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# **Eight running for three seats in March election**

### Ballot will include question to allow Association to continue street parking enforcement

Eight Sun City West residents have been certified to run in the Governing Board's March 25 Election. The candidates are vying for three Director vacancies created as terms are ending June 30 for Board Vice President Lisa Vines, and Directors Terry Hamman and Harry Stannebein.

The March Election will also include an important question, required due to a change in state law, about whether the Association can continue enforcing CC&Rs related to street parking. The Rec Centers currently enforces RV, boat, trailer,

utility and other long-term vehicle parking on our streets. The state Legislature passed a new law in 2023 that will remove that authority, unless residents reaffirm it. Without a positive vote by a quorum of members, the Rec Centers and its CC&R Department will have no jurisdiction over whether RVs and other large vehicles can remain parked on the streets indefinitely. Enforcement will be up to the discretion and resources of Maricopa County.

Residents Ronald Aames, John Chattin, Rudy Grom, Dennis Horvath, Wilburn "Bud" Meador, Doris "Dori' Miller, Jolene Piaskowski and Nick Turner will be seeking residents' votes for terms that begin July 1. The top three vote-getters will fill three-year terms on the nine-member, volunteer Governing Board. The Board is responsible for setting policy for the Association. See page 10-11 for full candidate bios.

Two events have been scheduled to introduce the candidates and provide members with an opportunity to ask them questions. Community members are encouraged to attend either or both of these sessions:

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Without a positive vote by residents, the Rec Centers will no longer be able to enforce parking restrictions on Sun City West streets!

Faded Jeans will perform at Palm Ridge Rec Center Friday, Feb. 9. Tickets available at RHJ Box office or online.



# 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 on sale at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H.

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For information on the Palo Verde Patchers' 13th biennial Quilt Show, see page 3 for complete story.

# Easter in the Park hops into SCW

The Rec Centers of Sun City West invites residents with grand-children and other special children to celebrate Easter from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 30, at Beardsley Park, 12755 W. Beardsley Road.

Tickets are free, but we require one ticket per child. Tickets will be available online (suncitywest.com) and at the box office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., starting on Tuesday, Feb. 13.

EASTER

IN THE

PARK

Saturday, March 30 9:00am-12:00pm

Baardslay Park

FREE TICKETS

AVAILABLE = 2/18

BOW OFFICE & ONLINE
HOUSES
FACE
PAINTING
ZOO

EASTER
BUNNY
LEGO'S
CRAFTS

TRAIN
RIDE

Join us for fun in the park with the Easter Bunny and plenty of activities including a choo-choo train, petting zoo, bounce houses, LEGOs, face painting, arts and crafts and an egg hunt!



# Queen of Hypnosis heads into Sun City West

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

Tickets are \$30 and on sale at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

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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 are on sale 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 tribute show band with a frontman who brings to life the look and sound of Huey Lewis & the News.

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.



The Heart of Rock n' Roll

### MARCH 8 George Michael Reborn

incredible George Michael Reborn, a WHAM tribute to the late, great legend! Robert Bartko exudes the energy and passion of the '80s and '90s pop star, getting the crowd on the dance floor for "Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go" and prompting standing ovations for his performance of "Careless Whisper."

Robert is a spot-on George Michael lookalike, with the vocal range, dance moves, interaction, charisma that will leave you





cheering for an encore.

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. They will also add their gourmet cheeseburgers to Spring Fest!



the highest qual-

ity 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-ofa-kind New England seafood lobster food truck is Lobstar's 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.

Re Di Roma – After 12





Re Di Roma

years of cooking in Rome, pizzaiolo Oualid Ferhati brings authentic wood-fired pizza napoletana, fresh pasta, salad, and dessert to the Phoenix area.

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 with their carne asada, chicken, and al pastor.

### 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. 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 passion and precision.

Prepare to be swept away by the familiar melodies of timeless hits such as "Hotel Cali-"Take It Easy," fornia," "Desperado," "Lyin' Eyes," and many more. One of These Nights captures the spirit and essence of The Eagles.



Sanchos Tacos



Johnny Dog



# Members: Are you renting your property?

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Should you decide to rent your property, you need to be aware of the requirements your tenants will need to use the facilities:

- All Owners/Associate members must be in good standing.
- All Owner/Associate member cards will be suspended while there are active Tenants on the property.
- There must be one active Owner or Associate or Landlord member for every one Tenant card issued.
- One Owner equals only one Tenant card issued unless a second Owner card

(called Landlord Card) is purchased. This creates two Owner cards, and two Tenants cards can be issued.

- An Owner-signed lease, or a Request for Tenant Activity Card form signed by the Owner, must be submitted to Member Services.
- One Tenant residing on the property

must be at lease fifty-five (55) years of age.

- No one under nineteen (19) shall reside in the residence.
- Tenant cards are non-refundable, nontransferable.



Surprise Pops will perform a spring concert at Palm Ridge Rec Center April 4.

# Surprise Pops sets April show

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West is pleased to present its Spring Concert featuring the Surprise Pops at 2 p.m. April 4 in the Summit Hall at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive. Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

Tickets are free (limit two per rec card) but the band does ask audience member to donate nonperishable food items for local food banks. Tickets will be available at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, in the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

A handful of musicians gathered 35 years ago in Clancy Wolf's garage to enjoy themselves making band music. It was recreation, fun and fellowship. Today the band has grown to about 100 members and plays free concerts to thousands of West Valley audiences every season. The band still keeps the tradition of not charging for a concert.

The Surprise Pops will honor Veterans with a patriotic concert featuring an array of American Military and marching music.

# **Kick off St. Patrick's Day** with festive 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 audiences around Phoenix for and go on sale 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

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

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# **Movies in the Park** return for April

Enjoy the outdoors this spring with Movies in the Park in April. The Rec Centers of Sun City West will get your blood pumping and tickle your imagination with a pair of recent blockbuster hits -"Mission Impossible - Dead Reckoning Part I" and 'Wonka.'

Bring your lawn chair and blankets and buckle-up for Monday night at Movies in the Park.

Admission is free and no tickets are required. The movie begins at dusk.

The movie lineup is:

**APRIL 8** 

"Mission Impossible -Dead Reckoning Part I"

Ethan Hunt and the IMF team must track down a terri-



fying new weapon that threatens all of humanity if it falls into the wrong hands. With control of the future and the fate of the world at stake, a deadly race around the globe begins. Confronted by a mys-

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# **Thaddeus Rose to** rock March Dance

Sun City West is excited to bring back the Thaddeus Rose Band from 7 to 10:30 p.m. March 22 at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 per person and go on sale at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6, at the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H.

The Recreation Centers of Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com.

Soda and water will be available for purchase.

Thaddeus Rose Band is a variety band that has entertained audiences for the past 20 years. Offering the best dance and rock 'n' roll hits, Thaddeus Rose brings a high-energy performance to every show.

# **Palo Verde Patchers unveil** raffle quilt for biennial show

The Palo Verde Patchers Club and the Recreation Centers of Sun City West invite the public to view more than 200 hand-crafted quilts on display at the 13th biennial Quilt Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 24-25 at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive.

The gorgeous quilts, all created by Palo Verde Patchers Club members, will be professionally and by those in attendance. Tickets to the show are \$5, available at the door and from club members and includes discount coupons to local shops.

The show will feature not quilts, but also will have a boutique, raffle baskets along with the grand prize.

The Quilt Show is co-sponsored by Recreation Centers of Sun City West and the theme of is "There's No Place Like Home," as reflected in the raffle quilt, "Quilted Village." Raffle tickets for a chance to



The 2024 Raffle Quilt artists are, from left to right (front row): Barb Shorty, Ginny Meyers, Linda Puttmann, and Ann Anderson; (back row) Project Leader Judy Griffin, Kathy Tiede, Janine Morrell, Merrikay Vidal, Marcia Petroni, Carlyn McManus, Patty Reichelt, and the late Connie Dennington. Mary Larman and Cyndi Morgan were not present. Below, "Quilted Village" raffle quilt is paper pieced and custom-quilted, and took approximately 15 quilters to assemble and quilt.

win the extraordinary customquilted creation may be purchased at the show.

Several years ago, a Patcher made a beautiful quilt and showed it to another Patcher who loved it and ordered the

pattern. When the membership chose "There's No Place Like Home" for the 2024 Quilt Show theme, Palo Verde

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# **Governing Board**

Recreation Centers of Sun City West

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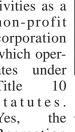
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# Statutes, Laws, and Regulations

During one of the TORCH Community sessions the General Manager and I are asked questions submitted by the attendees. I thought one question for me was quite intuitive. The question was, "What surprised you most about being President?" I had to think for a moment, but this is what I told them:

Having spent my career in the corporate world, I was quite familiar with the laws governing petrochemicals. I was not anticipating a high level of government involvement when I came on the RCSCW Board. However, I quickly became aware of the laws and the consequences of violating them. Being President, I must be aware of the various federal, state and county rules governing the Recreation Centers of Sun City West, Inc. There are federal governing housing, specifically the Housing for Older Persons Act (HOPA). There are laws governing discrimination against people with disabilities (ADA). There are Fair Housing laws. (HUD, FHA) There are tax laws that govern our non-profit status. (IRS 501c3, 501c4) and tax laws covering our Chartered Clubs (501c7). The rules to maintain our age restriction start at the federal level.

At the state level, Arizona has several statutes that govern our operation as a Planned (Title and our activities as a non-profit corporation which operates Title statutes. Yes, Recreation



Centers of Sun City West, Inc. is first and foremost a corporation. We are governed by state statutes that provide rights to our members, how we operate open meetings and how we can assess penalties.

Tim Hurley

President

There are state statutes that govern what the Board of Directors can and can't do. There are even statutes that outline how to remove Board members. The state mandates the minimum wage we can pay our employees. The state issues our liquor licenses. Every year for their renewal, I and other officers must be fingerprinted! Being fingerprinted quickly wakes you up to the responsibilities of being President.

It is the state that gives RCSCW the authority to enforce CC&Rs. The state of Arizona has their fingers literally in every aspect of how RCSCW operates. Title 33 is designed not only to outline how associations like ours operate, but to protect the members from Board or corporate

At the county level, there are zoning laws that govern how we maintain our age restric-Chapter 10, Section 1006, states as its purpose, "The SC (Senior Citizens Overlay) Zoning District is intended to provide for planned residential development, designed specifically for residency by persons of advanced age." These county ordinances mirror the federal criteria of the Federal Fair Housing Act of

This is quite a long answer to

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# **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: 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 via email at karen.roepken@suncity west.com or call 623-544-6115.

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### **MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS**

The next Governing Board

Workshop will be at 9 a.m.

Feb. 9 in the Lecture Hall. The GB Regular Meeting will be at 9 a.m. Feb. 22 in the Lecture Hall. The next GM Operations meeting will be 1:30 p.m. Feb. 5 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.

### Online registration deadline is March 13

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- A formal Candidates Forum is slated 9 a.m. Wednesday, March 6, in the Lecture Hall. This will be filmed and available on YouTube for those who cannot attend in per-
- A Candidate Meet & Greet, with a more informal setting, is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, in Social Hall West.

Biographical information from the candidates can be found on pages 10-11 of this issue of the Rec Center News as well as online at suncitywest.com/2024election. More information about the parking referendum also is online at suncitywest.com/2024election.

All owner-members in good standing may vote in this election, either in person on Election Day, or by taking advantage of online voting. (Associates and tenants may not vote.)

Voting will take place as follows:

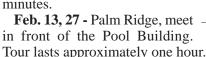
- Deadline to register to vote online: To participate in online voting, you must have a unique email address (one you do not share with a spouse) on file with the Association prior to 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 13. If you need to add or change your email address, please send us an email from the email address you wish to use, to vote@suncitywest.com. Include your name, rec card number, and address.
- Homebound Voting: Call 623-544-6110 no later than 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 13, if you cannot vote online and cannot vote in person. We will arrange for an Election Committee volunteer to help you with Homebound Voting.
- Online voting 8 a.m. Monday, March 18 - 3 p.m. Thursday, March 21: Owner Members in good standing with an email address on file by March 13 will be sent an emailed invitation to vote starting 8 a.m. Monday, March 18. Online votes must be cast by 3 p.m. Thursday, March 21. To en-

- sure your ballot does not get caught in spam, be sure to add elections@vote-now.com to your email address book or "safe senders" list. You may also send an email to that address, subject line "Sun City West," and that will add it to your recognized safe emails. This should be done before March 18.
- Election Day March 25: Vote in person from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, March 25, in the Data Resource Center at the R.H. Johnson Library. Be sure to bring your rec card with you. The main library will be closed, so enter from the north side.
- Multiple Properties: Members who own more than one property should make sure they have an email on file with their Primary property. They will have their votes weighted accordingly if they vote early. If they vote in person at the Data Resource Center, they should alert the polling place workers that they own multiple properties.

### **February tours** of rec centers set

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

Feb. 12, 26 – Beardsley, meet in front of the Arts/Crafts Building. Tour lasts approximately 90 minutes.



Feb. 14, 28 – Kuentz, meet in front of the Stardust Theatre. Tour lasts approximately 90 minutes.

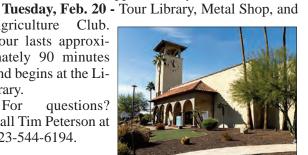
Feb. 15, 29 – R.H. Johnson, meet in front of the Social Hall. Tour lasts approximately two hours.

Agriculture Club. Tour lasts approximately 90 minutes and begins at the Library.

For questions? Call Tim Peterson at 623-544-6194.



Tim Peterson



February 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Rec Center News Submision Deadline Cabaret Series: Learning to Fly, 3 & 7 pm Palm Ridge	3
4	5 GB President Hours 10 am - noon GM Ops , 1:30 pm Village Meeting Room	6 Budget & Finance Committee, 9 am Lecture Hall Chartered Clubs Committee 1:30 pm, Lecture Hall	Cheryl Wagner 11 am, Kuentz Music on the Green:	8 Properties Committee 9 am, Lecture Hall Golf Committee, 1:30 pm Lecture Hall	9 am, Lecture Hall	10
11	12 Tour Beardsley, 9 am TORCH Committee 10:30 am, Lecture Hall	<b>13 Tour Palm Ridge,</b> 9 am	14 Valentine's Day Tour Kuentz, 9 am Sports Pavillion/Bowling Committee, 1:30 pm Lecture Hall	<b>15 Tour RH Johnson,</b> 9 am	16 Cabaret Series: Aragon Ping Band, 3 & 7 pm Palm Ridge	17
18	19 President's Day  Admin & Membeship  Offices Closed	& Agriculture Clubs 9 am	21 Talent Spotlight: Willene Kohler 11 am, Kuentz  Music on the Green: Many Sounds of 9, 6 pm, Great Lawn	<b>9</b> am, Lecture Hall	23	24 2024 Quilt Show 9 am - 4 pm Palm Ridge
25 2024 Quilt Show 9 am - 4 pm Palm Ridge	<b>26 Tour Beardsley,</b> 9 am	27 Tour Palm Ridge, 9 am Special Election Committee, 9 am Lecture Hall		29 Tour RH Johnson, 9 am  Top Hat Series: The She Gees 3 & 7 pm, Palm Ridge		
To confirm Governing Board activities, call 623-544-6115.						

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# November 2023 Financials



OPERATING REVENUES	November Actual	November Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD PY
Membership	1,242,347	1,252,060	6,058,453	6,072,121	5,713,000
Recreation	20,337	15,169	48,442	45,655	43,479
Golf Fees	995,154	976,062	2,618,881	2,611,263	2,467,332
Bowling	89,525	92,427	286,966	286,292	292,394
Special Events	19,154	61,259	56,216	76,899	63,999
Ancillary Revenue	79,567	89,558	310,946	327,781	332,540
Merchandise Sales	10,018	3,405	23,312	31,750	30,240
Food and Beverage	41,909	50,055	173,748	147,440	144,664
Interest Income - Operating	0	0	79,681	72,337	2,226
Other Income	163	97	712	325	583
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	2,498,174	2,540,092	9,657,357	9,671,863	9,090,457
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Wages And Benefits	1,482,501	1,476,926	7,139,519	7,243,987	6,601,057
Utilities	221,557	205,409	1,342,732	1,168,552	1,134,521
Repair and Maintenance	218,659	97,690	1,030,042	889,353	797,996
Landscape Maintenance	213,373	217,759	1,342,480	1,465,819	1,387,115
Supplies and Services	47,627	64,339	277,788	331,186	326,192
Equipment	7,860	9,556	89,184	108,833	115,343
Taxes and Insurance	76,234	63,856	341,700	326,790	305,873
Interest & Financial Expense	58,278	63,576	208,081	201,095	194,388
Operating Expenses	61,766	64,823	255,380	324,719	259,383
Legal and Professional	20,238	4,926	85,609	64,102	59,438
Employee Related Expenses	9,186	16,340	70,693	85,080	71,803
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	2,417,279	2,285,200	12,183,208	12,209,516	11,253,109
OPERATING CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW)	80,895	254,892	(2,525,851)	(2,537,653)	(2,162,652)
CAPITAL RELATED					
Investment Income-Reserves	75,998	44,110	176,971	214,965	173,774
Unrealized Gain (Loss) Investments	1,041,548	0	126,573	0	(426,248)
Club Funded Capital	0	0	0	0	14,622
Asset Preservation Fee	404,040	341,031	2,050,100	1,877,945	1,707,200
Estimated Reserve Fund Allocation	82,029	82,740	406,597	410,115	480,190
Gain / (Loss) on Asset Disposal	(16,490)	0	15,842	0	46,691
Depreciation Expense	(436,677)	(473,113)	(2,123,040)	(2,157,394)	(1,862,226)
TOTAL CAPITAL RELATED	1,150,448	(5,232)	653,043	345,631	134,003
REVENUES OVER / (UNDER) EXPENSES	1,231,343	249,660	(1,872,808)	(2,192,022)	(2,028,649)
Capital Project Expenditures	666,236	586,000	6,862,768	4,395,000	3,228,484

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

Fiscal Year 23-24 Capital Projects \$100K or Higher - as of 11/30/23

Project/Equipment	Budget	Total
neral/Administration		
ecreation / Sports Pavilion		
RJH Parking Lot #3 - Mill & Resurface	1,063,000	918,25
Beardsley Arts & Crafts Parking Lot Mill & Resurface	517,000	287,68
Bowling Lanes Overlay/Replacement	278,226	310,52
Bocce Courts Flooring Replacement	207,480	211,73
RHJ Pool Deck Resurface	205,516	205,53
Beardsley Cardio Equip Treadmills(6)/Crosstrainers (4)	123,600	47,9
Bowling Ball Returns Replacement	108,948	108,9
olf		
Grandview Irrigation Replacement	3,093,944	2,898,4
Golf Maintenance Equipment	985,889	155,3
Golf Maintenance Equipment - Carryover	308,882	186,2
Grandview Irrigation & Turf Reduction	258,949	72,1
Stardust #14 Lake Shoreline Repair	250,403	27,8
Echo Mesa Irrigation R&R Design Work	206,000	60,9
Golf Maint Vehicles	169,593	58,2
Trail Ridge Pro Shop Parking Lot Mill & Resurface	174,000	158,9
Grandview Pro Shop Parking Lot Mill & Resurface	168,000	238,6
Golf Carts (20)	123,600	130,2
cludes Carryover Budget and/or savings allocated by GM		



John Meeker (far left) breaks ground for the new Sun City West community on Feb. 15, 1978. Meeker is joined by US Senator Dennis DeConcini, Hank Raymond, James G. Boswell, R.H. Johnson, Chairman of the Del Webb Corporation, and Arizona Governor Wesley Bolin.

