

2019



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6 Coffee 7-8:30 am Church 10 am Line Dance 1-4 pm	7 Lifetouch Photos beginning at 1 pm Tacos 5 pm Brookharts 6 pm	8 Photos 10 am-3 pm Arch. Comm. 9:30 am Conf Rm Sylvia's Dance 1 pm Potluck 5-6:30 Bingo 6:30 pm	9 News Hour 8:30 am BR Snowbird Café 11:30am-1pm GALS 11:30 BR	10 Happy Hour Easy Sounds 4 pm Pickleball Burgers	11 Snowbird Café 11:30am-1pm Piano Men 7 pm BR	12 PolkaClub 9 am to 1 pm Dance to Mogollon 7 pm
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20 Coffee 7-8:30 am Church 10 am Teen Challenge Line Dance 3-7 pm	21 Tacos 5 pm Derby Night 6 pm BR	22 Arch. Comm. 9:30 am Conf Rm Sylvia's Dance 1 pm Potluck 5 pm Bingo 6:30 pm	23 News Hour 8:30 am BR Snowbird Café 11:30am-1pm Groovin' Thru the 60's 7 pm	24 Happy Hour Midnight Moon 4 pm Pickleball Burgers	25 Snowbird Café 11:30am-1pm	26 Soup Luncheon 11:30 am PolkaClub 3 pm
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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Activities Chatter

Here's hoping that each and every one of you had a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year! Welcome to 2019!! We have many other wonderful events planned for you this season. Be sure you come into the Activities Office and ask questions if you don't see your favorite event listed in this issue.



I would like to thank all of my volunteers that kept my office running smoothly while I went home for Christmas. I would also like to thank all the residents for their patience in awaiting my return.

Happy New Year everyone!

Your Activities Director,
Heidi McKee

As always, watch the chalkboard outside of the Activities Office for changes, cancellations or last minute add ons!

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Manager Korner!!

Happy New Year to All!!

2018 was such a great year and hopefully 2019 will be even better!! I am looking forward to another terrific season together in this fabulous resort!!

Because there are so many new friendly faces in the resort, I ask that everyone wear your name badge when you are out and about in the community, so we can address each resident properly by name. We especially want our newcomers to feel comfortable in their new setting.

Please refer to the "Tips for Successful Living in GVR" that follows this article for some helpful guidelines to follow while here.

Recycling is an important program offered by the City of Mesa to our residents. Some are not following directions for the correct disposal of those recyclables which could lead to the City of Mesa disqualifying GVR for the program. Please plan to attend a special presentation by Mariano Reyes of the City of Mesa on January 16 at 1 pm in the Ballroom to learn more about our recycling program's do's and don'ts.

If you have any questions, comments, concerns, compliments or jokes you'd like to share with me, please feel free to contact me to schedule a time to meet.

Wishing you all the BEST year ever!!

Respectfully,
Mary Ash
General Manager



Tips for Successful Living in Greenfield Village Resort

--Please wear your name badge when out and about in the Resort. We have so many new residents and we'd like to address you properly by name. Welcome to GVR!!

--If you haven't yet checked in at the Office, please do so we can greet you and share important info with you.

--Making a change to the outside of the unit? STOP. Did you get a permit? Please come to the Office and we will be happy to help.

--PLEASE WATCH YOUR SPEED!!! Be mindful of all stop signs!! No matter what type of transportation you use.

--STOP does not mean "Spin Tires On Pavement". (Thanks, Amber!)

--Please refer to GVR as a "RESORT", not a "PARK".

--Be respectful to your neighbors.

--Please do not walk down the middle of the street.

--Pay your HOA assessments on time.

--Volunteer often

--Laugh out loud!

--Express your conc appropriately. 😊

--Look out for your neighbors.

--Have FUN!!!! Be safe!!!

--Use lights on your bike while riding after dark.

--Report any health or safety issues!

--Laugh often

--RECYCLE ALL YOU CAN!!!!

(Get it "can")! 😊

--Conserve resources.

--Stay positive

--PLEASE FOLLOW CC&RS, RULES AND 😊GS.

--Please tie your garbage bags tightly and PLEASE DO NOT put used syringes in them.

--Please place those bags on the curb/sidewalk, NOT THE WALL, on scheduled trash pick-up days.

--Please make sure there is enough space in the white roll off dumpster for your haul before requesting the

loaner cart and trailer from Maintenance.

--The City of Mesa will refuse to pick up our roll off dumpster if it is overflowing. Please do not over fill.

--Please cut brush/limbs into 3' to 4' pieces prior to disposal. Please inform your caretakers of this.

--Please break down all bulky, space consuming items including cabinetry, etc. prior to disposal.

--Appliances, old furniture, etc. DO NOT belong in our roll off! Nor stored outside our dumpsters. Please call the City of Mesa at: 480-644-6789 to arrange a pick-up for a small fee.

--Please report any unusual happenings to Security. Please call: 480-832-3846.

--Please do not schedule any contractors to work on Sundays or Holidays, unless it is an emergency. Dish/Direct TV installation needs are NOT an emergency.

--All contractors coming to perform work on the exterior of your home MUST HAVE A PERMIT!! - Please see the Business Office for assistance.

--There shall be no parking of vehicles on the 7' setback.

--Please be sure that you have the current vehicle tags for residents and renters displayed clearly on your dashboard when in the Resort.

--You must have written permission to park on Ironwood overnight.

