classic and modern rock covers.

The band has performed at many Irish pubs, the Phoenix and Prescott Highland games, the Fountain Hills and Phoenix St. Patrick's Day festivals,



Kilted Spirit will perform at the St. Patrick's Day Show March 15.

Desert Botanical Garden, Lone Butte Casino, restaurants, wineries, weddings, and private events.

Led by multi-instrumentalist and vocalist Colleen Collins, the

band typically consists of female vocals, acoustic and electric guitars, fiddle, Irish flute, tin whistle and bouzouki, fiddle,

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Music on Green slates winter lineup

Join the Recreation Centers of Sun City West on the R.H. Johnson Great Lawn Wednesday evenings for a handful of free great acts in January and February.

No tickets are required and shows begin at 6 p.m.

The Rec Centers would like to thank its Music on the Green sponsors STATZ Agency and Sun Canyon Bank.

The upcoming schedule includes the following shows:



Priscilla Rose Band

JAN. 10

Priscilla Rose Band

The Priscilla Rose Band is a four-piece group, based in the West Valley, who plays a variety of classic rock and pop tunes, guaranteed to help you dance the night away! Keyboardist and vocalist Priscilla Pinches grew up along the east coast and has been a piano and voice teacher for more than 40

years. She has performed at the White House under two Administrations. Guitarist and vocalist Rich La Rose grew up outside Syracuse, NY, and studied jazz composition and arranging in college. Bassist Fabian Cetrone hails from Motown and started his music career in the '60s. He played rhythm-and-blues bands in Detroit, Canada, and northern Ohio. He also worked with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Drummer and percussionist Dan Seabreeze is from the Seattle area. With more than 40 years experience, Seabreeze enjoys working with jazz and concert bands, pop groups, and chorales. Follow the Priscilla Rose Band on Facebook.

JAN. 24

Salty Dawgs

The Salty Dawgs are a Sun City Grand folk group that has been providing high energy entertainment for West Valley audiences for the past six years.



Salty Dawgs



Groove Therapy Band

FEB. 7

The Groove Therapy Band

Therapy reduces stress, improves mood and self-expression. The Groove Therapy Band does all that for you with rock, country, blues and swing tunes.

FEB. 21



Many Sounds of 9 - Southwest

Many Sounds of 9 - Southwest

Winner of the Northwest Big Band competition and placing second in the Final for the United States, the Rec Centers is sure you will love the nine musicians in this big band.

Stardust Theatre

Welcome to the 2023-24 season of Stardust Theatre. After a warm and restful summer, we are ready to provide more stellar entertainment for the Sun City West residents and their guests again this year.

DEC. 1-4

Westernaires presents: Let the Lights Shine!

A Holiday musical celebration from the outstanding choral group, conducted by Sylvia Collins. Come listen to some of your favorite Holiday music accompanied by live musicians. Performances are at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1; Saturday, Dec. 2; and Monday, Dec. 4. Sunday, Dec. 3, matinee at 2 p.m.

MONDAY, DEC. 4, 8 A.M.

Theatre West's "See How They Run" tickets go on sale

Tickets go on sale for Theatre West's production of "See How They Run" by Philip King on Monday, Dec. 4. This uproarious comedy will be very popular, so be sure to get your tickets as soon as you can!

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13, 2 P.M.

Music Club monthly meeting

The Music Club holds its monthly meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 13. The performance will begin around 2 p.m. featuring Ben Bolt.

EVERY FRIDAY, 10 A.M.

Photography West Weekly Meeting

Every Friday at 10 a.m. the Photography West Club offers an exhibition of photographs with sound added of exotic trips and photo shoots taken by their membership. You do not need to be a member to watch the show.

EVERY THURSDAY, 6:30 P.M.

Friends of the R.H. Johnson Library present movies

Come out and enjoy first run or classic movies. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. No tickets are necessary, but a \$3 donation is requested. Your donation supports our phenomenal R.H. Johnson Library.

Tickets to paying events may be purchased at suncitywest.com, Things To Do/Events/Buy Tickets, or from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd. Stardust Theatre Box Office in the lobby is only open one hour before each show time. Hearing assist devices are available for every show.

For questions, contact Production Coordinator Robert Bubon at 623-544-6563.

Rec Centers' stop signs: Stop means stop!

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West reminds residents that stop signs placed on Association property are there for residents' and staff members' safety and must be heeded.

Of particular concern are the stop signs along the driveway in the R.H. Johnson Recreation Center parking lot - from the Meeker Boulevard entrance all the way to Fry's. The stop signs and the speed bumps are there for safety. The issue heightens this time of year as pedestrian

traffic gets heavier and more residents make their way from the parking lot into the buildings.

The Rec Centers is seeing an increase in golf carts driving on the sidewalk; various vehicles ignoring or driving over the stop signs; and cut-through traffic speeding on their way to Fry's. Please remember, this is a parking lot, not a street.

We appreciate your assistance in helping us keep everyone safe.

Happy Camp returns in March 2024

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West are proud to announce the return of Happy Camp in March of 2024 for the grandchildren of Sun City West residents. This program is coordinated through the Events Department and the clubs of Sun City West.

For the first time, the Rec Centers will waive the child's guest pass for all club activities. The only exceptions involve the purchase of bowling games at the

R.H. Johnson Bowling alley and child guest passes for access to the pool at the R.H. Johnson Recreation Center. Individual clubs may charge an activity fee (see calendar of events).

Happy Camp provides a variety of activities that enlighten and entertain children of all ages. It gives Sun City West residents an opportunity to share with their grandchildren the fun and excitement of activities such as flight simulator,

broadcasting, auto restoration, desert gardening and panning for "gold." Craft activities include artistic lettering and card design, decorative arts, sewing, as well as acquiring skills of beading, weaving, clay sculpting, ceramics and much more.

The children can also participate in a variety of physical activities such as fitness classes, Hula dancing, pickleball, softball, and bocce.

Tickets are required for both free and

paid activities. Tickets are available starting at 8 a.m. Jan. 9, at the R.H. Johnson Box Office. Box office hours from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The program is designed for Sun City West residents and their grandchildren only.

Mark your calendars now for Happy Camp 2024!

 <h2 style="text-align: center;">2024 HAPPY CAMP</h2>					Tickets available at 8 am January 9th, 2024 at the Box Office only Open to SCW Residents only
Monday March 18	Tuesday March 19	Wednesday March 20	Thursday March 21	Friday March 22	
<p>FITNESS – ZUMBA 7:30 - 8:30 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall</p> <p>FITNESS – SCULPT 45 9:00 - 9:45 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall</p> <p>CLAY 9:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 8 –14, FREE Beardsley—Clay Studio</p> <p>RIP N’ SEW 10:00 -11:30 am, Ages 5-12, FREE RHJ—Arts & Crafts Village- Rip ‘N’ Sew</p>	<p>BEADERS 10:00 -11:00 am, Ages 6-12, \$4.00 Kuentz—Kiva room</p> <p>BROADCASTING 10:00 -11:00 am, Ages 7-14, \$1.00 RHJ—Men’s Club Building - Broadcast Studio</p> <p>BOCCE 1:00 - 2:30 pm, Ages 6 –16, FREE RHJ—Activity Center – Bocce Courts</p> <p>PICKLEBALL 1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8+, FREE Palm Ridge—Liberty Courts</p>	<p>FITNESS – ZUMBA 7:30 - 8:30 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall</p> <p>FITNESS – SCULPT 45 9:00 - 9:45 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall</p> <p>DESERT GARDEN 9:00 - 10:15 am OR 11am - 12:15 pm, Ages 8 +, FREE Beardsley—Greenhouse</p> <p>LEARN CHESS 12:00 - 2:00 pm, Ages 5 +, FREE RHJ—Library building - Virtual Room</p> <p>LEATHER CARVERS 1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 9+, \$5.00 Kuentz—Leather Carvers Studio</p> <p>CERAMICS 2:00 - 4:00 pm, Ages 5+, \$3.00 RHJ—Ceramic Studio</p> <p>SOFTBALL 4:00 - 5:30 pm, Ages 5-12, FREE Kuentz—Liberty Field</p>	<p>FLIGHT SIMULATOR 9:00 - 10:00 am OR 10:00 - 11:00 am OR 11:00 am - 12 pm, Ages 10 +, FREE Palm Ridge—Computer West</p> <p>BEADERS 10:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 6-12, \$4.00 Kuentz—Kiva room</p> <p>STORY TIME 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Ages 3+, FREE RHJ—Library building</p> <p>BOCCE 1:00 - 2:30 pm, Ages 6 –16, FREE RHJ—Activity Center – Bocce Courts</p> <p>PICKLEBALL 1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8+, FREE Palm Ridge—Liberty Courts</p> <p>MAC-CRO-KNIT 1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8-12, \$5.00 Kuentz—Pueblo room</p> <p>AUTOMOTIVE RESTORATION 2:00 - 4:00 pm, Ages 10-18, FREE RHJ—ARC building</p>	<p>FITNESS – ZUMBA 7:30 - 8:30 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall</p> <p>FITNESS – SCULPT 45 9:00 - 9:45 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall</p> <p>WEAVERS WEST 9:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 7-12, \$2.00 Kuentz—Weavers West</p> <p>BROADCASTING 10:00 - 11:00 am OR 11:00 am - Noon Ages 7-14, \$1.00 RHJ—Men’s Club Bldg.- Broadcast Studio</p> <p>DEORATIVE ARTS 1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8+, \$2.00 Kuentz—Courtyard Breezeway</p>	
<p> Zymurgy Club presents FREE Root Beer Floats Mon., March 18th through Thurs., March 21st RHJ - Pool from 10 am—1 pm Purchase child’s guest pass upon arrival</p>					<p> Bowling at RHJ Saturday, 3/23 & Sunday, 3/24 Times: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm \$2 for 2 games (shoes included)</p>
Monday March 25	Tuesday March 26	Wednesday March 27	Thursday March 28	Friday March 29	
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Toys for Kids

SCW Women's Social Club and Boomers Club are hosting the annual Toys For Kids Event again this year!

Unwrapped gifts or Gift Card Donations can be dropped off November 20, 2023 thru Dec. 2, 2023 at the Women's/Boomers Club at Kuentz Rec Center from 11AM to 3PM Monday thru Friday

There will be a Drive-thru drop off of toys or gift cards at the RH Johnson Recreation Center, in front of the Social Hall, on 12/2/23 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

On Dec. 4, 2023 the children will be coming to see Santa and pick out their gift. They will be singing and seeing Santa in the Kuentz Courtyard starting at 10:00 am. Please come and enjoy the excitement of the children.

Any questions please contact Jan Wilson at 714-235-2752 or wilsonjan1952@gmail.com

Toys donated to:

- Nadaburg Elementary (ages 5-6)
- Desert Oasis (ages 5-6)
- Morristown Elementary (ages 5-6)
- El Mirage Community Center (all ages)
- SCW Posse (all ages)

Rec Centers slates holiday closures

Editor's note: An error appeared in the November Rec Center News showing the Administration, Golf Operations and Membership offices being closed Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. All three will be open on both days.

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West will be closing several offices for upcoming holidays.

Lizard Acres Pub
All Sun City West golf courses are open

NEW YEAR'S New Year's Eve Sunday, Dec. 31

Closed all day: Administrative Offices, Member Services, Library and Golf Operations Office

Open 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.: Sports Pavilion

Open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.: Lizard Acres Pub

Closed at 6 p.m.: All Recreation Centers

All Sun City West golf courses close at 4 p.m.

New Year's Day Monday, Jan. 1

Closed all day: Administrative Offices, Member Services, Library and Golf Operations Office

Open 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.: All Recreation Centers

Open noon to 5 p.m.: Sports Pavilion

Closed: Lizard Acres Pub

All Sun City West golf courses are open

Tuesday, Jan. 2

Open regular hours: Administrative Offices, Member Services and Golf Operations Office

Open regular hours: All Recreation Centers

Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Library Pavilion

Open 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.: Sports Pavilion

Open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.: Lizard Acres Pub

CHRISTMAS Christmas Eve Sunday, Dec. 24

Closed all day: Administrative Offices, Member Services, Library, Sports Pavilion, Golf Operations Office

Closed at 6 p.m.: All Recreation Centers

Closing at 3 p.m.: Golf Course Pro Shops

Christmas Monday, Dec. 25

Closed all day: Administrative Offices, Member Services, Library, Sports Pavilion, Lizard Acres Pub, Golf Operations Office, All Recreation Centers

Open golf courses: Deer Valley, Desert Trails and Pebblebrook

Closed golf courses: Echo Mesa, Grandview, Stardust and Trail Ridge

Tuesday, Dec. 26

Open regular hours: Administrative Offices, Member Services, Golf Operations Office

Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Library Pavilion

Open 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.: Sports Pavilion

Open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.: Lizard Acres Pub

Stop! Thinking of an addition? Property upgrade? Call CC&R

Before beginning any work including home additions, garages, casitas, patios, pergolas, walls, fences or any exterior alteration to your home, you have a responsibility to:

- Contact the SCW CC&R Department to review your plans to ensure they comply with the CC&Rs for your property at 623-544-6661.

- Follow the Maricopa Building Permit Process to ensure proper permits are obtained.

Lift those legs to dance with St. Patrick's Day show

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banjo, bass, and drums. Some of their influences include Flogging Molly, Dropkick Murphys, Led Zeppelin, The Who, Indigo Girls, Old Crow Medicine Show, Great Big Sea, Wolfstone, Runrig, and traditional Irish and Scottish music.

Ring in 2024 with Highway 85

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R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

Water and soda are included with purchase of ticket.

Ring in the New Year with a dance! A photobooth will be present to capture new year's eve moments from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Highway 85, founded in

2014, is a solid six-piece classic rock, country and rhythms and blue variety dance band that knows how to bring out the energy in a crowd and pulling out all the stops with your favorite songs. With a polished look, a clean performance, and incredible sound mirroring your favorite performing artists, the band takes events, weddings, and parties to the next level. They guarantee everyone will have fun!

February Dance set with popular cover band

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with audiences through its genre-hopping performances, keeping the crowd dancing throughout the show.

The band's song list includes classic rock, rhythm-and-blues, pop, oldies, country, 70s funk, and rockabilly, with each song performed true to style.

Faded Jeans has something

for everyone ... from classics like Van Morrison's "Brown Eyed Girl" to to dance favorites like the Commodores' "Brick House" and crowd sing-alongs like Garth Brooks' "Friends in Low Places."

The band is comprised of an incredible mix of musicians from across the country, all with stellar professional experience.

ENEWS

Sign up for the Rec Centers' enews at suncitywest.com.

Once you sign up, you will receive an email confirming you want to opt in.

Be sure to complete that final step to start receiving your enews every Wednesday!

Garth Live band to perform Christmas show

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will have you dancing under the mistletoe all night long!

Step into a world where holiday cheer meets the unmistakable sound of country melodies. The star-studded performance features the popular Garth LIVE! band, who will take you on a musical journey through beloved Christmas classics infused with a touch of Garth Brooks' chart-topping hits. Prepare to be captivated as the night unfolds in a captivating and classy country style, seamlessly blending the magic of the holiday season with the irresistible charm of country music.

From the moment the first note resonates



through the air, you'll find yourself singing along to your all-time favorite songs, embraced by the warmth and joy that only the holiday season can bring. The enchanting melodies and heartfelt lyrics will stir your soul and reignite your love for timeless Christmas tunes. As the evening draws to a close, you'll leave the show with a skip in your step, eagerly anticipating a cozy winter's eve at home.

A big thank you to the show's sponsor Sun Canyon Bank.

Author-duo J.C. Eaton to visit Palm Ridge

Please join the R.H. Johnson Library for a book event with J.C. Eaton (Ann I. Goldfarb and James E. Clapp) at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, starting in Summit Room A in Palm Ridge (13800 W. Deer Valley Drive).

The authors are excited to introduce their two fall releases, "Caught in the Traminette," from their wine trail mysteries, and "Sliced, Diced and Dead," from their new charcuterie shop mysteries set in Cave Creek. In addition, the authors will speak about the three upcoming Sun City West murder mysteries (Sophie Kimball Mysteries) that will be introduced in 2024.

The Automobile Restoration Club will get its due with "Revved Up 4 Murder," the bowling alley and its leagues will highlight "Pinned 4 Murder," and the library will have another murder on its hands with "Puzzled 4 Murder." Find

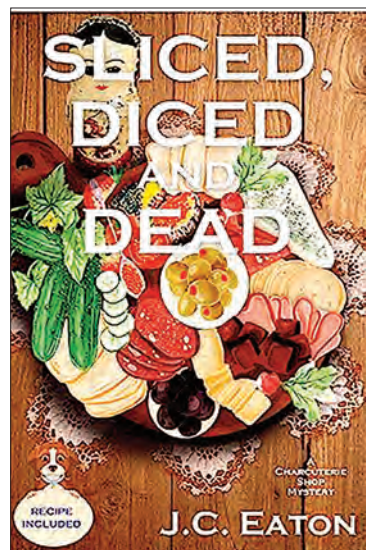
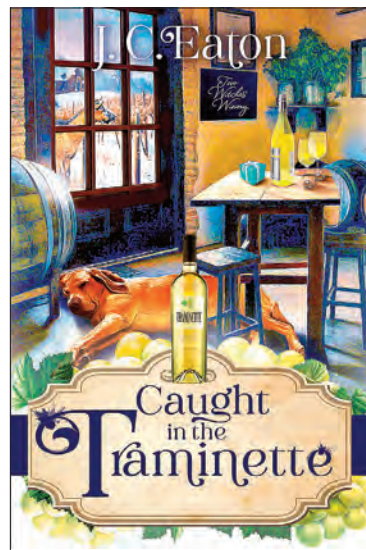


Ann I. Goldfarb & James E. Clapp

out what will await you next!

Prizes and giveaways are also in store at this fun-filled event! In addition, Barnes & Noble will be on hand with all the series. It's a great time for holiday gifts as well as catching up on all those local mysteries! The authors are thrilled to sign and personalize books for you, as well as chat!

Mark your calendars! We look forward to seeing you!



This month's Friends of the Library lecture is a combination of lecture and author book talk.

The R.H. Johnson Library and Friends of the Library are pleased to welcome author Leo W. Banks to the Lecture Hall at R.H. Johnson Rec Center, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., to discuss "Writing Arizona – From Journalism to Fiction." The free lecture will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20. Tickets are required and may be picked up at the Library checkout desk.

Leo W. Banks will talk about getting his start in journalism at the Arizona Daily Star in Tucson and moving on from there to writing more than 300 stories for Arizona Highways magazine. Throughout that time, he wrote fiction on the side, producing hundreds of pages of text that did not sell. He broke through in 2018 with his first novel, "Double Wide." His most recent book, "The Flying Z," tells the story of a southern Arizona rancher battling a drug cartel trying to take over his ranch. Even though the book is fiction, Banks says it is 100 percent authentic.

"The character, setting and story are all drawn from his real-life experiences covering the border," he says.

After earning a master's degree in journalism from the University of Arizona, Banks began his career as a reporter for the Arizona Daily Star in

Friends Lecture Series returns to Library



Leo W. Banks

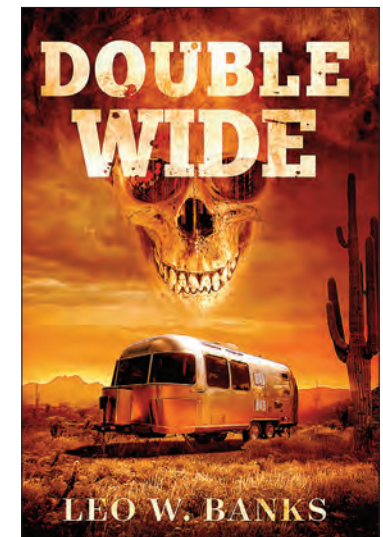
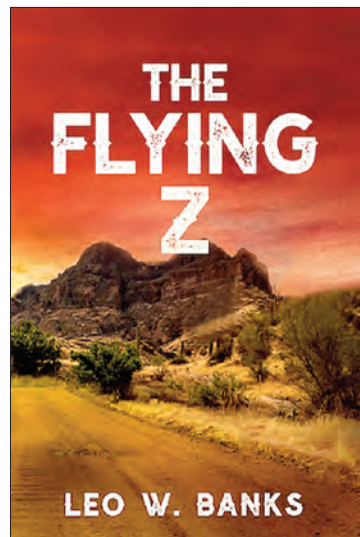
Tucson. He has been a correspondent for the L.A. Times and the Boston Globe, and has written frequently for Sports Illustrated, the Wall Street Journal and many other publications. Leo wrote for Arizona Highways magazine for 20 years, doing more than 300 stories for them and five

books. He has won 38 statewide, regional, and national journalism awards.