# A Walk Through Sun Cities MUSEUM History

# February is the month of anniversaries!

February is a special anniversary month for those of us who live in Sun City West. Not only is Feb. 14 the anniversary of the date when Arizona was founded as a state (Feb. 14, 1912), but Feb. 15 is the anniversary of the date when ground was broken for the new community of Sun City West (Feb. 15, 1978).

The anticipated successful build out of Sun City, Del Webb's first retirement community, encouraged Del E. Webb Development Corp. (DEVCO) executives to purchase land for another community. A land parcel of 13,000 acres west of Sun City was purchased in 1971 and 1972. Plans for the new community were announced by DEVCO President John Meeker in January 1975.

The original plans for Sun City West included a major golf course to host PGA tournaments, a large entertainment complex, a large facility for recreation and activities, a dinner theater, and multiple residential units. A scale model of the proposed amenities would provide encouragement to prospective buyers.

The groundbreaking ceremony on Feb. 15, 1978, served to officially mark the beginning of the construction of Sun City West. Approximately 500 civic and business leaders came to turn the soil and initiate the new community.

Among the dignitaries participating DEVCO President John Meeker, U.S. Sen. Dennis DeConcini, J.G. Boswell Co. Vice President and General Manager Hank Raymond, Del Webb Corp. Chairman R.H. Johnson, and Arizona Gov. Wesley Bolin. The Rev. Leslie Rose, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Sun City, gave the invocation, sharing a liturgical passage for the dedication of new homes.

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# **Phone Numbers**

MAIN TELEPHONE NUMBER: 623-544-6000

(All numbers have 623 area code unless otherwise noted)

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

544-6147

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Men's Club: 544-6150 Metal Club: 584-0150 Model Railroad: 544-6148 Rip 'N' Sew: 546-4050 Silvercraft: 584-8153

RH JOHNSON LIBRARY: 544-6130

Data Resource Center: 544-6644

SPORTS PAVILION (Bowling): 544-6140 Lizard Acres: 544-6097 Memo's Bistro: 544-6116

**BEARDSLEY REC CENTER: 544-6525** 

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

KUENTZ REC CENTER:

544-6561

14401 R.H. Johnson Blvd. Swimming Pool/Fitness: 544-6561

Softball: 544-6157, 544-6158

Weavers: 544-6515 Woodworking: 546-4722

PALM RIDGE REC CENTER:

544-6581

13800 W. Deer Valley Drive Swimming Pool/Fitness:

544-6581

Computers West: 214-1546 Stained Glass: 544-6586

**GOLF OPERATIONS:** 

Tee Time Reservations: scw.totalegolf.com **DEER VALLEY: 544-6016** DESERT TRAILS: 544-6017 ECHO MESA: 544-6014 GRANDVIEW: 544-6013

Crooked Putter: 544-6090 PEBBI FBROOK:544-6010 STARDUST: 544-6012 TRAIL RIDGE: 544-6015 Course Conditions: 544-6175 Golf Operations: 544-6037

**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: 544-6193 Box Office: 544-6093 CC&Rs: 544-6661



### Club Contacts

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Norm Falcone: 360-250-

• Desert Garden Club,

- Julia Miller: 623-734-3795 • Investment Club, Jamie
- Gunyuz: 623-293-0238; includes Coin & Stamp
- Model Railroad, Bob Rose: 623-826-3448
- Music Club of Sun City West, Cameron Craig: 303-324-4787
- Rockhounds West, Joseph Toce: 608-797-1151

### **PERFORMANCE ARTS**

DanceSensations, Sandy Gruin: 480-321-9652. Includes: Barre/Ballet, Hula, Jazz, Musical Theatre, Tap, Clogging, Jazzy Poms

- Theatre West, Frances DeWell: 623-680-1605
- Westernaires Chorus, Ken Kunze: 402-366-7377

### **SOCIAL**

- Boomers, Pam Kiest: 815-228-8585
- Canine Companions, Irv Coon: 602-826-8539
- Karaoke, Roseann Wagner-Lentz: 623-363-0560
- LGBT Club, Patty Book: 970-556-3745

Men's Social, Jack Huff: 544-6150

- Recreational Vehicle, Patti Borchardt: 608-695-
- Singles Club, Sharon Williams: 425-359-3101
- Spanish, David Hodnik: 320-492-0725
- Sunshine Animal Club,

Diane Cloud: 425-409-

• Women's Social Club, Jan Wilson: 714-235-2752

For more information visit scwclubs.com

to access each club's website

• Zymurgy, Jacquelyn Ryg: 815-218-1002

### **SPORTS - GOLF**

- Deer Valley Men, Ray Passarella: 920-579-0651
- Deer Valley Women, Sherry Skogrand: 623-271-1083
- 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-
- Grandview Men, John Lundien: 503-947-4344
- Grandview Women, Tina Walker: 602-620-2127
- Lady Putters SCW, Sherri Cooper: 253-468-7788
- Men's Putters, Mike Lindner: 503-519-8352
- Pebblebrook Men, Jay Nimens: 218-289-2695
- · Pebblebrook Women. Donna Richmond: 623-
- 414-2754 • Pebblebrook Lady Nin-
- ers, Sue Bromley: 225-326-3628 • Stardust Ladies, Re-
- bekah Minton: 360-789-8628; Gail Selander: 425-375-3552
- Stardust Men's, Bill Messersmith: 818-219-8202
  - Trail Ridge Men,

Richard Coon: 623-223-6179

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• Trail Ridge Women, Terri Stauffer-Schmidt: 217-685-5763

### **SPORTS**

- Bocce, Carol Card: 207-951-3831
- Bowlers Association, Robert Engen: 805-405-8894
- Cyclists, Carlos Romero: 918-361-3504
- Horseshoe & Cornhole Club, Arlin Bates: 605-939-
- Johnson Lawn Bowls, Tracy Anderson: 503-559-0361
- Mini Golf, Harry Abramowski: 623-374-
- Pickleball, Coleen Schaefer: 503-348-7650
- Racquetball/Whisperball, Greg Steger: 563-271-3053
- Softball, Nicholas Missos: 574-551-4969
- Sportsman's, Audrey Graff: 623-238-3499; includes Master Swimmers. Diane Heisner: 248-703-8242
- Tennis Club, Larry Plaster, 480-313-3504; includes: Platform Tennis, Mike Kosanda 701-739-3795 and Butch Lynd 618-581-0729; Table Tennis, Debra Ross: 602-330-6224

Chartered Clubs leadership is subject to change. The list will be updated as necessary. Call 544-6031.

# **ARTS & CRAFTS**

- Art Sun West, Susan Light: 248-804-5021
- Artistic Hand Lettering, Cards & Mixed Media (formerly Calligraphy West), Dale Hornyan-Toftoy: 630-
- Basketeers, Cynthia Trainer: 253-640-3288
- Beaders, Cynthia Trainer: 253-640-3288
- Ceramics West, Richard Pinkerton: 480-215-6771
- Clay Club, Lynn Kellas: 971-808-9294
- Creative Stitchers. Debra Senelly: 623-533-8055
- Decorative Art, Pat Eggersgloss: 612-802-0440
- Encore Needle & Craft, Sue Williams: 623-337-
- Glass Fusing & Enameling, Darlene Cooper: 509-392-1994
- Johnson Lapidary, Mark Briggs: 719-351-8364
- Leather Carvers, James Bergstrom: 623-566-7093
- Mac-Cro-Knit, Janet Lennon: 623-687-7397 • Metal Club, Dave Price:
- 623-308-9344 • Palo Verde Patchers, Kathleen McCulloch: 248-
- 390-0990 • Photography West, William Swinney: 623-478-
- Rip 'n' Sew, Jeanne Phillips, 623-523-9675; Rose Walden: 602-885-7222

- Scrapbooking, Papercrafts & More, Lynne Marion: 440-666-6386
- Silvercraft, Kathy Estes: 208-447-8520
- Stained Glass Crafters, Nancy Brooks: 937-215-3394
- Weavers West Guild, Pat Conway, 214-282-4519; Pat O'Neill: 847-800-8973
- Woodworking, Art Lincoln: 615-939-1490

### **CARDS**

- SCW Contract Bridge -Dianne Wuethrich: 715-556-2653; Sharon Holmes:
- 360-441-1909 • Bunco, Jeanette Rabito: 951-833-5572
- Card Players of Sun City West, Mark Schwerman: 309-824-1849. 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, Larry Parkhill: 951-365-8785
- Cribbage, Alan Talacek: 703-403-9843; June Fordham: 410-533-8456

• Pinochle, Louis Bonar:

- Mah Jongg, Barb McCart: 623-330-5708
- 847-404-9835 • Saturday Night

Gamesters, Rosemary Dougherty: 623-760-8479

### **COUNCILS**

- Golf Council SCW. Jim Anderson: 425-750-9258
- Men's Niners, Tim Flynn: 480-334-2237

### **FITNESS & DANCE**

- Aquacizers, Debra Etheridge: 828-773-9186
- Arthritis Club, Kathy Johnson, (Nov.-April): 780-839-5665; Roberta Cantella, (May-Oct.): 928-
- 499-9886 • Country Western, Maureen Riter: 719-235-
- 2420 • DanceSensations, Sandy Gruin: 480-321-
- 9652; Tai Chi and Pilates • Energetic Exercise, Gloria Schroeder: 623-986-
- 9392 • Fitness Club, Marilynn Shaw: 541-980-4444
- Line Dancers, Patti Anderson, 701-371-6392
- Rock 'n' Roll Dance Debbie Gould: 602-376-
- Water Fitness, Sandra Forsey: 623-261-7889 • Yoga, Sherry

### Gustafson: 608-334-5488 **HOBBIES**

- Agriculture, Jesse Ruskowsky: 623-440-5557
- Automotive Restoration, Craig Landers: 209-769-6771
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• Broadcast, John Chris-

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musicians in this big band.

# Presidents' Day closures set for RCSCW

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West's Membership, Administrative and Golf Operations offices will be closed on Monday, Feb. 19, in recognition of the Presidents' Day holiday. The library will be closed as usual on that Monday.

All Sun City West golf courses, recreation centers, Sports Pavilion and Lizard Acres Pub will be open regular business hours.

Members are encouraged to put member credit on their accounts before the holiday. There is no expiration on these funds. You can do this in these ways:

- 1. Call or visit Member Services, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekdays; 623-544-6100
- 2. Visit the express payment window outside Member Services, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays
- 3. Visit any open golf pro shop
- 4. Visit the R.H. Johnson Snack Bar, located in the lobby of the R.H. Johnson Pool
- 5. Pay with a credit card ONLY for 1-day use at any of the monitor stations at the four recreation centers

# Music on Green slates upcoming 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 February, March, and April.

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 Insurance Agency and Sun Canyon Bank.

The upcoming schedule includes the following shows:

## FEB. 7 POCKET INC.

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

blues and swing tunes.

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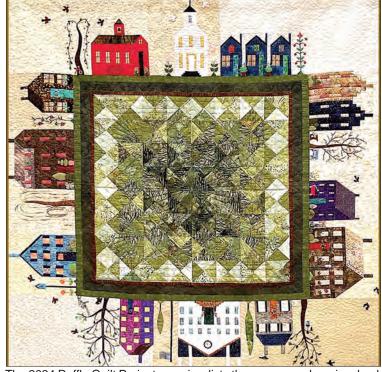


# Palo Verde Patchers present 'Quilted Village' raffle quilt

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Patcher member Judy Griffin stepped forward with the "Quilted Village" pattern.

The project involved many talented quilters and over a year of planning, cutting, piecing, and custom-quilting to create the work of art. Appearing to be quite a simple piece at first, a village surrounding a village green with a variety of activity, however, the closer you look, the more you see. There are benches with people, dogs, a cat up a tree with rescue help on a ladder, birds, flowering trees, children, and much more. The detail on each house is exquisite. The "Quilted Village" (56-inches by 60-inches) is perfect in its simplicity.



The 2024 Raffle Quilt Project overview lists the many members involved in creating the quilt, and their contribution(s) to the project.

# **Stardust Theatre**

Welcome to the 2023-24 season of Stardust Theatre.

### "CAMELOT" TICKETS ON SALE

### Tickets on sale for Theatre West production

Theatre West presents Lener and Loewe's "Camelot" that
opens March 12. Tickets are on sale at the R.H. Johnson Box
office or online at theatrewestscw.com. Performances will be:
7 p.m. March 12, 13, 15, 16, 20, 22, 23; and 2 p.m. March 17,
21, 24. Don't miss this one!

# 2 P.M. WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14 Music Club Meeting; Valentine's Day concert featuring John Gamber

A Sun City West favorite! Come enjoy John's interpretation
of rock n' roll, standards and country western music.

# 1 P.M. SATURDAY, FEB. 17 Friends of the Library presents "Abraham Lincoln, the 16th President of the United States"

Come enjoy a one-man show presentation on the history of one of the greatest presidents ever.

# EVERY FRIDAY, 10 A.M. Photography West Weekly Meeting

Every Friday at 10 a.m. the Photography West Club continues to show members photos from various parts of the globe, usually accompanied by music, every Friday morning at 10 a.m. All are welcome.

# EVERY THURSDAY, 6:30 P.M. Friends of the R.H. Johnson Library present Thursday night 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. See page 15 for list of movies.

# 1:30 P.M. TUESDAY, FEB. 20 Theatre West monthly meeting

Theatre West will have its monthly meeting with great entertainment to follow! Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

# 10 A.M. SATURDAY, FEB. 24 Friends of the Library present author C.J. Box

The Friends of the Library present C.J. Box for discussion of his very popular books. Box will sign and sell copies of his books at the event.

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### STARDUST THEATRE UPDATES ON KSCW 103.1

Don't miss more information about the Stardust Theatre at
1 p.m. every Friday and noon every Monday on KSCW 103.1,
where certain guests will be interviewed and other pertinent
information given about upcoming shows and presentations.

Tickets to 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.

# Happy Camp returns in March 2024

Recreation Centers of Sun City West

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West is 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 Recreation Centers of Sun City West is waiving the child's guest pass for all club activities. The only exceptions involve the purchase of bowling games at the R.H. Johnson Bowling lanes 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 model railroading, 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, pickleball, softball, tennis and bocce.

Tickets are required for both free and paid activities. Tickets are available at

the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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The program is designed for Sun City West residents and their grandchildren

An adult must be present for the duration of all activities with their grandchildren. Ticketed activities are for children

Mark your calendars now for Happy Camp 2024!



# **2024 HAPPY CAMP**

Tickets available at 8 am 1/9/2024 at the Box Office only Open to SCW Residents only **Tickets Required for All Activities** 

### Monday March 18

FITNESS - ZUMBA 7:30 - 8:30 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge — Summit Hall

### FITNESS – SCULPT 45 9:00 - 9:45 am, Ages 9+, FREE

Palm Ridge—Summit Hall CLAY

### 9:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 8 -14, FREE

Beardsley - Arts & Crafts Bldg. - Clay

### RIP N' SEW

10:00 -11:30 am, Ages 5-12, FREE RHJ-Arts & Crafts Village-Rip N' Sew

### PLATFORM TENNIS

1:00 - 2:30 pm, Ages 8-12, FREE RHJ-Platform Tennis courts

### **Tuesday March 19**

9:30 - 11:30 am, Ages 7 +, \$5.00 Kuentz—#4 Mesa room

### **BEADERS**

BASKETEERS

10:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 6-16, \$4.00 Kuentz-#5 Kiva room

### BROADCASTING

10:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 7-14, \$1.00 RHJ-Men's Club Bldg.- Broadcast Club

1:00 - 2:30 pm, Ages 6 -16, FREE RHJ-Bocce Courts

### **PICKLEBALL**

Red Hot Clowns - FREE Face Painting

RHJ Pool Lobby: 3/18 & 3/19 from 10-11:30 am

Purchase child's guest pass upon arrival at pool

Zymurgy Club presents FREE Root Beer Floats

RHJ - Pool: 3/18 - 3/21 from 10 am—1 pm

Purchase child's guest pass upon arrival at pool

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8+, FREE Palm Ridge—Liberty Courts

### FITNESS - ZUMBA

7:30 - 8:30 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall

Wednesday March 20

### FITNESS - SCULPT 45

9:00 - 9:45 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge — Summit Hall

### **DESERT GARDEN**

9:00 - 10:15 am OR 11am - 12:15 pm, Ages 8 +, FREE Beardsley-Greenhouse

### LEARN CHESS

12:00 - 2:00 pm, Ages 5 +, FREE RHJ—Library - Virtual Room

### LEATHER CARVERS

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 9+, \$5.00 Kuentz—Leather Crafts

### CERAMICS

2:00 - 4:00 pm, Ages 5+, \$3.00 RHJ-Arts & Crafts Vill. - Ceramic West

### SOFTBALL

4:00 - 5:30 pm. Ages 5-12. FREE Kuentz—Softball Fields

Wednesday March 27

### **Thursday March 21**

COMPUTER FLIGHT SIMULATOR 9:00 - 10:00 am **OR** 10:00 - 11:00 am **OR** 11:00 am - 12 pm, Ages 10 +, FREE Palm Ridge—Computers West

### BEADERS

10:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 6-16, \$4.00 Kuentz-#5 Kiva

### STORY TIME AT THE LIBRARY with craft 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Ages 3+, FREE

RHJ—Library

### BOCCE

1:00 - 2:30 pm, Ages 6 -16, FREE RHJ - Bocce Courts

### PICKLEBALL

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8+, FREE Palm Ridge—Liberty Courts

### MAC-CRO-KNIT

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8-12, \$5.00 Kuentz-#3 Pueblo room

### AUTOMOTIVE RESTORATION

2:00 - 4:00 pm, Ages 10-18, FREE RHI—Auto Restoration Club

### Friday March 22

### FITNESS - ZUMBA 7:30 - 8:30 am, Ages 9+, FREE

Palm Ridge—Summit Hall

### FITNESS - SCULPT 45

9:00 - 9:45 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall

### WEAVERS WEST

9:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 7-12, \$2.00 Kuentz-Weavers West