Please see Security staff. No overnight parking in the Citrus Complex.

--Laugh often (it's worth repeating) 😊

--Work together! Volunteer often 😊

--Have FUN, FUN, FUN !!!! 😊



Greenfield Village Resort Website

Thank you for all your support in keeping our website updated and looking good. It takes the help of all of the clubs sending their information to Tami Morgan via email at: twsmorgan5@gmail.com. We also have the ability to advertise your park model, for rent or for sale, for a small fee. There is an easy online step-by-step instruction and submission form within our website. The proceeds help to maintain Greenfield's website. To help clarify, we are NOT affiliated with www.gfvbyowner.com. That is a private entity for advertising your unit.

Thank you for your support!

Website address:

<https://www.greenfieldvillage.com>

Garbage

We have so many possibilities for you to volunteer to make this a great place to live.

We pick up on Mondays and Fridays.

Have your garbage out by 8 am.

Just remember, for safety reasons we are going with the traffic only.

Thank you for helping our maintenance department keep our resort clean!

Recycling

We have several recycling bins located in the Citrus Complex. Aluminum is collected in the cans located on the west side as you enter the Citrus Complex. Please remove the plastic bags used to carry your cans down and put them in the garbage.

The other recycling bins near the dumpster are for paper, cardboard, plastic, **GLASS**, and **METAL**.

Thank you for helping us keep Greenfield green!

A Child's View of Retirement in a Snowbird Resort

After Christmas break, the teacher asked her small pupils how they spent their holiday.

One little boy's reply went like this:

"We always spend Christmas with Granma and Granpa. They used to live up here in a big brick house, but Granpa got retarded and they moved to Arizona. They live in a resort with a lot of other retarded people. They all live in tin huts. They ride tricycles that are too big for me. They all go to a building they call the wrecked hall, but it is fixed now. They all do exercises but not very well. They play a game with big checkers and push them around on the floor with sticks. There is a swimming pool but I guess

nobody teaches them; they just stand there in the water with their hats on. My Granma used to bake cookies for me, but nobody cooks there. They all go to restaurants that are fast and have discounts. When you come into the resort, there is a doll house with a man sitting in it. He watches all day so they can't get out without him seeing them. I guess everybody forgets who they are because they all wear badges with their names on them. Granma says that Granpa worked hard all his life to earn his retardment. I wish they would move back home, but I guess the man in the doll house won't let them out."



Author unknown

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is all about!*





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Dollars & Sense

Attention GVR Owners:

Do you like paying more income tax than you need to? Neither should our Resort. The Board of Directors asks for your help by voting 'Yes' to Ballot issue #4 IRS Revenue Ruling 70-604 which allows that any inadvertent excess income over expenses at yearend June 30, 2019 may be applied against the subsequent tax year member assessments. On last year's Ballot, over 100 owners voted to pay more taxes by voting 'No'! This would have cost the resort in 2017 over \$77,000. Wouldn't you rather keep the money to enhance something in our Resort?

Notes from the President of Greenfield Village

We have just completed a successful Town Hall Meeting and I have been asked to pen a few notes on what is happening from the Board's perspective in Greenfield.

First of all we are excited about the changes to Building "D", that is the building with the Hot Tub, Showers and Exercise Room, and the drawings which have been received. This is the culmination of approximately 4 years of work, which saw extensive input from the residents and owners in Greenfield. Please drop into the office and see what has been proposed. It is the Board's view and hope that we will be able to complete this project without a special assessment. With that in mind we will now move onto the Implementation stage and obtain

engineered drawings and construction bids. The Board will put in place an Implementation Team to accomplish the task at hand.

We have also received four (4) nominations for the Board to fill the four (4) vacancies which will occur this year. This election along with the other Ballot issues should be forthcoming shortly if not in your hands already.

One important issue is the question in regards to the IRS Revenue Ruling which has passed in the past but we noticed approximately 100 people voted against the motion last year. Should this issue fail and not pass it would see the Resort pay additional taxes to the IRS. The impact on you as an owner would mean more fees or possible Special Assessments. To make this clear two years ago we had approximately \$100,000.00 carry over which would have seen us have to pay in the neighborhood of \$50,000.00 in additional tax to the IRS. The issue was passed and we were able to utilize the full \$100,000.00 to cancel an upcoming Special Assessment of \$250.00 for roads. If it had failed, we would have needed an assessment of \$125.00 to pay the road expense. Should you not understand the purpose of this issue please feel free to talk to the Board or our Staff for clarification. Several other issues on the Ballot include the Budgets, Palm Trees, Long Term Leases and Capital Spending.

The only outstanding issue from the Board and the manager's goals this year is our front entrance which is being worked on. They have kept me in the dark just like you and that is fine as I wait just as you do for anticipated improvement. The Committee continues to work on this project with several different participants supplying advice and suggestions. I hope we will hear from them in the near future as to this important addition to Greenfield Resort.

We are now moving into our busy season as it seems the most pressure on our Resources and Staff occur over the next three (3) months. I would request that you ensure you treat all persons in the Resort with the same respect and attitude that you would like to be treated. Ensure that you participate in some of the activities in the Resort. I know you can't participate in them all as there are too many.

Last but not least please volunteer in the activities you participate in to ensure we can remain "The Best Little HOA in the East Valley".