In 2017, he switched to fiction. His first novel, "Double Wide," won two Spur awards from the Western Writers of America – for Best First Novel and Best Western Contemporary Novel. The sequel, Champagne Cowboys, received a starred review from Publishers Weekly. Both are mystery novels set in Tucson.

Leo's latest book, "The Flying Z," is a contemporary western crime novel that's also part love story. It describes the lives of southern Arizona rancher Will Zachary and newly arrived Harvard grad Merry O'Hara as they try to build a life together while battling a brutal drug cartel trying to take over the ranch.

Books from the author will be available for purchase at the event.



Tribute to John Denver

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Denver's music in sold out shows throughout the country and has emerged as today's top performer of Denver's vast legacy of multi-platinum hits.

Jim's uncanny ability to mirror John's voice and clean-cut look takes you back to the time when "Rocky Mountain High," "Sunshine," "Calypto," and "Annie's Song" topped the charts, and his popular music had the heartfelt message of caring for the earth and caring for each other.

Hear the show, or be the show with hypnosis Queen

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Award-winning comedy hypnotist Nadeen will have the crowd roaring with laughter as they witness the amazing power of the subconscious mind; featuring mesmerized audience members as the stars of the show! Her performances are celebrated as one of the most entertaining shows on land or sea – it's fun, tasteful, family friendly and outrageously funny – come see for yourself why they call Nadeen the undisputed Queen of Com-

edy Hypnosis!

Nadeen Manuel has hypnotized more than 100,000 people for almost two decades. She is a well-respected authority in her field specializing in certifying and training medical professionals to become hypnotists. Nadeen is one of the top experts in the world at creating positive change using her advanced techniques in hypnosis, body language, and neuro-linguistic programming. As soon as Nadeen steps onto the stage her presence alone commands immediate interest, fascination, and fun!



Legends flock to Sun City West

The Legends of October racquetball tournament was held Oct. 25-27 and was a great success. Participants came from as far away as Texas and New Jersey – a pair of 91 years old players. Several of our club players played well Ken Truitt placed first in the 80+ doubles, Bob Cox placed second and also fourth in the singles. Bob Becker placed second in the 90-plus doubles bracket and fourth in the 80-plus doubles. The Heritage Traditions was our Host for the Friday Night awards dinner.

Massage Therapy available at rec centers

Massage Therapy at the Rec-Centers:

Located in three of the Sun City West rec centers, Reflective Enterprises LLC is a group of dedicated professional Massage Therapists offering top-quality massage therapy services to residents and guests. With a wide range of modalities and customizable options, this team is your ultimate destination for relaxation and rejuvenation.

QUALITY SERVICES FOR EVERY NEED

One of the most appealing aspects of our Massage Team is the variety of massage modalities we offer. From Swedish and deep tissue to sports massage and reflexology, the therapists are trained and experienced in a wide range of techniques. This means you can find the perfect massage to suit your needs.

AFFORDABLE PRICING

Relaxation and pain relief should be accessible to everyone, and Reflective Enterprises LLC believes in offering quality services at reasonable prices. The pricing is competitive, with sessions starting at just \$70 for one hour. If you're seeking a more extended escape, you can indulge in a 90-minute session for only \$100. Additionally, we offer add-on services, such as Cupping, CBD, or Hot Stones, for those looking for a little extra pampering (available at an additional cost).

GET TO KNOW THE THERAPISTS

Each member of the Rec-Center Massage Team brings a unique set of skills and experiences to the table. To learn more about the individual therapists and their specializations, as well as to view availability, you can visit the website at <https://rellc.square.site>. You can also conveniently book your preferred session with the therapist of your choice.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions or need assistance with booking, Katie, the owner of Reflective Enterprises LLC, is here to help. You can reach her at 303-502-7606 or via email at suncitywestmassage@gmail.com.

ELVES AT SUN CITY WEST

Monday Dec. 4th
Through
Thursday Dec. 14th

RULES:

- You must find all 6 Elves (DO NOT REMOVE)
- Each Elf has a clue to find the next Elf
- When you have found all 6, go to the Box Office and tell staff the names of the Elves
- You will be entered into a RAFFLE. 1 Winner!
- Last day to return the Elves' names to the Box Office is 12/14 at 2:00pm
- Box Office hours Mon-Thur 8-2:30pm

HERE IS YOUR FIRST CLUE!
"I need to get tickets for Christmas in the Park"
Where do you think THIS Elf is located?
Go search and good luck!

FREE EVENT

Keep watch for Christmas elves

From Page 5 Thursday.

Last day to return the elves' names to the box office at 2:30 p.m. Dec. 14.

Box office hours are from 8 to 2:30 p.m. Monday through

To begin the quest, here is your first clue: "I need to get tickets for Christmas in the Park."

Where do you think this elf is located? Go search! And good luck!

Trunk or treat



Members of the Auto Restoration and Sportsman's clubs helped the students and faculty of Riverview Elementary School celebrate Halloween. Classic cars, Jeeps, Corvettes, and other interesting vehicles made the Trunk or Treat event a memorable evening to remember. For the fifth year, the clubs passed out hundreds of pounds of candy along with dozens of Matchbox model cars.

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Stay connected with Sun City West and keep up to date with all the news and events around the community by following us on all our social media platforms!



Co-Presidents Jeanne Phillips and Debbie Dorn with member Evelyn Simer and Joyce Sapik (on left), who is a club member and member of the Relay for Life Committee, display the donated quilt for the Relay for Life raffle.

Rip 'N' Sew adds donation for Relay for Life

The Rip 'N' Sew Club (ripsew.scwclubs.com) once again came through with a quilt donation to raffle at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life of the Sun Cities. The Relay event takes place on Sunday, Feb. 18, at Beardsley Park (relayforlife.org/suncitiesaz). The winning ticket will be drawn at the event. Tickets available at the event or by emailing shaw.marilynn@gmail.com or call 541-980-4444.



25,000 cattle called Lizard Acres home

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Near the home of the Gemmill family were rows of cattle pens, topped with shade awnings. Designed by Wetzler and built by Gemmill, these awnings were the first for the cattle industry.

The cattle were fed on approximately 800 acres. Up to 25,000 head of cattle could be housed at the ranch at one time. The remaining 1,000 acres were devoted to growing a variety of corn, wheat, vegetables, alfalfa, and fruit. Grain sorghum was raised to help fatten the cattle before selling them.

Three irrigation wells and two domestic wells provided water to Lizard Acres. These

units still help to provide water to Sun City West. A red lizard, used as a weather vane, decorated one of the ranch's water tanks. Lizard Acres became one of the most successful cattle operations in the Southwest in what is now the southeast corner of Sun City West.

Driving west on Grand Avenue, about a half mile north of the intersection of Bell Road and Grand Avenue, one can still see a small sign designating Lizard Acres along the Santa Fe Railroad tracks.

More information about Lizard Acres and other topics of Sun City West history can be obtained from the Sun Cities Area Historical Society at the Del Webb Sun Cities Museum, www.DelWebbSunCitiesMuseum.org.



Community News



OHOA: Supporting SCW HOAs for 45 Years!

The OHOA has been educating and supporting Sun City West HOA board for 45 years, and the organization will celebrate the milestone this year with all Sun City West HOA members invited to the annual OHOA open house from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, in the Sun City West Foundation Building.

Discover the many education opportunities OHOA offers to help strengthen HOA boards. The OHOA Board of Directors will also be on hand to answer your questions. An OHOA presentation will begin at 1:30 p.m. Please let us know if you are planning to attend no later than Tuesday, Dec. 5.

Our newest event, Board Buzz Friday, has been a hit with HOA board members. OHOA Board members answer questions from HOA board members, in addition, the HOA board members who attend share their knowledge and experiences on similar issues. The next Board Buzz Friday will be from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Friday,

Dec. 1, on the Fry's patio (the Bakery/Starbucks' side). We suggest that you bring your HOA documents with you. All are welcome. Board Buzz Friday will also occur in January, February, and March.

Our upcoming January OHOA seminar will feature Insurance Advisor LeAnn Brum from LaBarre Oksnee Insurance, at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 11 in the R.H. Johnson Lecture Hall. She will explain the details about the new Condominium Insurance Law passed by the 2023 Arizona Legislature. This is definitely a "do not miss" seminar for all condominium HOA boards. Brum will also address insurance needs for Planned Communities.

Be sure to sign up for the OHOA 2024 Leadership Academy. The 2024 Leadership Academy meets from 6 to 8 p.m. Jan. 18, Jan. 25, and Feb. 1, in the R.H. Johnson lecture Hall, 19803 North R.H. Johnson Blvd., Sun City West. The cost is \$20 for OHOA members; \$30 for all others. This

year's topics include, "Legal overview of HOAs," "How to Run Effective Board and Member Meetings," and "Practical Details of Serving on an HOA Board." Presenters include a community association lawyer; the president of a local management company; and Gail Olsen, director and the treasurer of the OHOA Board of Directors. If you seek more information about how a board should work, a new board member, or haven't attended the OHOA Leadership Academy in several years, come and tune up your HOA knowledge!

Sign-up for the 2024 Leadership Academy by Jan. 11. Please visit ohoa-scw.org under the Leadership Academies tab, call 623-214-6006, or email us at achoascw@aol.com for more information.

The OHOA Office is open from 9 a.m. to noon every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday (October through April). Our office is in the SCW Foundation Building Offices at 14465 R.H. Johnson Blvd. in Sun City West.

Community Fund provides holiday help

As the holiday season quickly approaches, some of our Sun City West residents cannot celebrate if they cannot meet their basic expenses. The Community Fund of Sun City West is here to help. If you need assistance paying rent, mortgage, grocery bills, medical or utility bills, call our hotline at 623-546-1122 and one of our volunteers will walk you through the process. All information is strictly confidential.



Our hotline is available to those who have suffered a sudden emergency or other event that resulted in them being unable to keep up with their bills. If you know someone who is struggling, tell them about our hotline 623-546-1122 and encourage them to call us.

The Community Fund of Sun City West is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded strictly to assist Sun City West residents in need. Want to help? Visit communityfund-suncitywest.org and click on the donate button, or you can send a check to 13940 W. Meeker Blvd. No. 115, Sun City West, AZ 85375. Help make someone's holiday a little brighter this year with your donation. We are funded solely through resident donations and appreciate your participation! We are an Arizona tax qualifying organization.

Want to learn more about us? Why not ask one of our volunteers to visit your club or group the next time you need a speaker. We love to share our story and tell everyone about our successes! Visit our website and request a speaker for your next event.

Thank you



The Arizona Game and Fish thanked the Recreation Centers of Sun City West for the use of the Bearsley Pool Facility to conduct the Officer's Water Survival Course.

Posse plans holiday gift drive

Sun City West Posse, in cooperation with MCSO, is again this year collecting gifts for students attending Aguilá Elementary School.

Aguilá Elementary is a rural school in the far Northwestern corner of Maricopa County. There are close to 150 students served by Aguilá School District from pre-kindergarten to 8th grade. The generosity of the Sun City West community has made a huge difference to these students. Because of our community, there have been enough gifts collected so the children could each receive at least one. The Posse will collect un-



wrapped gift items at the Posse Office from 8 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday through Dec 13. The students ages range from 4 to 13. MCSO will collect items donated on the morning of Dec. 14, wrap and distribute them in this worthwhile event. Thanks for your generosity in this worthwhile cause. ***

A Posse member compiles data from the website "lexis-nexis" community crime map for Sun City West weekly for the Posse Executive Team. We have noticed an unusual uptick in items stolen from cars reported to Maricopa County

Sheriff's Office. There does not seem to be a specific geographical location or time for these thefts. To avoid this happening to you the following may help:

1. Put your car in the garage if possible when you are at home with the door down.
2. Lock your car when parked, even at home.
3. Close your garage door when possible, especially at night.
4. Park your car in the driveway, not on the street.
5. Remove all valuables from view if the car is parked outside.

Be safe, be careful.

For emergencies always call 911. For Posse call 623-584-5804.



Stay current with your community. Be sure to "Like us" on Facebook. facebook.com/suncitywest.



Library



LIBRARY GROUPS

Writers Group: 1 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in the Friends of the Library Board Room

Friends of the Library Board Meetings: second Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m.

Coloring for Adults: 1 to 3 p.m. Fridays in main room

Beginning Chess: Free tutoring and kibitzing at noon Wednesdays in the Information Center.

ENCORE Needle & Craft Club display: Come by the library from 1 to 3 p.m. Dec. 5 to meet members of the club as they show items made in their club. Everything made with the club supplies is donated.

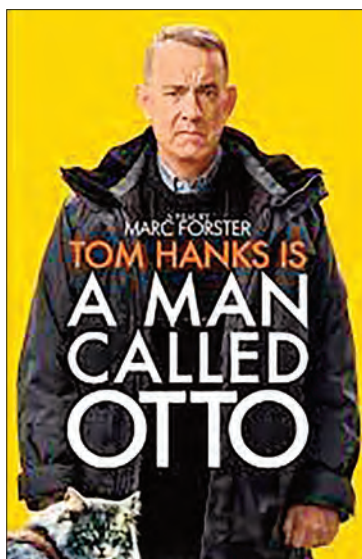
LOCAL AUTHOR EVENT

Local authors are invited to participate in a Local Author book fair at the R.H. Johnson Library. The book fair will include a talk by author and editor Kameo Monson and author table displays.

The book fair will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3

Interested authors should complete the application by Saturday, Dec. 23. Access the application from the library webpage rhjohnson.spendiscovery.org/bookfair.

If you have any questions, contact SCWLibrary@suncitywest.com.



MOVIE DISCUSSION CLUB

Do you like discussing movies. Come join the Movie Discussion Club at the R.H. Johnson Library. We will watch then discuss the movie "A Man called Otto" at noon Wednesday, Dec. 27.

You will need to have a rec card to join the club.

CHRISTMAS STORY TIME

Residents are invited to bring your visiting young children with their families to the library at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 23. Just show your rec card and all your family members may enter with you. After the stories, supplies for a craft will be provided.

KIDS CRAFT GRAB BAG

Kids craft grab bags are available while supplies last. Kids Craft bags for ages 5 to 10 can be picked up at the Checkout Desk during normal business hours 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pick up dates are Tuesday, Dec. 19, through Saturday, Dec. 23 while supplies last.

(Kits may contain small parts that are not suitable for young children. Please supervise young children under 3 years with these materials.)

NEW OPTIONS AVAILABLE IN THE NEW LIBRARY SYSTEM

For those returning the library has a new online catalog. This new catalog makes it easier for you to find what you're looking for, as well as discover other materials that may be of interest to you.

To login to the catalog, visit rhjlibrary.com and click "Sign In." Your login credentials are your rec card number, and your password is the last four digits of your phone number. Please contact us at scwlibrary@suncitywest.com or 623-544-6130 if you have trouble logging into your account.

To help you become acquainted with the new catalog, here are some highlights of its key features and capabilities. Some of those features include:

The Library will be closed on Dec. 26 in observance of Christmas.

Library hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Your own valid rec card is required to enter the building and to use the Data Resource Center. Your own rec card is required to check out library materials.

Visit the Library's website at scwlibrary.com

For Library information email: scwlibrary@suncitywest.com or call 623-544-6130.



Tracy Skousen
Library Director

- All the different item types for a title show up under one record. For example, if you search for "Camino Winds," you'll find the book, large print, book on CD, ebook, eAudiobook, and Kindle book all under one record.

- Place Libby holds directly in the catalog without having to go into the Libby app.

- Improved search results. The new catalog is much better at returning more relevant search results based on your search criteria.

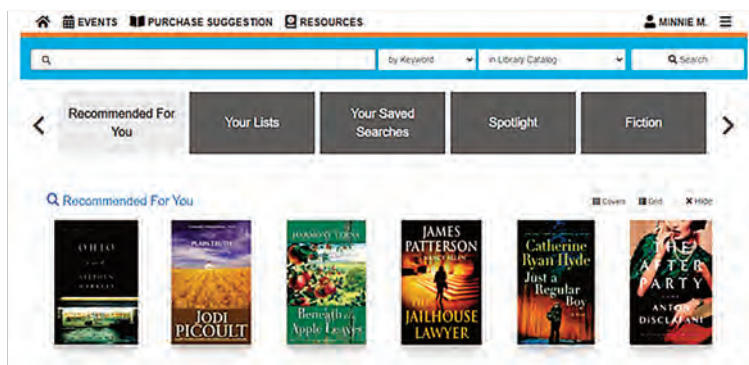
- Reader recommendations – receive recommendations based on items that you rate.

- While you wait – the catalog provides recommendations for items that are available now that relate to an item you just placed on hold.

- Pause a hold – Not ready for your hold? If it hasn't been fulfilled, you can "pause" it until a later date.

- And so much more!

We also have classes you can sign up for in the Data Resource Center to learn more about the new catalog. Register for classes by calling 623-544-6644.



The R.H. Johnson Library unveiled a new online catalog this summer

Stardust Movies

DEC. 7

"Sound Of Freedom"

"Sound of Freedom," based on the incredible true story, shines a light on even the darkest of places. After rescuing a young boy from ruthless child traffickers, a federal agent learns the boy's sister is still captive and decides to embark on a dangerous mission to save her. With time running out, he quits his job and journeys deep into the Colombian jungle, putting his life on the line to free her from a fate worse than death. Starring Jim Caviezel, Mira Sorvino and Bill Camp. (2h 11m) (PG-13).

DEC. 14

"Barbie"

To live in Barbie Land is to be a perfect being in a perfect place. Unless you have a full-on existential crisis. Or you're a Ken. When Barbie finds her world changing, she travels to the real world to try and find out the cause of what's happening to her. Starring Margot Robbie, Ryan Gosling, America Ferrara and Will Ferrell. (1h 54m) (PG-13).



DEC. 16

SPECIAL SATURDAY MATINEE

DOORS OPEN AT 12:30 P.M. MOVIE STARTS AT 1 P.M.

"Oppenheimer"



"Oppenheimer" thrusts audiences into the mind of physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer (Cillian Murphy), whose landmark work on the Manhattan Project created the first atomic bomb. An unprecedented cinematic event, Oppenheimer features an all-star cast that includes Emily Blunt, Matt Damon, Robert Downey Jr., Florence Pugh, Josh Hartnett, Casey Affleck, Rami Malek and Kenneth Branagh. (C) (2023) (3h) (R).

DEC. 21

"A Christmas Story Christmas"

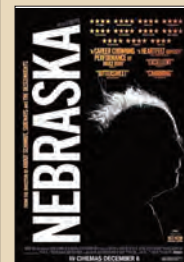
The family comedy "A Christmas Story Christmas" is the long-awaited follow-up to annual holiday favorite, "A Christmas Story." This time, Ralphie is all grown up and must deal with Christmas and all that comes with it... as a dad. Peter Billingsley returns to the role that has made kids of all ages anticipate Christmas morning like no other. (1h 41m) (PG).



DEC. 28

"Nebraska"

After receiving a sweepstakes letter in the mail, a cantankerous father (Bruce Dern) thinks he's struck it rich and wrangles his son (Will Forte) into taking a road trip to claim the fortune. (B&W) (2013) (1h 55M) (R).



STARDUST THEATRE

Kuentz Rec Center (R.H. Johnson Blvd. at Stardust Blvd.)
Friends of the Library movies are open to Sun City West residents and their invited guests.

\$3/person donation.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Please, no saving seats. Program starts at 6:30 p.m. or when all seats filled.