### SCRAPBOOKING, PAPERCRAFTS & MORE

9:30-11:00 am, Ages 8+, FREE Beardsley-Arts & Crafts Bldg. - Agave

### BROADCASTING

10:00 - 11:00 am OR 11:00 am - Noon Ages 7-14, \$1.00 RHJ-Men's Club Bldg.- Broadcast Club

### DEORATIVE ARTS

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8+, \$2.00 Kuentz—Social Courtyard



Bowling at RHJ Sat., 3/23 & Sun., 3/24 Times: 9 am - 2 pm \$2 for 2 games with shoe rental included

Friday March 29

### Monday March 25

### FITNESS - ZUMBA

7:30 - 8:30 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall

### FITNESS – SCULPT 45

9:00 - 9:45 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall

9:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 8 -14, FREE Beardsley - Arts & Crafts Bldg. - Clay Club

### ARTISTIC HAND LETTERING, CARDS & MIXED MEDIA

10 am - 12 pm, Age 7-13, FREE Kuentz-#3 Pueblo room

### RIP N' SEW

10:00 - 11:30 am, Ages 5-12, FREE RHJ—Arts & Crafts Village - Rip N' Sew

### **TENNIS**

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8-12, FREE RHJ—Tennis courts

### WEAVERS WEST

9:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 7-12, \$2.00 Kuentz-Weavers West

**Tuesday March 26** 

### BASKETEERS

9:30 - 11:30 am, Ages 7 +, \$5.00 Kuentz-#4 Mesa room

10:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 6-16, \$4.00 Kuentz— #5 Kiva room

BROADCASTING 10:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 7-14, \$1.00 RHJ-Men's Club Bldg.- Broadcast Club

1:00 - 2:30 pm, Ages 6 -16, FREE RHJ-Bocce Courts

### PICKLEBALL

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8+, FREE Palm Ridge—Liberty Courts

### HULA # 1 with craft

2:00-3:00 pm, Ages 7+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit B

### FITNESS – ZUMBA

7:30 - 8:30am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall

### DESERT GARDEN

9:00 - 10:15 am OR 11am - 12:15pm, Ages 8 +, Beardsley—Greenhouse

### LEATHER CARVERS

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 9+, \$5.00 Kuentz—Leather Crafts Studio

2:00 - 4:00 pm, Ages 5+, \$3.00 RHJ-Arts & Crafts Vill. - Ceramic West

### HULA # 2 with craft

2:00-3:00 pm, Ages 7+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit B

4:00 - 5:30 pm, Ages 5-12, FREE Kuentz-Softball Fields

### ROCKHOUNDS

8:00 - 10:00 am, OR 10:00 am - Noon Ages 8+, FREE Beardsley—Ramada 2

**Thursday March 28** 

### COMPUTER FLIGHT SIMULATOR

9:00 - 10:00 am OR 10:00 - 11:00 am. OR 11:00 am - 12 pm, Ages 10 +, FREE Palm Ridge—Computers West

10:00 - 11:00 am, Ages 6-16, \$4.00 Kuentz— #5 Kiva room

### STORY TIME AT THE LIBRARY with craft

11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Ages 3+, FREE RHJ—Library building

### BOCCE

1:00 - 2:30 pm, Ages 6 -16, FREE RHJ—Bocce Courts

### PICKLEBALL

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Ages 8+, FREE Palm Ridge—Liberty Courts

11:00 am - 12:00 pm, Ages 7+, FREE

### **AUTOMOTIVE RESTORATION**

2:00 - 4:00 pm, Ages 10-18, FREE RHJ—Auto Restoration Club

### FITNESS-ZUMBA

7:30 - 8:30 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge-Summit Hall

### FITNESS – SCULPT 45

9:00 - 9:45 am, Ages 9+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit Hall

### SCRAPBOOKING, PAPERCRAFTS & MORE 9:30-11:00 am, Ages 8+, FREE

Beardsley-Arts & Crafts - Agave

### BROADCASTING

10:00 - 11:00 am OR 11:00 am - Noon Ages 7-14, \$1.00 RHJ-Men's Club Bldg.- Broadcast Club

### HULA # 4 with dance recital

11:00 am - 12:00 pm, Ages 7+, FREE Palm Ridge—Summit A

Palm Ridge—Summit A

February 2024

# **Eight candidates eye Governing Board positions**



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### **Ronald Aames**

Hello, I'm Dr. Ronald Aames (pronounced Ames). I love living in Sun City West. I'm running to be a member of our Governing Board, so I can help keep our city the wonderful place it is.

I have the education, employment history, and the experience of having been an elected government official to do an outstanding job as a Board mem-

Education: I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at Marquette University in Milwaukee on a golf scholarship. I hold a masters' degree from Iowa State University and another masters' degree from California Polytechnic. I earned my Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin. Later I did post-doctoral work at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. My advanced degrees focused on urban planning and the development and improvement of cities.

Employment: I have worked in the fields of urban planning, finance, and research.

I conducted traffic research while working for Orange County Department of Transportation. It is the county south of Los Angeles.

After being a successful stockbroker, I became a senior vice president for a national bank in Los Angeles, where my work included research on bonds and other financial instruments.

Then I became a senior vice president for the Gallup Corporation, famous for the Gallup Poll. There I planned, oversaw, coordinated, and completed on time and budget complex projects for large companies and the federal gov-

Elected Government Experience: Recently, and directly relating to my qualifications for serving on the Sun City West Governing Board, I was elected and served eight years as a Peoria, Ariz., council member. I also was elected vice mayor by the council for three of those years.

I worked cooperatively with the other



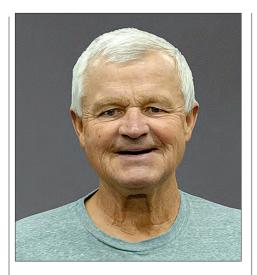
### John Chattin

Sun City West offers something for everyone, and we feel blessed to be part of this incredible community. My wife, Linda, and I moved here from Minnesota to escape the winters and be near friends. We have been residents for seven years. Our time here has confirmed that we made an excellent choice.

My experience has involved several career paths. I served seven years of active duty in the U.S. Air Force, followed by two years in the reserves. I have managed a petroleum transport business, owned an income tax practice, and was the owner/operator of a small Ford dealership. But most of my career was as a city or county administrator/manager. My degrees in accounting and organizational management and communication serve me well when dealing with personnel, strategic planning, budgeting, human resources, council/board relations and leadership. The opportunity to apply my experiences to make our community an even better place to live and play would be incredible. My desire to give back to my community keeps me focused and I would enjoy serving Sun City West as a Director.

Shortly after moving here, my wife and I attended the TORCH training. It was a positive experience and got us involved in creating the trail brochure currently used. I have also served on a hiring committee and am currently a member of the Sportsman's Club, Bridge Club and Deer Valley Men's

Any successful organization needs to be transparent and accountable. In my past leadership roles, I have kept residents informed and ensured that staff were successful by providing support, while holding them accountable. I would apply those same principles as a Director on the SCW Board. Serving cities and counties as their administrator/manager has given me insight into



### **Rudy Grom**

I'm a native of northern Illinois and moved to Sun City West in March 2022, after living in Alexandria, Va., for the previous 32 years. While in college I joined the Navy, then graduated from Marquette University (Milwaukee) in May 1975. I was commissioned an Ensign in November 1975, and later retired as a naval flight officer in September 1994. For the next 20 years, I worked as an acquisition procurement specialist for three different defense contractors supporting Navy aviation and surface ships procurement programs.

I have owned three homes and lived associations homeowner (HOA)/planned communities for the past 35 years and have served numerous times as a director and officer on both a master and HOA boards, as well as numerous committees. I also served for 10 years as the community's Land Use Representative to the County Land Use Committee in Fairfax County, Va.

Having been a routine visitor who regularly played golf and used the many recreation facilities in Sun City West since the mid-1980s, I was able to watch as SCW grew into the marvelous community it is today. Since its very beginning 45 years ago, SCW has been well maintained and operated as a premier retirement community. I bought my current home near Palm Ridge Recreation Center in the Cheyenne Homeowners Association (CHOA) in March 2020. I have attended almost all the Governing Board workshops and meetings, plus most of the Budget & Finance committee meetings to become more acquainted and very familiar with the current Recreation Centers of Sun City West administration and operations. I was in the Spring 2023 TORCH Class and am currently a member of the TORCH Committee. In just the short time living here, I have become involved in numerous community activities. I'm currently on the Sun City West



### **Dennis Horvath**

My name is Dennis Horvath. My wife of 53 years and I have been owners in Sun City West since 2011, and I'm asking for your vote.

What brought me to SCW: Like most of you, I found the amenities of SCW to be top notch! I'm very sports minded, so this was heaven! We both played softball, pickleball and golf. We also enjoyed Concerts in the Park and were so impressed by the Village Store. The craft fairs were amazing!

My Motivation: Our rules and fees are ever increasing. Cost reductions we must keep things maintained, but also reduce unnecessary spending. The lack of independent thinking and push back to our Governing Board is not healthy.

While gathering candidate signatures and speaking with owners, these seem to be the hot issues: The loss of the Village Store, craft fairs and free concerts; the annual increase of recreation dues and increase of club costs, with many clubs unable to generate revenue to replenish equipment/materials; the loss of clubs, in particular our smaller clubs. As we age, we need more social interaction, that's what keeps many of us going.

What I Bring: experience, common sense, honesty, transparency, self-thinking, and commitment.

Goals:

I am willing to serve on any of the Governing Board committees to make SCW better.

We need a master plan and a five-year strategic plan. Without a plan you stum-

Technology should be top priority for SCW to be more efficient and reduce

Projects must have three bids with local businesses first.

Protecting our investments.

Keeping our rec dues down.

Professional experience: I have a sci-

# Early voting takes place in March



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### Wilburn "Bud" Meador

I am a resident/homeowner in Sun City West, and am seeking your vote to become a Governing Board member.

I have deep roots in the Valley, as a Scottsdale High School graduate (1965), and Arizona State University (1973).

I am a retired US Marine Corps Infantry Officer. I held the ranks of private through sergeant and second lieutenant through lieutenant colonel. I also served as assistant professor, Department of Military History, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. In total I have 42 years in federal service, 26 1/2 of which were in active military duty.

I served 24 1/2 consecutive months in the Republic of Vietnam.

I was affiliated with the US Naval Academy Foundation and the US Marine Corps University Foundation. I also had extensive, direct involvement with the US Army Command and General Staff College Foundation Board of Directors.

I currently serve as the Chair of Government Relations, Board of Directors, PORA, in Sun City West.

I currently serve on the Board of Directors, Sun Cities RV Compound.

I am a participating member of the Maricopa County Planning Action Committee, considering westward expansion toward Wickenburg through 2050.

My operational philosophy is fairness to all sides of an issue, arrived at through critical reasoning and thinking.

I am a firm believer in the development of a master plan and a strategic plan, professionally facilitated, reflecting our mission and values, and supported by clearly stated goals and objectives. I have 400 hours of dedicated formal instruction in Total Quality Management. Critical to the strategic planning process is the appointment of an overseer, accountable



### Doris "Dori" Miller

My name is Doris (Dori) Miller. I am married to John Miler. We have lived in Sun City West for 20 years. John and I have eight children between the two of us. We have 18 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. My mom and dad moved to Arizona in 1977 and then to Sun City West in 1985. I was born in Lorain, Ohio, and although I lived there for 61 years Sun City West is truly my forever home.

I was a stay-at-home mom for the first 20 years and then became a floral designer and ran a shop for 10 years. I switched to being a car salesman for a great dealership and worked for them for seven years. I was the top salesmen for the last three years. I enjoyed helping people get themselves a car and being happy with their purchase.

In 2003 my mom got Alzheimer's, so we quit our jobs, sold our home and moved to Sun City West to help my sister Bev care for our mom.

In 2010, I applied for a job with the Recreation Centers and was hired. For eight years, I gave tours of our facilities to new residents and some who were just looking. Many of the lookers became residents. It was great to see their faces on the tours as to what they had just bought into. It was a very fulfilling job. I have met so many wonderful residents and have made many friends. I was offered a job as the senior office coordinator and did that job for 5 ½ years and would meet with club members when they needed help with club issues. I retired on Dec. 22.

Duties handled: Questions about starting and closing clubs along with the paperwork; CR7 Financials; CR 8 Contracts; CR 9 Waivers; CR10 Club Purchases over \$300, which included the inventories; CR13 Paperwork; CR14a Reciprocals; CR15 Year-end Club Membership; paperwork for club name changes; paperwork for clubs that dissolve and joined together so that they can continue to thrive; I started the



### Jolene Piaskowski

My name is Jolene Piaskowski.

I am passionate about running for an elected position on the Recreation Centers of Sun City West Governing Board because I have decided it is time for me to make a personal commitment to serve our community. My husband and I have lived in SCW since 2018. I worked in RCSCW Golf Operations and Events Department for five years. After retiring from Operations in 2022, I had the free time to join clubs and enjoy our community on a different level.

Currently, I am actively involved in ARC, Rip n' Sew and the Tennis Club. I have also organized Swing into Spring (a large tennis tournament) where more than 150 players participate in a friendly weekend of competition.

I have been actively involved in every community I have lived in. As a 15-year stay-at-home mom in Nebraska, I enthusiastically volunteered and initiated programs to support local school PTA programs. At the time, I started two successful in-home businesses, "A Note for You" personal stationery and "Neat and Sweet" lifestyle organizing. There's nothing like starting small businesses to develop business insights!

If elected, I am committed to full transparency and acting as a watchdog for SCW residents. With a strong commitment to effective budget management and efficient administration, I am dedicated to fostering positive change within our community. I want to adopt a proactive approach to problem solution and initiate business solutions to ensure SCW thrives.

To substantiate my commitment to SCW, I have attended numerous Board and Committee meetings, demonstrating my dedication to and genuine interest in ongoing community affairs. By attending these meetings, I am fully aware that a Board Director position entails substantial time commitment. I am prepared to dedicate the necessary time and effort to fulfill Board Director re-



### **Nick Turner**

I am a British, 23-year US resident. I am a retired software product manager. My wife, an American, and I moved here from Ohio six years ago. We were attracted by the quality of the community, the number of clubs and opportunities for leisure activity.

When my wife passed, I became more involved in the community. I am a member of several clubs, an officer of a Chartered Club and a member of the Chartered Club Committee.

I studied economics and economic history at LSE. Consequently, I look deeper into issues to find the cause of a problem and fix it, not mitigate the effects. I prepare well for meetings and have attention to detail. I will continue to do so on the Governing Board. I am confident enough to change my mind when presented with new evidence that contradicts my beliefs. I will serve in a respectful manner. If the Board decides something I do not agree with, I will represent the Board's view not my own.

I opposed the recall attempt, but I believe there are things that need improving.

The general manager and senior staff need to be held more accountable. We have been promised a master plan. Let's get it delivered, discussed, and agreed. We can work together to implement the vision over the next few years.

Sometimes Governing Board and Committee members appear confused about why topics are on the agenda. Are they for information only, discussion, or a vote? The chairs need to be clearer about the action expected and the members better informed. We need better decision making in a timelier manner.

Our annual budgeting process struggles to find a balance between transparency, resident input, and efficiency. Recommendations for or against six figure capital items are being made by committee members who may not have visited the locations concerned. Spend/don't spend recommendations to the Governing Board are delayed be-

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# **OHOA** seminar to discuss irrigation

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Ideas from two top Rain Bird Corporation specialists on how to curb water usage

A pair of irrigation specialists from Rain Bird Corporation will be OHOA's guest speakers at the February seminar.

Chris Padget and Brandon Grimes of Rain Bird will speak at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, in the R.H. Johnson Lecture Hall, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd.

Water costs are one of an HOA's biggest maintenance expense - approximately 50 percent for many HOAs!

Our speakers, Chris Padget and Brandon Grimes have years of experience on how to best utilize this extremely valuable resource, curb usage, and reduce costs without sacrificing your landscape.

Chris Padget spent more than 12 years on golf course maintenance. He joined the Rain Bird Corporation in 2010 and has now earned his position as Regional Sales Manager.

Brandon Grimes managed a large-scale commercial landscape company for 13 years in the Phoenix valley. Beginning in 2000, he specialized in Turfgrass Management including working for the PGA Tour Agronomy and preparing TPC Sawgrass Golf Course for The Players Championship from 2000-05. He has been with the



**Brandon Grimes** 

Rain Bird Corporation for more than two years as a contractor account manager for New Mexico and Ari-OHOA zona. He is a twotime recipient of the Rain Bird Circle of Excellence Award in 2022 and 2023.

> Padget and Grimes will address questions and issues that are a struggle for all HOA's. Questions such as: how does AZ weather play into irrigation? Can we fix what's already in the ground? What is Smart Irrigation? What is a Smart Controller? What are key questions we should be asking our landscaper?

> Other OHOA February events include: Board Buzz Friday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Feb. 16, in the Fry's Patio (the bakery side); and our Advanced Leadership Academy for HOA board members from



**Chris Padget** 

6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, and Thursday, Feb. 29 in the R.H. Johnson Lecture Hall. The speakers at the Advanced Academy classes will address, "How to Select a Management Company" and "CC&R Enforcement and Collection Strategies." Call 623-214-6006 to sign up for the Advanced Academy.

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

Remember, all HOAs that are members of OHOA, including their homeowners, may attend our seminars.

For more information, visit the OHOA website at ohoascw.com, or contact us at achoscw@aol.com.

# **GIVE AWAYS** Looking Out For You The event was created to connect our business partners with the residents of Sun City West, Corte Bella, The Grand and the surrounding communities. The event will be inside the RH Johnson Recreation Center Social Hall. 19801 RH Johnson Blvd, Sun City West. We will also be featuring several food trucks with covered outside seating. In past years we have seen between 1,200 to 2,000 people attend the event. Many folks stopped on their way out and said thanks for providing vendors for their home needs.

# Community Fund gives help for those who need help

"HELP!" That's a something someone needs, and it may something someone can give. HELP sometimes, and

sometimes more than others. Let's face it. It costs more to get by these days. Some of our Sun City West neighbors have found themselves challenged more than others. Maybe they've outlived their savings or maybe their income has taken a drastic hit due to a spouse passing away. Maybe unexpected health issues have arisen and frankly, they need HELP.

You can be an important part of the HELP they need, and one great way you can do it is through The Community Fund of Sun City West. In 2023 alone, the Fund has helped 51 clients with more than \$286,000 in assistance. In fact, we have provided more than \$2 million of important HELP to Sun City West neighbors since 2001. All of this through donations from people who are able to HELP us HELP them.

Confidentiality is a pillar of what the Fund does, so if you

need HELP, we invite great word. It may be community fund you to call the Fund hotline at 623-546-1122 and leave a message. A trained volunteer will con-We all need a little OF SUNCITY WEST tact you and with a confidential qualifying

interview, we will do our best to HELP you.

The Fund is a good steward of your donations. We have no office or salaries; just a hotline, a mailbox, and trained volunteers who are concerned about the medical and financial health of our neighbors since 1982.

