



Celebrating 25 years and still growing

## Activity News Blast Nov 6th, 2023



Join us Tuesday morning for the **Park ROUND -UP Meeting**. Doors open at 8 AM for coffee and donuts, this week we will have a special speaker from the Casa Grande Police Department.



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1. a person who freely offers to undertake a task.

**The Basics & Beyond!** An invitation from Jan Farthing to join her at the ART Barn on Wednesdays from 9:30 - 3:30 (bring lunch/snacks). Open for painters of all sorts, watercolor, acrylic, and oil....if you've ever wanted to start and not sure how, then this is your chance! Lots of demos, and approaches to painting will be presented with lots of hands-on projects: from realistic to abstract! Seasoned painters bring your enthusiasm and experiences...everyone welcome! No cost: Participants will supply their own materials, lots of direction regarding supplies, provided!

**Billiards Room** is open until 10 PM every day. Join them on M/W/F for organized play at 8:45 AM. You can also enjoy a game of Billiards at the Ranch House.



There's an Electric Light Parade & **Christmas Float meeting 11 - 12 PM THU Nov 9<sup>th</sup> in the HW**. ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING PLEASE JOIN US TO PLAN FOR OUR 25<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary

Celebration Float. Be thinking of ideas that will best represent 25 years.

**Church** – Non-denominational services on Sundays in Wall at 8:30 AM. Do you like to sing? They need you Choir, show up at 7:45 AM on Sunday, talk to Marsha or



the Hole in the for the Church Sharon.

## Coffee Klatch

*The perfect blend of great friends & conversation!*

Join Brian and his friends M -W-TH-F & SA from 6 – 8 AM in the HR (The term “coffee klatch” comes from the German word, “kaffeeklatsch,” which translates to coffee (kaffee) + gossip (klatsch). It refers to a group of friends getting together over a cup of coffee) All are welcome.

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**Computer Room** – Will open Wednesday Nov 8<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM. Going forward they will be open M-F 9 – 12 PM and 1- 3:45 PM. Provided they have an available monitor.



Did you know we have a **Eukele Group** that meets at site 631 at 1 PM. on Wednesdays (The ukulele, also called a uke, is a member of the lute family of instruments of Portuguese origin and popularized in Hawaii. It generally employs four nylon strings. The tone and volume of the instrument vary with size and construction. Ukuleles commonly come in four sizes: soprano, concert, tenor, and baritone.)

We are planning a **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary COOKBOOK**, estimated delivery/availability date late January, early February. Gather your recipes, and bring them into the Activities office.

The **Gourd Shop** will open their doors NOV 7<sup>th</sup>. At this time because of a lack of monitors, they will only be open on TUE & FRI from 9 AM to 12 PM and 1:30 – 3:30 PM.



**Hardanger** is starting lessons for anyone who would like to learn this Norwegian embroidery technique. Instruction begins the first Tuesday of each month at 1pm in the Hangout room. No need to bring anything, just come, we'll have supplies to get you started.

**Jammers** are ready to entertain you **tonight in the HW** from 6:30 – 8:30 PM

**Lapidary Shop** is open every day M-TH from 9 AM until noon, or until the door is locked. If the door is open, you're welcome to come in. Lapidary is also on the search for a rock tumbler, if anyone has one they would like to donate. Season fees: \$50/season - \$30/month – or \$5 /day + cost of supplies.