Ron Lamabe
 Board President

Celebration of Lee Bianchi's Wonderful Life

Everyone bring your memories and together let's share in a celebration of Lee's life at Greenfield. Lee and Barbara have wintered here in Greenfield Village for 17 years. Casual gathering on Saturday, Jan. 5 in the Ballroom from 2-4 pm. Cookies and coffee! Please bring cookies to share if you like. Thank you for being a part of Lee's Celebration of Life.



Activity News

Club and Activities Fair

Come out and take a look at all the clubs and activities we have to offer in our beautiful resort on Friday, January 4 from 2-4 pm in the Ballroom. All clubs and activities will have a table set up so that you can chat with someone and get your questions answered. Those of you participating at the Activities Fair, please arrive no sooner than 1 pm. Looking for 2-4 people to help during the Ice Cream Social which is during the Activities Fair. Please let the Activities Office know if you can help.

Chair Massage

Sue Russo is back this season but in a new location. You will now find Sue in the Computer Lab on Thursdays from 9 am to noon. Please sign up in the Activities Hallway. Sue will charge you \$10 per 15 minutes in the chair at your appointment. This is a service we are hoping you will enjoy!



Sound and Lighting

We are in need of some new volunteers to help with either sound or lighting for our events. No experience necessary. We will train you. Please contact Tom Robertson at 206-660-8625 for sound or Bob Osborn at 602-321-6615 for lighting.

Come Zumba with Corinna

Tuesdays in Jan., Feb., and March from 10-11 am in the Ballroom. Energetic Zumba Gold class for \$5 per session.



Snowbird Café

Monday Madness continues in January with tacos served from 5-6 pm and a program beginning at 6 pm (see page 5 for dates and "Madness"). All Wednesdays will be burgers, brats and taco salads. Fridays will vary between soups, sandwiches, salad bar, pizza, casseroles, etc. Watch the chalkboard outside of the Activities Office for updated menu information. Come support all the work these wonderful volunteers put into serving you weekly. We are always open to suggestions for your meal of choice, so let someone in the Café know or stop by the Activities Office and let us know. Also, if you have a food handler card, please consider signing up in the Activities Hallway to help at least one day a month in the Café. There is always room for more volunteers. If you don't have your food handler card, please go online, <https://www.statefoodsafety.com/food-handler/arizona/maricopa-county>. Take the test, turn in your completed certificate to the Activities Office and then sign up in the Activities Hallway for your shift.

Tia's Royal Islanders

Take a trip to the Islands without leaving Mesa! Come join us on Wednesday, January 16 as we enjoy an authentic luau, hula dancers and a fire show. Tickets are available in the Activities Office for \$35. Their doors open at 4 pm and you need to find your own ride. I suggest car pooling as they have limited parking. We will give you directions when you purchase your tickets.



Ham-O-Rama

It's that time of year again, Ham-O-Rama time. This is where the residents of GVR get a chance to make fools of themselves in front of their friends and neighbors. We have several acts that have committed to the evening. If you would like to participate, please drop your information off to Barbara Bianchi at lot # 387 or phone 563-449-6430 no later than Jan. 11. Slots are filling up fast! (They really are!!!). Ham-O-Rama will be held Monday, Jan. 28 at 7pm. In addition to giving the homeless Veterans our donations this year we are holding a Toiletries Drive. Please bring your Toiletries to Ham-O-Rama along with your donation. We will have a guest from the US Vets group here to visit, answer questions and receive all donations.

MASA Seminar

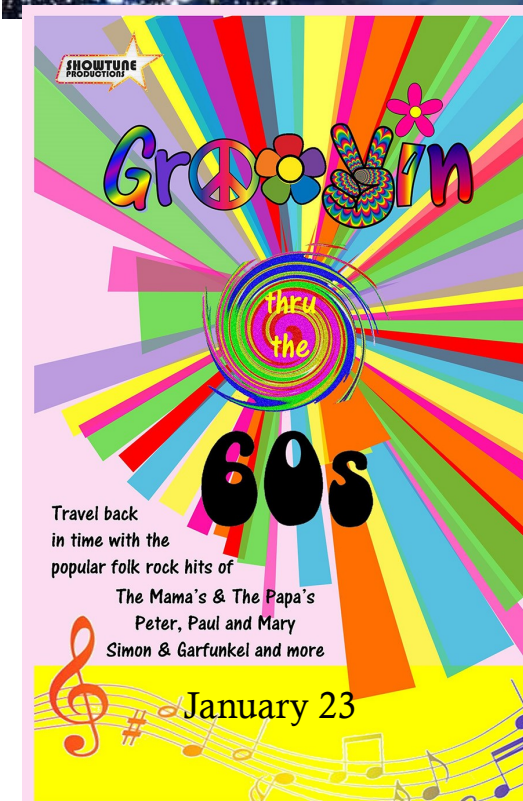
Have you heard of MASA? This is an emergency air ambulance service. This will help you get home in case of an emergency away from home. Come listen to what they have to offer on Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 5 pm in the Pima Room. Sign-up sheets are located in the Activities hallway.

Kitchen Help

During our concerts we always have an intermission to serve coffee and cookies. I am looking for 2-4 people to help on Jan. 11 during Piano Men break. Please see Heidi in Activities and sign up for the nights you would like to help.

"Volunteers aren't paid...not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless."

2019 Concert Series



Reserved Seating Only



March 17

Individual Price
\$15, \$18, \$20

Season Ticket Price
\$75, \$90, \$105

Ladies Bible Study

We will meet in the Pima Room at 2 pm on Tuesdays beginning January 15. This is a non-denominational group.