The Fund is a 501(c)3 charity and all donations are tax deductible. As we face tax season, the Community Fund of Sun City West is an Arizona Qualifying Charitable Organization. As such, Arizona taxpayers may take off their tax bill a contribution to the Fund of up to \$421 for an individual and \$841 for a couple, and you can claim this all the way up to April 15 for last year.

Your support can go a long way toward helping your neighbors that are in financial need. HELP please. And we're always eager to train new volunteers. For information, call 623-546-1122.

# Open garage doors invite trouble

Open garage doors can SHERIFF'S be an open invitation for multiple problems including but not limited to property theft or home invasion.

Evening Posse patrolling members are on the lookout for open garage doors residents may have inadvertently left open after dark. The Posse is also frequently called by neighbors when a garage door is left open during the day when the resident normally keeps it closed. When an open door is found, Posse logged 333 in the month of November alone, the listed re-

sponsible party is called. If there is no number in our records or no answer, Posse mem-

bers will go to the

door.

In order to help keep Sun City West safe, closed garage doors will help. We can't contact you by phone if we don't have correct contact information. If you wish to check your information in our system, stop by the Posse office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and check your information.

The Posses of Sun City West,

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, Staff and most especially students of Aguila Elementary School wish to thank residents of Sun City West for the gifts dropped off at the Posse office for students at Aguila School. The response was wonderful. Teachers and other staff at the school wrapped and tagged the items. Aguila staff, MCSO deputies along with Posse members will distributed the gifts during the last day of school before Christmas break.

The Posse phone is 623-584-5808. For emergencies always call 911.

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Recreation Centers of Sun City West

# **Relay for Life prepares** for February event

The American Cancer Society, with help from the Sun City West Foundation, is pleased to present its 12th annual Relay for Life of the Sun Cities from 3 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, in Beardsley Park, 12755 W. Beardsley Road

Relay for Life need survivors! Cancer survivors will be honored with a victory

lap and dinner. (Dinner will be provided by Sardella's Pizza & Wings). Survivors can register online and receive a free Survivor T-shirt by mail. (You do not need to be on a team to join the Survivor Victory Lap.)

Relay for Life need teams! Groups put together teams and walk around the track. (Only one person needs to walk at a time, and no one will be walking during the ceremonies).

Clubs, neighbors, friends, families, organizations, businesses: Join the PRIDES, Automotive/Restoration Club, Sun City Team, The Grand Sluggers, and others to help this important cause. Peoria Nissan is a Presenting sponsor and Sun Canyon Bank has a Gold sponsorship.

The Automotive/Restoration Club will host a mini-car display. You'll see some cars that you haven't seen before. There will also be entertainment and team fundraisers for Cancer Research. Purchase raffle tickets for a beautiful quilt donated by the Rip 'N Sew Club.

Get information on how the American Cancer



The Amercian Cancer Society's Relay for Life will be Sunday, Feb. 18, at Beardsley Park.

Society can help you and what resources are available. It's a fun day right here in Sun City West. Opening ceremony will begin at 4 p.m. At 6:30, there will be a closing ceremony. Then, the luminaria bags will be lit. Don't miss this special ceremony! Anyone can dedicate a luminaria to those who have won, lost, or are fight-

ing cancer. We ask for a \$10 donation to dedicate a luminaria. (Luminaria can be purchased at the relay.)

Cancer has touched just about every one of us in some way. Some have personally fought the disease, and others have seen family and friends taken away by the disease. There are more survivors now than ever before because of research. We need funds to promote this research, as well as to help those individuals going through this dreaded disease. Hope keeps us going. Let's Celebrate-Remember-Fight Back together. Anyone interested in signing up as a survivor, dedicating a luminaria, making a donation, joining a team or starting a team may visit relayforlife.org/suncitiesaz or contact Marilynn Shaw at 541-980-4444, or email her at shaw.marilynn@gmail.com for additional information.

Thank you to the Recreation Centers of Sun City West and the Sun City West Foundation for sponsoring this event.

# Massing of Colors comes to Palm Ridge

Sun City West residents and the public are invited to the annual Massing of the Colors and Service of Remembrance hosted by the West Valley Chapter 131 Military Order of the World Wars at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20.

The Desert Brass Band will perform a 30-minute patriotic concert kicks off the event.

The Massing of the Colors is a ceremony in memory of our POWs, MIAs, and deceased military men and women who have served our country.

The ceremony will feature 30 to 40 flag units, representing military veteran units including the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame Society will be part of the ceremonial flag procession. At least 10 members of the Hall of Fame Society



The Desert Brass Band performs at last year's Massing of the Colors.

will be in attendance.

The guest speaker will be Wanona "Winnie" Fritz, former CPT in the Army Nurse Corp and her talk will be "Life in the US & Jordan Military – Memories, Lessons & Gifts."

Peoria High School Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps will present the colors. Their Ceremonial Honor Guard will performing the Missing Man Table Ceremony.

You can learn more about the West Valley Chapter at www.moww131.org. Go to -What We Do and select Massing of the Colors and Service of Remembrance.



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

# **Pickleball Club slates** annual charity event

The eighth annual "All for everyone is welcome to come 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; email Teresa Brown at teresabrown pc@hotmail.com.If you are a pickleball player and USAPA member, sign up for the event and compete. And

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 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 con-Teresa Brown at 402-312-0565 or email her at teresabrownpc@hotmail.com.

# **Special thanks**



Thank you to all our Chartered Club and Service at our "Newcomers" event on Jan. 10. We estimated more than 400 in attendance who we were able to account for plus the 150 vendors. With 62 Chartered Club participating we found many were able to register new members! A special thank you to Palm Ridge staff and Recreation Specialist, Kristi Consentino, for making this possible! Please look for future Newcomers this fall! We look forward to meeting new people and making this past success an event bigger one!

## Faded Jeans provides fun tunes from all genres

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Johnson Blvd., or online at suncitywest.com. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Soda and water will be available for purchase.

Faded Jeans is an energetic, five-piece electric band that has connected with audiences through its genre-hopping performances, keeping the crowd dancing throughout the show.

The band's song list includes classic rock, rhythm-andblues, 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.

# Comedy hypnotist visits Sun City West

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Award-winning 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 Comedy 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 neurolinguistic programming. As soon as Nadeen steps onto the stage her presence alone commands immediate interest, fascination, and fun!

### March, April features popular acts on the Green

tainment value.

### **MARCH 6** West of the Blues

West of the Blues features a strong front line of entertainers including Kim Bernhardt on vocals and Eric Brown on vocals and harp. They will engage and entertain the audience with powerful vocals and harmonica licks. The "back line" features Fred Dobelbower on bass guitar. During his career, Fred has exclusively played bass guitar in house bands at the Biltmore Hotel and Wigwam Resorts for more than three decades. Also, providing unique sounds to the stage are musicians: Rudy Detgen, saxophonist; Cameron Craig and Jay Lannon on guitar; and Brian Jones on acoustic drums. West of the Blues brings



West of the Blues

**Salt Miners** 

### MARCH 20 Salt Miners

Dynamic bluesy swamptinged rockers that bring the party to every live performance. If you like good music and wine this is the band for you.

### **APRIL 3** Still Above Ground

The band plays rock 'n' roll (mostly 60s and 70s) and some country western. Their variety of style will sure get the crowd to dance! So come prepared to dance and enjoy an evening of music and all that is fun.

### **APRIL 17** T.A. Burrows

A New York City native, T.A. Burrows is a multi-talented pro-

together years of solid enter- fessional entertainer who has more than 45 years of experience and has performed over 3,000 shows throughout the U.S. and Europe. He has appeared in Las Vegas, and he has opened for such stars as Patti Labelle, The Temptations, Earth, Wind & Fire, The Pointer Sisters, Brian McKnight, The Isley Brothers, and Teddy Pendergrass.



**Still Above Ground** 



T.A. Burrows

# Kilted Spirit to perform at St. Patrick's Day Show

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many Irish pubs, the Phoenix and Prescott Highland games, the Fountain Hills and Phoenix St. Patrick's Day festivals, 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, banjo, bass, and drums. Some of their influences include Flog-



Kilted Spirit will play at Palm Ridge.

Led Zeppelin, The Who, Indigo Girls, Old Crow Medicine Irish and Scottish music.

ging Molly, Dropkick Murphys, Show, Great Big Sea, Wolfstone, Runrig, and traditional

### April movie explores 'Wonka' origin story

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terious, all-powerful enemy, Ethan is forced to consider that nothing can matter more than the mission – not even the lives of those he cares about most.

**APRIL 29** "Wonka" (2023)

Wonka is a 2023 musical fantasy film directed by Paul King, who co-wrote the screenplay with Simon Farnaby based on a story by King. It tells the origin story of Willy Wonka, a character in the 1964

novel "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" by Roald Dahl, featuring his early days as a chocolatier. With dreams of opening a shop in a city renowned for its chocolate, a young and poor Willy Wonka discovers that the industry is run by a cartel of greedy chocolatiers.

Art Blum

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### **LIBRARY GROUPS**

Writers Group - 2 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in the Friends of the Library Board

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

Coloring for Adults - 1 to 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday in main

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

### **LOCAL AUTHOR BOOK FAIR**

The R.H. Johnson Library will celebrate local authors in February with its second local author book fair. Come join us in the library to meet several of our local authors starting at 10 a.m. Saturday Feb. 3. Author and editor Kameo Monson will talk about her experience writing books and how editors help in the process in the Friends of the R. H. Johnson library Board Room. Pick up tickets for the book talk in the library. Starting at noon, local authors in the main room of the library will be available for questions, book signing, and books sales until 2 p.m. Come out and support our local authors.

### **LOCAL AUTHOR BOOK TALKS**

Local author Pam Sievers will give a book talk and signing for her latest book at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, in the library.



Pam Sievers

In retirement, Pam Sievers focused on the craft of writing, and now has a personal blog and published two novels. She moved to Sun City West from Michigan in

2019, and likes to write about women overcoming their own hiccups to achieve what they're looking for.

'The Lone Jackass" examines a 59year-old woman in crisis, caring for an elderly father, supporting her adult



children, and trying to forgive her scoundrel of a husband following his death, while finding her own voice along the way.

Art Blum will discuss his book and talk about his life and experiences as an author on at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, in the library.

Art Blum is the perfect example of an ordinary guy. He is a hus-



through

Your own

band, a father and grandfather. Blum pub-

lished his first "One book More Hug" in 2008 as a memoir for his children. His love

of writing goes back to the many years he spent writing and editing business letters. A skill that Blum developed by learning how to simply talk on paper.

### **BOOK SALE**

All are welcome to the Friends of the R. H. Johnson Library book sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, in the Social Hall (19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., next to Fry's Food). The Friends' sales are famous for the excellent quality and enormous quantity of gently used books, puzzles, audiobooks, CDs, and DVDs at bargain prices. Best of all, the sale proceeds always go directly toward purchasing new items for the library. Books and other items for donation are gratefully accepted at the library, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

### **FRIENDS OF** THE LIBRARY **LECTURE SERIES**

The Friends of the Library continue their lecture series in February with nationally recognized Abraham Lincoln presenter and historian John Voehl at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, in the Stardust Theatre, 14401 R.H. Johnson

Blvd.

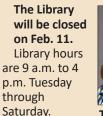


Voehl will present "The Emancipation Proclamation." Doors will open at 12:30 p.m. This is a free event, but tickets are required and can be picked up from

checkout desk at the R.H. Johnson Library.

This presentation will have Voehl speaking as President Lincoln of Lincoln's promise, purpose, and how the bloodiest day in US History allowed its public release; how he prepared the country, the New Years Day 1863 signature, and its reception in Boston.

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West is partnering with Banner Alzheimer's Institute and Sun Health Research Institute will present "The Science of Preventing Alzheimer's Disease" lecture at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28 in



Recreation Centers of Sun City West

Library

Tracy Skousen Library Director

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.

the Palm Ridge Rec Center Summit Hall A, 13800 W. Deer Valley

This is a free event; tickets are required and may be picked up in the Library.

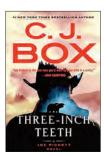
Can scientists find a way to stop Alzheimer's disease before it ever affects your memory and thinking? Research efforts to prevent the disease are now focused on individuals who may be at risk for Alzheimer's but do not show any symptoms. This presentation will provide an overview of how Alzheimer's disease is defined before symptoms appear and how it is being used to develop preventative therapies. Presented by Mike Malek-Ahmadi, PhD, GStat bioinformatics scientist.

Malek-Ahmadi is a bioinformatics scientist at the Banner Alzheimer's Institute in Phoenix. He has worked in the field of Alzheimer's disease research since 2003 and is an author on over 80 peer-reviewed journal articles in the areas of Alzheimer's disease, mild cognitive impairment, and normal aging.

### **BOOK SIGNING**

The R.H. Johnson Library will host a book talk and signing featuring best selling author C. J. Box at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 26, in the Stardust Theatre, 14401 R.H. Johnson Blvd.

Admission is free, no tickets are required. Doors open at 9:15 a.m. for residents with a valid rec card, and 9:30 a.m. for the general public.



The thor's newest Joe Pickett book, "Three Inch Teeth" will be available for purchase at the event.

# **Stardust Movies**

### "Indiana Jones And the Dial Of Destiny"



Experience the return of legendary hero, Indiana Jones (Harrison Ford), in the fifth installment of this beloved swashbuckling series of films. Finding himself in a new era, approaching retirement, Indy wrestles with fitting into a world that seems to have outgrown him. But as the tentacles of an all-too-familiar evil return in the form of an old rival, Indy must don his hat and pick up his whip once more to make sure an ancient and powerful artifact doesn't fall into the wrong hands. (C)

(2023) (2hr 34m) (PG-13).

### **FEB.** 8 "Saving Grace"

When her husband jumped out of a plane without a parachute, Grace Trevethen (Brenda Bleghyn) knew life would get tough...but she had no idea just how tough. Left with a manor on the Cornish coast, a mountain of debt and dozens of creditors on her heels, she is about to lose everything. But with Matthew (Craig Ferguson), the manor's caretaker, Grace hatches an outrageous idea: Why not use her renowned green thumb to plant a cash crop and pay off her debts? Soon her



greenhouse becomes a hot bed of illegal activity, and business starts blooming. (C) (2000) (1hr 33m) (R For some language).

### FEB. 15 "Cocoon"



Oscar-winning fantasy in which the residents of a Florida rest home get a new lease of life when they stumble across an alien "fountain of youth" in a disused holiday home. Unbeknown to them, aliens have been using the swimming pool in the house to store their cocooned brethren, giving the waters a powerful, rejuvenating quality. Starring Don Ameche, Hume Cronyn, Jack Gilford, Maureen Stapleton, Jessica Tandy, Gwen Verdon, Wilford Brimley and Steve Guttenberg. (C) (1985)

(1hr 57m) (PG-13).

### FEB. 22 "Invictus"

Following the fall of apartheid, newly elected President Nelson Mandela (Morgan Freeman) faces a South Africa that is racially and economically divided. Believing he can unite his countrymen through the universal language of sport, Mandela joins forces with Francois Pienaar (Matt Damon), captain of the rugby team, to rally South Africans behind a bid for the 1995 World Cup Championship. (C) (2009) (2hr 14m) (PG-13).



### **FEB. 29** "The Princess Bride"

When the beautiful maiden Buttercup (Robin Wright) hears that the true love Westley (Gary Elwes) is dead, she reluctantly agrees to marry the loathsome Prince Humperdinck (Chris Sarandon). After Westley returns to rescue Buttecup, the two begin an epic adventure filled with fencing, fighting, giants, monsters, miracles, true love and hilarity! Also starring Mandy Patinkin, Billy Crystal, Christopher Guest, Peter Falk, Carol Kane, Wallace Shawn and Andre the Giant. (1987) (PG).

### 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

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# Local Hickory Golf team earns win in challenge match

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The Sun City West & Friends Hickory Team brought home the championship belt with an eight-point win against Tatum Hickory Golf Team, at Tatum Ranch Golf Club in Cave Creek.

The Jan. 10 match play battle was the 16th time the two groups squared off, with Sun City West earning its ninth win in the rivalry.

The match consisted of 24 players, 12 from SCW and 12 Tatum Ranch and the format was match play with two man teams from each side competing.

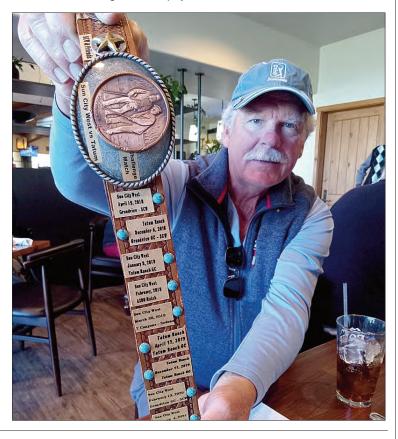
More than 100 years ago, golf was played with wooden shaft clubs and players donned in knicker-style pants. They often competed, town against town and club against club to see who could best their rivals and boast about the outcome.

This group of hickory golfers, playing with 100-year-old wooden-shafted clubs, regularly travels around the Valley and to California to compete against other hickory groups throughout the country and around the world.

If you would like to give the hickory golf experience a try, contact Ken Holtz at k.holtz2430@gmail.com. Additional information is available at the Society of Hickory Golfers website, hickory golfers.com.



Sun City West & Friends Hickory Golf Team enjoy lunch after their match against Tatum Ranch Jan. 10. Below, Team Captain Galen Peterson holds the Challenge Belt Trophy.





# Holes in One



NAME	DATE	COURSE	HOLE	<u>YARDS</u>	CLUB
Lynn Saelens	12/3/2023	Desert Trails	3	103	5 hybrid
Chuck Saunders	12/7/2023	Echo Mesa	4	153	2 Wood
Brad Stiegelmeyer	12/9/2023	Stardust	5	118	9 Iron
Scott Love	12/8/2023	Desert Trails	11	117	PW
John A. Hendershot	12/9/2023	Echo Mesa	6	119	9 iron
Bob Begley	12/9/2023	Echo Mesa	12	151	6 iron
Mark Erikson	12/11/2023	Pebblebrook	8	115	PW
Ross White	12/12/2023	Stardust	2	134	7 Iron
Gail Horne	12/12/2023	Desert Trails	8	84	7 iron
Charles Larsen	12/14/2023	Echo Mesa	3	112	Driver
Patti Nelson	12/17/2023	Stardust	12	166	Driver
Janis Harbison	12/17/2023	Trail Ridge	12	129	Driver
Kip Baker	12/18/2023	Desert Trails	11	115	8 hybrid
Don Derendal	12/18/2023	Desert Trails	4	86	9 iron
Mark A. Foster	12/18/2023	Desert Trails	11	111	8 iron
Terry Grinwald	12/18/2023	Grandview	3	163	6 iron
Nick Dabrowski	12/19/2023	Echo Mesa	11	117	8 iron



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### **Green Team makes putting easier**



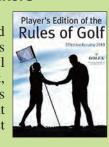
Twice a year, Green Team Golf plays with 15-inch holes with the checkered flags. What fun! Think it is easy? Come try it with the Green Team. For information email greenteam@suncitywest.com.