Hi to all **Mandala Dotters** and **“Wanna be” Dotters**: Just a few notes on my plans for the season which you may find helpful. My “day” in the Art Barn is Friday, so that will most likely be the day when classes are held (November thru March). I was able to squeeze some other dates in last year, but the schedule this year with other instructors looks pretty full. Class size is limited to 10 (this is how many we can comfortably accommodate in the Art Barn). I am open to doing private parties IF you are able to host and there are at least 6 people in attendance. I will attempt to hold at least 1 (maybe 2) Beginner classes a month if there continues to be interest/enthusiasm for this. After taking my Beginner class, you officially graduate to “Advanced Beginner” and can attend any other class offered. I will plan to have photo(s) with the sign-up sheets each month, so you will have a good idea of the complexity of the product we are painting on. In order to keep my costs down this year, I will NOT be offering type written copies of directions in class. However, if you choose, you can ask me to e-mail the directions to you and I will be happy to oblige. One of the biggest complaints last year was that individuals could not get into a class because they filled up too fast. I would ask this year that if there are multiple classes being offered in the month, sign up for only the one you are most interested in taking. This way, the open spots will not be all taken up so quickly and I should be better able to accommodate more individuals. Hope this makes sense. Please, please make every effort to be on time... in fact, be there a bit early in order to pay your fee, find a spot to sit, and get settled in. I have a policy of starting on time and ending on time. If you use them, bring your readers with you. Tiny dots can be difficult if you are not seeing well!! We generally don’t get too messy, but you might want to think about a cover up if you are concerned about getting paint on yourself. Acrylic paint does not wash out once dry. Here is my list of “possibilities” for Advance Beginner classes this year: Christmas ornaments (wood and/or acrylic), Wood coaster, Clear glass coaster, Keyring(s), Leather earrings, small gourd ornament, Man made gypsum round paper weight, Man made gypsum round pen/flower holder, journal cover, and always fun are wine glasses, wine bottles, and ceramic mugs. I am always happy to talk to you personally, answer questions, and offer suggestions or assistance if needed. I love sharing/teaching this form of art and am excited for another great season. I am hoping to NOT get COVID this year!!! HAPPY DOTTING, PAM

**Senior Stretch** – M-W & F at 10:30 AM join Jackie Dennison to stretch those muscles.

**Walk Exercise** is back in the Hole in the Wall, at 9 AM (M/W/TH/F. Join Jim & Kathy McBride as they lead you through the walking video to wonderland and back. Start at your own pace and build from there.

**Water Volleyball** - Water Volleyball players are returning to Pool2 – Join them on M/W & FR From 1-3 PM.



**Stained Glass** is opening the doors this week. They will be open **9 – 12 PM & 1– 3:30 PM ON TUESDAY** and 1 – 3:45 PM on W/F. This schedule will change weekly until they have more monitors.

Have you signed up for **Thanksgiving Dinner**. 8 People per table \$5/per person, Turkey and gravy will be provided, family style potluck/table, bring your own



plate, utensils will be provided. Looking for volunteers to help with set-up and clean up

**Town Council** will have their first season meeting on Wednesday, Nov 8th, if you have comments, good//bad/or ugly, compliments or suggestions please fill out a Town Council form in Activities by Tuesday afternoon.

**Veterans Day Remembrance Ceremony** --- SAT NOV 11<sup>th</sup> in the HW at 1 PM followed by refreshments.

**WHAT IS AN EVENT.....**



- A thing that happens, especially one of importance:
- A planned public or social occasion
- A public assembly for the purpose of celebration, education, concerts, fairs, fashion, awards ceremonies, recognition.
- Something that happens or regarded as happening, an occurrence, especially of some importance to a sizable group of people with motive of entertainment or information, making it memorable or noteworthy.

Sat, Nov 11	MAIN EVENTS	Veteran's Day Celebration 1 PM in the HW with refreshments afterwards
Tue, Nov 14	MAIN EVENTS	George at Pool1 2 - 4:30 PM BYOB, and your Snacks
Fri, Nov 17	MAIN EVENTS	Sierra Sound Pool1 4 - 6 PM Happy Hour & Potluck, BYOB and dish or appetizers to share
Thu, Nov 23	MAIN EVENTS	THANKSGIVING DINNER 3 - 7 PM
Sat, Nov 25	MAIN EVENTS	Johnny K & Co. 7-10 PM
Fri, Dec 1	MAIN EVENTS	Dr. Chartrand & the Casa Grande Jazz Band 7 - 8:30 PM
Sat, Dec 2	MAIN EVENTS	Electric Light Parade
Sun, Dec 3	MAIN EVENTS	Gary Tyson Magician/Hypnotist 2 - 3:15 PM
Sat, Dec 9	MAIN EVENTS	Highway Outlaws 7 - 10 PM
Sat, Dec 9	MAIN EVENTS	Park Patio Sales 8 - 12 PM
Tue, Dec 12	MAIN EVENTS	Hale Theatre - A Christmas Carol 3:30 Depart
Wed, Dec 13	MAIN EVENTS	Blood Drive 8:30 - 12:30 PM
Fri, Dec 15	MAIN EVENTS	JAMMERS CHRISTMAS VARIETY 6-9 PM
Sun, Dec 17	MAIN EVENTS	Christmas Float, Caroling and Golf Cart Parade 5 PM
Mon, Dec 18	MAIN EVENTS	Organ Stop Pizza - 12:15 PM Depart
Sat, Dec 23	MAIN EVENTS	Dog Parade with Santa followed by Chili at the Park
Sun, Dec 24	MAIN EVENTS	HW-CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 6:30-7:30 PM
Mon, Dec 25	MAIN EVENTS	Christmas Dinner details at a later date.
Sun, Dec 31	MAIN EVENTS	New Years Eve with Campbell Band