Mah Jongg



Come one come all. Experienced or New. All are welcome. Played in the Cactus Room every Wednesday at 1 pm. We would love to have anyone join our group.

Last Chance Tennis Tournament

Women's or Men's Doubles Levels 1.5, 2.0 and 2.5 being played on March 25-29. Entries must be received by March 1 if you are wanting to play in the tournament. See Tennis Court Bulletin Board for more information or contact Sandra Bittner at Lot # 487 or email her at sandrabittner52@gmail.com.

Don't forget our "Keep the tree" Logo Contest is still under way. Get your entries in soon. Email them to greenfieldgm@gmail.com or gvactivities@gmail.com

Ukulele Group



Beginner ukulele classes will be held Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the Pima Room. By the end of the evening you will be strumming many old time favorites! All ukulele players are invited to jam Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in the Pima Room. We would welcome singers, percussionists and a double bass or an electric bass player to join us for our jams! Come and have some fun making music! Contact Marie Morrow at 480-325-1246.

AARP Class



Save the date, Friday, Feb. 8 at 8 am in the Pima Room. Sign-up sheets are located in the Activities Hallway.

Writers' Group

We meet Friday mornings, starting January 4 in the Cactus Room at 9 am to write stories about our past for our families and friends. Join us and write about your life on the farm, the cities in which you have lived or worked, your travels and adventures. Check out the book in the office to read samples of past years' stories from our group and join us!

Village Voices



Join our choir and sing wonderful tunes, including some from the 50's, directed by two talented musicians from Arizona State University. Wednesday evening rehearsals in the Ballroom will commence January 9 at 6:15 pm. We will prepare for our Spring Concert to be held Wednesday, March 13. Our 4-part harmony choir provides a great experience in music that is fun, educational and a fabulous way to socialize! Contact Marie Morrow at 480-325-1246.

Canada Day Festivities



Mark your calendar for Feb. 24. Continuing the tradition, another great event is being planned for your entertainment! Everyone is invited to join in the fun-games, food and dance. Watch your mailbox in January for more details.

WE  **VOLUNTEERS**

Monday Madness

Tacos for \$2 each continue through the season on Mondays from 5-6 pm. At 6 pm we will have some sort of "Madness"! Monday Madness is held on the patio or in the Ballroom depending on weather.
Jan. 7-The Brookhart's
Jan. 14-Ken Sorensen will speak on Theodore Roosevelt-see bulletin board across from the Post Office for more information
Jan. 21-Derby Night-Bring your quarters and come play! More on this later in the Newsletter.
Jan. 28-Ham-O-Rama & Toiletries Drive. More information in this Newsletter.

Mogollon Dance

Only dance in January-don't miss it! Saturday, Jan. 12 at 7 pm come dance the night away to the amazing Mogollon Band. Tickets available in the Activities Office for \$10 or at the door for \$12. Save some money and purchase early. Get your friends together because we only have one more dance coming up this season after this one!!

Thirsty Thursdays

aka Happy Hours! Still on Thursdays this season from 4-6 pm. Pickleball will again be serving burgers at some of the Happy Hours.

Jan. 10-Easy Sounds-burgers available for purchase \$5 by the Pickleball Club
Jan. 17-The Breeze-BYO
Jan. 24-Midnight Moon-burgers available for purchase \$5 by the Pickleball Club
Jan. 31-Terry Hutchinson Band-BYO



Organ Stop Pizza



Have you heard the World's largest Wurlitzer Organ? You haven't? Then you are in for a treat! Come join us on Tuesday, January 29 at 11 am at Organ Stop Pizza. This is a reserved time for us and you will get the history of this gorgeous organ. Sign up in the Activities Hallway and carpool if you like with your friends and neighbors. You will be charged \$8.50 for a pizza buffet. Drinks are separate.

Lifetouch Photo Books

Lifetouch will be here Jan. 7 & 8. Everyone who has their picture taken will receive a picture book. We can update them as often as necessary (minimum of 20 people have their picture taken) and everyone that originally received a book will receive an updated version. Please get your time slot chosen soon as they are filling up quickly. Any questions, please see Heidi in the Activities Office. For those of you who had your picture taken either last year or the year before and haven't picked up your copy from last season, please do so in the Activities Office. We will have you sign them out so that you do not get a duplicate.

New Image Fashions

They're back!! Come see what new items they have for you. New Image Fashions will be set up outside the Ballroom on Saturday, January 19 from 9 am to 1 pm. It is always fun to browse through their many racks of blouses, pants, skirts, jackets, bathing suits, etc along with their watches. Don't forget, they are willing to install new batteries into your watch!

Blood Pressure Clinic



Calling all retired nurses! We need you!! Please consider offering to hold our Blood Pressure Clinic once a season. Sign up with Heidi in the Activities Office for your shift. Our Blood Pressure Clinic is FREE and open to all residents the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Come down to the Cactus Room and have your Blood Pressure taken by one of our many retired nurses. They will give you a card to keep and take to your Dr. the next time you go.

Derby Night



On Monday, Jan. 21 at 6 pm we will be having a "Derby Night". This is a fun table top Horse Race. It will be an exciting, fun night that you won't want to miss. Rules are available in the Activities Office if you are interested to take a copy home. They will also be posted in the Activities Hallway along with a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help with this event. This may take a little longer than an hour so please allow extra time that evening so that you don't have to miss a single race.