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

**Bunkers: Stones in Bunkers** 

Q: May I remove stones in bunkers?

A: Yes. Stones are loose impediments and you may remove any loose impediments that are in a bunker, even when your ball came to rest there (see Rule 12.2a). But, you'll want to be careful that your ball does not move if you move a loose impediment or you will get one penalty stroke, and must replace your ball.







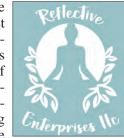
# **Bowling/Sports**



# Massage Therapy available at the Rec Centers

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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.

# **December bowling highlights**

With bowling leagues heating up, perfect games and 800 series are piling up on the score sheets. The following bowlers rolled 300 games during December league games: Steve Roberts and Charlie Price.

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





**Charlie Price and Steve Roberts** 



# rental agreement

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• Tenants without a member card residing more than 30 days are not considered a guest and must purchase a Tenant Activity card to use the facilities.

Owners are responsible to ensure that any company/person managing their rental property is adhering to all policies. If you have questions, please call Member Services at 623-544-6100 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A Request for Tenant Activity Card form is available to download from our website, suncitywest.com (Member Services – Membership Forms – Tenant Activity Card Request).

# What are the parking etiquette rules?

There are five basic guidelines to remember when parking:

1. Obey Speed Limits

Speed restriction signs are displayed in most parking lots. Even in the absence of signs, you should maintain a maximum speed of 15 mph. Not doing so would be counterproductive. Pedestrians, particularly children and elderly, are common in parking lots. It's imperative that you keep a close eye on the road and drive slowly. Vehicles backing out of spaces and driving down the aisle are two of the most common causes of parking lot accidents.

2. Park in a Courteous Manner

We've all come across drivers who think their vehicles are too valuable to park in a single spot, and they use two or more parking places. When parking your car, you should be considerate and follow the directional signs. Parking in the middle of the parking lot will make it easier for other drivers to get out of their vehicles and for you to get into your vehicle.

3. Don't Wait for Anyone

Do not wait for other drivers to walk to their cars, load up all their shopping bags, get in, turn the key, and drive out of

the parking spot. If you decide to wait, you will cause a traffic jam that doesn't need to happen. If you park farther away and walk the extra distance, it will take you less time. Waiting for drivers to get back to their cars is very frustrating for other drivers trying to park, and it causes delays all over the parking lot, not just where you

4. Don't Forget to Use Turn Signals

In a parking lot, using turn signals can help you save a spot. Blinkers are used to indicate the intended direction of your vehicle to others. Do you want to park in a location that is empty but has vehicles behind you? All you have to do now is acti-



vate your blinkers. You will not only be safeguarding other vehicles by using your blinkers, but you will also be indicating pedestrians so that they can safely navi-

gate the metal and concrete jungle.

5. Always Drive in the Right Direction

Some drivers appear to believe that once they reach a parking lot, regular driving rules no longer apply. Who cares if you drive along the parking lot in the opposite direction? Other drivers in the parking lot, in fact, are concerned. Each parking lot is different; some have a single one-way aisle, while others have two. You must pay attention as a motorist. There will be arrows pointing in the appropriate driving direction in most parking lots. Look at the way the parking stalls have been designed in parking lots where there are no arrows to denote direction.



## States Clubs



### **IDAHO**

Fifteen Idaho State Club members enjoyed getting together over breakfast at Betty's Rooste in Sun City West on Dec. 15. Activities resumed in January.

Members are invited to attend a day at the races at Turf Paradise on Feb. 19. Other outings are in the planning stages, including a potluck in March and a happy hour event.

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. Membership dues for 2023 have been waived. Club notifications are sent via email. For information, email the club idahoclubnotes@gmail.com.

### **ILLINOIS**

The Illinois State Club of Sun City West hosts monthly breakfasts at various restaurants throughout the Valley as well as a special event each month, including, but not limited to a fun-filled afternoon at the Riverboat Bingo Hall, a cruise on the Dolly Steamboat and a Chili Cookoff.

The 2024 Officers are as follows: Gregory Serdiuk, President; Myrna Thielmann, vice president; Valerie Vesely, secretary; Angelo Petrarca, treasurer; Dena Martin, membership; Lilette Suva, social director; and Judy Serdiuk, public relations.

If you or your Significant Other have ever lived in Illinois, we welcome you to join this fun group of guys and gals. Membership is open to all of the Sun City Communities as well as all surrounding towns and communities. For additional information please contact Judy at 708-715-7888.

### **KANSAS**

Mark your calendar for the Leap Year Celebration on Feb. 29. The event will a feature a catered dinner in the Ocotillo Room at Beardsley Recreation Center. For reservations, send an email to lifeofriley61@yahoo.com, or text 785-

Join the Kansas Club for a March Madness Party to watch the Big 12 Tournament at a local bar and grill. Location to be announced.

In April we will have a potluck Spring Fling picnic at 5 p.m. April 11



Idaho Club members enjoy a breakfast in December at Betty's Rooste.

in Beardsley Park.

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The 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 an organization or firm doing business in Kansas or the spouse, significant other, widow/widower of one of the eligibility requirements. The purpose of this club is to provide 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.

### **NORTH DAKOTA**

The North Dakota Club had a great turnout for our January Jamboree. Western attire and a cowboy themed meal gave the event a very festive flair! A special thank you to the club members who donated items for the silent auction.

A nice group of North Dakotans attended the Variety Spectacular matinee at the AZ Opry on Jan. 24. The show was indeed spectacular and the meal

The ND Game Night will be from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, in the Sagebrush Room at Beardsley Rec Center. Join us for lots of games, pizza and prizes.

Our North Dakota Club picnic is set from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, March 14. This year the picnic will be held at Kuentz Courtyard. Come enjoy a catered picnic meal and a chance to win great basket prizes.

We hope to see you at these fun upcoming events!

For more information contact: Carol at 701-527-5827: Karen at 701-460-0495; or Bonnieat 701-880-1200.

### **OREGON**

The Oregon Club will gather for a breakfast social at the Tivoli Gardens, 12555 W. Bell Road in Surprise at 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22. Join your fellow State Club of Oregon members for a delicious breakfast!

There are five menu choices: two eggs, bacon or sausage, toast or muffin, hashbrowns; two eggs, bacon or sausage, and two pancakes; two eggs, bacon or sausage, and two French toast; two eggs, bacon or sausage, and ½ Belgian waffle; or eggs benedict, your choice of Canadian bacon, bacon, ham, turkey, or sausage, and hashbrowns. Breakfast includes unlimited coffee, tea or soda. Bloody Mary's are available for \$5.50 (and they're good!).

The member cost is just \$10per person. The non-member price is \$16.50 per person. Make your check payable to: State Club of Oregon, and send to State Club of Oregon, PO Box 5162, Sun City West, AZ 85376-5162. Your payment must be received by Feb. 8. We look forward to seeing you.

### **WASHINGTON STATE**

The club's next dinner is its famous Crab Feed scheduled for Feb. 23. We will have more information in the upcoming weeks. Interested individuals are encouraged to visit the website or contact Karen Devers, event coordinator, at kdeducation@hotmail.com for

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 March are due by Feb. 1. If you do not have a computer, please drop off your sub-mission in the Membership Office. If you have questions regarding club submissions, call Michael Melissa at 623-544-6519.

information on all upcoming events. When Washingtonians become a member, emails are sent with information on social get-togethers and other events. For questions contact Club President McCallum Daryl by dboomac@gmail.com or by text to 303-250-0102. Membership and event registration forms are also available on our website at: washstclub-scw.com. Membership for 2024 is \$10 for residents of Sun City West, Sun City Grand, Sun City, Sun Village and Corta Bella.

### **WISCONSIN**

Join the Wisconsin Club for a AZ Broadway Theatre event on Thursday, Feb. 22, presenting "On the Town." For information, contact Carolyn at 623-734-3322.

Our upcoming baseball spring training event is just around the corner featuring the Milwaukee Brewers vs. the World Series champion Texas Rangers at 1:05 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 29. Tickets are limited and in a great location. We will have our traditional tailgate lunch before the game. Call Larry at 602-330-8055 for information.

A club hike along the White Tank Mountains will be Tuesday, April 2, led by Dave. More information will be following about it.

All-you-can-eat pizza party will be in April. Ben will be submitting more information at a later date.

Our monthly breakfast at Tivoli Gardens will be Wednesday, Feb. 14. Make your reservations via our website the Friday before the breakfast on Wednesday. A ticket drawing for money towards your breakfast will be given out if the member is wearing their Wisconsin badge. Call Pat for cancellations or questions at 623-645-0853.

Anyone in The Grand, Corta Bella, Sun City, or Sun City West is invited to join our great social club. For information visit wiclubscw.wordpress.com or contact Lana at 602-330-8055.

# **Get Connected!**

### suncitywest.com

- official Association website
- primarily static info: commonly used links; hours of operation; ameni- • maintained by clubs with help ties; children's hours; etc.

### scwclubs.com

- clubs website with links to all the chartered clubs
- from a Tech Advisory Group

### scwlibrary.com

- links to online catalog and digital
- iPad, Kindle & Nook instructions
- Friends of the Library movie schedule

### **Other Social Media:**

- Youtube.com/suncitywestaz
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# Cabaret, Top Hat series grooves through February

### Individual tickets still available

### **Cabaret**

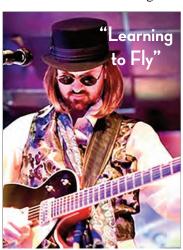
The Recreation Centers of Sun City West welcomes the 2024 season in style with a handful of show-stopping Cabaret performances at Palm Ridge Rec Center, 13800 W. Deer Valley Drive in Sun City West.

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 tickets are \$22 per show and are currently on sale. All sales are through the R.H. Johnson Box Office, 19803 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., and online at suncitywest.com. For information, call 623-544-6093.

### FEB. 2 Tom Petty Tribute "Learning To Fly"

"Learning To Fly" - a premier 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 in-





### 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 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 vo-

### **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.

ary through February, the 2024 series offers a variety of talent. Top Hat tickets are \$30 per

With shows spanning Janu-

show and are currently on sale. For information, call the Box Office at 623-544-6093.

### 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 the

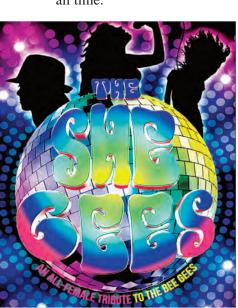
radio during 1970s and 1980s, featuring all your favorite artists and their biggest hits. You'll also hear classic tracks from bands like Boston, Foreigner, Heart, Kansas, Mr. Mister, Night Ranger, REO Speedwagon, Toto and Whitesnake. With high-energy performances, musicianship, and a genuine love for 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.





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### **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 90minute 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.

### 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

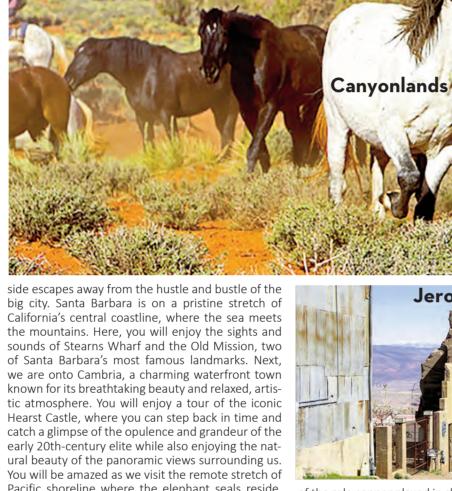
Come along as we head up to Clarkdale for a memorable day spent in the Verde Valley. Upon arrival, we will enjoy lunch from the Copper Spike Café at the Verde Canyon Railroad depot. Before stepping on board, we will have the opportunity for a face-to-face encounter with the area's maiestic owls and wild 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.

### **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 sea-



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.

### COPPER ART MUSEUM, JEROME, & WINETASTING at Javelina Leap Vineyards Thursday, April 18

Get ready for a spectacular day exploring the beautiful Verde Valley countryside! We will begin with a tour of the Arizona Copper Art Museum in Clarkdale, where you will hear some of the history



of the role copper played in shaping Arizona and our country. The museum has more than 5,000 artifacts dating back as far as the 1500s. Then we are on to Jerome, where we will stop first at the Douglas

Mansion, and you will hear about some of the colorful history that shaped Jerome back in the early 1900s when it was a mining boomtown and home to over 30 nationalities. You will have time for lunch (on your own) and to explore Jerome and its thriving artist community. Next, we will venture on to Javelina Leap Vineyards and Winery in the heart of the Verde Valley Wine Trail. They are a family operated boutique winery with award-winning Arizona wines. Bring your friends along for a day to savor in the Verde Valley!

Cost is \$165 per person and includes: round-trip transportation; tour of the Arizona Copper Art Museum: Douglas Mansion Ranger Talk: visit to Jerome (lunch on own); wine-tasting at Javelina Leap Vineyards; tour guide; snacks and bottled water; taxes and 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 vallevs, 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 trans-



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

### **ARRIVEDERCI CUCINA ITALIANA** & SAGUARO LAKE CRUISE ON **DESERT BELLE**

Wednesday, April 3

Come along for a fun day of dining and cruising as we head to Arrivederci Cucina Italiana, situated by the lake in beautiful Fountain Hills. We will enjoy our lunch el fresco style (weather permitting), where you will choose from one of four delicious entrees. Be sure to leave room for dessert! After our meal, it is onto Saguaro Lake, where you will board the Desert Belle, a historic, restored tour boat, for an hour-and-a-half-long scenic cruise. You can sip a glass of wine while listening to live music as you take in all that lovely fresh air and the beautiful desert landscape. You will see great views from their shaded, open-air top deck seats. Keep your camera handy as you journey around the lake while you watch for possible sightings of bald eagles soaring overhead and bobcats, coyotes, and bighorn sheep coming down to drink from the lake.

Cost is \$185 and includes: round-trip transporta tion; lunch at Arrivederci Cucina Italiana in Fountain Hills; Saguaro Lake Cruise on the Desert Belle (only credit cards accepted ); tour guide; snacks and bot tled water; all taxes and gratuities.



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# Club Corner



# 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 March Rec Center News is noon Friday, Feb. 2.

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**

The Aquacizers Club follows a lowimpact aerobic exercise program designed by a licensed physical therapist, with a primary focus on balance, coordination, stamina, fall prevention, strength and flexibility. This wellrounded program is suited for all fitness levels, and helpful to those with mobility issues due to arthritis, back pain, joint replacement, post fractures, neuropathy and other neurological conditions

The Club is open to any Sun City West resident and guest. It meets at the Beardsley Pool from 9 to 10 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. A licensed physical therapist leads the group on Saturday morning and is available to club members for consultation. The Monday and Wednesday sessions follow the same dedicated routine and are led by trained club members. A Club Aqua Buddy will be made available to assist for the first few visits or as requested.

For questions, contact the club president Debbie Etheridge at 828-773-9186, or email scwaquacizers@gmail.com. Or, come to a class and test the waters for free up to three times!

### **ARTHRITIS**

The Arthritis Club meets at the Beardsley Pool 7:55 to 8:40 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. Many of the members come earlier and enjoy walking laps before class. Others walk laps after class or enjoy the spa. The class is led by volunteer instructors who guide you through a series of fun pool exercises that are sure to enhance joint



movement while maintaining and building strength. The class is low-impact and perfect for anyone who has arthritis, a joint replacement, or has been inactive for a while.

In addition to our weekly classes, we also have social events scheduled throughout the year. We are a friendly, fun-loving group waiting to greet you. Club dues are just \$10 per year. For more information, check out our website at arthritis.scwclubs.com and be sure to check out the "Albums" page for a peek at some of our previous social events.

You may also call Roberta Cantella, club co-president, at 928-499-9886; or Kathy Johnson, co-president at 780-839-5665 for additional information.

# ARTISTIC HAND LETTERING, CARDS & MIXED MEDIA

The Artistic Hand Lettering, Cards and Mixed Media Club has had an amazing year of creating beautiful pieces of art and making phenomenal friends among other club members. Our club takes pride in our ability to give back to our community and we continue to give through financial and artistic gift giving.

Did you ever think maybe you would like to see what Artistic Hand Lettering, Cars & Mixed Media is all about? Visit the club on Feb. 12 for our "TRY US, YOU'LL LIKE US" event where we invite members of the Sun City West community to come in and give us a try.

Our current schedule is:

11 a.m. to noon - Char Cash will show you how to do a very simple style

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of calligraphy and everyone will end up with a piece of their own hand lettered memory.

Noon to 1 p.m. - Jan Nesper will demonstrate how to use the club's Cricut cutting machine to create a beautiful wine bottle wrap and you will take one home.

1 to 2 p.m. - Linda Bunce is going to give instructions on how to create a "Clean and Simple" card. Linda teaches this easy quick card making to our members often throughout the year and each one is more beautiful than the last.

2 to 3 p.m. - Judy Ross will give a class on how to make a heart shaped box. Judy is our mixed media activities director and she always presents us with a project that not only challenges us but makes us feel proud to have created such a beautiful piece of art.

Don't forget to mark your calendar from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 12 and you can come to all or specific classes. Classes are limited and it is a first come first serve basis so be sure you are prompt! Photos of some of some of the projects or similar projects is attached below:

Our club meets in the Pueblo Room at the Kuentz Rec Center. Currently we offer open workshops on various Monday and Friday mornings from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. On Mondays, from 1 to 4 p.m., we have a variety of paper art classes and Fridays 1:30 to 4 p.m. is our phenomenal Mixed Media group. The first Wednesday evening of each month from 6 to 9 p.m. join us for fun games, the second Wednesday is art journaling and remaining Wednesday evenings we have a variety of classes. Check us out on the calligraphywest.scwclubs.com.

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

### **BASKETEERS**

The Basketeers enjoyed their annual holiday party on Dec. 7. During the meeting, a new slate of officers for 2024 was sworn in. The Basketeer Club is a place to learn the art of weaving baskets. Introductory classes teach basic weaving skills, and classes teaching other styles and techniques are held for members. New members are welcome and encouraged! The Basketeers meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays in the Mesa Room at Kuentz Rec Center. For more information, contact Cynthia Trainer 253-640-3288.

### **BEADERS**

The club meets in the Kiva Room at the Kuentz Rec Center. Come join us for only \$5; membership is open to all rec card holders. The club meets from 6 to 9 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday. We offer all levels of beading instruction 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 Cynthia Trainer at 253-640-3288 or cynthiatrainer@outlook.com, or stop by during normal club hours. You can also visit beaders.scwclubs.com.

### BOCCE

The Bocce Club will have a Mystery Tournament for its membership from 1

to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, at the R.H. Johnson Bocce Courts. Check in time begins at 12:30 p.m.