## UPCOMING TAG ALONGS

**“To go somewhere with a person or group, usually when they have not asked you to go with them”. OUCH!!!**

**Well enough of that nonsense.... WE’RE INVITING YOU to TAG ALONG on one these scheduled events, let us know if you’ll need a ride?**

Sun, Nov 19	MAIN EVENTS	Tribute to Tina Turner/Tina Teena Paramount Theater Depart @ 2:15
Mon, Dec 18	MAIN EVENTS	Organ Stop Pizza - Depart @12:15 PM
Sun, Jan 7	MAIN EVENTS	Barleen's Lunch/matinee Doors open at 11:15 AM
Sat, Jan 13	MAIN EVENTS	Hale Theatre-See How They Run 2:30 Depart
Thu, Jan 25	MAIN EVENTS	Caywood Cotton Farm tour - 12:30 Depart
Wed, Jan 31	MAIN EVENTS	Dwarf Car Museum tour - 10:00 am depart
Mon, Feb 12	MAIN EVENTS	Organ Stop Pizza - 12:15 PM Depart
Thu, Feb 22	MAIN EVENTS	Shamrock Farm Tour - 11:45 am depart
Thu, Feb 29	MAIN EVENTS	Hale Theatre - My Fair Lady 6:00 PM Depart
Wed, Mar 6	MAIN EVENTS	Caywood Cotton Farm tour - 12:30 Depart
Mon, Mar 11	MAIN EVENTS	Toggenburg Goat Farm tour - 10:00 am Depart
Tue, Mar 19	MAIN EVENTS	Hale Theatre - Kiss & Tell 2:30 PM Depart
Thu, Mar 21	MAIN EVENTS	Queen Creek Olive Mill Tour - 10:30 am Depart
Wed, Mar 27	MAIN EVENTS	Organ Stop Pizza - 12:15 PM Depart



If you’ve not been feeling well. Or, you’re a little under the weather, stuffy nose, coughing, sore throat—Please consider staying home for few days and avoid sharing something or nothing with your friends and neighbors.

**YOU SHOULD KNOW!**

THE PARK SPEED LIMIT



APPLIES TO ALL VEHICLES,

BIKES, SCOOTERS, and GOLF CARTS--



- PLEASE at all signs.

If you are out and about in the park at night or early morning, you should make sure that your golf cart and bicycles are properly lit.

**YOU SHOULD KNOW!**

That the dog walkers are often walking in the middle of the road so as to keep their pet off your property. And last but not least, walkers please carry a flashlight so you can be seen in the dark.

Are you in violation?  
is not allowed on the gravel  
MODEL”, vehicles and golf carts  
side under the awning. (RV sites are

**YOU SHOULD KNOW!**

**Owners of Park Models...Parking**  
area next to your “PARK  
are to be parked on the patio  
regulated differently.)

**YOU SHOULD KNOW!**

The **dumpsters** fill up quickly and .... they are for **household trash ONLY**. Please **do not put or leave** outside the dumpsters: furniture, mattresses, appliances or other large items, and remember to **break down your boxes**. “**You’re being watched,**” a fine may be assessed to those caught violating the dumpster guidelines. If the dumpsters are full, please do not continue stacking it to see how high we can get it, but use another dumpster location. They are located at the end of Diane Starr in SD1, next to the Ranch House in SD2, and behind Pool2 at SD3.

- **Park Post Office is open M – F from 9 to 2 PM**

- **What’s my address?**

SD1---1703 N. Thornton Rd. SP#

SD2 --- 1837 N. Thornton Rd. SP#

SD3 --- 1779 N. Thornton Rd. SP#

The Buttes --- 1820 N. Thornton Rd. SP#

- **Where do I get my mail?**

**USPS MAIL:**

**SD1 and SD3** USPS mail is picked up at the post office and placed in your mailbox in the mailroom of the SD1 main complex.