Pizza at the Snowbird Café

Our long awaited Pizza Oven has finally arrived and we have sampled our



pizza to our staff. They loved them and so will you! You will be able to choose from pepperoni, sausage, Hawaiian, or veggie for \$8 or a combo for \$10. Orders must be placed and paid for in the Activities Office by 2 pm on Thursdays. Your hot pizza will be ready for pickup at your requested time on Fridays between 4-6 pm.

Computer Paramedic

- Nasty, unresponsive computer?
- Windows 10 giving you fits?
- Struggling to learn a new program?

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Club News

Soup Luncheon

Calling all soup makers and bakers!!



The Annual Soup Luncheon is on Saturday, January 26 at noon in the Ballroom. Volunteers are needed to donate and make 5 quarts of their favorite soup. Bakers are needed to bring 4 dozen rolls/muffins as well as assist during the luncheon. Sign up ASAP in the Activities Hallway. Advance tickets ONLY on sale early to mid-January in the Activities Office for \$6. Come support this Ballroom Decorating Fundraiser and enjoy the many varieties of soup along with rolls, cake and coffee. Also, we are looking for someone to assist with coordinating future Soup Luncheons. Please contact Faye Belanger at 778-479-4712 or the Activities Office.

Pickleball

The Pickleball Club is growing and we've added a few new activities to our calendar. Take advantage of these times to improve your skills, meet new friends and just have fun. Sign-ups are through Trackithub software. A full schedule is posted at the courts and also on the Pickleball page of the GVR website. The schedule includes scrambles for every level of play, ladies only times, free lessons on Tuesday morning, the ladder on Wednesday morning and inter-park play. Info for inter-park play is posted on the bulletin board. There are lots of open times too, so reserve a court and get together with your friends. Our January in-house tournament will be Saturday, January 12. Sign up through Trackithub to enter. Prizes for 1st and 2nd place. This month we will

be hosting a movie and popcorn night on Friday, January 18. Keep the date open. More information and tickets will be available soon. Again this season, the Pickleball club will be serving loaded hamburgers at several happy hours. Cost is \$6 for burger and chips. Let us do the cooking for you on January 10 & 24 while you enjoy the happy hour music.

Cancer Support Plus

Join others who have been effected by Cancer, chronic or terminal illness, special needs, disabilities and other life changing circumstances. We will meet Friday, January 4 at 1:30 pm in the Pima Room. Questions? Contact Jean Camerer at Lot # 31 or call 612-963-2749.

Our February meeting will be on February 1.

Village Hikers

Welcome new and returning hikers. The first hike of 2019 will be on Tuesday January 8, hiking the Hieroglyphic Trail, which is a moderately easy 3 mile out and back trail. Sign up sheets and future hike descriptions will be on the bulletin board opposite the Post Office. We meet by the fountain at 7:15 am to organize drivers and passengers, leaving the resort at 7:30 am. Wear sturdy footwear and be sure to bring sunscreen, water and a snack.

You can find general information at www.greenfieldvillage.com - click on Activities & Events - Clubs & Organizations - Hiking

Bingo

Come join us on Tuesdays in the Ballroom. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Questions? contact Wayne Little, Lot # 217.

Bowling

Come one come all. Bowling at AMF Mesa Lanes at 2115 E Southern just east of Gilbert. Bowling center opens at 12 noon on Mondays. We start practice at 12:15 pm and bowl at 12:30 pm. Come for a lot of FUN.



Poker Club

Games are played in the Card Room at 6:15 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Texas Two-Card Hold'em is played on Thursdays, and on alternate Tuesdays. High-Low Omaha is played on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Haven't played before? You are welcome to join us. The \$5 entry fee is waived for first time players who live or rent in Greenfield. If you decide you would like to become a club member there is a \$5 membership fee for the season. Questions? Call Nick at 480-641-5711. Find information at [www/greenfieldvillage.com](http://www.greenfieldvillage.com). -Click on Activities & Events - Clubs & Organizations - Games - See Schedule. January Schedule: Hold'em: 1/3, 1/10, 1/15, 1/17, 1/24, 1/29, 1/31 Omaha: 1/8, 1/22 No poker on New Years Day



Live Love Laughter

Every time I think of last New Year's Eve, I can't help but smile as I relive one of the most joyously memorable evenings with my family. We gathered together at my home for pretty great food and wine, but the part of the evening that transforms my smile into a LOL is thinking about the antics that ensued as part of the game Cards against Humanity. This card game is a more than slightly off-color version of the game Apples to Apples. At any given time, it was unclear who was tickled by the content of the game or overcome with the contagious side-splitting laughter that rippled in waves. Sitting at my kitchen table, flanked by a brother on either side, I felt a closeness to my family that was undeniable. I don't need the latest study in neuroscience to tell me that the euphoria I was feeling was real and a result of the endorphins produced by the very simple and primal act of laughter. So can we laugh our way to good health? I'm down to try—are you with me? Research has shown laughing has a positive effect on our immune system with an increase in T cell production. Laughing works the cardiovascular system and lowers blood pressure. The more research you do, the more you will find documenting the physiological proof that laughter is good medicine. My personal epiphany comes with the knowledge that laughter as an evolutionary tool confirms why we must keep our aging seniors from living in isolation. Laughter evolved as a vocal confirmation of forming and deepening alliances and friendships. In apes, dogs and even rats, the labored breathing and subsequent sounds that are formed mean I am playing. I am on your team. In humans, it means “I like you.”