(Hearing assisted devices are now available for your use)
Please no food or drink in the theater



Golf/Sports



Upcoming tournaments set

Get some practice in at the driving range and have your golf clubs ready as RCSCW Golf Operations' tournament schedule for the 2023-24 season is now available.

"MARVELOUS NIGHT FOR A MOONDANCE" NIGHT GOLF
Friday, Dec. 15;
Pebblebrook Golf Course

9-Hole Four-Person Team Scramble Event featuring Men's, Women's and Co-Ed flights. Limited to first 104 players/26 four-person teams with a 6 p.m. shotgun start.

Entry forms with tournament details will be available six weeks prior to the event date at RCSCW Pro Shops and Golf Operations Office at Pebblebrook Golf Course.

Saturday, Jan. 20 –
"Couples Therapy"
Scramble

An 18-hole two-person team

scramble event. Couple's flights only based on combined team handicap. Hosted at Desert Trails Golf Course. Limited to first 92 players/46 two-person teams. Shotgun start at 8 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 10 –
Las Vegas, Nevada
Bowl Scramble

An 18-hole two-person team scramble event with Men's, Women's, and Co-Ed flights. Hosted at Pebblebrook Golf Course. Limited to first 124 players/62 two-person teams. Shotgun start at 8 a.m.

Saturday-Sunday,
March 2-3 – Men's Match
Play/Round Robin

A match play round robin two-man team event. Flights based on combined team handicap. Three 9-hole rounds on Saturday and two 9-hole rounds on Sunday. Hosted at Trail Ridge Golf Course. Limited to

first 96 players/48 two-person teams. Shotgun start both days at 8 a.m.

Saturday-Sunday,
March 23-24 –
"Sun City West Classic"

A two-day, 36-hole, two-person team event, (18-Hole Best Ball/18-Hole Scramble) with Men's and Women's flights. Hosted at Deer Valley Golf Course (March 23) and Pebblebrook Golf Course (March 24). Limited to first 120 players/60 two-person teams. Shotgun start both days at 8 a.m.

Saturday, May 4 – "Swing Into Spring" Two-Person Best Ball

An 18-hole two-person team best ball event with Men's and Women's flights only. Hosted at Trail Ridge Golf Course. Limited to first 100 players/50 two-person teams. Shotgun start at 7 a.m.



Drone flyover image of Grandview Golf Course.

Grandview flyover now available online

Want to see each hole at Grandview before you head out to the course? An aerial flyover of Grandview golf course, with video and pictures, is now available for golfers to check out on suncitywest.com!



We've got you covered!!!
Rain, Wind, Shine or the thrill of beating the chill!!
Grandview ProShop
Men's Outerwear has just arrived!
Check out our variety of FootJoy long sleeve quarter zip, half zip, full zip & pullovers
Hurry in for the best selection of sizes!!!

Ladies we have you covered too!
We have Ladies Long Sleeve outerwear from FootJoy & Tail
Also - Look for G Ladies Sportswear

The Golfer's Toy Store
Club Sales, Custom Fitting, Repairs & More
At Grandview GC | Sun City West
623-544-6577 | www.dagolflab.com

GolfLAB expands retail experience

Let the GolfLAB help you fulfill your holiday lists.

Whether you're shopping for yourself or someone else on your list, stop by to see our growing inventory. Between the Grandview Golf Course proshop and the GolfLAB we sell products from most major golf brands. Due to retail trends, we can special order without delay and without paying more. If we don't have what you're looking for in stock, we can get it!

We will have different bundle and save deals featuring clubs, golf bags, hats, balls and gloves. Featured products will be Titleist, Ping and Mizuno irons in stock. High performance, ultra lightweight technology with XXIO and Callaway Paradym Star.

Test out the new Callaway Ai-One, Mizuno OMOI, Ping and more putters on real grass conditions!

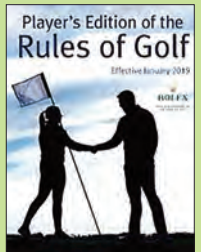
Call 623-544-6577 for more information.

Frequently Asked Questions

Putting Green: Accidental Movement of Ball on Putting Green

Q: I accidentally caused my ball to move on the putting green – do I replace it?

A: Yes. There is no penalty for accidentally causing your ball to move on the putting green but you must replace it on its original spot before making your next stroke (see Rule 13.1d(1)).



Sun City West Green Team Golfing

"Golfing without Tears"

RELAXED, CASUAL GOLF

Saturdays. Play at Stardust, Echo Mesa, Desert Trails		No Membership Fee
Your choice: 9 or 18 holes		Free Clinics
		Residents, Guests Senior Residents

Green Team Social Golfing is designed for golfers of all experience levels who just want to play golf in a hassle-free, fun environment. For more information, send an e-mail to

greenteam@suncitywest.com



Holes in One



NAME	DATE	COURSE	HOLE	YARDS	CLUB
Craig Cook	10/5/2023	Stardust	5	119	7 Iron
Holly Hollenbeck	10/9/2023	Stardust	5	120	9 Iron
Julie Hollenbeck	10/17/2023	Stardust	2	108	Driver
Taunce Mathiason	10/25/2023	Echo Mesa	11	136	8 iron



Bowling/Sports



Pickleball Club slates annual charity event

The eighth annual "All for Charity" 2024 Fun In The Sun Pickleball Tournament & Ball Drop is scheduled for March 5-7 at Palm Ridge Rec Center.

The 2024 tournament will feature:

- Three days of pickleball competition that includes men's, women's and mixed doubles play. Age groups will range from 50 to 70 and older with skill levels from 3.0 to 5.
- Charity pickleball drop – 3,000 numbered balls will be dropped on targets worth \$6,000 in prizes
- Food truck vendors

The goal is to raise more than \$50,000 to support Sun City West through seven area service organizations: Sun City West Foundation - Helping Hands; PORA; Sun City West PRIDES; Sun City West Posse; Community Fund of Sun City West; Northwest Valley Connect; and the AFMA Fire Corps program.

There are several ways to support this charitable event. Everyone can purchase Charity Ball Drop entries and be eligible to win some great prizes. Become a sponsor for as little as \$250; contact Teresa Brown at teresabrownpc@hotmail.com. If you are a pickleball player and USAPA member, sign up for the event and com-

pete. And everyone is welcome to come to the event and view the great competition, visit multiple vendor booths and participate in the fun, food and prizes!

This year, Saini Smiles Dentistry has pledged up to \$5,000 of matching donation funds for the event. This means, if you wish to make a direct donation by check, your donation will be doubled through a match. What a great year-end tax deduction! All checks are to be made out and paid to: SCW Foundation, please memo your contribution (FITS 2024 Match) and mail to: SCW Foundation, 14465 W. R.H. Johnson Blvd., Sun City West, AZ 85375.

Ball drop entries are available at PORA, the Sun City West Foundation – Helping Hands building, and other locations as well as through various Pickleball Club members. Ball drop sponsors are PRIME Wealth Advisors; PORA; Sun City West Foundation; and Saini Smiles Dentistry; plus many partner sponsors make these prize/awards possible.

For information about the event and how you may support or participate, please contact: Teresa Brown at 402-312-0565 or teresabrownpc@hotmail.com.



Pickleballs fall from the sky, great competitive pickleball tournament play, raise money for charity and win \$6,000 in prizes.

Angels sitting are, from left to right are Lori Schweitzer and Christy Burton. Players are Ron Wiebold, Dan Braddock and Gary Franklyn.



Community pitches in for Softball food drive

The Sun City and Sun City West Senior Softball Clubs and the Angels in the Outfield asked members and the community to "Pitch-In" donations for a food drive to benefit the Valley View Food Bank in each of the communities. The clubs collected \$6,029 in food and cash donations during the week of Oct. 30. A big thank you to all who contributed to help those less fortunate during the holiday season. The clubs will sponsor another "Pitch-In" toy drive to further benefit a holiday need within the communities. New toys and donations will be accepted at each of the softball fields in Sun City and Sun City West on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday during the week of Nov. 27.



Players Linda Valencia and Dan Bradstreet welcome donations at the Food Drive table.

October bowling highlights

With bowling leagues rolling into the season, perfect games are starting to add up. The following bowlers rolled 300 games during October league games:

Oct. 9 – John Bouwens, Statz Classic; Pete Kleckner, Hammer Pioneer

Oct. 14 – Dana Barrette, Ham-

mer Pioneer

Oct. 27 – Curt Aemisegger, Western Stars; Brandon Schneider, Western Stars

The following bowlers fired 800 series during October:

Milo Coronado, 800; Pete Kleckner, 805; Charlie Price, 814.

Ladies 700 bowlers were:

Brenda Burns, 739; Denice Mazzulla, 710; and Shelly Zarick, 706.

For latest scores from each Sun City West bowling leagues, visit leaguesecretary.com and click on "Arizona" and look for Johnson Lanes.

Johnson Lanes Sports Pavilion

December 2023

Sports Pavilion Hours: Sunday thru Saturday 8am to 9pm (623)544-6140

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 League Open Bowling 5:00 PM Live Music 303 West	2 Open Bowling 5:00 PM Dance Party 7pm-9pm
3 Bowling Spectacular Sunday 8am - 2pm League	4 League Open Bowling Mis-Cues 12-3	5 League Open Bowling Trivza NIGHT	6 League Open Bowling	7 League Open Bowling	8 League Open Bowling Live Music Wolff Pac	9 Open Bowling Helen's Red Pin No Tap 8:00 PM KARAOKE
10 Bowling Spectacular Sunday 8am - 2pm League	11 League Open Bowling Mis-Cues 12-3	12 League Open Bowling	13 League Open Bowling	14 League Open Bowling	15 League Open Bowling Live Music West of the Blues	16 Open Bowling 5:00 PM Dance Party 7pm-9pm
17 Bowling Spectacular Sunday 8am - 2pm League	18 League Open Bowling Mis-Cues 12-3	19 League Open Bowling Trivza NIGHT	20 League Open Bowling	21 League Open Bowling	22 League Open Bowling Live Music Breaking News	23 Open Bowling Helen's Red Pin No Tap 8:00 PM KARAOKE
	24	25 Closed	26 League Open Bowling	27 League Open Bowling	28 League Open Bowling Live Music Wild & Mild	30 Open Bowling 5:00 PM
31 CBE Tournament 8am						



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IDAHO

Idaho State Club members enjoyed getting together over breakfast at "Betty's Rooste" in Sun City West last spring before breaking for the summer. They look forward to restarting activities soon. Anyone who has ties to Idaho, even if you have only eaten a potato at some time in your life, is welcome to join this friendly group. Members come from all over the West Valley. Club notifications are sent via email. To sign-up for information email: idahoclubnotes@gmail.com.

ILLINOIS

The Illinois Club of Sun City West continues with our monthly breakfast get-togethers.

Our Holiday Get Together is scheduled for Dec. 5 at Carrabba's Italian Grill with a visit from Santa and gifts for all!

The only membership requirement is that you or your significant other have lived in Illinois at some point. Membership is open to all the Sun City communities as well as residents of El Mirage, Surprise and all surrounding communities. To join our funclub and meet a lot of former Illinois residents, contact Judy at Judyserdiuk@gmail.com or 708-715-7888 for membership information.

KANSAS

The Kansas Club will meet in the Ocotillo Room at the Beardsley Recreation Center at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 30 for a potluck appetizer dinner. Bring an appetizer and check out our Wheel of Fortune for a fun-filled evening meeting while getting together with old friends and new friends from Kansas.

Our next meeting will be Monday, Jan. 29, for our annual meeting and to celebrate Kansas Day. A breakfast is being planned at Betty's Roost at 9 a.m. Call, text or email for reservations.

Mark your calendar for these future meetings: Feb. 29 - Leap Year celebration with a catered dinner at the Ocotillo Room Beardsley Recreation Center. Make a reservation for this event. March Madness watch party-meeting to watch the Big 12 Tournament at a local bar and grill location is being worked on. In April we will have a potluck Spring Fling picnic at 5 p.m. April 11 at Beardsley Park.

Kansas Club represents the Sun City West Kansas Club. We meet in person approximately six times a year in the West Valley/Phoenix area. Our club is open to any person who is or has been a resident of Kansas during some period of their life; employed/schooled by and organization or firm doing business in Kansas or the spouse, significant other, widow/widower of one of the eligibility requirements. The purposes of this club are to pro-

vide members with an opportunity to attend social functions, recreational activities, possible tailgating, sharing where to view college games/professional games, etc.: while making new friends and renewing old friendships.

We offer this invitation to join our group. Contact us through Facebook or the email below - Facebook page: Kansas Club of Phoenix/West Valley; or club president Becky Wise at 785-224-7819 or bewise0213@gmail.com.

MONTANA

The Montana Club will offer a chance for members to get to know fellow Montana neighbors with a meet and greet at Lou's Tivoli Gardens, 12555 W. Bell Road, Surprise, from 3 to 5 p.m. Dec. 10.

Cost is \$15 per person. Admission includes lunch menu: hamburger, open-faced Turkey Sandwich, grilled chicken or barbecue pork brisket, French fries, coleslaw or mashed potatoes with gravy, coffee, tea, or soft drink. Sherbert for dessert.

Other drinks will be available to purchase.

Send your registration by Thursday Nov. 30. Checks made out to Montana Club to: Wanda Bronson; 13231 W. Jubilee Drive; Sun City West, 85375

For information, call 406-850-2644.

NORTH DAKOTA

Welcome back, North Dakotans! We have planned some fun events for this season.

Kick off the holiday season by attending the Holiday Gathering from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9 in the Sagebrush Room at the Beardsley Rec Center. It's a

Christmas social with food, fun and activities.

Club members should have received the fall newsletter by now. If you haven't received it, please call Karen at 701-460-0495 to get a copy.

Other events planned for this season are the cowboy-themed January Fest on Jan. 17; a trip to the Barleens dinner show on Jan. 24; game night Feb. 10; and the club picnic at the Kuentz Rec Center this year March 14.

We look forward to seeing you at all our upcoming North Dakota events! For questions or further details about these events or to inquire about membership please contact Carol at 701-527-5827, Karen at 701-460-0495 or Bonnie at 701-880-1200.

Merry Christmas, everyone!

WASHINGTON STATE

The Christmas dinner will be held on Dec. 5 at Briarwood Country Club. To register for this event, visit the website or contact event coordinator Karen Devers via email at kdeducation@hotmail.com. Former Washingtonians may join the club to receive details and future event information. For other questions contact club president Daryl McCallum at dboomac@gmail.com or text 303-250-0102. Membership and event registration forms are also on our website at: washstclubscw.com. Membership is \$10 for residents of Sun City West, The Grand, Sun City, Sun Village and Corta Bella.

WISCONSIN

The hustle and bustle of Christmas is in the air with the smell of apples and cinnamon. Wouldn't it be fun with snow? No.

Submit All States Club news by the first day of each month (for the next month's Rec Center News) to: michael.melissa@suncitywest.com **All submissions for January are due by Dec. 1.** If you do not have a computer, please drop off your submission in the Membership Office. If you have questions regarding club submissions, call Michael Melissa at 623-544-6519.

Our last event for this year will be the holiday dinner at Portofino's restaurant from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6.

Spring training is just around the corner. Tickets limited and in great seats again. The game featuring our Milwaukee Brewers facing the Texas Rangers will be at 1:05 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 29. We will again have our traditional "tailgate lunch" before game. Call Larry 602-330-8055 for any information.

AZ Broadway Theatre event will be Thursday, Feb. 22, presenting "On the Town." Contact Carolyn at 623-734-3322 for more information.

Our monthly breakfast at Tivoli Gardens will be at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 13. A ticket drawing for money towards your breakfast will be given out if the member is wearing their Wisconsin badge. Visit our website to make reservations. Make them the Friday before the breakfast on Wednesday. Call Pat 623-546-0853 for cancellations.

Anyone in The Grand, Corta Bella, Sun City West, or Sun City is invited to join our great friendly social club. For information, visit wiclubscw.wordpress.com.

We are looking forward for volunteers to come forward and chair an event this Spring. Call Lana 602-330-8055.

Tennis Club supports local charity

The Tennis Club had its second annual "PASS KIDS DAY" on Sunday, Oct. 23, at the Memo's Tennis Complex.

PASS (Programs For after School Success) is a nonprofit in Phoenix headed up by Mr. Tony Reyes. Since 2002, the program teaches children the sport of Tennis along with quality life skills, while incentivizing positive behavior to underserved students in the Phoenix area. This program has been recognized by the USTA (United States Tennis Association) as one of the premier "learning life

skills" programs in the country.

The club welcomed 20 high school age (mostly seniors from 6 area high schools) young adults, some parents, coaches and staff for an afternoon of fun, and inter-generational play. At the end of the day, all were treated to an ol' fashioned ice cream social. During that time, club members sat with the kids and talked about what they did for a career, and what aspirations these kids had for their futures. Friendships were formed that could last a lifetime.

The club presented Mr. Reyes

with checks totaling \$4,000 to continue his work. "The work Tony does with these kids is incredible, he truly pours his heart and soul into this. The Tennis Club is deeply honored to be just a little part of this exceptional program" stated Joel Piaskowski, club member-at-large and event organizer.

To learn more about PASS, go to passkids.org For more information on how you can support PASS and the other charities the Sun City West Tennis Club helps, contact Joel Piaskowski at 402-850-6639.





Club Corner

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HOW TO SUBMIT CLUB NEWS:

The deadline for Club Corner submissions is the first Friday of each month for the following month's publication. **Deadline for the January Rec Center News is noon Friday, Dec. 1.**

Club news must be submitted every month. Please email club news to michael.melissa@suncitywest.com. In the subject line, show your club name and the month. Submissions should be 200 words or less.

AQUACIZERS

During this busy season take time to take care of yourself!

The Aquacizers Club does low-impact aerobic exercises designed by a licensed physical therapist. Balance, coordination, stamina and fall prevention are key areas of focus. People with mobility issues, such as arthritis, back pain, joint replacement, post fractures, neuropathy, and other neurological conditions can be helped with water exercises. Noodles are used for core and focused strengthening as part of the class. Noodles are available for members, or they can bring their own. Club members choosing not to do the noodle exercises can still use the pool for walking or continued exercises. The physical therapist is available for consultation when she leads the class on Saturdays. Classes are led by club members on Mondays and Wednesdays.

First-time guests are welcomed by a Club Aqua Buddy to assist them during the first few visits or as requested. The Aquacizers Social Committee is planning for a social gathering each month.

The Aquacizers Club is open to any Sun City West resident and their guests wanting to do low-impact water exercises. The Aquacizers Club meets at the Beardsley Pool, which features steps and a ramp for easy access from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. The annual membership dues are \$25. Contact Club President Debbie Etheridge at 828-773-9186 or email scwaquacizers@gmail.com with any questions. As our club motto says, "Come for the exercise, stay for the friendships!"

ART

A lot is happening in the art world at Sun City West Art Club.

In December, Deb Sullivan will teach a mixed media class in ice painting in two half-day classes on Dec. 8 and 9.



Aquacizers Club members participated in Hat Day.



At the October monthly meeting, artists shared their art work. Winners for the month were: David Blackman, third place; Julie Manthei and Carol Taxter, second place; and Helene Cliché, first place. Congratulations to all!

Artists will create unique papers for use in collage paintings. Three different types of papers will be used and manipulated to create three distinctive looks. Some transparent and others opaque.

In January there will be a workshop on creating layers with colored pencil. You will enjoy the process of using colored pencil with other mediums and explore various aspects of what happens when colored pencils are applied over watercolor or other textures and materials.

And the regular classes in oil, watercolor, pastel, acrylic, composition in drawing, and portraits are filling up fast. Sign up for classes at art.scwclubs.com or come to open art. There's always something happening in art!

ARTISTIC HAND LETTERING, CARDS & MIXED MEDIA

And the giving continues!

At the Artistic Hand Lettering, Cards & Mixed Media's last meeting in October we got together to create some amazing gifts for the residents of the Grandview Rehab Center. The treat baskets were designed by Marsha Ullrich, the Ambassador of our Grandview Outreach Program. The group of members that came in to help in the effort made baskets for the 104 patients that are currently in the rehab center. And did I mention the amount of fun and camaraderie was amazing!