**SD2** mail is delivered by USPS to your mailbox located in front of the Ranch House.

**The Buttes** mail is delivered by USPS to your mailbox located in the Buttes compound.

**PACKAGE DELIVERY** (Amazon, Fed EX. UPS) is delivered directly to your site. The Activities Office, Main Office nor Mailroom do not accept packages.

- **Outgoing USPS Mail** can be sent from the mailroom by dropping in the drop box located in the “inside” hallway between the Main Office and mailroom. “IN Park” mail between residents for only SD1 and SD3 can be dropped in the “Park” drop box and will be placed in resident box. The mailroom DOES NOT deliver to SD2 or The Buttes.

**Outgoing packages and USPS** mail must be dropped at the mailroom prior to 9:30 a.m.

**Wash Permits** are needed for residents in SD1 and can be purchased from the Activities office. Permits need to be posted when cleaning vehicles, decks, screens, park models, etc.  
 \$7.00 Day permit  
 \$17.00 Season permit (Oct – Apr)  
 \$27.00 Annual permit (Oct 22-Sep 30, 2024)



IT is no-more.... The monthly **SMOKE SIGNAL** will no longer be written, published and/or printed the first of each month but will be replaced by the biweekly News Blasts published on Mondays and Thursdays. *All guests, Coordinators, and Groups are encouraged to submit news to the Activity office or email [sundanceactivities@hotmail.com](mailto:sundanceactivities@hotmail.com).* Each Newsletter will highlight different Activity groups, as well as park happenings and schedules.

**Thornton Rd** road construction continues, plan accordingly and expect delays. Northbound Lanes from Cottonwood to Korsten are closed – use southbound lane from Korsten Rd.

## To Do List

- ① So
- ② Many
- ③ Things



“the next few days” is commonly used to describe a period of time that is **immediately following the present moment** and usually refers to a span of time that will take place within the **near future**

Mon, Nov 6	HOLE IN THE WALL	Jammers 12 PM
Mon, Nov 6	HOLE IN THE WALL	Monday Evening Jammers 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Mon, Nov 6	HOLE IN THE WALL	Senior Stretch 10:30-11:15 am
Mon, Nov 6	HOLE IN THE WALL	Walk Exercise 9-10 am
Tue, Nov 7	HOLE IN THE WALL	Bingo 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM
Tue, Nov 7	HOLE IN THE WALL	Round-up Meeting 8:30 am - 9:00 am
Wed, Nov 8	HOLE IN THE WALL	Senior Stretch 10:30-11:15 am
Wed, Nov 8	HOLE IN THE WALL	Walk Exercise 9-10 am
Thu, Nov 9	HOLE IN THE WALL	Christmas Float Meeting 11 - 12 PM
Thu, Nov 9	HOLE IN THE WALL	Dominos 7-9 PM
Thu, Nov 9	HOLE IN THE WALL	Line Dance 1:30 - 3:30 PM
Thu, Nov 9	HOLE IN THE WALL	Walk Exercise 9-10 am
Mon, Nov 6	HANG OUT ROOM	Crafty Ladies 1-3:30 PM
Mon, Nov 6	HANG OUT ROOM	Ping Pong 7-8:30 PM
Tue, Nov 7	HANG OUT ROOM	Darts 3:30-5:30 PM
Tue, Nov 7	HANG OUT ROOM	Hardanger Embroidery 1-3:00 PM