It's true that laughter is social, according to neuroscientist Robert R. Provine, an emeritus professor of psychology at the University of Maryland. In Laughter: A Scientific Investigation, Provines' research revealed that in less than 20 percent of incidents did people giggle, chortle or even guffaw in response to something that could be construed as amusing. Test this at your next social gathering. Laughter typically follows mundane comments rather than formal attempts at humor, with the speaker much more likely to laugh than the listener.

Laughter is a group activity. We laugh 30 times more often when we are in a group than when alone. Far and away, this is the most compelling reason to seek the situations and opportunities to laugh. More often than not, you will not be doing it alone. Once again, I implore you to go back to our design specs. We must address the issue of social isolation that has become part of the American landscape for our aging population. Civilization as we know it is based upon how we thrived in groups both emotionally and physically. Laughter served as both a reward and a tool to forge bonds to dominating the animal kingdom.

It's true that perhaps our younger selves looked for partners who made us laugh. The reality is truly that we laugh the most around those we love. If you're feeling sick, lacking energy or are stressed, try a few rounds of laughter. Or look for opportunities to include neighbors and lonely seniors in your silly antics. Laughter truly has the power to make us happy.

By Bob Roth
Managing Partner, Cypress HomeCare Solutions

From the Real Estate Dept.

Welcome back to the resort and Happy New Year!!! Things have been very busy around here while you were gone. Many have asked why there are not any informational fliers on the Real Estate signs this year. We had problems last year with informational fliers frequently disappearing. You can still pick up the brochures with all the listings outside the Real Estate office. You can visit our website: www.move2azhomes.com or you can check out the glass case outside the Real Estate office. If there is anything that you would like to see, just give us a call and we will be happy to make an appointment. This time of year, most of the units have tenants or owners and proper notice needs to be given in order to enter. We are proud to announce that as of December 31, 2018, Venture In Realty, as a direct result of its sales, has seen \$28,250.00 go into the Reserve fund for replacement and capital preservation here in Greenfield Village. We are here to help to support and promote this wonderful resort.

Cyd and Peg

Congratulations to Mary Lane for getting 100% on her Food Handlers Test!!!

100%



Club New

Shuffleboard Club



The Shuffleboard Directors welcome each and every Greenfield Village resident who would like to join in the fun of playing shuffleboard.

This is the start of a new season! The Shuffleboard Club wants to encourage people to come out to give it a try. If you have never held a cue before please come out, take a lesson, and join in the fun. On Mondays and Thursdays an Introduction to Shuffleboard is offered at 9:15 am or you can call a member of the executive board listed on the Greenfield website or in the brochure in the Activities Office to arrange a more convenient time. No equipment is needed and everyone can use the courts.

Shuffleboard is played Monday through Saturday at 9:30 am each morning. Be ready at the courts for your draw by 9:15 am except on the Saturdays when the pancake breakfasts are held, we start 30 minutes later.

Membership Drive is in full swing. Dues for this coming season are \$20 and can be paid by placing \$20 and a 3x5 index card with your name, telephone number and Lot number in a preaddressed envelope provided at the courts. Place this envelope in the "In Park" mail slot at the Resort Post Office.

January Activities:

Greenfield league starts Friday, January 4 at 9:15 am.

January 5 and 19 are the dates for the two January Pancake Breakfasts from 7:30 to 9:00 am. Pancake breakfasts are the main fundraiser for the club and everyone's help is needed and appreciated. The price of the Pancake Breakfast is \$4.50 for the advanced sale tickets purchased in the Activities Office and \$5 purchased at the door. Please bring your table service and join your friends for a delicious breakfast of pancakes, scrambled eggs and sausages served with coffee, tea and OJ.

Ladder League will be held January 8, 9, and 10 at 6:30 pm. Watch for the sign-up sheets at the courts. There will be a Shuffleboard Club Meeting on January 11 after open play.

Beginning Monday, January 14 entries will be taken for the Annual In-Park Tournament to be held February 18-21. You are guaranteed three games and your opponents will all be people that live in the resort. We also limit this to 64 entries. This is not a sanctioned tournament so you do not need an ASA card to play. Please fill out a 3x5 index card with your name, phone number, unit number and \$5 entry fee and give to Ruth Hugen (#702) or Merv Larson (#13); or place your entry in an envelope address to Unit #702 and place in the "In Park" mail slot at the Post Office.

Saturday, January 19 is a busy day at the Shuffleboard courts. Join us for a Rules Review by Sylvia Smith at 1 pm, a Shuffleboard Etiquette Class by Rob Robinson at 2:15 pm and a Strategy Class by Scott Davenport at 2:30 pm. This is a good day to learn about how much there is to learn when playing. This will be held in the ballroom if we have inclement weather.

On January 21- 24 Greenfield Village Shuffleboard Club will host Sports Days Mixed Doubles Tournament. This tournament guarantees you three games of play. To participate, find a partner and fill out a 3x5 card with both partners' names, telephone numbers and ASA numbers on the front and your resort name (Greenfield) on the back. Mail the card and \$7 for each player in an envelope addressed to Sylvia Smith (#794) in the "In Park" mail slot at the Post Office. If you're not playing, come down and watch some wonderful shuffleboard games!!