Speaking of our Outreach Program – don't forget to visit the Valley View Thrift Store on Camino del Sol by the Golf for Less store. They sell our handcrafted cards for only \$2.

The Artistic Hand Lettering Club will have a Make and Take event at the R.H. Johnson Library from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, Dec. 8. If you are new to the community or would just like to give us a try be sure to make a reservation at the library for our fun day of creating.

Our club meets in the Pueblo Room

at the Kuentz Rec Center. Currently we offer open workshops from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on various Monday and Friday mornings. The club also offers a variety of paper art classes from 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays, and our phenomenal Mixed Media group gathers from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Fridays.

Join the club for fun games from 6 to 9 p.m. the first Wednesday evening each month, the second Wednesday for gelli printing, the third Wednesday for art journaling and remaining Wednesdays for a variety of classes. Check us out at calligraphywest.scwclubs.com.

Please drop in to say hello and see what we are up to on any of our meetings. For more information be sure to check our website at calligraphywest.scwclubs.com or email us at ahlcandmm@gmail.com.

AUTOMOTIVE/ RESTORATION

The Automotive/Restoration Club is not just an automotive club. We have the capability of restoring all types of items. ARC has an 8,000 square foot shop with paint and body space included for members to work on their personal projects or help other members with club projects. A previous restoration project, ARC's 1931 Ford Model AA Service Truck, is on display in front of the building daily. Look for Santa Claus in the truck prior to Christmas. There will be boxes of gifts in the bed of the truck.

As a 501(c)3 organization, the club does charitable work in the community and donates to multiple charities throughout the year. Our annual Car Show/Swap Meet will be Feb. 10, and our raffle car is a 2016 Ford Mustang convertible. Tickets are \$20 each or six for \$100. Drawing will be the day of the car show.

Members do not need to have a vehicle and are invited to join for \$35 annual fee. Safety training is mandatory and opportunities are available for members to monitor. Visit arcofscw.com or the shop at the R.H. Johnson Rec center Building B-2 or call 623-518-3226 for more information.

BEADERS

The Beaders have moved! The club is now at the Keuntz Rec Center in the Kiva Room and sometimes also in the adjoining Mesa Rooms. Membership is open to all rec card holders and annual dues are \$5 starting in January. Come be our guest for a time or two in December and check out our fun club! The club meets from 6 to 9 p.m. on Mondays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays. We offer all levels of beading instruction



Aquacizers Social Committee members are, from left to right: Club President Debbie Etheridge and Social Committee Members Claudia Burr, Diane Preston, Sheree Harrison and Donna Norman.

Aquacizers Club offers social activities

The Aquacizers Club Social Committee plans monthly gatherings to help facilitate the club motto: "Come for the exercises and stay for the friendships." The annual holiday luncheon is scheduled in December for members and their guests. Sun City West residents and their guests are welcome to check out the Aquacizers Club. Low-impact water fitness classes are held at the Beardsley Pool from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

For more information, contact Club President Debbie Etheridge at 828-773-9186 or email scwaquacizers@gmail.com.

and mentoring – from beginners to experts. We have lots of parties too! You will be inspired by the work our members do, whether your interest is bead stringing, bead weaving, bead embroidery, or Kumihimo. For further information about our club, contact Allie Raven at 651-269-5739 or allie.raven@gmail.com. Or stop by during normal club hours. You can also visit us at beaders.scwclubs.com.

Merry Christmas from the Beaders!

BOOMERS

Hard to believe, but 2023 is almost gone. However, your Boomers Club is stronger than ever!

Check out our regular weekly activities, including Biking Sundays at 9:30 a.m.; Acoustic Jam Sessions every Tuesday; an active book club; Boomer Bowling on 2 Sundays each month; and card games in the clubhouse on Mondays and

Thursday evenings at 6. Water Volleyball is offered four days a week from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Palm Ridge indoor pool.

A Holiday Party is planned for 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at Palm Ridge with a buffet dinner at 5 p.m., with music by Outside the Line. Tickets \$30 per person. This is a members-only event.

Toy drop off for the Toys for Tots event will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at the R.H. Johnson parking lot. Also, the Women's Club will join with the Boomers on a Toys for Kids Event, planned for the clubhouse from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 4. More information to come.

There will be a December potluck in the clubhouse from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Dec. 8. For more information and to register contact Phyllis at pdesio@live.com. Number is limited to 100 - register early. Our December Happy Hour dance is

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BASKETEERS

Left, Basketeer Karin Swanson works to complete her cracker basket. Right, Regina Kelly demonstrates her skill as she crafts a laundry basket. New members are always welcome at the Basketeer Club, which meets from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday mornings in the Mesa Room at the Kuentz Rec Center.

Entertainment & Events

Cabaret series set 2024 season

Package sales open, individual tickets – Dec. 5

Cabaret

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West welcomes the 2024 season in style with a handful of show-stopping Cabaret performances at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive in Sun City West.

Each act will offer two performances at 3 and 7 p.m. Doors open at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. for each show. The series is open to Sun City West residents only.

Cabaret packages are \$80 and are currently on sale. Individual tickets are \$22 and go on sale Tuesday, Dec. 5. All sales are through the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., and online at suncitywest.com. For infor-



Aragon Ping Band

musicians, who individually have a stellar bio. With each member starting their musical journey at early ages, some have performed for audiences throughout the United States and internationally. Collectively, they form the all-star Aragon Ping Band, featuring: Robert Aragon, lead vocals; Doug Ping, Telecaster guitar and vocals; Scott Smith, guitar, keyboard and vocals; and Layne London, bass guitar and vocals.

Top Hat

Join the Recreation Centers of Sun City West as we present the Top Hat Series for the 2024 season to Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive.

Each act will feature two shows at 3 and 7 p.m. with doors opening at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. These performances are open to Sun City West residents only.

With shows spanning January through February, the 2024

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Joe Sir "Elvis"

record breaking years in Las Vegas. Audiences leave feeling like they have just experienced history for the very first time. They perform at theaters, fairs, festivals, private parties, fund raisers and church events across the Midwest. For more information, visit Joe Sir Elvis Show Facebook page. Elvis may be gone, but the legend lives on. Relive history. Experience the Elvis Show.

JAN. 19

Cary Long

"Comedy Show"

Cary Long is a fresh new face on the comedy scene. He got his start on the hit television show "Star Search" with Ed McMahon, and has since been seen on "Evening at the Improv," VH-1 Stand-up spotlight with Rosie O'Donnell, as well as two recent appearances on the "Tonight Show" with Jay Leno. His act is full of everyday situations that everyone can relate to. He combines



Cary Long

accents, cultures, and nationalities, into a rib-tickling performance that will have audiences laughing at themselves. Cary's comedy is observational and he gets a lot of his routine from people he sees that day. His take on relationships between men and women will have couples pointing at each other saying "I told you so!" In short, he is clean, funny, and a must to go see!

FEB. 2

Tom Petty Tribute

"Learning To Fly"

"Learning To Fly" – a pre-

mier Tom Petty Tribute. Celebrating 40 years of the life and music of Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers. Scott Hallock plays Tom Petty and the band reproduces the authentic sounds of Tom's voice and the studio album arrangements using the correct instrumentation and authentic vintage instruments by Vox, Fender, Gibson and Gretsch. "Learning To Fly" has been together for six years delivering stellar performances to large sold out audiences throughout the Valley.

FEB. 16

Aragon Ping Band

Playing a range of music from country to classic rock, The Aragon Ping Band covers your favorites. The Aragon Ping Band is comprised of four exceptionally talented



"Learning to Fly"

mation, call 623-544-6093.

JAN. 5

Joe Sir

"The Elvis Show"

Audiences agree, "This is the best Elvis Tribute Show around." The "Elvis Show" performs the songs from the different periods of Elvis' career: the hits of the '50s, the songs from his movies, the Gospel music, the '68 TV special and finally songs from his

Call Tours to book your reservation today at 623-544-6030. Please read the "Safe and Secure" Healthy Travel Plan included as a part of your Travel Itinerary for detailed information regarding our approach to your safety.

PRESCOTT CHRISTMAS PARADE & COURTHOUSE LIGHTING
with Early Dinner at the Hassayampa Inn
Saturday, Dec. 2

Take a trip north for some Christmas magic! Dubbed "Arizona's Christmas City," Prescott is getting all set for the holidays with breathtaking light displays and its annual Arizona Christmas Parade - one of Prescott's most beloved and time-honored traditions. The highlight will be the lighting of Prescott's Courthouse Square just after dark when the switch is flipped, and the square comes alive with millions of twinkling lights. Between the festivities, you will enjoy a delicious and elegant dinner at the beautifully restored 1927 Hassayampa Inn set in the heart of Prescott's historic district (entrée selection at time of booking). Dress accordingly, bring your chair (optional), and welcome in the Holiday season with us!

Cost is \$175 per person and includes: round-trip transportation; Prescott Christmas Parade; dinner at Hassayampa Inn (3:30 p.m.); Prescott evening courthouse lighting; tour guide; snacks and bottled water; all taxes and gratuities.

HOLIDAY DINNER AT DURANT'S & THE MORMON TEMPLE
Thursday, Dec. 7

Come along for the annual holiday dinner at the legendary Durant's Restaurant! So, let's enter through the kitchen, where the staff greets us like old friends, and return to the bygone era of elegant dining with a fine meal, a festive atmosphere, and old-fashioned service. You will get to choose from a special holiday menu that includes your choice of one of the following entrées - filet mignon, prime rib, salmon, fried shrimp, or scallops. After dinner, we will visit the Mormon Temple, where you will be able to stroll their beautiful grounds that have been transformed into an exquisite nativity display accented by hundreds of thousands of Christmas lights. Please be sure to bring a jacket and comfortable shoes. You don't want to miss all the cheer and magic as we welcome in the Christmas season!

Cost is \$199 per person and includes: round-trip transportation; holiday dinner at Durant's Restaurant; Christmas lights display at the Mormon Temple; tour guide; bottled water; taxes and gratuities.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS SHOW AT BARLEENS
Thursday, Dec. 14

The Barleen Family has entertained Arizona for the past 30 years. Get into the holiday spirit and join us for an afternoon of a delicious meal followed by the Barleen's seasonal holiday show. Experience a joyful mixture of traditional and popular seasonal classics in this extraordinary performance. It's bound to become one of your favorite holiday traditions! The Valley's top choice in dinner show entertainment is sure to start your holiday off right!

Cost is \$165 per person and includes: round-trip transportation; lunch and matinee performance; tour guide; bottled water; all taxes and gratuities.

HO HO HO! CHRISTMAS in SAN DIEGO
Saturday-Wednesday, Dec. 23-27

Revisit one of our favorite traditions - San Diego at Christmas! We will stay at the Embassy Suites San Diego Bay/Downtown, a four-star property with Seaport Village outside our door. Get ready for some holiday magic and some great times as we see



Christmas in San Diego

all that San Diego has to offer. You will enjoy a visit to Coronado Island, where we will stroll the white-sand beaches with the Pacific Ocean as our backdrop, view the decked-out holiday decorations and festive atmosphere of the Hotel Del Coronado, and experience a delicious seafood lunch at the Brigantine. On Christmas Day, we will board the Flagship and be greeted with a glass of champagne as we cruise the gorgeous California coast listening to music and sitting down to their delicious Christmas dinner. Come along for a memory of a lifetime!

Cost is \$1,709 double per person; \$2,115 single occupancy; or \$1,615 triple occupancy per person. The tour includes: round-trip transportation; four nights at Embassy Suites San Diego Bay/Downtown; Old Town San Diego tour; lunch at the Brigantine Seafood Restaurant; Coronado Island; Cabrillo National Monument; Christmas Day Premier Dinner Cruise with Flagship; USS Midway docent-led tour; visit to La Jolla; Birch Aquarium at Scripps; Farewell Dinner at Fogo de Chao Brazilian Steakhouse; four breakfasts; tour guide; baggage handling; snacks and bottled water; driver and guide gratuities.

"LIFE COULD BE A DREAM"
at Hale Centre Theatre with
Lunch at Liberty Market
Tuesday, Jan. 23

Come along as we head to downtown Gilbert for a delicious mid-afternoon lunch at Liberty Market. It is an award-winning restaurant in the heart of Gilbert's historic district and is located right across the street from the popular Hale Theatre. We will enjoy our lunch on their patio while we take in the beautiful Arizona weather. Then it is onto our matinee performance of "Life Could Be a Dream." Take a trip to Springfield High School and meet Denny and the Dreamers, a hopeful musical group auditioning in the Big Whopper Radio contest for their chance to make all their dreams come true and hitting the big times. You will hear favorites, "Fools Fall in Love," "Runaround Sue," "Earth Angel," and many more! Bring your friends for a fun time in Old Town Gilbert!

Cost is \$199 per person and includes: round-trip transportation; lunch at Liberty Market; admission to the Hale Centre Theatre, 4 p.m. performance; tour guide; bottled water; taxes and gratuities.



Rocky Point



Canyonlands

DOLLY STEAMBOAT CRUISE & Dinner at Saguaro Lake Ranch
Monday, Feb. 5

Join ALLIED Tour and Travel as we head to the Southeastern part of the Valley, where we will explore some of their most spectacular sights. From Sun City West, we will journey to Tortilla Flat, an authentic remnant of an old western town nestled in the Superstition Mountains. There will be time for a light lunch (on own), as you want to leave room for our cowboy cookout dinner. Next, we are off to catch the Dolly Steamboat, where we will cruise the inner waterway of the "Junior Grand Canyon." You'll learn the history of the Apache Trail and Canyon Lake and the Superstition Mountains. You may even see some bighorn sheep on this 90-minute cruise. Please note only cash or checks are accepted at the snack bar. After enjoying our time at Canyon Lake, we are off to Saguaro Lake Ranch and should be in time for a beautiful desert sunset. The ranch is on the banks of the Salt River, in the shadow of the Bulldog Cliffs - the perfect setting for our dinner. The hearty menu includes steaks hot off the grill and Chef's Choice of either barbecue chicken or pulled pork along with all the fixins'. It is going to be a spectacular day ... bring your friends!

Cost is \$229 per person and includes: visit to Tortilla Flat; Dolly Steamboat cruise; cowboy cookout at Saguaro Lake Ranch; round-trip transportation; tour guide; bottled water and snacks; taxes and gratuities.

ANNUAL TUBAC FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS
Friday, Feb. 9

The 65th annual Tubac Festival of the Arts, held in the historic art colony of Tubac, is Arizona's longest running arts festival. It attracts thousands of visitors each year showcasing the work of visiting artists from around the country and as far away as Canada. This trip will let you explore and enjoy unique regional fashion, leather, crafts, antiques and jewelry. In addition to Tubac's many fine restaurants, during the Festival you'll find a food court packed with delicious treats.

Cost is \$119 per person and includes: round-trip transportation; tour guide; snacks and bottled water; taxes and gratuities.

ROCKY POINT, MEXICO
Monday-Thursday, Feb. 19-22

Head south of the border to Mexico with ALLIED Tour & Travel! Rocky Point is on the gorgeous Sea of Cortez, just 66 miles from the US border. Americans frequent this coastal town to enjoy the soft sandy beaches, gorgeous sunsets, and fresh ocean breezes. February is the perfect time to go whale watching in Rocky Point, where there is opportunity to catch sight of the magnificent humpback or fin whales. Come along for a fun seaside getaway!

Cost is \$985 double occupancy per person; \$1,255 single occupancy; \$909 triple occupancy per person. Tour includes: round-trip transportation with Tour West America; four days/three night stay at the Penasco Del Sol Hotel; welcome dinner at the hotel (meal choice due at time of reservation); Rocky Point city tour; dinner at La Curva; three breakfasts; free time to explore Rocky Point; tour guide; driver and guide gratuities; baggage handling (one per person); snacks and water.

68th ANNUAL SCOTTSDALE ARABIAN HORSE SHOW
Wednesday, Feb. 21

Join us as we head to WestWorld in Scottsdale for the 68th annual Arabian Horse Show. This show attracts top owners, trainers, and breeders from around the world, who compete for a chance to win and potentially make a significant impact in the breeding barns. The Scottsdale show was started in 1955 by a group of Valley families with 102 horses and no prize money. It's grown to thousands of horses and more than \$2 million in prizes. You will

have the opportunity to visit multiple arenas and events at any given time. One of the public's favorite events is the Mounted Native Costume event where both the rider and horse are in native Arabian attire. You will have the opportunity to see many events, dine from an array of food vendors, peruse their shopping expo, and enjoy a day among these magnificent horses!

Cost is \$109 per person and includes round-trip transportation; admission to the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show; tour guide; bottled water; all taxes and gratuities.

BARLEENS DINNER SHOW
Thursday, March 7

Come along with Allied Tour & Travel as we head to Barleens Dinner Show, where the food, the fun, and the fantastic entertainment get better with every season. This afternoon, you will enjoy their hearty home-cooked lunch served at your table before the entertainment begins. Your choices are their traditional roast beef dinner, savory chicken breast tenders, or their signature pork ribs. Don't forget to leave room for their famous chocolate cake! Then it is time to sit back, relax, and prepare for an unforgettable show, as you are entertained with No. 1 hits from the early 1950s through the early 1990s featuring a variety of musical genres. Join us for a fun afternoon at Barleens Dinner Show!

Cost is \$165 per person and includes: round-trip transportation; lunch and matinee performance; tour guide; bottled water; all taxes and gratuities.

VERDE CANYON RAILROAD ADVENTURE
with lunch at Copper Spike Café
Thursday, March 21

Come along as we head up to Clarkdale for a memorable day spent in the Verde Valley. Upon arrival, we will enjoy lunch from the Copper Spike Café at the Verde Canyon Railroad depot. Before stepping on board, we will have the opportunity for a face-to-face encounter with the area's majestic owls and wild raptors, who are all a part of the Arizona Liberty Wildlife program. Next, we'll take a train ride through the heart of Arizona aboard the Verde Canyon Railroad to experience "Arizona's longest running nature show." You will savor every moment of our four-hour round-trip wilderness adventure through this beautiful river canyon only accessible by rail. Vintage cars provide first-class

comfort, while the panoramic window views transport your imagination to somewhere wild and untamed.

Cost is \$309 per person and includes round-trip transportation; first-class Verde Canyon Railroad tickets; lunch at Copper Spike Café; The Raptors at the Rails Program by Liberty Wildlife; tour guide; snacks and bottled water; all taxes and gratuities.

SPRINGTIME IN SAVANNAH & CHARLESTON
Sunday-Friday, March 24-29

Head south with Allied Tour & Travel this spring to get a taste of Southern charm in beautiful Savannah, Georgia, and Charleston, SC. The learn of the rich history of these cities, see the stunning architecture, and enjoy the wonderful Southern hospitality! Join us for a memorable adventure as we explore these fascinating cities. In Savannah, take a guided trolley tour where the past comes alive as you hear captivating tales of her colonial origins and tumultuous past. The Dolphin Sightseeing Cruise to Tybee Island gives tourists the opportunity to stroll the pristine beaches. Then it is onto Charleston - the city where the first shots of the Civil War were fired in 1861. We will be visiting Middleton Place, one of the oldest southern plantations situated along the banks of the Ashley River. In Charleston, you will have a choice of visiting Fort Sumter or the newly opened and acclaimed International African American Museum. Spring is a splendid time to visit with comfortable temperatures and colorful flowers everywhere. Come along for a six-day getaway exploring this beautiful and historic part of the country!



Savannah & Charleston

Cost is \$3,599 per person double occupancy; \$4,215 single occupancy; or \$3,389 per person triple occupancy. The tour includes: one night - Drury Inn & Suites Atlanta Airport with an evening reception; two nights - Courtyard Savannah Historic District; two nights - Hyatt Place Charleston Historic District; non-stop air on American Airlines in-out of Atlanta; airport bag fees (one bag per person); luxury motorcoach transportation; historic Savannah Trolley Tour; docent-led Andrew Low House Tour; Tybee Island and Dolphin Sightseeing Cruise; Charleston Tea Plantation; Horse Carriage Tour of Charleston; SpiritLine Sunset Dinner Cruise; Middleton Plantation & Low Country Lunch; choice of - Fort Sumter or African American Museum; breakfast daily; three lunches; two dinners; Farewell Happy Hour Party; Sky Harbor Airport transfers; tour guide; baggage handling; snacks and bottled water; driver and guide gratuities.