Registration forms may be found on

Registration forms may be found on the club's website, bocce.scwclubs.com, and on the Bocce sandwich board in the RH Johnson breezeway. Registration closes at 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2.

The cost to participate is \$5 per person. All members of the first, second and third place teams will receive a cash prize.

Any club member is eligible to play in the tournament. All participants will have their names placed into a basket. Names will be drawn at random to determine pairings and court assignments.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Come join in the fun and merriment of the Mystery Tournament. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other club members that you may not have had the opportunity to play with or against before in a competitive but social event.

### **BOOMERS**

It's the second month of a new a new year, and, if you want to have more fun in your life, it may be time to join the Boomers Club. This great social club is open to all rec center members regardless of age and provides a great way to meet new people and have a good time. Our regular weekly activities are going strong - water volleyball, biking, hiking, acoustic jam sessions, wine tasting, billiards, bowling, Rummikub, Euchre, Hand and Foot, book club, progressive dinners, etc.

In addition to weekly fun, we have a special event every month. On Friday, Feb. 3, a Happy Hour Dance will be held in the Social Hall with music by Reboot. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Members are to bring their own food, beverages, cups, dishes, etc. Only ice is provided. Cost is \$5 per member. Guest fee is \$7. One guest per member. Bring rec card for check in.

A Boomers' Barbecue is scheduled in the clubhouse for Saturday, Feb. 10, music by Smile Duo.

A Mardi Gras dance is set for 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, with music by Lattitude 33 in the Johnson Social Hall. Mardi Gras attire encouraged! "Laissez le bon temps roulez!"

The Boomers' Talent Showcase will be in the clubhouse at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16. Enjoy live music performed by fellow members.

Our Lakeside Bar and Grill Happy Hour will be at 4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19. Contact Barb & Bob Murray at bb@bbmurray.com by Feb. 14 to attend.

Come to our Boomer Lounge Night on Feb. 16, at the clubhouse, and listen to local talent while dancing; doors open at 5:30. Bring snacks and drinks.

Enjoy a Boomers potluck in the clubhouse on Feb. 23. More information to come online.

Our first lip sync event will be held Feb. 24 in our clubhouse. More details will be online at a later date.

Be sure to review details and how to sign up for all events, information is easily found on our website calendar at scwboomersclub.com. Discover what other neat things are in the works and how you can help make our club even more special. Where else, but as a member of the Boomers Club, can you be part of so many great activities? Members get regular weekly reminders by email. Just remember to sign up early!

# ARC Angels are here to help

The "ARC Angels" is a sub-group of the Automotive/Restoration Club which focuses on philanthropic and neighborly acts. The ARC Angels is comprised of a team that has volunteered to share the many years of automotive experience they possess with those in need.

The Angels assist Sun Cities and Surprise area residents in vehicle related issues, including preliminary diagnosis of vehicle problems and potential reliable places to have repairs completed. They offer advice on car values, provide information on the means of listing cars for sale, and provide residents with second opinions on car repairs. In addition, they also have helped with other issues of an automotive nature to support the residents of the Sun Cities and Surprise area.

The team acts in a consultant capacity only; they do not perform repairs or purchase vehicles. They are only a resource citizens may use to find dependable, qualified people who will listen, and who will be willing to help.

If you have a concern with your car, the ARC Angels are nearer than you think. Just a phone call away. Contact: Randy Robinson, 206-819-8655 (winter season); or Dan Kuhl, 602-757-2625 (summer months).



The 2024 Basketeer Board members are, from left to right: Vicki Simonsmeier, treasurer; Cynthia Trainer, president; Betty Hoyt, vice president; Ellen Klingsberg, vice president; Debbie Crimi, secretary. Not pictured is Kathy Zine, treasurer.

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## ub Corner

Recreation Centers of Sun City West



Beader Club members have been busy with these latest creations.



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Our great events fill up fast.

### **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. As a Club member, vou 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 event is a Regular No-Tap scheduled for Feb. 10. On Feb. 24 the event will be Red Pin



No-Tap. 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 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.

If you would like more information, please visit bascw.net or call Donna (Boom) 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. The Sun City West Contract Bridge Club consists of two sessions. Doors open for the Monday session at 5 p.m. and sign-up begins at 5:30. You must come with a partner to play Monday evenings. You will rotate with your partner at the end of each round. Doors open for the Tuesday session at 11:15 and sign-up begins at 11:30 a.m. You do



BASCW club members celebrating the holiday season. Top row, from left to right: Jean Majka, Pat Douglas, Kris Carlile, Melanie Dunham-Zemberi, Kathleen McMullen, Brenda Trobaugh, Lori Reynolds, and Mary Rapp; bottom row, left to right: Meg Quarrie, Joanne Chiaputti, and Denise Dunham-Zemberi.



Beginner Bridge Lesson attendees from left to right: Katie Zimmer; Mary Vraney, instructor; Martie Jordan; Brian Emmen; Marilyn Zenz; and Barb Carl, vice president.

not need a partner to play on Tuesday and you will rotate to a new partner at the end of each round. We play four rounds of 35 minutes each. If that 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. Each section requires dues of \$5 per year plus \$1 per session and members must be rec card holders. Both sessions meet in the card rooms at the Beardslev Recreation Center and all skill levels are welcome, but a basic knowledge of contract bridge is required. For more information, please contact Sharon Holmes at 360-441-1909 for Tuesday bridge, Dianne Wuethrich at 715-556-2653 for Monday bridge, and contact Mary Vraney at 623-236-4729 for lesson information. Lessons are held before bridge play on Tuesdays. Interested in playing Monday evenings but don't have a partner? Please contact us and we will try to help you find a partner. Please visit 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 is 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 rec card holders and their guests. For additional questions, please contact President Jeanette Rabito at 951-833-5572.

### **CERAMICS WEST**

Ceramics West is not only a great way to learn new ways to be creative when it comes to ceramics, it also is a great place to make friends and have fun at socials thanks to DJ Santana and her team. You must be a member to get tickets for events, some allow a guest, and some do

Please stop by for a tour from 8 a.m. to noon Monday through Saturday or noon to 4 p.m. most afternoons Monday through Friday. We are next to the R.H. Johnson Membership office.

Upcoming socials are: Feb. 14 - Valentine Party April 26 - Luau

Oct. 29 - Halloween Costume Party Dec. 6 - Christmas Party

You can also give the club a call at 623-546-0975 and ask questions or to set up a tour.

### **CLAY**

If you have always wanted to "do" pottery, be sure to visit the Clay Club. Stop at the Monitor's Desk and ask for a guided tour. We are happy to give all visitors a peek at our wonderful facilities and see our awesome members in action! We can teach you how to hand build, throw, sculpt, coil, and carve clay through our classes and workshops. We even offer Raku classes throughout the year. No experience is necessary.

Most of our instructors are members who have become master potters through years of experience, lots of practice, and creating hundreds, if not thousands, of unique creations. Don't be intimidated by your skill or lack thereof as the skill levels of our 350-plus members range from complete novice to professional artist. Find details on how to join the Clay Club scwclayclub.com/application/. Club applicants, please note that the Clay Club currently has an extensive waiting list for membership, so it may be a while before you are called. Our required Hand-Building Class is taught once each month with only four new students in each class to ensure that each has the best possible experience. Please be patient. It is definitely worth the wait!

Potters with prior experience may request to test out of the Hand-Building Class for membership in the club. Details can be found at clay.scwclubs.com.

Stop in and see what we are all about! Clay Club 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, 12755 Beardsley Road. Membership in the Clay Club is open to all rec card holders in good standing. Call 623-544-6530 for more information.

### **CLUB 52 - POKER**

Are you tired of playing poker online, against invisible players? Have I got a "deal" for you. Play live Texas Hold'em at the Poker Club 52. You will find the poker playing experience a "ship load"

We meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the card room of the Men's Club building, located on Meeker Road just north of the R.H. Johnson Library. We have exclusive evening use of this facility and welcome all Sun City West men and women with a current rec card as a new member or guest.

The club offers nightly limit cash games and no limit tournaments. A big stack tournament is offered on the third Wednesday of each month.

Doors open at 3:45 p.m., cash games start at 4 to 4:30. Limit cash games played include Texas Hold'em and

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### **CERAMICS WEST**

Ceramics West not only "adopted" a woman and her family from Eve's Place in order to provide her and her family with a good Christmas, but we also had time for a lovely holiday social of our own. We were able to provide many raffle presents, great food, wonderful conversations, and a lot of laughter, and even Santa showed up. We would love to thank DJ and her team of elves for making it an enjoyable night for us all.





# Club Corner

# WEST

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Omaha high/low. Cash games have blinds ranging from 25 cents to \$1.

The nightly Texas Hold'em No Limit Tournaments each participant receives \$17,000 in tournament chips. The tournament starts at 5 p.m., but signup before 4:50 to receive an "early bird" \$2,000 chip bonus.

One hundred percent of the tournament entry fee is returned as prize money.

Annual membership dues are \$10 and nightly play fee is member - \$1, guest - \$2. For information, contact Larry Parkhill 951-365-8785 or visit fiftytwocard.scwclubs.com or the club's Facebook page.

### **COIN & STAMP**

Join the Coin Club for its monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in Room 3 at the Kuentz Recreation Center. The club has a door prize, show-and-tell, and a coin auction. The Coin Club is open to anyone interested in U.S. and world coins.

Coin Club President Mike Hug has

Coin Club President Mike Hug has appointed Hal, 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. Welcome 2024!

We meet at the Kuentz Rec Center at 6:30 p.m. in Room 3. Coins is always on the first Tuesday of the month, except June through September. Stamps are always 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 from 7:30 to noon Wednesdays and Fridays. Includes one-on-one Android and Tablet help. Come early to sign up – noon to 2 p.m. Mondays and 10 a.m. to noon Wednesdays are the Senior "Genius" Bar Help Group for members with any Apple device in Room C.

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 for Room A are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Both PC and Mac computers are available for club members' use. For club information visit





### **DANCESENSATIONS**

Let DanceSensations help you lose those extra holiday pounds with our Pilates and Tai Chi classes. Valerie Moore-Colvert is pictured with some of the many props we have in the studio for doing Pilates (stability ball, weights, bands and more). Charlie Gill is an excellent Tai Chi instructor. You can do "Stillness in Motion" (aka "Qigong") and/or "Essentials" (the Tai Chi standard). Our "Stretch" class will keep you fit and loose. If you love to dance, we have classes in tap and jazz (beginners and intermediate), plus ballet for exercise. Jazzy Poms is a fun class. Come and give them a try with no obligation. Performance is not required. Visit dancesensations.scwclubs.com for more info, class schedule and registration forms. Call 480-321-9652 or email dancescw@gmail.com.

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, Feb. 14, 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 Computers West and around Sun City West. The club has collected 20,198 phones so far. Each phone donated provides a phone calling card for one of our servicemen overseas. This is an ongoing program.

PC Group: We continue to have classes of interest. Check pcscw.org for the club calendar for updated information. Updated computers available for your use. Join the club for Questions and Answers at 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays. Ancestry discussion meets on the first Thursdays at 10 a.m. Help is available from 10 to noon on 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. Flight Sim is available at 9 a.m. Thursdays - learn to Fly!

MacsWest members are in Room C



Computers West User Group-MacsWest meets at 1 p.m. Friday afternoons at the Palm Ridge Recreation Center. For information visit computerswest.org. Join us for information on anything Apple and lots of laughs. Check out our club for help with Apple and Android devices, as well as computers, ancestry information, Flight Sim fun, and much more.

most days to help you to expand your "Apple" knowledge. For club information visit macwest.org. 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

Our monthly dance will be Feb. 10 at Palm Ridge Rec Center Summit Rooms A&B. The doors open at 5:30. A line dancing lesson is at 6 p.m. and partner dancing starts at 6:30 and continues until 9. DJ Linda Benton will play great country music from the 80s and 90s. We 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.

Partner Lessons in February will be held on Wednesday evenings at the RH Johnson 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. The cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for guests.

Line Dancing Lessons for February will be on Mondays. The classes are at the Palm Ridge Center in the 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 can keep up in the class. From 1 to 3 Tammy will teach a one-hour class in improver and intermediate. The cost of attending one or all of the sessions is \$4 for members and \$7 for accompanied guests.

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

### **CYCLISTS**

The club rides weekdays from the Echo Mesa Golf Course at 9 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. A leisure riding group that goes 10 to 13 mph meets some weekdays, contact cullitonkathleen@gmail.com for specifics. 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 the fastest growing segment), are welcome.

The February meeting will be at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, in the Sagebrush Room at the Beardsley Recreation Center. A social coffee hour follows at a member's home. Last month we helped the Surprise Police Department with the "Pedal with the Police" program for families. A dinner outing was held at Angela's Kitchen and members helped

pack food for "Feed My Starving Children." A Slow Role Parade is planned for March 9 to raise awareness of the bikes in SCW and promote safety.

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

### **DECORATIVE ARTS**

Looking for fun, to satisfy your creative itch, or just curious? Come check out our Decorative Art Club. Our fantastic window display shows several projects our club has done. We meet from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Wednesday, in the Pueblo Room at the Kuentz Recreation Center. Two different classes are offered. Our talented teachers guide us using patterns, paints and colored pencils on canvas, wood or metal.

Our new officers for 2024 are: Pat Eggersgluss, president; Deb Johnson, vice president; Kathy Culliton, secre-

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Above and below, Decorative Arts club members enjoy time together during the annual Christmas party.



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tary; Terry Mcevoy, treasure. We are excited about the coming new year. For questions call Pat at 612-802-0440.

### **DEER VALLEY WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB**

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 dywomensgolf.scwclubs.com for information concerning our play schedule and the officers for 2024. If you are interested in joining this fun group of women please contact Janice Runnels at jlr765@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:

December Ace (Lowest Gross Score) Lvnn Adams with an 80

December Aces (Lowest Net Score) -Connie Waggoner and Karen Jones with a 65

The Deer Valley ladies group is led by: Sherry Skogrand, president; Pam Taylor, vice president; Cathy Lowman, secretary; and Cheryl Sherwood, treasurer.

### **DESERT GARDEN**

Workshops, professional speakers, and tours available to Desert Garden



Jazzercise instructor Susan Shewmake celebrates 30 years as a Jazzercise instructor and franchise owner. "Jazzercise has given me so much fun, pleasure, great friendships and great health all of these years. I am so thankful that I continued on with it all these vears." Jazzercise is a full-body. low-impact class with aerobics. stretching and weights to build strength. All routines are choreographed by professional dancers and fitness professionals. Most of all, it is fun!

Club members offer opportunities to learn and participate in cactus gardening, which is new to most of us.

The club's next membership meeting is from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13,



Above, Desert Garden member Bob Buerrosse, who has served as sole member of the Publicity Committee for several years, was recognized with words of great appreciation, along with a beautiful Swiss Cheese Plant (Monstera adansonii), for his tireless attention and dedication to his work. Thank you, Bob! President David Wiegand presents Bob Buerrosse with a token of thanks. Below, Desert Garden Club members elected officers for 2024 at the December membership meeting. From left to right, effective Jan. 1: Pat Thomas, co-secretary; Judy Savage, co-secretary; Julia Miller, president; Michael Anderson, vice president; Karen Anderson, treasurer.



in the Social Hall and will feature Sue Schmidt, president, Ikebana International Sun Cities Chapter No. 167. The topic will be "Using Yard Plants in Arrangements." An informal social gathering precedes the meeting, starting at 8:30 a.m. Board members are available during that time for questions and suggestions.

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The new greenhouse and expanded botanical garden are behind the meeting rooms of Beardsley Rec Center and are great club spaces for learning, fun and connecting with others who love the outdoors and gardening. Sun City West residents are always welcome to enjoy peaceful time in beautiful surroundings there during rec center hours.

Our next plant sale is from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 3. It is open to the general public and will feature cacti, succulents and other desert plants. Desert Garden Club is a 501(c)3 charitable organization. As such, net profits from plant sales are dedicated to educational programs and other 501(c)3 charitable groups, among them (but not limited to) our local: Community Fund. Meals on Wheels, Foundation/Helping Hands, Broadcast Club/KSCW Radio.

For more information, please contact Julia Miller, club president, at julia.desertgardenclub@gmail.com. Visit the Desert Garden Club website at garden.scwclubs.com.

### **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. The Club meets in the Mesa Room 4 at Kuentz Recreation Center at the intersection of Stardust and RH Johnson boulevards. We are open 7:30 to 11 a.m. every Fri-

day.
We donate our hand-crafted item to the American Cancer Society, Angel Mom's, Choice Pregnancy Center, Faith House, Hospice of the Valley, 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 stich and sew.

Check our display window at 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 varn, fabric and craft items four charity projects. For more information about our club or if you would like to make a donation, please check out our web site at needlecraft.scwclubs.com or call Sue Williams at 623-337-4558.

### **ENERGETIC EXERCISE**

Ah, February. The month of amore. Valentine's Day! Cupid and arrows of love. Sigh!

And that brings us to the Energetic Exercise Club. You're going to "amore" working out with this club full of really nice people, and you're going to love how you come to feel as your bones and joints get more accustomed to moving and getting rid of that holiday heaviness that you discovered in December.

We meet Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in the Social Hall from 7:50 to 8:35 a.m. It's actually like calisthenics,



Glass Fusing & Enameling Club members enjoy a Christmas party with secret Santa gifts.



but for the more mature. (That's a nice way to describe us, isn't it). We stretch and bend to a recorded routine, but not to worry. You can do it at your own pace and extension.

Try us out for free three times, and if you have any questions, please call club president Gloria at 623-986-9392. Did we mention it is free to try? After you decide to join, and of course you will, it's only \$5 per year. We hope to see you

### **FITNESS**

All residents holding a valid rec card are eligible to join the Fitness Club. Classes are for club members and their accompanied guests only.

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 card is \$5; four classes (30-day expiration) are \$16; eight classes (45-day expiration) are \$24 and 16 classes (60-day expiration) are \$48.

The Fitness Club offers three land and three water classes each week. Instructors and the classes they teach are as fol-

Jazzercise Cardio Sculpt 60 (low impact) - meets from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Social Hall. Susan Shewmake is the instructor.

Sculpt 45 – meets from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in Summit Hall at Palm Ridge. Lisa Friedman is the instructor.

 $Zumba-meets\ from\ 7{:}30\ to\ 8{:}30$ a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Summit Hall at Palm Ridge. Sherry Possner is the instructor.

H2O Fitzi with Mitzi - meets from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday in the Palm Ridge Indoor Walking Pool. Mitzi Cerecedes is the instruc-

Deep Water Exercise - meets from 7:45 to 8:45 a.m. Wednesday and Friday in the R.H. Johnson Pool. Maggie Delaney is the instructor.

Water Aerobics and Fitness - from  $8\!:\!45$  to  $9\!:\!45$  a.m. Tuesday and Thursday in the in the Palm Ridge Indoor Walking Pool (mid-October through mid-May). Bill Benson is the instructor.