All activities and special events are subject to change without prior notice due to unforeseen circumstances.

Tips of the Road in GVR

Please remember that it is imperative that emergency vehicles be able to get to their destination without any obstacles. This means that you may only park on one side of the street. If you or your company need to park on the street please ONLY park on the side your garbage is picked up on. Parking directly across from each other is a bad idea and could tend to increase response time. Ask your company to move if needed.

Also, please do not walk or bicycle down the center of the streets. Please use all street rules inside our resort as well as outside. This is for your own safety.

Bicycle riding is prohibited in the common areas. Please WALK your bicycles to the appropriate parking areas for bicycle, ie: along the south side of the old maintenance shop. People walk through here all the time and when bicycles ride through there someone is bound to be run over.

Computer Club



The Computer Club is open from 9 am to 3 pm Monday through Friday. Hours are posted on the window by the Computer Club door and in the Activities Hallway. If you would like to volunteer and work a 2-hour shift per week, please contact Marilyn Baril at mmbartil51@gmail.com. Training will be provided. Check the Villager, Activities Hallway and Computer Club for any changes to hours or for announcements.

I have had to change the daily schedule and the event schedule numerous times this season. Please come pick up a set of new schedules and support all the events or some events may be cancelled for next season.

Pancake Breakfast

Have you been to our Pancake Breakfasts yet? You haven't? Well you don't know what you're missing! Best pancakes in the Village paired with delicious sausages, eggs, OJ and coffee helps you start your Saturdays off right. We ask that you bring your own place setting, utensils, cups and smiles. Stop by the Activities Office and pick up your tickets for just \$4.50, or wait until Saturday mornings and pay \$5 at the door. This is the main fundraiser for our Shuffleboard Club. We have two in January: the 5th and 19th.



Central States Party

The date has been set for Wednesday, January 30. Please spread the word to Newcomers in GVR. States included are: ND, SD, IA, NE, MO, MT, & WY.

GALS

Our next GALS Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, January 9 at 11:30 am in the ballroom. Please sign up in the Activities Hallway where you can select your menu contribution for 8-10 people. Guests and friends are welcome. Remember to bring your own table service.

Lapidary Club

Looking for something new to do? Are you interested in working with rocks? The Lapidary Club is interested in having you stop down to the last workshop (West End) on the North side of the building so that we can show you what we do. Starting in January, the workshop is open and staffed with monitors to assist you each morning from 9-11:30 am and afternoons from 1-3:30 pm. Monitors will be pleased to answer questions about Lapidary options.

Introduction to Lapidary is a general program that allows a participant to discover what they might achieve by exploring the possibilities that a lapidarian can experience working with rocks. Equipment & supplies required for the introductory program are free for participants. Upon completion, if interested, a membership for continued (yearly) use of the shop is available for \$30.

Costume jewelry, bolas, belt buckles, emblems, ear rings, napkin holders, clocks, coasters, etc. are only a few of the items you can make. You are only limited by your imagination.

A sign-up sheet is available in the Activities Hallway for a Lapidary Women's Workshop on January 9 at 7 pm. This workshop is free.

The Lapidary Club will be resuming their spaghetti dinner fundraiser again on February 8. Tickets are \$15 and available in the Activities Office. Mark your calendar as you will not want to miss this fun filled evening. Music will be provided. Looking forward to meeting you.

Jim Leonard
President



Thank you to Shirley Thompson who spent countless hours organizing the Non-Fiction section of our library to be in sync with the Dewey Decimal Classification (D.D.C.). This will enable you to find specific categories in an expedited manner. Please note, ALL DVD's are now shelved in the Library and are to be placed in the "Returned" box when you have finished watching them. Also, don't forget to put the date you return a book in the back of your book. For those of us who were taught that books were to be read and not written in, this is hard to do. But please grit your teeth and just "do it!" It is the only way we now have to see how often a book is read or if it needs to be pulled to make room on the shelves for something more in demand. The exception to this are western books which are kept indefinitely because of their popularity.

If you have an hour a week to spare...we are still looking for three volunteers to help us in keeping our Library inviting and relaxing for the many residents who make use of this facility. Thank you to the diligent volunteers we already have. Any questions, comments, suggestions or to volunteer, please contact Diane Eklund at #637 or phone # 480-467-7998.

****Please remember that the green notice board in the Library is no longer to be used as the "Bargain Board". The Bargain Board is now located on the east wall of the Post Office directly beside the Post Office door.**

 **YOUR LIBRARY**

Happenings

Quilt Club



Welcome back to all of our residents arriving for the 2019 season. Some of our Quilt Club members have been here since this fall and are already enjoying club activities. About 25 members enjoyed a Christmas Potluck luncheon after our December meeting. Thank you to Florence Scott for hosting and providing the ham.

Many of us have our own projects to work on to keep us busy this winter but we will be offering a variety of classes every Wednesday morning for the next two and half months if you would like to try something new or different. Our January Wednesday classes are:

-January 9 at 9 am

PERSONAL DESIGN BOARDS

Design boards are a great tool when organizing your fabric pieces for your project. We have several large design boards on our quilt room walls to help you put your quilt together but these are small enough to use by your machine. You will have 2 small and 1 medium board to take home. This board will be helpful if you plan to take the Spicy Spiral Tablerunner Class in January. Teachers: Judie Kinzel and Linda Hinkley

-January 16, 23 & 30 at 9 am

SPICY SPIRAL TABLERUNNER

This tablerunner is beautiful and looks difficult to make but it is not! Like many things it takes longer to get it ready than it does to sew it so that's why we have scheduled 3 sessions to make sure everyone has time to complete it. You will need 8 coordinating fat quarters in light, medium and dark fabrics. The personal design board made the week before would be helpful in this class. Teachers: Florence Scott and Merla Murphy.