COASTAL GETAWAY
Santa Barbara, Hearst Castle,
Paso Robles, & Morro Bay
Sunday-Friday, April 7-12

Journey to California to explore some must-see coastal gems! We have chosen some beautiful seaside escapes away from the hustle and bustle of the big city. Santa Barbara is on a pristine stretch of California's central coastline, where the sea meets the mountains. Here, you will enjoy the sights and sounds of Stearns Wharf and the Old Mission, two of Santa Barbara's most famous landmarks. Next, we are onto Cambria, a charming waterfront town known for its breathtaking beauty and relaxed, artistic atmosphere. You will enjoy a tour of the iconic



Santa Barbara

Hearst Castle, where you can step back in time and catch a glimpse of the opulence and grandeur of the early 20th-century elite while also enjoying the natural beauty of the panoramic views surrounding us. You will be amazed as we visit the remote stretch of Pacific shoreline where the elephant seals reside. This unique and protected environment offers opportunity to view these massive and magnificent mammals up close - many weighing up to several tons. Join us for a coastal getaway to remember!

Cost is \$2,109 per person double occupancy; \$2,655 single occupancy; or \$1,965 triple occupancy. The tour includes: one night at Courtyard Santa Barbara downtown; three nights at Cambria Pines Lodge; one night at SpringHill Suites Lancaster; luxury motorcoach transportation; welcome dinner at Opal Restaurant; tour of Santa Barbara; Old Mission Santa Barbara; Stearns Wharf; guided tour of Hearst Castle; Elephant Seal Rookery; wine tasting at Opolo Vineyards; explore Paso Robles and Morro Bay ~ Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum; Antelope Valley Poppy Reserve; five breakfasts; three dinners; a professional tour guide; baggage handling; snacks and bottled water; driver and guide gratuities.

CANYONLANDS OF THE SOUTHWEST
Monument Valley, Arches, Canyonlands,
Capitol Reef, Bryce, and Zion
Saturday-Friday April 20-26, 2024

Visit six of the country's most awe-inspiring national parks - Monument Valley, Arches, Canyonlands, Capitol Reef, Bryce Canyon, and Zion with ALLIED Tour & Travel! We have lined up a spectacular itinerary with amazing scenery and memorable experiences. Take a jeep tour with a Navajo guide into the amazing beauty of the Navajo Nation's backcountry. Step aboard our jet boat tour on the Colorado River as we sip a glass of wine and listen to live music surrounded by 2,000-foot cliffs of Canyonlands. Visit the world's largest collection of hoodoos (intricately carved statues in red, orange, and white created over millions of years by the forces of erosion) at Bryce Canyon. Enjoy a tram ride through Zion, with its steep canyons, gorgeous valleys, and beautiful woodlands.

Cost is \$2,559 double occupancy per person; \$3,229 single occupancy; \$2,355 triple occupancy per person. The tour includes: round-trip transportation; one night at Hampton Inn Kayenta; two nights at Element Moab; two nights at Best Western Plus Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel; one night at Country Inn & Suites Page; Petrified Forest National Park; welcome dinner; Monument Valley Jeep Tour and Lunch; Full-day excursion to Canyonlands and Arches National Park with a local tour guide; UnWine'd & Dine Cruise on the Colorado River; Capitol Reef National Park; Bryce Canyon National Park; Zion open air tram ride; six breakfasts; three lunches; four dinners; tour guide; baggage handling, one bag per person (not available in Page); snacks and bottled water; taxes and gratuities.

Entertainment & Events

Top Hat series sets 2024 season

Package sales now open, individual tickets – Dec. 12

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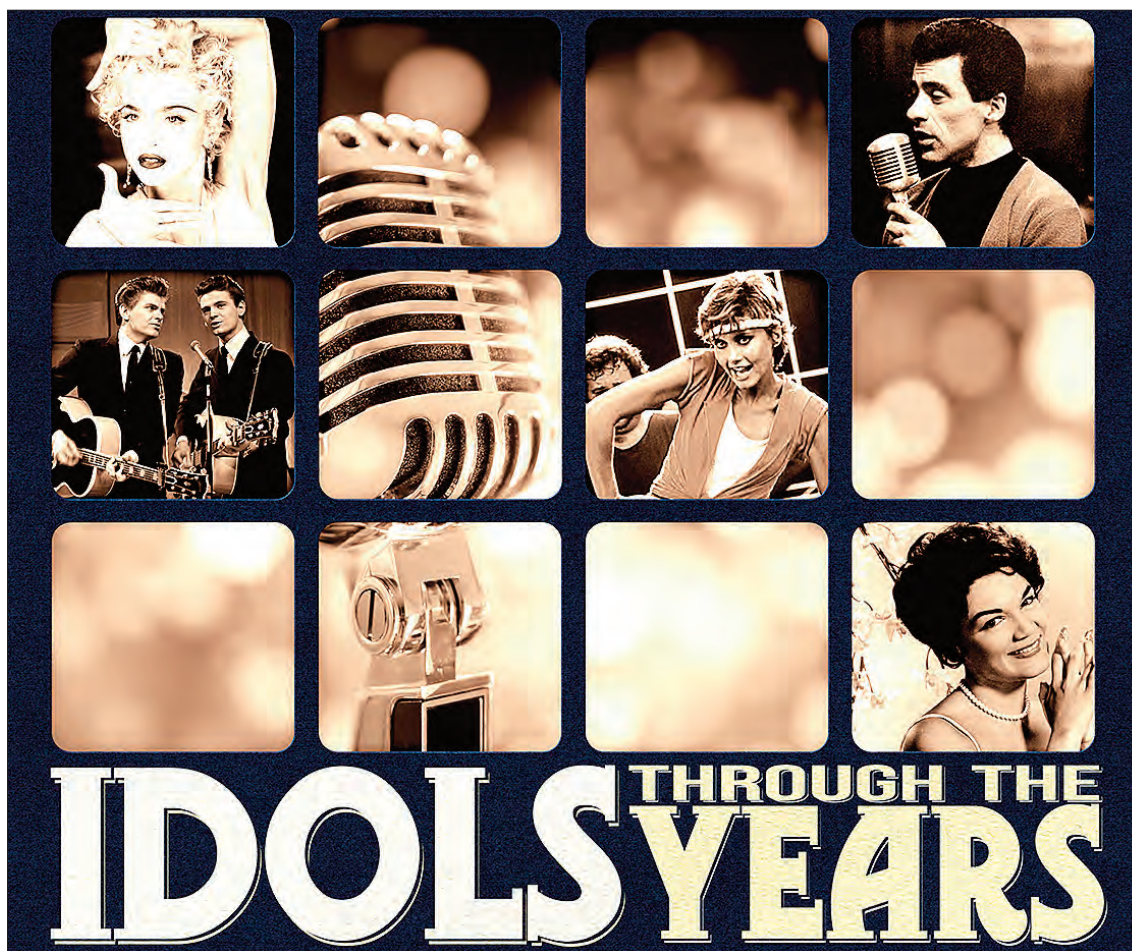
series offers a variety of talent.

Packages to the Top Hat Series are \$92 and are currently on sale. Individual tickets are \$30 and go on sale Tuesday, Dec. 12. For information, call the Box Office at 623-544-6093.

JAN. 11

Idols Through the Years

“Teen idols” have traditionally been associated with the heart-throbs of the '50s, '60s, and '70s. But young, musical icons garnered huge success with dedicated fanbases of teenagers for as long as music has been a mainstream form of entertainment. *Idols Through the Years* takes you on a musical trip back through time to replay the soundtrack of your youth. Whether it was swooning to your favorite singer while spinning their 12-inch LP, singing into your hairbrush along with your favorite 8-track, or rocking out in the back seat of your parents' car while plugged into your walkman, this show brings all of the biggest dream-boats and celebrity crushes to the stage. From “American Bandstand” to MTV, relive teen idol fandom as the sights and sounds of Bobby Vee, Connie Francis, Paul Anka, Madonna,



Michael Jackson and many more make your heart go pitter-patter just as they did when their voices first rang out over the radio airwaves.

JAN. 25

The 3 International Tenors

“Live in Concert” is a tribute to some of the finest music in the world and features show stopping performances cele-

brating the virtuoso careers of Luciano Pavarotti, Andrea Bocelli, Enrico Caruso, and others. This stirring show includes renditions of some of the most memorable songs ever written like “Time to Say Goodbye,” “Ave Maria” and “Nessun Dorma.”

FEB. 8

AOR Rock Revival – When FM Ruled the World

Get ready to rock with Rock

Revisited, the ultimate tribute to AOR (Album Oriented Rock)! This electrifying show pays homage to the classic rock music that dominated FM radio during the 1970s and 1980s, featuring all your favorite artists and their biggest hits. You'll also hear classic tracks from bands like Boston, Foreigner, Heart, Kansas, Mr. Mister, Night Ranger, REO Speedwagon, Toto and Whites-

nake. With high-energy performances, musicianship, and a genuine love for the music, *Rock Revisited* is the perfect way to relive the glory days of AOR. So grab your air guitar and get ready to sing along to every word – this is a show you won't want to miss!



FEB. 29

The She Gees

Get ready to groove to the timeless tunes of one of the most legendary bands of all time with The She Gees! This electrifying female-fronted tribute to the Bee Gees will have you dancing and singing along to your favorite hits. With wonderful harmonies and soulful vocals, The She Gees pay homage to the Bee Gees in a way that is both authentic and fresh. From "Stayin' Alive" to "How Deep Is Your Love," they capture the essence of the Bee Gees' sound and energy. Get ready to relive the disco era and experience the music of the Bee Gees like never before. Whether you're a die-hard fan or a newcomer to their music, The She Gees are guaranteed to have you on your feet and singing along to every song. Don't miss your chance to see this unforgettable tribute to one of the greatest bands of all time.





Club Corner

SUN CITY WEST



Left, Artistic Hand Lettering, Cards & Mixed Media members create gifts for residents at Grandveiw Rehab Center. Right, Artistic Hand Lettering club members showed up at the Sun City West Assisted Living facility to show residents how to create some beautiful cards. Those participants were Denise Maleszewski, Betty Keene, Linda Bunce, Dale Hornyan-Toftoy and Linda Kooyman.



Above left, Debby Fradette demonstrates the new Spellbinders LetterPress machine and gave clubs members all the opportunity to create an image on her new machine. Above right, club members like to gather before the mixed media group and share our finished projects from previous classes and the photo below is the pumpkin/napkin project we worked on in October. Those showing off their beautiful projects are Carol Sue Smeets, Margie Neumiller, Lavonda Beukers, Linda Fitzgerald, Eileen Zackery, second row is the pumpkin belonging to Rikki Johnson, Carol Faudel and Cathy Templin. Great artistry ladies! Right, join club members for the Make and Take event and create a wonderful holiday gift!



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from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 15. Music by the Thadeus Rose Band. The theme is Ugly Sweater Night. BYOB food and drink and be sure to wear an ugly sweater!

Cookies and Carols will be at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, in the courtyard. Check scwboomersclub.com for more information.

Our Lakeside Bar and Grill Happy Hour will be at 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 18. Contact Barb & Bob Murray at bb@bb-murray.com by Dec. 12 to attend. Number limited to 70. Guests are welcome.

We close out the year with our fabulous New Year's Eve Dance from 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, in the Social Hall. Music by Street Player.

Look for more information on all these events online or in your "This Week With the Boomers" email. It's important to have a membership so you will receive this email to keep you informed. Our activities can change and fill up fast. If you're not a member, be sure to review details on how to join the club and to sign up for events. All information is at scwboomersclub.com.

BASCW (BOWLING)

Bowling is fun! The friendships made are great! Bowling is enjoyed by more people than any other participatory sport in the world. The Bowlers Association of Sun City West promotes bowling, creating an environment designed to sustain a high level of fellowship, sportsmanship, and friendly individual competition.

Please note, BASCW is a Sun City West Chartered Club, not a bowling league. So, as a club member, you can choose to bowl ... or not. There is no firm time commitment. Bowl as your time and schedule work for you and the best part is prize money is allotted based on your efforts, not as a team, which means the stress of competition is eliminated, bowl and have fun!

We bowl a handicap no-tap format meaning nine or 10 pins down on the first ball is a strike. The cost to bowl is \$12 per member and \$13 for Sun City West resident guests. The fee covers the lineage and the payout to participating members. About half of the member bowlers will receive a payout of \$5 to \$10. Member bowlers can also participate in the "3-6-9 pot," the "300 pot" and the 50/50 raffle. If you want to participate in these activities, you must pay with the correct change.

Our next BASCW Bowling events are scheduled for Dec. 2, 16 and 30. Dec. 2 and 16 are our regular No-Tap event.

Dec. 30 is a Red Pin No-Tap event. Earn a \$1 bill for making a strike by knocking down the red pin when it falls into the head position (nine pins or 10 pins down). Snack and drink tickets will be given out to members only. It is exciting when the red pin lands in the head position for you or your lane mates to have a chance to pocket that \$1 dollar bill.

BASCW (Bowling Club) invites all residents with a current rec card, no matter your bowling skill, to join us for an evening of fun every other Saturday. If you have not bowled for some time and want to get back in the game, this is a perfect opportunity. Handicapping levels the playing field and gives all participants a chance to win some prize money. Membership is \$10 per year. Membership forms are at the counter in the center of the bowling lane. Membership dues are from Oct. 1 through Sept. 30. We are currently accepting membership for the next term.

The BASCW sign up book is located on the table/display desk in the center of the bowling lanes. Payment envelopes are next to the book and can be put in

the "payment mailbox" that abuts the desk.

If you would like more information, please visit bascw.net or call Donna at 480-652-7614 to join.

BRIDGE

The purpose of the Sun City West Contract Bridge Club is to bring together members interested in playing social bridge on a regular and ongoing basis. Come and join the fun!

Sun City West Contract Bridge Club consists of two sections. Doors open for the Tuesday section at 11:15 a.m. and sign-up begins at 11:30. You do not need a partner to play on Tuesday and you will rotate to a new partner at the end of each round.

Doors open for the Wednesday section at 5 p.m. and sign-up begins at 5:30. You must come with a partner to play Wednesday evenings. You will rotate with your partner at the end of each round. We play four rounds of 35 minutes each. If there is no table remaining to make a final foursome, you will not play that day, but will be guaranteed to play the following week.

The club also offers beginning contract bridge lessons. Please contact Mary Vraney at 623-236-4729 for lesson information.

Each section requires dues of \$5 per year plus \$1 per session and members must be rec card holders. The Tuesday sessions meet in the Ocotillo Room and the Wednesday sessions meet in the Sagebrush Room at the Beardsley Rec Center and all skill levels are welcome, but a basic knowledge of contract bridge is required. Each section will host a holiday party before play begins. The party dates are Tuesday, Dec. 5, and Wednesday, Dec. 13.

For more information, please contact Sharon Holmes 360-441-1909 for Tuesday bridge and Dianne Wuethrich at 715-556-2653 for Wednesday bridge. Interested in playing Wednesday evenings but don't have a partner? Please contact us and we will try to help you find a partner. Please visit us at bridge.scwclubs.com.

BUNCO

Looking for a way to make new

friends or looking for something to do on Wednesday nights? Join us for two hours of fun and comradery. Bunco is a dice game which originated in England more than 200 years ago. If you can roll dice, you can play this game. No skill required! We meet every Wednesday night in the Chicory, Mesquite and Ocotillo rooms at Beardsley Center. The doors open at 5 p.m., sign up ends at 5:50 p.m. and Bunco play starts at 6. New players should arrive by 5:30. Membership is \$10 annually. Guests are \$2 per night. The entry to play is \$1 per night. All entries are returned as prize money nightly. Open to Sun City West resident rec card holders and their guests. For additional questions, please contact Jeanette Rabito, president, at 951-833-5572.

CERAMICS WEST

In October, Ceramics West enjoyed a Hawaiian luau. We not only had musicians playing great Hawaiian favorites, but we also had authentic Hawaiian food. We enjoyed fun games, great raffle prizes, lively conversation, and lots of laughter. Our next big social will be in December. We are always more than happy to offer tours. Feel free to stop by anytime from 8 a.m. to noon Monday through Saturday; or noon to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. We are located next to the Membership offices at the R.H. Rec Center.

CLAY

Have you always loved pottery items? Have you dreamed of creating beautiful pottery pieces? If you have ever been interested in creating pottery, the Sun City West Clay Club is the place to start. You don't need any special skills. In fact, many of our 350-plus members started as complete novices and some have become professional clay artists! We can teach you everything you need to start your new avocation: hand building, wheel throwing, sculpture, coiling, carving, and even Raku glazing. Many of our instructors are members who have crafted their expertise over many years and many, many

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Some fun-loving special guests seem to have brought candy treats to the Bridge Club on Oct. 25. President Dianne Wuethrich, Carolyn Murphy, and Vice President Barbara Carl congratulate Mr. Skeleton for having a winning hand.



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creations. On occasion, professional artists offer demonstrations and classes at the club.

Check out how to join our club at scwclayclub.com/application. We will teach you what we know best: How to create functional and beautiful art! Visitors are always welcome, and we are happy to give you a tour of our club! Stop at the Monitor's Desk for a personal tour! Come and see what we are all about!

Our hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Monday, Friday, and Saturday and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The Clay Club is in the Beardsley Recreation Center at 12755 Beardsley Road. Membership in the Clay Club is open to all rec card holders in good standing.

CLUB 52 - POKER

Texas Hold'em & Omaha
Poker - Club 52 plays Texas Hold'em, Omaha high/low and other forms of poker if there is interest. We are open to all Sun City West men and women and offer games suited for any skill level. This is a fun club and you will meet many new friends with this common interest. See more about special monthly activities such as pizza night, sandwich night or a special nice dinner night on our Facebook page or club website at fiftytwocard.scwclubs.com.

We meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the card room of the SCW Men's Club building, located on Meeker Road north of the Sun City West Library.

The club offers nightly Texas Hold'em and Omaha high/low, cash games and Texas Hold'em no limit tournaments. Doors open at 3:45, cash games start at 4 to 4:30 p.m. The nightly Texas Hold'em tournament starts at 5, but signup before 4:50 to receive an "early bird" \$2,000 chip bonus.

Special events include "Big Stack" tournament on the third Wednesday of each month. This is a members only event.

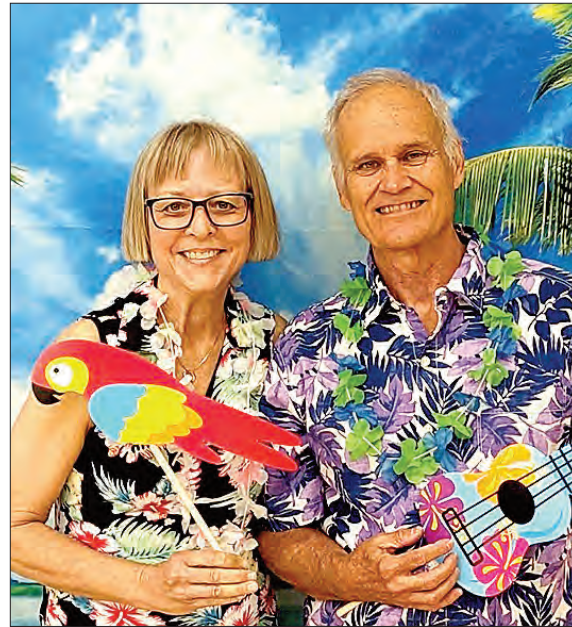
We have exclusive evening use of this facility and all Sun City West men and women with a current rec card are welcome as a new member or guest.

Annual membership dues are \$10 and nightly play fee is \$1 for members and \$2 for guests.

For information, contact Dana Sledd at 253-670-5850 or visit fiftytwocard.scwclubs.com or the club's Facebook page.



Top left and right, Ceramic Club members Marie and Jim Schools, and Bobbie and Larry Trivitt enjoy the photo booth at the club's Hawaiian luau in October.