For more information about the Fitness Club, contact our President Mari-Shaw at 541-980-4444. shaw.marilynn@gmail.com or visit fitness.scwclubs.com

### **GLASS FUSING & ENAMELING**

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 at Beardsley Rec Center. Pop in and check us out from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday; and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Contact the club at 623-544-6532 or contact the club president Patti at 818-605-5565 or pburleson07@gmail.com.

### **HORSESHOES** & CORNHOLE

Whether you have pitched before or would like to try it for the first time, you would be welcome in the Horseshoe Club of Sun City West. The Horseshoe Club actually incorporates two sports in one - both Horseshoes and Cornhole.

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Horseshoes & Cornhole club members gather before a day at the pits.

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Membership in the club entitles rec card holders to participate in both activities – Horseshoes and Cornhole! Dues are \$10 for the year and includes both activities.

All the action takes place at the Beardsley pits, next to the model rail-road display. Since 1981, pitchers have been gathering to throw horseshoes and then in 2023 members started to try their skills at Cornhole.

Accommodations are made for all skill levels, all ages and physical abilities. No prior experience necessary. Members are on hand to help, if desired. Equipment is available and we play all year. The club also has two picnics during the year.

Schedules:

Horseshoes – 8 to 10 a.m. Monday through Friday, May through September; from 9 to 11 a.m. October through April

Cornhole – 7:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through September; 1 p.m. October through May

All you need is the interest to get involved, the desire to stay active and the ability to relax. These are the same games that you played at county fairs, family picnics, church functions and re-

For questions about Horseshoes, contact Arlin Bates at 605-939-5757 or arlinbates@comcast.net For questions about Cornhole, contact Steve Prekker at 952-250-1180 or slim\_bdb@hotmail.com.

### INVESTMENT

The Investment Club invites members, and guests to join these enlightening sessions, fostering an environment of learning and collaboration. The club remains dedicated to creating a platform that encourages open dialogue and the exchange of ideas among its diverse community of investors.

To register or for more information, please email scwinvestmentclub@gmail.com or call Jim Scott at 425-903-2429 (director of programs); Jay Nimens at 218-289-2695 (president).

The Investment Club is a dynamic community of investors dedicated to promoting financial education, fostering a culture of collaboration, and empowering members to make informed investment decisions. Through a range of events, educational programs, and networking opportunities, the club aims to create an environment where individuals can thrive in their financial endeavors.

### **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 bolos, belt buckles, pendants, and earrings. 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 and to get more information or visit lap-



Investment Club members gather for the club's weekly Monday meeting in the Lecture Hall.

idary.scwclubs.com or email us at john-sonlapidary@gmail.com or call us at 623-584-8952.

### **LGBTQ**

Whether you are a part of the LBGTQ community or have a gay, lesbian, bi, trans, queer or questioning child, grand-child, sister, or brother, here is the opportunity to connect with others.

The club meets year-round every third Monday of the month from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Agave Room Beardsley Rec Center. Additional events and activities include a monthly breakfast at a welcoming local restaurant, bi-monthly luncheons, book groups, local outings, game nights, potluck meals, ice cream socials, gatherings with other Del Webb Community LGBT Clubs and more.

Chartered in 2017, the Sun City West LBGTQ Club is open to all rec card holders. The club's purpose is to provide a safe and welcoming place to socialize, learn and connect with new people. We welcome the LGBTQI+ Community and their friends and allies. This is a welcoming and safe gathering spot for you.

Please join us. For more information, see our website: scwlgbt.scwclubs.com.

### **LINE DANCERS**

Have you been thinking about learning to Line Dance? Now is the time! We have a Beginners Class to get you started. The Beginners program is a workshop on the four Wednesdays in February. The first class starts on Feb. 7 and meets on the Feb. 14, Feb. 21, and Feb. 28. The cost of the four-week workshop is \$20, plus a \$5 club membership fee. It meets in the Social Hall from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Register online at linedancers.scwclubs.com or come early before class starts on Feb. 7. Contact Patti Anderson at 701-371-6392 for more information.

### **MAC-CRO-KNIT**

The Mac-Cro-Knit Club had a good 2023 with club activities, donations to charities, and welcoming new members into the club. 2024 will start off with new board members with new ideas. Club members continue to share their creations to inspire other club members to showcase their creations. The color combinations continue to inspire us all. If you would like to challenge your brain to learn a new hobby, come to one of our club meetings and see what we are about. The club meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 8am - 11am in the Pueblo Room (3) at the Kuentz Rec Center. The club general meeting is held on the 3rd Thursday of each month where upcoming events are discussed along with club news items. If you have any questions about the club or the activities they are involved with, call President Jeanette Hill at 815-347-2665. Hope to see you there!

### **METAL**

Stop by the Metal Club to learn more about the wide variety of metal working equipment the club has to offer. This includes 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.

Club members are looking forward to



**KARAOKE** 

The Karaoke Club welcomes our new board for 2024. From left to right is Cora Weaver, treasurer; Brenda Scicchitano, secretary; Roseann Wagner Lentz, president; and John Gamber, vice president. It's going to be a great new year!

the Chili Cook-off Luncheon on Feb. 15. Members will make their best pots of chili to be judged by fellow members for a first-place prize. Everyone will enjoy a warm bowl of chili to visit with club members and friends.

Do you need a new vacation mailbox for your home? 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 to 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-

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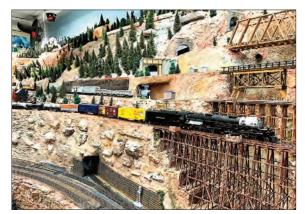
### **MINI GOLFERS**

Mini golfers Vern Irby and Becca Stefaniak won "men's and women's putter of the year" awards. Mini golf meets at 9 a.m. Thursday mornings at the RH Johnson course. Membership is just \$10. Join us for fun and socializing.

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Visit the Model Railroad Club room at R.H. Johnson Rec Center to check out the indoor set up.



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584-0150 or scwmetalclub.com.

### **MODEL RAILROAD**

The Model Railroad Club welcomes anyone interested in model railroading, either operation or scenery, or both. You can operate trains or work your artistic skills indoors and/or outdoors. Our club is located in the R.H. Johnson Rec Center, across from the Member's Services (HO and N scale) and at the Beardsley Rec Center off 128th Avenue (G scale).

Our days and hours - R.H. Johnson, 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; Beardsley, noon to 2PM Tuesday and Thursday, and noon to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Ladies may also join, run trains, do scenery, or join in with the Choo-Choo Chicks and enjoy social outings and help with raffle ticket sales during the holidays.

Whatever your interest is with model railroading, please come and join us!

### **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 reduce 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 (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 on our website pbwomensgolf.scwclubs.com or call Wanda Schnabel at 260-312-5230 for more information.

### **PEBBLEBROOK LADY'S NINERS**

Don't have all day to play golf? Join the PB Lady Niners! We welcome golfers of all levels. We offer morning and afternoon tee times and play every Tuesday at Pebblebrook Golf Course. We are the only nine-hole league at a regulation course. Pebblebrook has three tee options: red, green and combo. We

The Feb. 14 Music Club meeting will feature John Gamber on stage at the Stardust Theater at 2 p.m. Members and their accompanied guests are sure to enjoy an afternoon of various music genres.



# Music Club presents John Gamber

Celebrate Valentine's Day with the Music Club Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the Stardust Theater with a Sun City West favorite, John Gamber, who no stranger to the Stardust stage. He is a popular entertainer in the West Valley and especially in Sun City West, where he resides. The program will feature a selection of familiar ballads, and rock n' roll. His interpretation of singers such as Elvis and Roy Orbison, are crowd pleasers and are certain to brighten your day.

Stardust doors open at 1:30, a short business meeting begins at 2 p.m., followed by the concert. You need not be a musician yourself; just enjoy a variety of music. Club members and their accompanied guests are welcome.

Residents are encouraged to become club members for an annual membership of \$5. Programs are presented the second Wednesday of the month at 2 p.m., at the Stardust Theater from October through April. For more information, call Cameron Craig, club president, at 303-324-4787.



Above, the Mac-Cro-Knit 2024 new club board members are, from left to right: Jeanette Hill, president; Shelly Lemieur, vice president; Marylee Vandaele, secretary; and Arlene Crow, treasurer. Below left, Deb Palen models Sun Bromley's hat and scarf. Below, right, Mac-Cro-Knit member Janet Lennon shows off her Christmas gnome.



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have sweeps games during the regular season along with some fun tournaments. For more information, please visit pbladies.scwclubs.com or call Susan Sagahon at 480-371-9962. If you would like to try us out as a guest, send your tee-time request to schedulepebblebrook.com with your name, rec card



# number, preferred tee (red, green, or combo) and designate morning or after-

### **PALO VERDE PATCHERS**

The incoming board for Palo Verde Patchers quilt club includes (left to right) newly elected Secretary Jan Berndt, Treasurer Merrikay Vidal, Vice President of Classes Lynnie Siefferman, newly elected Vice President of Programs Nancy Steely, and President Kathleen McCulloch. Following the election, members reviewed plans for the club's upcoming 13th biennial quilt show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday through Sunday, Feb. 24-25 at the Palm Ridge Recreation Center. The show will feature more than 200 quilts, a boutique, raffle baskets, raffle quilt, and featured quilter display. Tickets for the show are \$5 and lunch will be available for purchase. The quilt show is co-sponsored by the Recreation Centers of Sun City West. Palo Verde Patchers is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization, and proceeds from the quilt show go toward supporting the organization's charitable causes.

### **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, you will 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 RH Johnson Rec Center.

Photography West, at the Beardsley Recreation Center, is a club for Sun City West residents who enjoy photography. The club room may be reached at 623-544-6520. Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. You may mount and matt 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 mem-

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 (Feb. 2). 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

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

### **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 motor home, fifth wheel, travel trailer or camper? We invite you to join us! The RV Club is a social and traveling club, made up of RVers and former RVers. We meet twice a month, once on a Tuesday evening and once on a Tuesday morning. Our meetings are held in the R.H. Johnson Social Hall. Guests are welcome!

The next general business meeting is at 5 p.m. Feb. 6. It will begin with a "Potluck or Not" dinner and socializing. This will be followed by a short business meeting plus a guest speaker or entertainment. Coffee is always provided. If you wish to participate in the potluck, please bring a dish that serves 10 to share, or bring your own personal dinner/snack and simply visit during this portion of the meeting. Please bring your own table service. With some exceptions, the general business meeting is held monthly on the Tuesday after the first Monday.

The next monthly caravan meeting

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Winners of the Photography West November Monthly Digital Competition B Class were, from left to right: Cheryl Gross, first and third place; Valerie Fall, second place; Honorable Mention - Diana Smierciak and Nap O'Young. For more information, visit photography.scwclubs.com.

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will be at 8 a.m. Feb. 27 with a social time, during which donuts and coffee will be provided. At caravan meetings, you will learn about past and future trips as well as other opportunities to socialize on local outings. With some exceptions, the monthly caravan meeting is held on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Atlantic to Pacific, Canadian border to the border with Mexico, our club travels to all. Sometimes members cross borders. Several did this past summer to explore and enjoy the International Peace Gardens while caravaning in North Dakota. Historical places, sightseeing, festivals, food, and friendship we know how to see and play! We also rally statewide – exploring Arizona and enjoying local activities.

Come join us at a meeting soon. We look forward to meeting you! For information, visit ry.scwclubs.com.

# SATURDAY NIGHT GAMESTERS

The Saturday Night Gamesters meet from 4:30 to 9 p.m. Saturdays at the Beardsley Rec Center. Join us as we have many different games that are played: Poker, Double Deck Pinochle, Mahjongg, Triple Play, and Hand & Foot. You are welcome to bring your friends and start any game that you would like to play or join an existing group. Call our President Rosemary Dougherty at 623-760-8479 for details.

### SCPRAPBOOKING, PAPERCRAFT & MORE

Greeting cards needn't always be made from paper. Member Lloydyne

Vining taught an enthusiastic group how to take 3-inch decorative ribbon and make it the stunning focal point of a Christmas greeting card.

Afterwards members traded ribbon; everyone went home with a variety of festive ribbon featuring glitter gnomes or winter scenes to make more cards on their own time.

Member Cheri Eskeberg demonstrated how to use a powder-like product called Perfect Pearls. Available in a rainbow of colors, the pigment powders are a blend of mica granules and binder and may be used wet or dry.

Cheri demonstrated a plethora of techniques that included dusting the dry powder over pre-inked surfaces as well as how to mix the powder with water to make a thin paint to add eye-catching shimmer and metallic effects on paper and to images dry embossed in paper.

In addition to making cards and scrapbooks club members are also devoted to local philanthropic groups. Every Christmas for the past 10-plus years, SPAM collects monetary and food donations from members to give to the Valley View Community Food Bank. Headed up by Cathy Armstrong, members raised \$2,636 as well as a generous

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Above, Many RV Club members learned more about Arizona as they visited several historical sites as well as current attractions during a rally in Yuma. Below, Recreational Vehicle club members who attended the annual Wickenburg Bluegrass Festival were treated to private nightly concerts around the campfire.







Left photo, the Saturday Night Gamesters presented its 2024 officers, from left to right: Maria Winfrey, treasurer; Rosemary Dougherty, president; and Terrie Schroer, secretary. Not pictured is Vice President George Burlakoff. Right, a pair of Saturday Night Gamester Club members prepare for a game of Double Pinochle.



Class A winners were, from left to right: Gene Mitofsky, Tom Richardson, Mykee Cornelian, Tony Gross Joyce Bowlby, Greg Swinney, and Pam Meindl.

# **Photography West names Projected Image winners**

The following are the results of the Fall Photography West Projected Image Competition. There were 319 entries in three classes: Beginner, Advanced, Master. 80 Ribbons were awarded. Additional club information can be found at photography.scw-clubs.com.

Open

Class B: Cheryl Gross, first place; Lou Haskell, second place; Nap O'Young, third place; Candy Worley, honorable mention

Class A: Tony Gross, first place; Greg Swinney, second place; Doug Pumphrey, third place; Honorable Mentions - Joyce Bowlby, Mykee Cornelison, Tom Richardson

Master: Larry Cowles, first place; Ella Schreiber, second place; Bill Lane, third place; Honorable Mentions -Doug Allan, Mark McKinney, Rondy Voorhees

Monochromatic

Class B: Lou Haskell, first and third place; Diana Smierciak, second place and Honorable Mention; Nap O'Young, Honorable Mention

Class A: Doug Pumphrey, first place; Tom Richardson, second place; Tony Gross, third place; Honorable Mention - Mykee Cornelison, Pam Meindl

Master: Doug Allan, first place and Honorable Mention; Ella Schreiber, second place and Honorable Mention; Larry Cowles, third place; Mark McKinney, Honorable Mention

Rotating Subject-Bridges Class B: Lou Haskell, first and third place; Paul Luttenbacher, second place; Honorable Mention - Diana Smierciak, Nap O'Young

Class A: Greg Swinney, first place; Pam Meindl, second place; Tony Gross, third place; Joyce Bowlby, Honorable Mention

Master: Eileen Arps, first place; David Pickles and Ella Schreiber, second place; John Frelich, third place; Honorable Mention - Kelly Asmussen, Mark McKinney, Rondy Voorhees

Creative Expression

Class B: Bob Smierciak, first place and Honorable Mention; Paul Luttenbacher, second place; Patti O'Young, third place; Nap O'Young, Honorable Mention

Class A: Tom Richardson, first place; Gene Mitofsky, second place; Pam Meindl, third place; Honorable Mention - Greg Swinney, Tony Gross

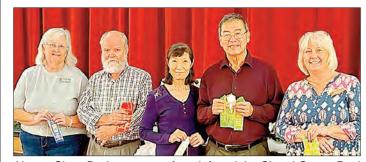
Master: Ella Schreiber, first and third place; Vickie McEnroe, second place; Honorable Mention - Jan Keane, John Beach

Nature

Class B: Cheryl Gross, first place; Lou Haskell, second and third place; Nap O'Young, Honorable Mention

Class A: Greg Swinney, first and second place; Tom Richardson, third place; Doug Pumphrey, Honorable Mention

Master: Ella Schreiber, first place; John Frelich, second place; Bonnie Williams, third place and Honorable Mention; Honorable Mention - Emily Schwoerke, Larry Cowles



Above, Class B winners were from left to right: Cheryl Gross, Paul Luttenbacher, Patti O'Young, Nap O'Young, and Candy Worley. Below, Master winners were from left to right: Emily Schwoerke, Larry Cowles, Bill Lane, Eileen Arps, David Pickles, John Frelich, Rondy Voohees, and Jan Keane.



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# Club Corner

Recreation Centers of Sun City West



Above, the Pebblebrook Ladies 18 Golf Club has named its 2024 Executive Board, from left to right: Beth Lee, vice president; Donna Richmond, president; Jennifer Walsh, treasurer; Cindy Sandmaier, secretary. Below, Pebblebrook Ladies 18 Golf Club celebrated the holidays with their annual Naughty & Nice Twisted Santa Fun Day of golf and friendship on Dec. 5. A good time was had by all! Congratulations to Pebblebrook Ladies 18 Golf Club December and January Aces of the Month, from top to bottom: Pat Chernesky, low gross 84 (not pictured); t Kathy Santos, low net 68; and December Putter of the Month Jeri Clark, 28 putts. Arlys Kraft (low gross, 86); Sharon Keller (low net 69); and Putter of the Month Arlys Kraft (28 putts).



amount of food.

Another SPAM philanthropy is the Sun City West Meals on Wheels program. Throughout the year, hand-crafted cards and treat baskets are made for all the major holidays and distributed to residents participating in the food pro-

More than 50 members attended the club's annual Christmas party. Held in a festively decorated room at Palm Ridge Rec Center, the event included handcrafted goodie bags, a catered lunch, and plenty of games and prizes. Game master Denise Maleszewski kept guests entertained by playing a snowman racing game and Christmas carol and holiday movie trivia games for prizes. President Lynne Marion acknowledged her 2023 board members and chairpersons.





SPAM encourages anyone interested

in papercrafts, cardmaking, or scrap-

booking (traditional/digital) to visit the

club room, chat with members, and

check out the club's state-of-the-art

SPAM meets in Beardsley Rec Cen-

ter's Agave Room on from 5 to 9 p.m.

Wednesdays (winter); 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 in-

formation call club president, Lynne

**SILVERCRAFT** 

open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sat-

urday, Feb. 17. The club room is in the

main courtyard at the R.H. Johnson Rec

Center. Current and future Sun City

The Silvercraft Club will have an

crafting equipment.

Marion at 440-666-6386.







West residents are encouraged to attend Silvercraft is a craft club where members create unique, one-of-a-kind jewelry and other works of art out of silver, copper, brass, titanium, and gold; often incorporating cabochons, gemstones, and other accents.

be seen using soldering, lost wax, precious metal clay, fold and form, wire wrapping, patination, polishing, stamping, texturing, etc., along with operation of some of our equipment and tools, in the making of necklaces, bracelets, ear-









Demonstrations and/or examples can



of Quilts for a Cause put together for those who sew at home.