We will be offering our Beginner and Advanced Beginners classes again with Judie Kinzel, teacher. We are very fortunate to have Judie teaching these classes. It would be quite expensive to take these classes at a quilt store but they are free plus supplies to quilt club members! This is a great opportunity to learn the basics of quilting, complete a project and have FUN! The Advanced Beginners Class starts Friday, January 4. The Beginners Class starts Monday, January 7. Both classes will run for about eight weeks.

All classes are held in the Kokopelli Room in the Citrus Complex. Sign-up sheets for all classes are in the Activities Hallway and the bulletin board in the Kokopelli Room. It is important to sign up so you can get a supply list and the teacher will know how many to plan for. There is also a room schedule posted in the quilt room window so you know when it is available to use.

All classes are free plus supplies to club members or \$7 per class plus supplies for non-members. Membership is \$15 a year and gives you access to the quilt room and equipment. There are other activities like Quilt Shows, ShopHop, potlucks, etc. There is a general meeting on the first Thursday of the month at 10 am. Our next meeting is Jan. 3. Every Friday afternoon from 1 to 3 pm is open sewing for all residents. A monitor will be available for questions or help.

REMINDER: 2019 Challenge Project is due at our Feb. 7 meeting. ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR, aka Hobby Show is Feb. 27 in the Ballroom. We will have a Boutique store again this year.

The Activities Fair is Jan. 4 in the Ballroom. This would be an excellent time to see what the Quilters have to offer. See you there or stop in the Kokopelli room for a visit!

AZ Blankets 4 Kids



Arizona Blankets is a non-profit, all volunteer organization of individuals who make and distribute blankets to seriously ill or traumatized children in the Phoenix area. We meet in the Kokopelli Room every Tuesday from 9 am to 4 pm. If you would like to help, you are welcome to join us.

What happens to the blankets after they are made? They are distributed to area hospitals, police departments, crisis centers, fire departments, and child protective services. Any questions, please call one of us.

Sue Baker 541-517-5471
Jean Opdahl 480-396-1757
Charlene Jacobsen 480-830-3027

Two Cruises coming up next season

Check the bulletin board in the Activities Hallway for more information. Catalina Island and Ensenada leaving Long Beach, CA on Dec. 8, 2019 Mexican Riviera, Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan, Puerto Vallarta leaving San Diego on Feb. 22, 2020.

In Memoriam

As good friends and neighbors pass from this world, we would like to say good bye and thank you for all the memories we shared.

Sam Kowalko Nov. 1 Lot # 72
Alan DeWolfe Nov. 15 Lot # 78



News Ceramics



WELCOME BACK Ceramics Club! We are excited to be back again and see familiar faces. We welcome new members to join our fun. Club fees are once again \$15. Membership includes our own pouring of MANY different molds, and unlimited firing throughout your projects. We are off and running with beginner brush strokes classes on Jan 15 and 17 at 1 pm. \$5 includes materials! January 25 is our annual trip to Marjon Ceramics Open House. It will include demonstrations, make and takes, free lunch, and special prices throughout the store! No ceramic experience necessary! Join, have fun, and meet a great group of people! See you soon!!!

Post Office News

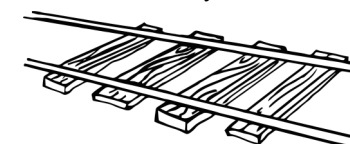


Thank you all for the gifts and well wishes of this holiday season. We are very happy to take care of your postal needs. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Kay and Florence

Verde Canyon Railway

Traveling by bus for this one day trip on Feb. 22 for \$146. Tickets still available in the Activities Office. More information available in the Activities Hallway.



"The best baby-sitters, of course, are the baby's grandparents. You feel completely comfortable entrusting your baby to them for long periods, which is why most grandparents flee to Florida."
- Dave Barry

Solos

This is an open invitation to all single women of GVR to join us every Wednesday at 4:30 pm in the AZ Room for a social hour. We go out to supper at a place we choose during social hour. Some go to supper and you may choose not to go-your choice. Every second and fourth Sunday we get together for a potluck supper at 5 pm in the AZ Room. We have cards if you choose to stay. We also attend different activities in the valley. Looking forward to seeing old and new Solos. For more information call Kay at 480-51-5869 or Pat at 419-561-1877.

Harmony Medical Care

This is a great mobile medical testing program that we are offering in our Resort this season. They will run 8 different tests including allergy, body comp assessment, bone density, diabetes, dermatology, heart health, pulmonary function, vision, lab, imaging and ultrasound. All of these tests are completely free to you if you are on medicare. All other US insurances will cover it as well. Please sign up in the Activities Hallway if you are interested. Two weeks after your tests, they return and go over your results with you and leave you with a 2 inch binder for you to take to your primary physician. Ask your neighbors, as several of them have had this testing done. Amazing what they have found and been able to help our residents with already. Don't wait, these slots fill up fast! We are now scheduling into February. If you are not in the resort at this time and would like to get on the list, feel free to call the Activities Office and our wonderful volunteers will put you on the list.



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