Above, club members enjoyed traditional Hawaiian food at the gathering. Right, Mosaic art, including this colorful turtle, were part of the prizes given away at the luau.



COIN & STAMP

The Coin Club meets monthly at 6:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of them month at the Kuentz Rec Center Room 3. The next meeting will be Dec. 5. Coin Club president Mike Hug has appointed Hal as chairman of the coin section. Those of you who collect coins are welcome to join in. We meet in the Pueblo Room at the Kuentz Rec center at 6:30 and meetings feature a door prize, show-and-tell, and a coin auction.

With Christmas around the corner, President Mike Hug will answer any questions you have at the Dec. 12 stamps meeting. Plus, experienced collectors are always on hand to help others with identifying their stamps. Mike might even delight us with a quiz or inform us on the new postal issues.

Whether you are a long-time collector, or a beginner that would be interested in starting a collection, please feel free to stop by. You are always welcome.

We meet at the Kuentz Rec Center at 6:30 p.m. in Room 3. Coins meet on the

first Tuesday of the month (except June through September). Stamps meet the second Tuesday of the month (all year). For questions, call Fred at 377-6621.

COMPUTERS WEST

Are you stumped as to where to go when your phone, computer and tablet are giving you trouble? Getting help is right here at Palm Ridge in Sun City West. As a member of Computers West, you have access to members who will help you get your devices up and running and help you understand how they work. Help group is available from 7:30

a.m. to noon Wednesdays and Fridays and includes one-on-one Android and Tablet help. Come early to sign up. The Senior Help Group for members with any Apple device in Room C meets from noon to 2 p.m. Mondays and 10 a.m. to noon Wednesdays.

Computers West, at the Palm Ridge Recreation Center (623-214-1546), is the parent organization of two user groups: MacsWest and the PC Group. Hours of Room A are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Both PC and Mac computers are available for club members' use. For information, visit the club website at

computerswest.org. We are open to club members and their accompanied guests. Sign up to monitor and make some new friends. Monitor training available. The next Computers West meeting is at noon Tuesday, Jan. 9, in Summit A. Light lunch served at 11:30 for members only.

We need your old cell phones for "Cell Phones for Soldiers!" Collection boxes are at Computes West and around Sun City West. Each phone donated provides a phone calling card for one of our servicemen overseas. This is an ongoing program.

Visit the PC Group website at pcsw.org. We continue to have classes of interest. Check the website calendar for updated information. Updated computers available for your use. Questions & Answers meets at 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays. Ancestry discussion is at 10 a.m. the first Thursdays. Help is available from 10 a.m. to noon Thursdays. Learn about your family tree. Ancestry is available on both PC and Mac computers for members' use. Linux help is available from 8 a.m. to noon Fridays and Flight Simulator is available at 9 a.m. Thursdays - learn to fly!

Visit the MacsWest website at macswest.org. Our loyal members are in Room C most days to help you to expand your "Apple" knowledge. Join our Friday meetings with a short presentation at 1 p.m. in Room D. This is your chance to share your successes and bring up topics that have you stumped. Come in any time to use our updated Mac computers. Our subscription to "The Mac U" has tutorials on any Mac, iPad and iPhone lesson you are interested in.

COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE

The Country Western Dance Club's monthly dance will be Dec. 9 at Palm Ridge Rec Center Summit rooms A and B. The doors open at 5:30. A line dance lesson will be at 6 with open dancing starting at 6:30 and continues to 9 p.m. DJ Linda Benton will be playing great country music from the 80s and 90s. We

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The Country Western Dance club gather for monthly dances at the Palm Ridge Rec Center. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. A lesson is given at 6 p.m. and dancing begins at 6:30.



Above left, with more than 1,000 members, Computers West Club values it's many volunteers including the unsung heroes of its catering team. Preparing for the club's Oct. 10 general meeting at Palm Ridge Recreation Center are, from left to right: Mary Lou Goodfriend, Gaye Swenson, Diane Metzger, and Tom Metzger. For more information, contact club President Norm Falcone at 360-250-2382. Bottom left, a long line of Computers West Club members wait to be served lunch at the October meeting in the Summit Rooms at Palm Ridge Recreation Center. Top right, MacsWest members gather at 1 p.m. on Friday afternoons at Palm Ridge for the latest Apple news and share topics.



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have plenty of room for line dancing, partner dancing and pattern dancing and welcome new dancers, long time dancers and everyone in between. The dance is \$5 for members and \$8 for invited guests.

There will be a general membership meeting at 4:30 before the dance. We do need a quorum: All members are encouraged to attend. Our yearly fee for members is \$10 a person.

Partner Lessons in December will be Wednesday evening, Dec. 6 and Dec. 13, in the Social Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Our instructor is Paul Jack, a professional instructor who has been with us for many years. December will start the Country Waltz lessons. The cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for guests.

Line Dancing Lessons for December will be on the Monday Dec. 4, 11, and 18. The classes are at the Palm Ridge Center in Summit A room. Beginner classes start at 12:15 and continue until 1. Our instructor Tammy Mcvey, loves working with beginners and takes pride that everyone is able to keep up in the class. From 1 to 3 p.m. Tammy will teach one hour classes in: improver, intermediate and advanced lessons. The cost of attending one or all of the sessions is \$4 for members and \$7 for accompanied guests.

For more information visit country-western.scwclubs.com or call Maureen Riter 719-235-2420.



Counted cross-stitch stitched by Creative Stitches Club member-Lynn Bates.

CREATIVE STITCHERS

If you are interested in joining or just curious, come check out the Creative Stitches Club to see what the members are stitching from 8 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays at Kuentz Recreation Center, Room Kiva.

CSC has classes for Hardanger, Blackwork, and Counted Cross Stitch. Periodically CSC has Needlepoint 101 class. These classes are available to all members of CSC, whether you are a beginner or anyone who would like advanced instructions.

We share our skills, ideas, and projects while socializing. Check out our website photo gallery to see more completed members needlework: stitchers.scwclubs.com.

Everyone enjoys the time to socialize and catch up on ideas. New members are always welcome. Annual dues are \$10. For more information on the club or needlework donations, please contact Debra Senelly, at 623-533-8055, leave message.



DANCESENSATIONS

These happy feet belong to the DanceSensations Club. Now is the time to register for dance classes, as new choreography is starting. Although it's lots of fun, there is no requirement for performing. We need tappers! You can choose from Beyond Basics Tap (which includes beginners), or Intermediate Tap. Clogging is also fun with a double tap on the toe of the shoe. Jazz will get you moving, and Musical Theatre (much like Jazz) gives you a chance to invoke your inner actor. If you desire to learn how to dance jazz, our "Fundamentals in Dance" is the class for you. Jazzy Poms is great fun wielding those pom poms about. Advanced Hula is available with a beginner's class planned. We also have fitness classes (Tai Chi, Pilates and a Stretch class). There is also a ballet class for exercise called "Grace in Motion." All classes are held in the dance studio of the Palm Ridge Rec Center (Activities Building). To view the schedule and registration form, visit dancesensations.scwclubs.com. Email dancescw@gmail.com or call 480-321-9652.

CYCLISTS

The Cyclist Club rides weekdays from the Echo Mesa Golf Course at 8:30 a.m. Ride times change monthly so consult our website below. Riders go in groups matching their speed and skill level and ride for an hour, including a rest stop. Rides finish at the start with social time on the patio. Some riders go longer, and new riders are welcome. Road bikes are the most popular and all bikes, including e-bikes (which is are fastest growing segment), are welcome.

Last month the club met at Tailgaters for dinner with 50 members attending. The December monthly meeting is cancelled in lieu of the annual Christmas party. The club's holiday party will be at 5 p.m. Dec. 3. Also, be on the look out for bell ringing opportunities for the Salvation Army at Fry's Grocery.

Looking to the holidays, the club is having a Bikes for Kids drive. The club is raising funds to purchase bikes and helmets for kids in need.

Off campus rides are also being planned along with a spring trip.

Visit bicycle.scwclubs.com for more information or contact Peggy Campbell at 248-417-5710.

DECORATIVE ART

The Decorative Art Club meets every Wednesday at the Kuentz Center in the Pueblo Room. We offer two classes every week practicing what is often called Tole Painting. Our projects start with patterns traced onto wood, canvas or metal. We then use acrylic paint to base coat, highlight and shade the painting to bring it to life. We also offer some colored pencil classes.

In November, we partnered with the Woodworking Club and painted over 40 wooden jewelry boxes to give away for Christmas to deserving children.

We have samples of our past projects in the window outside the Pueblo Room. You may also stop by on Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. to see upcoming projects and visit with our members.

We will offer a Beginners Class in January. To sign up for that or get more information call Rhonda at 317-435-9456.

DEER VALLEY WOMEN'S GOLF

Come join the ladies at Deer Valley Golf Club and play our lovely course, see what the fun is all about. The Deer Valley course is in immaculate shape and the women's league plays on Tuesdays with a variety of games throughout the year. Please check out our website at dvwomensgolf.scwclubs.com for information concerning our play schedule and the officers for 2023. If you are interested in joining this fun group of women please contact Janice Runnels at jl765@gmail.com. We welcome golfers of all abilities, and you compete within your individual handicap groups so there is no pressure to play to a specific level. We look forward to seeing you on the course.

The following ladies qualified for our upcoming Ace and Aces tournament as follows:

October Ace (Lowest Gross Score) – Pam Taylor, 87

October Aces (Lowest Net Score) – Margie Zener, 67

The Deer Valley ladies group is led by President Teresa Pirkel, Vice President Sherry Skogrand, Secretary Cathy Lowman, and Treasurer Cheryl Sherwood.

DESERT GARDEN

Socials, tours and workshops in Desert Garden Club offer opportunities to learn and participate in cactus gardening, new to most of us. The club's next membership meeting is from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12, at R.H. Johnson Social Hall, featuring professional speaker Tyler Clark from SummerWinds Nursery who will speak on pest-proofing your yard. An informal social gathering precedes the meeting starting at 8:30. Board members are available during that time for questions and suggestions.

The new greenhouse and botanical garden are behind the meeting rooms of Beardsley Rec Center, and are great spaces for fun, exercise, and connecting with others who love the outdoors and gardening. Volunteers and new members are always welcome to enjoy pretty, peaceful mornings there.

PLANT SALE will be 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 2. It is open to the general public.

ENCORE NEEDLE & CRAFT

Come to the most giving and versatile club in Sun City West. We are E.N.C.O.R.E. – Encouraging Neighbors in Charity and Originality with Rewarding and Enjoyable activities. Our meeting location is the Mesa Room at Kuentz Recreation Center, 14401 R.H. Johnson Blvd. We are open 7:30 to 11 a.m. every Friday. We donate our hand-crafted item to the American Cancer Society, Choice Pregnancy Center, Hospice of the Valley, Veterans' Organizations and many other organizations. Charity items created include hats, scarves, afghans, slippers, chemo caps, dementia blankets, baby items and more. Many of us crochet, knit, use looms, quilt, needle point, cross stitch and sew.

Check our display window at Craft Room 4 to see examples of our work. We welcome those wanting to learn new crafts as well as seasoned experts. If you enjoy making things that will be donated

and bring joy to others, we are the club for you. Come with any problems you may have with needles, hooks, or patterns; we can help. We gratefully accept any donations of yarn, fabric and craft items for four charity projects. For more information about our club or if you would like to donate, please visit needlecraft.scwclubs.com or call Sue Williams at 623-337-4558.

ENERGETIC EXERCISE

"I'm dreaming of a White Christmas..." (somewhere else). "Let it snow - Let it snow - Let it snow..." (somewhere else).

Out here, the words we're more likely to hear are "fore" and "let's buy tickets for the concert on the Lawn."

It's a toss up. No, it's not. I mean if you've got family back in the snow and cold country, sure, it's okay to miss them and long for them at this time of year and even visit them. But here's where the action is. And they can come visit you.

The Energetic Exercise Club would like to welcome you to join us in the warm and comfortable Social Hall from 7:50 to 8:35 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. You'll get a warm greeting even while you stretch those muscles and limber up those limbs.

You can try it for free for up to three times, and then it's only \$5 per year. Whatever you do and whatever activity you choose keep on moving. It's vital.

For information, contact Gloria at 623-986-9392.

FITNESS

All residents holding a valid rec card are eligible to join the Fitness Club. Annual membership dues are \$5 and a current annual card is purchased through the individual class representatives. Class cards are purchased through each class and are not interchangeable between classes. One day class is \$5; four classes (30-day expiration) are \$16; eight classes (45-day expiration) are \$24 and 16 classes (60-day expiration) are \$48.

Water Aerobics and Fitness is from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday in the Palm Ridge Indoor Walking Pool. The Water Aerobics and Fitness class focuses on aerobics and water walking fitness drills. Bill Benson is the instructor.

Jazzercise Lo-Cardio Sculpt 60 is from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Social Hall at R.H. Johnson. This is a low impact class that is a fun way to workout to music. Susan Shewmake is the instructor.

Zumba is from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Summit Hall at Palm Ridge. Cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, energy boosting, fun and smiles, and a heavy dose of awesome! Sherry Possner is the instructor.

Sculpt 45 is from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Summit Hall at Palm Ridge. This is a 45-minute choreographed muscle class designed to strengthen and tone the upper body, core, and lower body using free weights, bands, chair and standing exercises. Lisa Friedman is the instructor.

Deep Water Exercise is from 7:45 to 8:45 a.m. Wednesday and Friday in the R.H. Johnson Pool. This class provides a total body conditioning with progres-



The Water Aerobics and Fitness class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:45 a.m. in the indoor pool at Palm Ridge Recreation Center. The focus is on water fitness drills targeting muscles, tendons, ligaments, and joints. The workout will challenge all participants and can be altered for anyone with physical limitations. Movement and fun at the same time is the key to fitness! The class is led by Bill Benson, certified swim instructor.



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sive cardiovascular workouts while suspended in deep water with a flotation belt. Maggie Delaney is the instructor.

H2O Fitzi with Mitzi is from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Palm Ridge Indoor Walking Pool. This class is a high-intensity, low-impact shallow water exercise program including warm-up and cool down periods with a complete aerobic segment. Mitzi Cerecedes is the instructor.

Please contact our President Marilyn Shaw at 541-980-4444 or shaw.marilynn@gmail.com for additional information or if you have any questions regarding the Fitness Club.

INVESTMENT

November was full of some incredible speakers and topics. We learned about investing in gold, tax strategies with IRAs, and strategies with planning RMDs. If you missed out in November, don't worry December is chock full of some great speakers as well that you won't want to miss!

If you're newly retired and wondering how to manage your investment portfolio? Or already a long-time investor wanting to hear expand your knowledge about the subject?

We are members who provide investors education to assist each other in making informed decisions. We provide an open forum for guest speakers and club members with a variety of investing topics each week; along with a weekly club newsletter full of value.

We meet at 6:30 p.m. each Monday evening in the Lecture Hall. Membership fees are \$30 first year, and \$10 a year thereafter.

Upcoming meetings and speakers for December:



The Investment Club meets at 6:30 p.m. each Monday in the Lecture Hall.

Dec. 4 – Investment Club's annual general meeting

Dec. 11 – Katrina Lessard, CEO of Lessard Wealth Management. Topic is New Retirement Rules: Understanding Secure Act 2.0 (RMD implications and more)

Dec. 18 – Kelley Wright, editor in chief of IQ Trends. Topic is 2023-24 Equity Market Wrapup and Outlook.

KARAOKE

The Karaoke Club will celebrate the holiday season with a catered dinner, seasonal songs, and general membership meeting on Dec. 7. Doors open early at 4 p.m. for this event.

The club usually has a themed social event once a month. You may check the Calendar of Events on the website to see the schedule. Members will be kept updated via email. Regular club meetings are on Thursdays, when doors open at 5 p.m., and singing begins at 6. Look for the banner and neon sign. There will be no karaoke on Dec 21.

Practice sessions are conducted from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Beardsley Park Arts and Crafts building in the yoga studio, where the club's date base of over 260,000 titles may be accessed.

You don't need to sing to enjoy the music and camaraderie of this friendly group. The club is open to members and their accompanied guests. Annual mem-

bership is \$10 and the nightly singing fee for members is \$2 and \$3 for singing guests. Listening is free! Cups and ice provided. Membership forms are available Thursday evenings or karaoke.scwclubs.com.

LAPIDARY

The Johnson Lapidary Club is a social and hobby club. Lapidary is the art of cutting, forming and polishing gemstones and precious materials. Club members use modern cutting, shaping and polishing equipment to create their "works of art" as jewelry, such as Bolo's, Belt buckles, Pendants, and Earrings. The club also has dichroic glass, metal clay, and faceting equipment. Members can purchase rocks, materials, settings, findings, tools, etc. from the club at competitive prices. We provide beginner to advanced classes and we also have fun social events. Visit us in the R.H. Johnson Rec Center for a tour or for more information go to lapidary.scwclubs.com. To contact the club, email us at johnsonlapidary@gmail.com or call us at 623-584-8952. It's fun, easy, and very rewarding.

LAWN BOWLS

Looking for a sports club that is friendly, fun, competitive, and has many social events? Then Johnson Lawn



GLASS FUSING & ENAMELING

The Glass Fusing and Enameling Club is a very friendly group! Anyone can learn to make jewelry, ornaments, vases, night lights, wind chimes and much more. Experienced club members will teach you how to make it. In addition to glass arts, we also teach Enameling and copper arts. The club is located at Beardsley Rec Center. Pop in and check us out from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday; and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. Contact the club at 623-544-6532 or contact the club president Patti at 818 605-5565 or pburleson07@gmail.com.

Bowls Club is for you!

Take a couple of free lessons from our Bowls USA certified trainers using the club's lawn bowls. The trainers will give you the basic skills you need to get on the greens and participate. We offer daily draw games twice a day. You can choose to be in a fun draw where the group chooses what type of game you play. We, also, have weekly ladies' draws and a monthly ladies' lunch. If you choose to come other times and bowl on your own, you can do that as well.

Our social days involve lawn bowling, food, and fun! On Oct. 29, we held our Monster MASH Fun Day. We had unique bowling game ends, delicious food, and prizes. By the time you read this, we will have had our Turkey Shoot Fun Day. Our Christmas party will be Dec. 10 and catered.

We are inside the walking track across from the ARC building. So, come check us out! You will be glad you did.

For information, visit rhjlawnbowls.com.

LEATHER CARVERS

Christmas is coming and fall is in the air! Dedicated members with vision are what make a great club.

The Leather Club is a great club because of the great members. You can al-

ways find someone trying a new pattern or project, excited about a new process they have learned and wanting to share or offering their assistance to another member.

There is an updated library full of ideas and inspiration just waiting for members to create. But it's not just carving; club members may braid, burn, paint, sew and anything else you can imagine.

Instructional classes are available on lacing, braiding, air brushing, staining, wet dipping and a variety of other skills. Whether you are a beginner who wants to get started or an experienced carver who wants to learn a new skill, you will find what you are looking for. You will receive fundamental instruction and learn how to use the seven basic tools of the craft.

The club is a great place to meet others who love the craft of leather working. Members create projects such as handbags, wallets, phone cases, guitar straps, and much more. Everything from the simplest belts to the most detailed saddles and jewelry. Club tools, supplies and equipment are available for use. The club has purchased two different industrial sewing machines to meet the needs of any project. Current members offer



Top left, several members turned their songs into skits to the delight of the audience. Pictured are: Shirleyann (left) singing "Leader of the Pack," along with back-up girls Marcine Coburn, Dena Payne, and Donna McCallum. Top right, Byron Coburn got an assist from Jacquie Rodenberg while performing "Witch Queen." Right, the Karaoke Club members pulled out all the stops for their annual "Scaryoke" party. All manner of witches, demons and monsters enjoyed pizza provided by the club and served by cave people Kevin and Rochelle Norton and Don Hehman. Sides and desserts were brought by members.



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The Lapidary Club held their fall luncheon social on Oct. 31 at the R.H. Johnson Rec Center's courtyard. Club member Charmaine Magee is shown serving pizza to club attendees.

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years of experience and are always happy and available to exchange ideas, answer questions and assist with projects.