# **Comforting quilts** come in rainbow of colors

Rip 'N' Sew has several subgroups that are open to all club members. One of these groups is Quilts for a Cause.

It makes quilts for use by first responders, dialysis centers, hospices, hospitals and other places where a quilt is needed for warmth, security and reassurance. Quilts for a Cause meets from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. twice monthly at the club, but many members sew quilt tops at other times for the group. One member even puts together kits for those who prefer the fabric already cut to size or just want to try a different quilt pattern.

One of the highlights of the meetings is when Quilts for a Cause members show off their quilt tops. After the oohs and aahs fade, the tops are gathered and batted, backed, sewn by machine and by hand, and finally tied and sacked





Left, Joan Hardy displays a quilt top she finished piecing and sewing after someone else started it but didn't finish. Other members of Rip 'N' Sew's Quilts for a Cause group completed the quilt from Hardy's quilt top. Right, Louise Howden put together color-coordinated fabrics for a striking quilt top.

rings, bolo ties, hairpins, and more for members, friends and family.

For information about the club visit scwsilvercraft.com.

### **SPANISH**

The Spanish Club extends a warm welcome to both our new and current members. We have a fun-filled February planned which includes our "El Mes del Amor" (The Month of Love) Celebra-

The February schedule will featuring the following events:

9 to 10:45 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 1 - A New Reading Class is being offered. This class is Level 1 reading for students who are completing the Beginning Spanish 3 Class or above. It will be a regular class offering every Thursday beginning Feb. 1 in the Mesquite Room at Beardsley.

2 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8 - The Board of Directors monthly meeting is open to all Spanish Club members. The meeting is held at host's residence.

# Club Corner





Above, The 2024 SPAM Club Board and chairpersons. Below, Lloydyne Vining teaches how to make Christmas cards using fancy wide ribbon. Top right, Founder and President of the Valley View Food Bank, Jesse Ramirez, holds this year's check from SPAM. Below right, Cheri Eskeberg demonstrates how to use Perfect Pearls to create shimmer and shine on hand-crafted cards.



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tion and dues payment options at spanish.scwclubs.com.

Please refer to our website for additional information.

1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13 - Spanish Board Games, Mexican Train will be in the Agave Room at Beardsley.

3 to 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 - Movie matinee featuring this month's movie, "Carol's Journey." It is the story of a Spanish-American girl from New York who travels to her mother's home village against the turbulent backdrop of the Spanish Civil War. (Spanish with English subtitles)

2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 - Book Club at host Paul Vorhees residence. The club is reading and discussing "The Borgias and Their Enemies: 1431-1519" by Christopher Hibbert.

5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27 - For the month of February the Spanish Club will be having a special social celebration for our members and their guests called "El Mes del Amor" (The Month of Love). It will feature a catered dinner and live music for \$28 per person. The live music will be performed by well-known performers in the Valley: Ed and Ellen Zacko, Beth Lederman and Felix Sainz, forming the group known as Los Duendes. We will send more details for the event which will be available soon on our website. A notification email will also be sent to our members.

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

Visit our detailed website for additional information on social events, class offerings and schedules, online registra-

### SPORTSMAN'S

The Sportsman's Club monthly meeting will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, in the Social Hall. Members can meet with the various group leaders from 1 to 1:30 p.m. to have their questions answered. There will be a short business meeting starting at 1:30 p.m. followed by the meeting guest speaker. Sportsman's Club member Lee Howard will present an interesting program on how pressure affects the human body, from mountain climbing to deep sea diving.

The snowbird hiking season has weekly hikes every Thursday. Meet in area 14 of the R.H. Johnson parking lot to sign liability waivers and pair up drivers and riders. Michael Anenen is the new hike coordinator and communicator. He will send emails each week detailing the upcoming hike. Michael and several other volunteers will lead the C and B hikes. The SCW Masters Swimmers continues to have coached workouts from 7 to 8:30 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at the R.H. Johnson pool.

Sportsman's Club offers SCW men and women a multitude of other outdoor Arizona activities. These include ATV/UTV riders, Big Wheels, Easy Riders, Birding, Boat Fishing, Shore Fishing, GEOcaching, Horseback Riding, Clay and Target Shooting, Hiking, Darts, Walking/Jogging, and Masters Swimming. Participation in these activities will make you feel more connected to Sun City West and Arizona as you learn about area history, geology, geography, flora, and fauna. You will meet new people, make new friends, and participating in Sportsman's Club activities will help maintain your body and brain's health





The website address is: sportsman.scwclubs.com. The website provides details for the group activities, and also membership information.

### **TENNIS**

The Tennis Club marks a milestone in 2024. Founded in October of 1979, the club celebrates it's 45th anniversary this year, making it one of the oldest clubs in Sun City West.

The Tennis Club will hold its annual "Gala" on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the Palm Ridge Summit Room. Tickets are \$35 per person. Dinner is provided along with dancing with music by the band "Still Above Ground." This event is BYOB. The deadline to sign up is Feb. 14. For additional information or questions, contact Sandy Johnson at 847-370-8809, or Jan Hardy at 815-985-6775.



Sportsman's hikers travel along a trail at Skyline Regional Park in Estralla



# Softball clubs 'pitch-in' with toy donations

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 the 2023 Toy Drive to benefit Riverview Elementary, Kingswood Elementary, Discover U Elementary, Eve's Place, Dysart Community Center and families through the Sun City West Women's Club. The softball clubs collected more than \$11,236 in the form of bicycles, many bags of toys, cash donations and gift cards during the drive held November 27 through December 1st at Sun City and Sun City West



softball fields. A big thank you to all who contributed to help those less fortunate during the holiday season. Our communities are truly blessed with generous residents. For more information on the clubs visit the Sun City Senior Softball Club at suncitysb.org or Sun City West Senior Softball Club visit azsrsoftball.com.

Table Tennis, or Ping Pong as some refer to it, is a part of the Tennis Club. The Table Tennis Facilities are at the R.H. Johnson Activities Center adjacent to the miniature golf course. Four tables are available for use at any time for any skill level except during scheduled Club play. The facility is open seven days a week. You are welcome to try us three times and, if satisfied, join the club at

\$15 per person, per year. Guests are

welcome to play as long as they accompany a rec card holder. For more information call or text Debbie Ross at 602-330-6224.

### **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 five routines.

Please try us out and enjoy the beautiful Sun City West water facilities. Our cool-weather schedule is as follows: Johnson outdoor pool at 9 a.m. Monday through Friday; Beardsley indoor pool at 9 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays; Palm Ridge indoor pool Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 8 a.m. and Saturdays at 9:15 a.m. Please visit our website for exact location dates and times at waterfitness.scwclubs.com. The website 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

John Fogarty along with many others made chili dogs, potato salad, and

lot of extras to serve to everyone. It was a great night with a lot of fun

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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.

### **WEAVER WEST**

Happy New Year! It's a perfect time of year to learn something new and meet new friends. Why not try weaving? Stop by the Weaver's West studio at the Kuentz Recreation Center to see what we're all about and catch the weaving bug! Take a tour any weekday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (although sometimes there aren't people in the studio as late as 4 p.m.). You'll be able to see what everyone is working on and the beautifully finished items being made. Mornings will be busy with several classes happening. For more information, you can visitweavers.scwclubs.com, or call us at 623-544-6515. We hope to see you

### **WESTERNAIRES**

Sylvia Collins is returning to direct the Westernaires Chorus of Sun City



### **ZYMURGY**

The Zymurgy Club had a special Fermenting Friendship night on Jan. 4 at the club to celebrate John Delorenzo's birthday. What a fun night with more than 65 members attending. Len and Pat Clark and Teresa and

West's Spring Concert entitled "Songs of the South" at the Stardust Theater. 14481 N. R.H. Johnson Blvd., on April 5-8. Tickets will go on sale Feb. 9 and may be purchased at the Rec Center Box Office and via the club webpage - westernaires.scwclubs.com/show\_tickets.

Be sure to mark your calendars so vou won't miss this array of great southern music including "My Banjo On My Knee," "Forever Country," "16 Tons, "Crazy, Dry Bones, Down To The River To Pray" and many, many more.

For more information, contact President Ken Kunze at 402-366-7377, or visit the club's website.



Do you want to have fun playing a variety of games? Meet new ladies and make new friendships - The Women's Club is the place for you! We play Mah Jong, Bridge, Hand and Foot games and many more. We have group lessons on card games and other games, this is a good way for you to get acquainted with club members. Check our website at womensclub.scwclubs.com and see the

events that we have scheduled.

Our potluck lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. the third Monday of each month, as well as special lunch events, and monthly Ladies Breakfast at different local restaurants. On Feb. 14, we are looking forward to our Slice of Pie Day and on Feb. 24 we are honoring our ladies who are 85 and up with a special

and a cake for John. Happy Birthday, Johnny!

Come, visit us and see if this is a place you would love to be a part of! For more information, please contact our President Jan Wilson at wilsonjan1952@gmail.com or 714-235-2752.

### **YOGA**

The Yoga Club is open to Sun City West Owner-Member, Associate, and Tenant cardholders and their accompanied guests. The Yoga Club offers mat yoga, chair yoga, foam roller, stretching and Pilate classes. Nineteen classes are

offered six days a week, Monday through Saturday. Beginning, intermediate and advanced classes are available. Our six certified instructors are among the most experienced and dedicated yoga practitioners you'll find anywhere. With their years of yoga practice and teaching experience, beginning to advanced yoga students enjoy a safe, yet challenging, yoga workout tailored to their individual needs. Studio classes are held in the Yoga Studio at the Beardsley Rec Center. You may try up to four drop-in classes before joining the club. Drop-in studio classes are \$5 per person, per class, there are no free classes. Annual membership for the calendar year is \$10, non-prorated. Purchase membership by coming to any class. Personal checks are accepted as cash payment for class fee or membership is not accepted. For information and class schedule visit scwyoga.com.



Tennis and Rip 'n' Sew club members Joel Piaskowski (standing left) and Jolene Piaskowski (seated) present Kerry Schulman, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central and Northern Arizona, donated gift cards.

# Sun City West Clubs partner for the holidays

The Sun City West Tennis Club and the Rip 'N' Sew (sewing club) Club came together in support of one charity, holding respective club events for the

Club members were asked to bring grocery store gift cards to these events. These gift cards are for Ronald McDonald House Charities Central and Northern Arizona (RMHCCNAZ) of Phoenix. The house provides a welcoming "home-away-from-home" for families with children facing medical challenges, providing an atmosphere of comfort, hope and courage. Families are provided free housing so they can be close to Phoenix Children's Hospital to see their children daily. Families are also provided a breakfast, but are on their own for other meals. Full kitchen facilities are provided for families to prepare

"Both clubs' members really stepped it up and provided over \$1,900 in gift cards for this worthy charity. Giving to charities is core to both club's missions," said Tennis club member Joel Piaskowski.

The grocery store gift cards are provided to the families to buy food and prepare meals to enjoy together as a family.

"This is one of the best Christmas gifts we receive each year. Your generosity will help comfort the families during their time here, knowing they can prepare a meal and share it as a family" stated Kerry Schulman, CEO of

For more information on The Phoenix Ronald McDonal House and how you can help, go to www.rmhccnaz.org.

# February marks community's anniversary

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At the time of the groundbreaking ceremony, the only way into Sun City West was a dirt road from the intersection of Bell and Dysart roads that wandered through the Lizard Acres feed lot. The ceremonies were therefore held about a mile north of Bell Road along an extension of Dysart Road, instead of in the center of the proposed new commu-

To help onlookers locate the future amenity sites of the new community, color coded maps were distributed and various colored balloons flown. Green signified the Sundome, red the library, yellow the recreation center, and blue the commercial center.

By April of 1978, DEVCO was already seeking suggestions for names for the streets for the new community. R.H. Johnson Boulevard was established as a two-lane road. At the peak of construction in 1978, 30 scrapers moved 45 cubic yards of dirt a day. The first two couples to move into the new community received their keys on Oct. 16, 1978. Within less than a year of its groundbreaking ceremony, the new community of Sun City West had developed in the desert

## Bylaws, policies add complexity to presidential role

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the simple question of what surprised me most about being President, but when you add in all our Bylaws and Policies, you can understand the complexities of this role. Luckily, I

am a "details" kind of guy and understand the necessity of learning the regulations, laws and statutes.

If you would like me to write about a Governing Board topic, please email me at tim.hurley@suncitywest.com.

### **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!

### **Ronald Aames**

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council members on proposals and the budget. My motto is: With cooperation, good things get done. I accomplished a great deal for my district and the city, including beautification of the city's walls and plantings along its streets. And I helped keep the city on a secure financial footing.

While on the council I became Peoria's representative on the transportation boards for Maricopa County. As a member of those boards, I fought

for and got a more equal share of state and federal money for our west side of the Valley - compared to the east side - than had been the case in previous years. That included the Sound Wall and the HOV lane on the 101 on our west side.

On a personal note, I have been happily married to my wife, Jacqueline, a retired ASU professor, for more than 30 years. We have a beloved rescue dog, who also loves living in Sun City West.

I'm asking for your vote. I promise to listen to you and to represent your interests and concerns.

### John Chattin

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how most boards and councils operate and what makes a good board member. I believe the most important asset is to keep an open mind. Board members need to consider relevant information as well as staff and resident input before making decisions. I would devote the time necessary to ensure that is accomplished.

We enjoy a community that has maintained its facilities and provided new opportunities as we have adapted to new needs and wants. I would continue to ensure that our facilities are maintained while considering any new proposal that would

enhance resident experiences. With an accounting background, I am also keenly interested in ensuring that we spend our money wisely. Budgets need to provide for current needs and plan for our future. They must also consider the fiscal realities of our residents, so we don't increase dues and fees beyond what is needed. Budgets shouldn't increase automatically based on the previous year's budget but on what is justified by departmental needs. I would enjoy being part of that process.

The leadership of our community, over the years, has created one of the top retirement communities in our country. Ensuring that we maintain that status would be my goal.

### Doris "Dori" Miller

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Talent Spotlight in 2012.

Present time: This is a wonderful community to live in. The amenities we have are top notch. The employees strive to make this community better every day. The employees are the backbone of Sun City West and keep it running like a welloiled machine. The Chartered Clubs are the lifeline of this community and have given members so much to do!

I feel that my knowledge of the community and clubs will help other members understand how this community works. I want to do my part to make Sun City West not No. 2 but No. 1. I will be attending TORCH to learn more about the community. This community needs to work together and be proud of what we have here.

### Jolene Piaskowski

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sponsibilities.

I affirm that I will be an outstanding team player and ensure good communications between the Board, Operations and the community to strengthen programs and make

information and insights broadly available. I want to help harness the diverse talents and skills of our community for "the greater good," an exercise that is currently not fully exploited.

I hope that you will vote for me in the upcoming March 2024 Governing Board Director Election. Thank you.

### **Rudy Grom**

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Organization of Homeowner Associations (OHOA) Board, plus have been an active PRIDES member since November 2022. I'm also a director and treasurer for CHOA. Being a veteran, I'm currently serving as the Public Affairs Officer for the SCW American Legion Post 94.

I have a very solid under-

standing and working knowledge of the RCSCW governing documents, policies, and state statutes - Title 33 Planned Communities and Title 10 NonProfit Corporations. Over the years, I have attended numerous director training classes and seminars geared toward planned communities management and operations. While in the Navy and as a defense contractor, I gained many years of personnel management experience and have managed multi-million dollar

naval aviation programs. I have helped to develop homeowner association annual budgets, worked with Reserve studies and been involved in writing homeowner association policies and rules. I have every desire and will make every effort to see SCW continue as a well maintained and well operated premier retirement community. As a RCSCW Governing Board Director, I will be a beneficial asset to the community.

### **Dennis Horvath**

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entific, engineers background and a like approach to all opportunities and challenges. Establish a "root" cause/expectation, gather information, and propose my views. I served as a submariner in the Navy for six years.

I developed my work ethic by 19, working in our family business.

I retired as a Radiation Safety Technologist Supervisor for Argonne National Laboratory West in Idaho. I am a nationally certified Radiological Radiation Protection Technologist (NRRPT) and earned top secret clearance with "Human Reliability Program."

I taught "Biological Effects of Ionizing Radiations" to government agencies and managed instructors with the Department of Energy for the College of Eastern Idaho.

I have experience in writing and editing lesson plans and am qualified in Emergency Management.

I have been a member of HOA boards, numerous committees, qualification boards, and incident investigations.

Hobbies & Interests: computer and software capable; softball, pickleball, golf, broadcasting, ARC, and Zymurgy; Torch Academy, Spring, 2024. Softball is a big part of my life. I am a member

of the SCWSSB Hall of Fame, served as board treasurer, assistant field manager, manager, announcer, umpire, treasurer, league chairman of 6-person committee, softball/database webmaster.

I ask for your vote!

SCW has always been an active, and affordable Disneyland for seniors. I believe that was the intention behind Mr. Del Webb's vision. I offer you my time and dedication to keep those goals in the forefront, for the residents of this great community of which I would serve, and I call home. With your support we can keep this our playground, and leave it to our children as we found it.

Thank you.

### Wilburn "Bud" Meador

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to ensure the effective execution of those plans, within designated timelines. I have significant background and experience in establishing and implementing such plans ... they must be acted on, and not put on a shelf to collect dust.

I believe Sun City West is the Mecca of middle-class retire-

ment communities in the U.S. Maintaining that status calls for dedicated citizens - some paid and some volunteer - to be involved in the leadership and management of community affairs.

I believe strongly in a vibrant, collaborative relationship with PORA, which is the SCW interface with governmental agencies — local, county, state, and federal. PORA is the agency which has fought for moderation of various utility rates (among other

issues), and, presently, leads the EPCOR/Luke 303 Wastewater issue with the Arizona Corporation Commission (in cooperation with the Residential Utilities Consumers Office). I head up that effort.

"Fairness" and "even-handedness" in all issues are my watchwords. Communication – clear and effective – with all parties and at all levels is an absolute must!

I have a bias for action. Kicking cans down the road is a bankrupt practice.

### **Nick Turner**

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cause members asked for more information at the THIRD presentation. They should ask for their information in time.

I believe our clubs need help to ensure they have a healthy future. I would like to find a way for sports clubs to play in tournaments and leagues with other communities within the Chartered Club structure. However, I expect that nonresidents will be covered by a fee paid by themselves or the club.

Despite the above, our facilities are well maintained and top class. To keep them that way we need to repair, maintain, and build. That costs money and requires professional staff. In times of tight labor markets and inflation that means dues will come under pressure. Let's

make sure we get value for money, let's make investments that will make us more efficient.

I will always remember the Governing Board and the RCSCW are here for the residents and not the other way round.

Let's keep this place as good as it is now, the best retirement community in the state, and build a great future for the next generation.