The club has a variety of items and kits for sale to members all that is required is your imagination! Handcrafted leather items make wonderful gifts for

family and friends. You'll enjoy making projects you can use, give as gifts, or sell.

The leather workers meet at the Kuentz Center beginning at 8 a.m. Monday through Friday. The Leather Carvers have always taken part in the Fall and Spring Craft Fairs at R.H. Johnson and hope to continue selling at some local area craft sales and the del Sol Arts & Crafts Gallery. Several crafters sold their items on their own at the Sundome



Above, Johnson Lawn Bowls Monster MASH Halloween winners took home a bag of "treats." Winners are, from left to right: Corinne Bailiff, Vince Geglia, and Sandy Tiedeman. Below, Benny Sexton won the costume contest and received a donated \$25 gift certificate from the Hole-in-One Restaurant. Benny Sexton bowls in his costume. Costume contestants had to bowl in their costume the whole game in order to be considered for the gift certificate.



Plaza Arts & Crafts Show hosted by the Sundome Merchants in November and hope to again next March 8. This is a great opportunity for members to come out and see the variety of items they do not see in the club since those selling make most of their items in their own homes. This can be an inspiration to others and gives them many ideas for their own projects.

Sun City West residents with a valid rec card are welcome to become members. Visit the club's website at scwleathercarversclub.weebly.com or call 480-341-2057 for more information.

LINE DANCERS

The song, with a few changes says it all. "Try to remember the kind of 'December' when dance was 'hard' and 'challenging' to follow" ... Well, not anymore. Our instructor, Kort Kurdi has a fun, new approach to those wanting to "Line" through the fundamentals and basic steps of dance. With his unique teaching you can learn without frustration and see how fun and enjoyable line dancing can be. He will have you dancing in five minutes. If you have been wanting to step into the world of line dancing, now is the time!

A new four-week Beginner Basics class starts Dec. 6 and continues each Wednesday through December. The dance fee for the classes is \$20 plus a \$5 membership fee. The classes are at R.H. Johnson in the Social Hall from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Membership is open to Sun City West residents with valid recreation cards. Contact Patti Anderson at 701-371-6392 with any questions or for more information.

MAC-CRO-KNIT

Would you like to learn a new hobby? Come to the Mac-Cro-Knit club and see what the possibilities are: knitting, crocheting, macrame or loom knitting. If you become a member, there are people willing to help you learn whatever you choose and supplies to purchase at very modest prices. Women in the club create large items like blankets or they create small items like baby booties; yes babies still wear booties to keep their little toes warm. You can donate your creation to one of the many charities the club supports or give your creation as a gift to a friend or to yourself. The next general meeting is at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21. The club is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Kuentz Rec Center. Come and explore the club. Any questions? Contact President Janet Lennon at 623-687-7397.

MEN'S

Men's Club November schedule is:
Monday: 8 a.m. Texas Hold'em Limited, \$20 buy-in; 11:30 a.m. Omaha High/Low, \$6 buy-in; 12:30 p.m. Texas Hold'em Unlimited, \$25 buy-in.

Tuesday: 8 a.m. Bridge group, \$2; Texas Hold'em Limited, \$20 buy-in; 11:30 a.m. Omaha High/Low, \$6 buy-in; 12:30 p.m. Texas Hold'em Unlimited, \$40 buy-in

Wednesday: 8 a.m. Texas Hold'em Limited, \$20 buy-in; 11:30 a.m. Omaha High/Low, \$6 buy-in; 12:30 p.m. 7-card Stud Unlimited, \$25 buy-in

Thursday: 8 a.m. Texas Hold'em Limited, \$20 buy-in; 8 a.m. 7-card Stud Unlimited, \$10 buy-in; 11:30 a.m. Omaha High/Low, \$6 buy-in; 12:30 p.m. Texas Hold'em Unlimited, \$40 buy-in

Friday: 8 a.m. Texas Hold'em Lim-



Above, Arlene Crow models a knitted chemo cap by Carol Pritchard. Top right, donated items for the Christmas kids bags. Left, Mac-Cro-Knit Club member Pat Lawson shows off her crocheted popcorn hat.

ited, \$20 buy-in; 11:30 a.m. Omaha High/Low, \$6 buy-in; 12:30 p.m. Texas Hold'em Unlimited, \$25 buy-in

Saturday: 8 a.m. Texas Hold'em Limited, \$20 buy-in; 11:30 a.m. Omaha High/Low, \$6 buy-in; 12:30 p.m. 7-card Stud Unlimited, \$25 buy-in.

METAL

The Metal Club welcomed members to kick-off the fall/winter season at a pizza party following the general membership meeting held on Nov. 9. A total of 160 members and guests were updated on club improvements completed over the summer. Everyone enjoyed pizza and dessert to reconnect with friends as we look forward to an exciting, new season at the Metal Club.

The Metal Club provides members with a wide variety of metal working equipment: milling machines, lathes, grinding/burning, sandblasting, knifemaking, plasma cutting, powder coating, spray painting, sheet metal, welding, foundry operations, etc. New members are welcome to tour our facility to learn more about the club. No metal working experience required; numerous classes are available.

Do you need a new vacation mailbox for your home this holiday season? Popular vacation mailboxes, including mailbox flags, are available for purchase and installation. Simply visit scwmetalclub.com, follow mailbox prompts to order your choice of beige or

black mailbox. You will be contacted within 24-48 hours to arrange an installation date.

The Metal Club is at 13849 W. Camino Del Sol (next to the Visitor's Center/PORA office/Del Sol Gallery). Club hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact the club at 623-584-0150 or scwmetalclub.com.

MODEL RAILROAD

Come and enjoy our HO/N scale model train club in comfort from 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, in the R.H. Johnson complex just across from Member Services. We have a large HO DCC-controlled and detailed layout with lots of equipment that can be used by our members, or bring your own! Our smaller N-scale layout is also available for our members to use and enjoy. Both layouts are nicely detailed with scenery. Guests are always welcome!

Our G-scale outdoor layout is at the Beardsley Rec Center by the horseshoe pits/mini golf. It is quite large and detailed, a great peaceful place to relax and just enjoy the scenery and trains. Walk around our pathways, enjoy the waterfall, or just relax and enjoy our park benches. We are open for the winter season now. Our hours vary as the temperature cools, usually 10 a.m. to noon or

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Men's Club members play cards in the Men's Club room.



Club Corner



Music Club presents performer Ben Bolt

The Music Club's monthly meeting is to be held on Wednesday, Dec. 13, at the Stardust Theatre. Featured performer is Ben Bolt.

Ben Bolt is a singer and fingerstyle guitarist specializing in solo acoustic interpretations of hit songs from the 50s, 60s, 70s, and 80s. A retired criminal lawyer, Ben now plays music more than 200 times a year at country clubs and restaurants in north Scottsdale, Phoenix, and Detroit. He enjoys talking with audiences and looks forward to taking your musical requests.

Music Club members and their accompanied guests are welcome to attend. Sun City West residents are encouraged to become members of the club for an annual membership of \$5. The Music Club is a club for music lovers. You need not be a musician yourself.

Programs are presented the second Wednesday of the month at 2 p.m., at the Stardust Theater from October through April. For more information,



Ben Bolt will perform for the Music Club, at 2 p.m. Dec. 13 in the Stardust Theatre. The concert is free for club members and their accompanied guests. The club presents programs on the second Wednesday of the month from October through April.

call Cameron Craig, club president, at 303-324-4787 or visit music.scwclubs.com.

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noon to 2 p.m., but our days of operation in-season are Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. We also have our Friday night runs, the first Friday of each month, while operating. Come and enjoy the lights and sounds of nighttime railroad-ing.

Members and guests are welcome to use and enjoy both locations. Cameras always welcome!

Our club also has the Choo-Choo Chicks, wives and supporters that help with our club fund raising events and also have social events to enjoy.

Visit the Model Railroad Club's spectacular Holiday Open House from 1 to 4 p.m. Dec. 21-23 at the R.H. Johnson club house. Holiday themes will be on display and will include all-scale trains from N to G featuring Thomas, The Holiday Train and the Polar Express.

Also, our G scale trains will be featured with holiday themes at the Beardsley location from 1 to 4 p.m. Dec. 21-23. Come and celebrate the Holiday spirit



Thomas wishes everyone Happy Holidays. The Model Railroad Club welcomes visitors to its Holiday Open House Dec. 21-23 at the club house and Beardsley Park.

with us at both locations along with your families!

We welcome all rec card holders to join the club and all visitors to join in the fun. Our member dues are \$30 first year, name plates provided, and \$20 each year after. Stop by either location for information and sign up folders. Our phone is 623-544-6148. All aboard for model railroad fun!

PEBBLEBROOK LADIES 18 GOLF

Pebblebrook is the only ladies club offering three tee options (red, combo and green) for players of all abilities. The combo tees reduces the red tee length on holes 4, 6, 10, and 16 by a total of 357 yards, bringing the total playable length to 5,352 vs. 5,709 from the red tees. Every Tuesday is an organized 18-hole club game. It's easy to sign-up. There is an optional "Chip-In Pot" and "Blind Draw" each week. After the round, we gather on the patio for a fun time. Our annual Tournament of Champions recognizes our Club Champion (Low Gross), President's Cup



Top left and right, congratulations to Pebblebrook Ladies 18 Golf Club October Ace of the Month: Arlys Kraft (low net 70); and October Putter of the Month: Donna Richmond (29 putts). Below, left and right, the Pebblebrook Ladies 18 Golf Club welcomes new members Susie Everett and Sozzi Byrne.

(Low Net) and "Flight" Champions. We also have several "Fun Day" mixers and participate in Team Play with the other regulation course Ladies 18 groups.

Join us any Tuesday to try us out. Though not eligible for prizes, you may play three times with us before making a commitment to join. Please check us out at pbwomensgolf.scwclubs.com or call Wanda Schnabel at 260-312-5230 for more information.

PHOTOGRAPHY WEST

There is lots going on in this fun club. Our pop-up get-togethers have been very popular. They combine education with a social twist which results in learning something new and making new friends. It's a great way to get to know members of our club. Another way to meet fellow members is to monitor. It is for only three hours, and not only will you meet some friendly people, but you will also learn what is going on in our club. We also have club "Ambassadors" who team up with our new members to help them with their photographic needs. Carpool trips and other travel opportunities will help to make you a better photographer. Member photographs are displayed at the library and R.H. Johnson Rec Center.

Photography West (623-544-6520), at the Beardsley Recreation Center, is a club for Sun City West residents who enjoy photography. Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. You may mount and mat pictures, get information and pay dues. You can also make movies, transfer slides and pictures to a flash drive, VHS to flash drive or DVD, work with Elements, and transfer records or cassettes to flash drives. Check out our Still Life and Portrait Studio. Computers are available for members' use.

Photography West meets at 10 a.m. Fridays at the Stardust at Kuentz with a special program each week. Photo Exhibitions are in the Photo Lab at 2 p.m. once a month. Digital displays change every two weeks.

Watch our website for schedule of events, classes, pop-ups, competitions and social events. New things are added all the time.

For information, visit photography.scwclubs.com. We are open to club members and their accompanied guests.

PICKLEBALL

Pickleball Club welcomes new members to the fastest growing sport in America. Pickleball is fun and easy to learn, even for complete beginners. Our club has more than 1,700 active and enthusiastic members, and offers social, recreational, and competitive activities for all skill levels. Come try it at one of our weekly intro sessions, with equip-



Emily Schwoerke's beautiful photographs were featured at a recent exhibition at the Photography West room at Beardsley Recreation Center. They will move to the R.H. Johnson library next. Photography.scwclubs.com for information about our club.

ment and instruction provided at no cost.

We have 34 courts at three locations in Sun City West with a variety of group and organized play opportunities, as well as open/drop-in play. Plans are in work for additional courts to accommodate our expanding membership. Go online at scwpickleballclub.com for club calendar and schedules. For questions contact club president Coke Schaefer at 503-348-7650, email cokeschaefer@gmail.com; or vice president Bob Campbell at 612-203-5784.

PINOCHLE

The Monday Pinochle Club meets from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays at Beardsley Rec Center. The club plays single deck partners with no pass. We are a very friendly, helpful group who have a lot of fun playing Pinochle. Call Lou at 847-404-9835.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE

Do you have a motorhome, 5th wheel, travel trailer, or camper? If so,

we invite you to join us at an RV Club meeting at the R.H. Johnson Rec Center. Guests are welcome at all meetings. The RV Club is a social and traveling club, made up of RVers and former RVers. We meet at the R.H. Johnson Social Hall, usually twice a month, once on a Tuesday morning and once on a Tuesday evening.

The upcoming general business meetings are scheduled for Tuesday evenings. The next meeting will be on Dec. 5. Meetings begin at 5 p.m. with a social time. You are invited to participate in a PotLuck or Not dinner. You may bring a dish that serves 10 to share or bring your own dinner/snack. Please bring your own table service. As always, coffee will be provided, and entertainment will follow the business meeting.

Upcoming Caravan Meetings are scheduled for Tuesday mornings. The next meeting will be on Dec. 19. Meetings begin at 8 a.m. with a social time, during which donuts and coffee are pro-

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Pickleball Club members Lou Stahl, left, and Ginger Blaisdell enjoy a moment on court.



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Above, contestants show off their costumes in SPAM's Halloween Costume Contest. Top right, Scrapbooking, Papercrafts, & More member Sharon Marinello with the Thanksgiving treat boxes made for the Meals on Wheels Program. Right, Marcy Kaufman, Melissa Walker, Kiplyn Packer, Betty Keene, Dottie Schmit, and Angie Claudon hold their completed paper crackers and Gatefold cards. Bottom right, club members craft decorative paper pumpkins.



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vided. At Caravan Meetings, you may sign up for trips and learn about past and future trips.

Traveling with the RV Club is great

fun! Not only do the travelers get to experience new and exciting places, but they have a wonderful time traveling and exploring together. Here are some of our recent trips: Barleens Arizona Opry, Organ Stop Pizza, White Tank Mountain campout, Navajo Nation, American history tour, Wickenburg

Bluegrass Festival, rally to Yuma, AZ Broadway Theater, tour western North Dakota. Please join us at a meeting soon!

For further information, visit rv.scw-clubs.com; or email: suncitywestrv-club@gmail.com.

SATURDAY NIGHT GAMESTERS

The Saturday Night Gamesters meet from 4:30 to 9 p.m. Saturdays at Beardley Rec Center. Join us as we have many different games that are being played, such as Poker, Double Deck Pinochle, Mah Jongg, and Hand and Foot. You are welcome to bring your friends and start any game you like or join an existing group. Call Larry Bosma at 701-729-1572 for details.

SCRAPBOOKING, PAPER-CRAFT & MORE

Members of Scrapbooking, Papercrafts, & More relish making cards for friends and family, and several times a year they like to give back to the community by sharing their love of papercrafts.

Every year, members of SPAM hand craft goody baskets for residents participating in Sun City West's Meals on Wheels (MOW) program. This year, the club's MOW coordinator, Sharon Marinello, had members assemble small paper totes, which were then filled with chocolates and candy; the boxes were embellished to look like festive turkey's with googly eyes and flamboyant tail



In celebration of the Latin American holiday, Día de Los Muertos, during the La Cocina Latino Americana class, Brian McFarland created an "ofrenda" honoring his mother and father, while Kathy McFarland prepared and presented homemade sopes, salsas, Oaxacaan refried black beans, chicken posole, and the sweet bread, Pan de Muerto, for club members to sample.



First place and Best of Masters Class, Susan Cowles, won for her image "Beautiful in White."

Photography West names competition winners

The following are the results of the Photography West Print Competition. There were entries in three classes: Beginner, Advanced and Master. Some categories have two classes combined. Additional information can be found at photography.scw-clubs.com.

BEST OF CLASS

Class A/B: Mykee Cornelison, "Redwood Forest Bridge"

Class M: Susan Cowles. "Beautiful in White"

OPEN

Class B: Napoleon O'Young, first place; Michael Steward, second and honorable mention; Patti O'Young, third

Class A: Rhonda Chapman, first and third; Mykee Cornelison, second; Cindy Drolet, honorable mention

Master: Susan Cowles, first; Larry Cowles, second and honorable mention; Kelly Asmussen, third; David Pickles, honorable mention

MONOCHROMATIC

Class B/A: Cindy Drolet, first; Napoleon O'Young, second; Michael Steward, third

Class M: Susan Cowles, first and second; David Pickles, third place; Doug Allan and Larry Cowles, honorable mention

ROTATING SUBJECT-BRIDGES

Class B/A: Mykee Cornelison, first place; Napoleon O'Young, second; Greg Swinney, third

Class M: Rondy Voorhees, first; David Pickles, second and honorable mention; Lance Janaskie, third place

CREATIVE EXPRESSION

Class B/A: Napoleon O'Young, first; Cindy Drolet, second; James Keane, third

Class M: Emily Schwoerke, first; Ken Kvam, second; Lance Janaskie, third

NATURE

Class B/A: Napoleon O'Young, first and third; Doug Humphrey, second; Patti O'Young and Greg Swinney, honorable mention

Class M: Susan Cowles, first; Emily Schwoerke, second; David Pickles, third; Rondy Voorhees, Lance Janaskie and Larry Cowles, honorable mention

feathers.

Members also have endless opportunities to learn how to make unique cards with unexpected configurations. Member Denise Maleszewski recently taught a few brain challenging designs; one unique paper craft was a large paper cracker gift card holder resembling the party favors opened during New Years parties. Denise also taught a Gatefold Fun Fold card consisting of multiple layers and folds; once completed members decorated the card befitting their personal taste using paper and embellishments.

Member Judy Stacey taught a card design resembling a quilting block. Participants could use up to four different types of coordinating designer papers to build a background around a central

square block. A stamped or die cut sentiment placed in the center of the block provided the final accent.

The club enjoyed a fun-filled Halloween party. In addition to making easy die-cut cards and pretty paper pumpkin decorations to adorn candy boxes, the day included fun games, prizes, tasty edibles, and a costume contest.

Join the fun and learn how to make greeting cards, papercrafts and scrapbooks (traditional or digital). SPAM meets in Beardley Rec Center's Agave Room from 5 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fridays, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays. For information, call club pres-

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Diana Oliver made this reversible table topper all set for Christmas on this side. On flip side, pansies welcome spring and summer.

Rip 'N' Sew show-and-tell delights with colors, ideas

Diana Oliver had others "Seeing Double" at Rip 'N' Sew's November show-and-tell. That's because she made reversible table toppers with different seasonal fabric on each side.

Oliver displayed three sets after the club's general meeting.

The table toppers are a machine embroidery project done in the hoop, Oliver said. The only portion done on a sewing machine is in the center.

To make one "Seeing Double" table topper requires six different fabrics, three for each side, she said. And it takes about a day to make one because each of the 15 wedges needs 15 minutes of hoop time to complete, she said.

Oliver made her table toppers at home because she has the same machine model, a Baby Lock Meridian, that Rip 'N' Sew has in the club's main room.

During the Covid pandemic, the mother board died on Oliver's embroidery machine.

"I was having withdrawal since I didn't have a machine," she said. That's when she bought her Meridian.

"I've been doing machine embroidery since I moved here and joined Rip 'N' Sew 18 to 20 years ago," she said.

Oliver wasn't the only club member to show off her work at the show-and-tell before the pizza luncheon.

Other Rip 'N' Sew members displayed all kinds of bags — totes, large purses, tiny purses, even an animal bag with a giraffe face on the bag and the beast's neck as the strap.

Diane Stern wore her show-and-tell outfit of pastel summer pants and matching short-sleeved top.

Colorful quilts were popular, too.

Darlene Mullen embroidered one with several scenes of a young boy fishing. She said she's saving it for a so-far-mythical great-grandson although she has two great-granddaughters.

Mullen also showed off a counted cross-stitch quilt she made for herself. Flowers, bees, dragonflies and butterflies fill the middle and the names of the months ring the 44-inch square quilt.

"I love to cross-stitch. It took me six months off and on to do it," Mullen said.

Janet Thrush showed off one of the most colorful quilts.

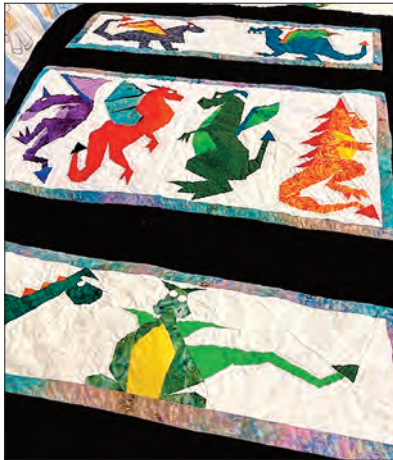
She paper-pieced brightly hued dragons for her 8-year-old grandson. "He's a dragon man," Thrush said.

"The whole quilting with paper piecing sort of scared me," she said, "but it was fun and went together quickly."

She said it took her an hour to an hour-and-a-half per dragon.

Thrush said she hand quilted around each dragon, then machine quilted the sashing. The finished quilt is about 41 inches by 53 inches.

Darlene Mullen treated herself to this beauty of a counted cross-stitch quilt, which took her six months to complete.



Janet Thrush paper-pieced the dragons and hand quilted around them. The three-dimensional eyes are the top halves of snaps.

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ident Lynne Marion at 440-666-6386.

SOFTBALL

Even though we are in the holiday season, it is a very good time to join the Softball Club! Our Fall Session is in full swing but you can go through the Green Team to get set up to play softball in one of our clubs leagues starting as a substitute and possibly getting placed a team full time should an opening occur. The Green Team has evaluators to determine which primary league (American, Central or National) best suits your skill level. They determine your abilities to bat, throw, field and run.

By joining now you can participate in special events such as a 1 Pitch Tournament. You will also be set up to play in the Spring Session, which starts around the second week in January. Besides playing, you can umpire, run the scoreboard, complete score sheets, be an announcer and help with many other activities that it takes to have a successful session.

We also have three summer sessions that run from April through early September. Those games are played earlier in the morning and are finished before it gets too hot.

The cost to join the club is \$150 with \$100 going toward your uniform that includes a cap, belt, shorts and long pants. Our annual dues are \$50 each year, but if you join before the end of 2023, your dues covers the remainder of 2023 and all of 2024. For information about joining the club, call Gary Scapito at 623-451-7837 or Nick Missos (club president) at 574-551-4969.

SPANISH

The Spanish Club winter events and



STAINED GLASS CRAFTERS

Stained Glass Crafters held their first Table Talk in October. Thank you to David Butts for his framing demonstration. We do small classes or demonstrations monthly, stop in and see what is coming up next.

classes are in full swing filled with creative and fun club participants eager to learn about the Spanish language and culture. The club has a fantastic website filled with current news about club events and class information. Also, the website includes archived photos, news articles and learning activities that are both entertaining and informative. Visit the club website every week to get updated information - spanish.scwclubs.com.

The Spanish Club's Holiday Fiesta will be celebrate at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, in the Summit Hall at Palm Ridge Center Rec Center. Reservations are required by Friday, Dec. 1. There is no charge for a member and his or her one guest. This is a potluck event which includes musical entertainment by The Timberlakes.

Upcoming events include:
1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12 - Spanish Board Games at the Beardsley REC Center.
2 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 14 - Board

of Directors Monthly Meeting is opened to all Spanish Club Sun City West members. Please refer to our website for additional information.

3 to 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 15 - Movie matinee at R.H. Johnson Lecture Hall. Please refer to our club website for updated movie information.

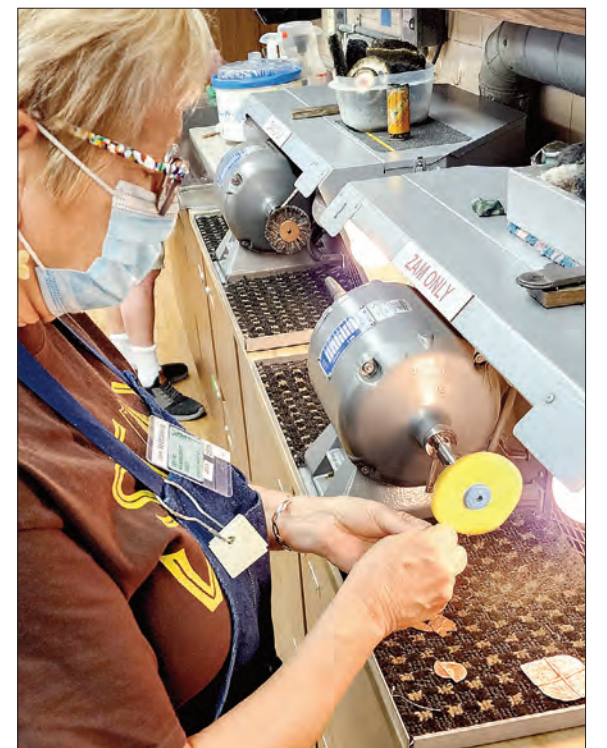
Monday, Dec. 18, through Jan. 5 - Holiday break from all classes and activities.

Friday, Jan. 5, 2024 - Beginning Spanish Level 1 for Snowbirds. Please refer to our website for details.

2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17 - at Host's Residence, the Book Club is currently reading and will discuss on Jan. 17 the book "Cuba: An American History" by Ada Ferrer.

Membership in Spanish Club is available to Sun City West residents with a valid rec card. Annual dues of \$15 includes free classes for members. Our

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TOY-KI SILVERCRAFT

Toy-Ki Silvercraft Club is "thee" place to be! Come on over and check us out. Take a tour, ask questions and take a look at all the beautiful jewelry on display. Find out just how easy it is to make your own unique and stunning jewelry, in sterling silver, copper, bronze and gold! We are located at the R.H. Johnson Rec Center, 19803 R.H. Johnson Blvd. Club hours are from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday. If you have questions, our President, Kathy Estes would be happy to help (208-447-8520).





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volunteer board and teaching staff always seek additional volunteers to assist in the classroom or on our Board of Directors to fill vacancies as they occur. Again, information on all events including class schedules and descriptions, upcoming social events and online registration and dues payment options can be found at our website, spanish.scwclubs.com.

STARDUST LADIES GOLF

Sun City West lady golfers are invited to join us on Tuesdays. You can elect to play nine holes or 18 holes. A handicap is established for you, once a member, and there are weekly games and a few fun tournaments and scrambles throughout the year.

Cooler weather is now upon us, but it's still a great time to come on out and play! The course is great, come out and meet a few new friends and enjoy the game while you're at it. September Aces of the month were: Linda Taft, low gross 86; Colleen Zarate, low gross 86; and Mylinda Campbell, low net 55. Octobers were also announced as follows: Linda Hull, low gross 82; Nancy Willkom, low gross 82; and Trudy Garrigan, low net 56. These ladies will compete during a tournament in December, with the Aces who were announced earlier in the year. Congratulations to all.

Applications for membership are available at the Stardust Club House, in the outdoor display case at Stardust or on sdladiesgolf.scwclubs.com. If you are not sure league play is for you, you can play as a guest and try it out. Please call Gail at 425-375-3552 or Rebekah at 360-789-8628, with any questions you may have.

STARDUST MEN'S GOLF

The Stardust Men's Golf Club have a December special where you get December 2023 membership free if you pay the 2024 annual fee of \$30 from now through December 2023.

The Fall Season is here and the Stardust Men's Golf Club has a busy schedule.

We invite all of you Sun City West men whether you are new to the area and looking for a men's golf club or just looking for a change from the club you belong to now - look no further than the Stardust Men's Golf Club. Stardust is a beautiful and challenging executive golf course for all levels of players. We offer staggered tee times - no shotgun starts except for special occasions. You can play with your friends or move around the groups and make new friends. We offer weekly sweeps that include low net and KPs, a monthly fun game during the busier months and an annual club championship during the March time frame.

The weather has cooled off so it's a great time to get put on the course, enjoy the weather and hopefully join our



To accommodate our winter residents and those who do not wish to exercise outdoors during the cooler weather, the Water Fitness club is adding Monday, Wednesday, and Friday sessions at 8 a.m. in the beautiful Palm Ridge indoor pool October through March.

league. We are the smallest golf club and are hoping to increase our membership. We are looking for new members who enjoy golf, maybe looking for a change, want to play golf in a friendly competitive environment, are ready to get back in the game and/or are interested in meeting others in a friendly game of golf.

Come join us any Wednesday and try us out. We are sure after you play a couple of rounds and experience the friendship, comradery and competition you will be joining our family too. You can find more information at sdmenegolf.scwclubs.com or contact Pete Kleckner at 719-246-0371 (please leave a message if I don't answer) or email chiefkco@gmail.com.

WATER FITNESS

The Water Fitness Club does gentle stretches to cardio exercises set to recorded music and instruction in the shallow end of the pool. The exercise sessions are self-directed. There are no instructors, but a new member may approach any experienced member for guidance. We alternate between four

routines. Please, try us out. Come and enjoy the beautiful Sun City West water facilities.

Our cool-weather schedule is as follows: Johnson outdoor pool year around at 9 a.m. Monday through Friday; Beardsley indoor pool year around at 9 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays; Palm Ridge indoor pool year around Saturdays at 9:15 a.m., and Palm Ridge indoor pool at 8 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Please visit our web site for exact location dates and times. Our web site is waterfitness.scwclubs.com. The web site contains our exercise calendars, a description of each routine, membership application, and much more.

Membership to our club is open to anyone with a valid rec card. Membership dues are \$15 per year. Anyone with a rec card may attend five sessions before membership is required. Non Sun

City West residents may attend five times per year as a guest of a member. For more information, please contact president Sandra Forsey at scwwaterfitness@gmail.com or 623-261-7889.

WEAVERS WEST

The Weavers West Guild is a friendly and supportive group of members focused on weaving, spinning and tapestries. We welcome anyone who is interested in learning more about the club to stop by our studio, located at the Kuentz Recreation Center. Come by to see members working on beautiful handmade pieces and be inspired to create your own! Our studio is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Midmornings are the best time to stop by, as there are usually several people working on their

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Masters Swimmers at the Huntsman World Senior Games are, from left to right: front -Suzanne Hay, Karen Loring, Elaine Greene, Coach Barb Sloan; back - Gini Baker, Lindy Bley, Gynt Clifford and Ty Walker.

Masters Swimmers hit goals at Huntsman World Senior Games

The SCW Sportsman's Club Masters Swimmers competed at the Huntsman's World Senior Games in St George, Utah, on Oct. 10. The results of months of training got them to the pool deck, ready to give it their very best. The swimmers totaled 55 swims and earned 54 awards, including 45 medals, nine ribbons, two new records for the Huntsman Games, and six records for the 85-89 age group of the Arizona Local Masters Swim Club.

However, the extrinsic rewards of medals and titles that sometimes come with Competitive Masters Swimming are secondary for most Sun City West Masters Swimming members. Most capitalize on intrinsic motivation, looking at getting faster and improving their strokes and techniques as most critical.

Individual development is what's most important in the SCW Masters Swimming program. This is measured with continuing feedback from Coach Barb Sloan, tracking our swimmers' best times and progress.

Stop by the R.H. Johnson pool from 7 to 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday mornings, to observe our swim workouts and learn more about competitive swimming, fitness, and Adult Learn to Swim programs offered by Sun City West Masters Swimming. See you at the pool.



Bill Burns is a member of Westernaires Chorus of Sun City West and contributes as librarian and bass player. He retired and relocated to Sun City West in 2015 from Fresno, Calif. Bill added the trumpet and guitar to his playing repertoire after taking piano lessons in the second grade. He owned and performed in a rock 'n roll band that opened for headliners in California and Nevada during the 1980s and 1990s. He enjoys his first time singing in a chorus. "Ya gotta love music and the camaraderie of others who feel the same.



Westernaires welcomes violinist for winter show

Ellen Zacko will be joining the Westernaires in their winter concert entitled "Let the Lights Shine" at the Stardust Theater, 14401 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., in Sun City West.

Director Sylvia Collins has chosen some great music to feature the violin with the chorus and Ellen will play her white lightning electric violin.

Tickets may be purchased at the Rec Center box office or online at westernaires.scwclubs.com/show-tickets.

- The concert dates are:
- 7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 1
 - 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 2
 - 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 3
 - 7 p.m., Monday, Dec. 4

The Westernaires concerts are often well sold so get your tickets today! For information, contact President Ken Kunze at 402-366-7377, or visit westernaires.scwclubs.com.



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projects, so there's lots to see. Spinners meet every Tuesday afternoon at 1 p.m. For more information, you can visit our weavers.scwclubs.com, or call us at 623-544-6515.

WESTERNAIRES

The Westernaires would like to introduce guest guitarist, Bill Burns, who

will perform for the four holiday shows entitled "Let the Lights Shine" in the Stardust Theater on Dec. 1-4. Tickets may be purchased at the Rec Center box office and via the club web page.

For more information, contact President Ken Kunze at 402-366-7377, or visit westernaires.scwclubs.com.

WOMEN'S CLUB

The Women's Club offers a variety of social activities and monthly events.

Our holiday party is scheduled for

Dec. 6. Many games are played at the club, including Mah Jongg, Bridge, Hand and Foot, Canasta, and many more.

The third Monday potlucks and monthly birthday cake celebrations are big hits! Mondays are busy days at the club, as the Fun and Games Committee hosts Hand and Foot variations open play with mentors and open hosted Mah Jongg games. Hosted Bridge games can be found on Wednesdays and hosted Mah Jongg With a Kick games are on

Thursdays. Hosted games are a great way to meet people and a way to start new game groups.

The Women's Club, along with the Boomers, are hosting a Toys for Kids toy collection through Dec. 2 with the event with Santa and local school children on Dec. 4. Please refer to our website for exact dates and times for hosted game play and Toys for Kids information.

The club's room is at the Kuentz Rec Center, directly across from the Stardust

Theater. Hours are 11 am. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Members can come with their Women's Club friends and play any game of their choice any time the clubroom is open. Membership is open to Sun City West residents with a current rec card. Resident guests may come twice before needing to join the club. Come and give the club a try! For more information, please contact president Julie Koehn at scwomensclub@gmail.com or 480-235-2400 or visit womensclub.scw-

Feedback always welcome

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Arizona Revised Statutes mandate that Association meetings are to be open to members. We encourage our cardholders to attend these meetings, and we provide time for them to make comments. Member feedback is always appreciated.

Each year the RCSCW accounting ledgers and procedures are audited by an outside firm. This was just completed in October by the firm Clifton-LarsonAllen, LLC (CLA). Their report of a clean audit assures the RCSCW cardholders that we are practicing good financial operating practices.

On the capital side: As part of our duty to maintain our facilities and properties, all capital items (over \$5,000 and more than 5-year useful life) are captured in the Reserve Study. The Reserve Study tracks the useful life and replacement costs of all capital items over the next 30 years. Prior to being placed in the annual budget, these items are inspected and reviewed to determine where they are in their useful life. Items that have reached the end of their useful life are included in the capital budget. Items that still have useful life left are postponed to a later year. Conversely, items that have aged quicker than projected are moved forward to an earlier year.

Once on the capital budget, each capital item over \$50,000 is reviewed by the Budget & Finance Committee, and each capital item over \$100,000 must be approved by the Governing Board.

Accountability through Policy

As far as how our Reserve Fund investments are handled, there is a process in place that is transparent, conservative, and thorough. We have a professional investment company,

CAPTRUST, that handles our portfolio. CAPTRUST was chosen out of five investment firms by a search committee composed of Directors, members, and our CFO. Each firm was interviewed and ranked by each of the members against a standard that looked for fiscal acumen, communication skills, and ability to stay within the very conservative dictates of the RCSCW fiscal policy. Policy Fi-12 has three criteria for CAPTRUST to invest our Reserve Funds (see pull out box to right).

In plain language, the policy calls for a very conservative approach to investing that provides: 1) Preservation of Capital, 2) Liquidity, and 3) A Rate of Return versus Inflation. All three goals are important. A common misreading of Fi-12 is to say Preservation of Capital is the ONLY goal that should be considered. Wrong. All three are considered in an investment strategy.

Verification that policies are being followed

In September 2019, CAPTRUST provided an investment strategy to RCSCW that met all our policy parameters. The Budget & Finance Committee reviewed the investments and concurred that the strategy was fully compliant with Fi-12. The B&F Committee's recommendation to hire CAPTRUST was approved by the Governing Board at the August 2019 General Board Meeting. Unforeseen and unintended, the U.S. economy suffered an event that had not happened for more than 80 years; both the Stock Market (Equities) and the Open-end Index or actively managed Mutual Funds or Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) Market both suffered catastrophic declines.

Each year the Budget & Finance Committee reviews CAPTRUST's adherence to

policy Fi-12. The B&F Committee's last review of CAPTRUST's adherence to our policy was a unanimous recommendation of CAPTRUST to the Governing Board.

Policies and procedures that provide transparency, accountability and verification are the foundations of the Governing Board's fiduciary responsibility to keep RCSCW's fiscal posture strong.

Post Script: If you are retired and have found that

sports, crafts or other activities aren't keeping you occupied, please consider running for the Governing Board. The Board needs interested people who have some extra time to devote to your community. Petitioner packages can be picked up at the Governing Board offices inside the Membership office.

If you would like to have other Governing Board issues addressed in this column, please email me at tim.hurley@suncitywest.com.

POLICY FI-12 INVESTMENT OF ASSOCIATION FUNDS

1.0 General:

The Association's Governing Board has the fiduciary responsibility to Owner Members to ensure that the Association funds are invested in a prudent and conservative manner. The Association Bylaws entrust the Treasurer of the Association to oversee the implementation and investment of Association funds.

2.0 Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to establish a fiscally responsible investment strategy for the Association, subject to periodic review by the Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer.

2.1 Goals & Objectives

The primary objective of the investment program is a conservative and prudent approach to the management of the assets in its investment portfolio(s). The specific goals shall target the preservation of capital, liquidity, and rate of return, in that order.

2.1.1 Preservation of Capital

Preservation of capital is the foremost objective of the investment portfolio(s). Investments shall be made based on an investment strategy that considers the following risk factors:

2.1.1.1 Credit risk

The Association shall minimize credit risk by limiting investment activities to the types of securities detailed in this investment policy.

2.1.1.2 Interest Rate Risk

The Association shall minimize interest rate risk by diversifying its portfolio(s) with approved securities that have differing impact levels to interest rate fluctuations.

2.1.1.3 Market Risk

The portfolio(s) shall provide broad diversification by investing into multiple asset classes within the specified investment parameters set forth in this policy.

2.1.2 Liquidity

Investments shall be made based on cash flow requirements described in section 3.0 of this investment policy. Since all possible cash demands cannot be anticipated, the investment portfolio(s) shall include securities that are easily redeemable or sold in an active secondary market.

2.1.3 Rate of Return

A rate of return shall be sought to address capital needs, operating costs and inflation.

3.1.2 Reserve funds for capital expenditures may be invested based on the specific annual liquidity needs using the following instruments:

- Instruments backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government.
- Open-end Index or actively managed Mutual Funds or Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) that trade in:

- o High-credit investment grade quality domestic and international bonds rated by Moody's, Standard & Poor's and/or Fitch rating agencies.
- o Domestic and international stocks.

3.1.2.1 No individual fund shall exceed more than 20% of the investment value of a portfolio.

3.1.2.2 No investments are to be purchased on margin.

3.1.2.3 Funds shall be invested in a range of fixed income and equities with equities not to exceed 10% of total investments.

Make a difference; run for the Board

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Only Owner-Members in good standing may run for the board, sign petitions and vote in the March Election. For more information, call 623-544-6115.

Along with voting for Directors in the March Election, members will be asked to vote on whether the Rec Centers can continue enforcing street parking regulations in accordance with the CC&Rs. That vote is required due to a new law passed by the Legislature.

More details on this vote, as well as the Election, can be found on the Rec Centers site - suncitywest.com/2024election. The webpage will be updated with additional details and deadlines in the coming weeks.

Coffee with a Cop



The Recreation Centers of Sun City West welcomed the community for a morning of Coffee with A Cop Nov. 9 in the Social Hall.