Tue, Nov 7	HANG OUT ROOM	Poker Dealer's Choice 6-9 PM
Wed, Nov 8	HANG OUT ROOM	Euchre 7-9 PM
Thu, Nov 9	HANG OUT ROOM	Darts 3:30-5:30 PM
Thu, Nov 9	HANG OUT ROOM	New Buyer Wrap Up Meeting 10:30-12:30 PM
Thu, Nov 9	HANG OUT ROOM	Poker Dealer's Choice 6-9 PM
Mon, Nov 6	ART BARN	Open Media Painting 1-3 PM
Wed, Nov 8	ART BARN	The Basics & Beyond 9 am-3 PM
Thu, Nov 9	ART BARN	Open Art 9 am-3 PM
Mon, Nov 6	GAMBLING ROOM	Hand Foot & Toe 6:30-9:30 PM
Mon, Nov 6	GAMBLING ROOM	Marvelous Mah Jongg 10-12:30 PM
Tue, Nov 7	GAMBLING ROOM	Pegs & Jokers 7-9:30 PM
Tue, Nov 7	GAMBLING ROOM	Pinochle 7-9 PM
Tue, Nov 7	GAMBLING ROOM	Wood Carving 9:00 am - 12:00 PM
Wed, Nov 8	GAMBLING ROOM	Mah Jongg 1-3:30 PM
Wed, Nov 8	GAMBLING ROOM	RC Club Monthly Meeting 4-5:30 PM NOT CONFIRMED W/COORDINATOR
Wed, Nov 8	GAMBLING ROOM	Samba 6:30-9 PM
Thu, Nov 9	GAMBLING ROOM	Bridge 7-9:15 PM
Thu, Nov 9	GAMBLING ROOM	Hand Foot & Toe 10 AM - 1 PM
Mon, Nov 6	TheButtes	Bunco 6 PM - 8 PM
Mon, Nov 6	TheButtes	Walk Exercise 8-9 AM
Tue, Nov 7	TheButtes	Beginner Line Dance 12:30 - 2 PM
Wed, Nov 8	TheButtes	Kristin Fowler/DIY Crafts 6-8 PM
Wed, Nov 8	TheButtes	Walk Exercise 8-9 AM
Mon, Nov 6	POOL1	Aquasize 7 - 8 am
Mon, Nov 6	POOL1	Water Exercise 9 - 10 am
Tue, Nov 7	POOL1	Aquasize 7 - 8 am
Tue, Nov 7	POOL1	Pool Cleaning 10- 12 PM
Tue, Nov 7	POOL1	Water Exercise 9 - 10 am
Wed, Nov 8	POOL1	Aquasize 7 - 8 am
Wed, Nov 8	POOL1	Water Exercise 9 - 10 am
Thu, Nov 9	POOL1	Aquasize 7 - 8 am
Thu, Nov 9	POOL1	Water Exercise 9 - 10 am
Fri, Nov 10	POOL1	Aquasize 7 - 8 am



Fri, Nov 10	POOL1	Water Exercise 9 - 10 am
Mon, Nov 13	POOL1	Aquasize 7 - 8 am
Mon, Nov 13	POOL1	Water Exercise 9 - 10 am
Mon, Nov 6	POOL2	LAP SWIM 7- 9 AM
Mon, Nov 6	POOL2	Water VolleyBall 1 - 3 PM
Mon, Nov 6	POOL2	Water Walking 9 - 10 AM
Tue, Nov 7	POOL2	LAP SWIM 7- 9 AM
Tue, Nov 7	POOL2	Water Walking 9 - 10 AM
Wed, Nov 8	POOL2	LAP SWIM 7- 9 AM
Wed, Nov 8	POOL2	Water VolleyBall 1 - 3 PM
Wed, Nov 8	POOL2	Water Walking 9 - 10 AM
Thu, Nov 9	POOL2	LAP SWIM 7- 9 AM
Thu, Nov 9	POOL2	Pool Cleaning 10 - 12 PM
Thu, Nov 9	POOL2	Water Walking 9 - 10 AM
Fri, Nov 10	POOL2	LAP SWIM 7- 9 AM
Fri, Nov 10	POOL2	Water VolleyBall 1 - 3 PM
Fri, Nov 10	POOL2	Water Walking 9 - 10 AM
Mon, Nov 13	POOL2	LAP SWIM 7- 9 AM
Mon, Nov 13	POOL2	Water VolleyBall 1 - 3 PM
Mon, Nov 13	POOL2	Water Walking 9 - 10 AM



If someone is out and about, they are going out and doing things.

If someone is out and about, they are going to a lot of different places.

The **Sports Complex** is busy with Pickle Ball Courts, a Bocce Ball Court, RC Racetrack, Shuffleboard, Golf Driving Nets, Water Volley Ball, Lap Swimming, Water Walking, & Corn Hole.

- **Bocce Ball** – Open play at the Ranch house (Bocce Ball set kept in the totes on the side of the building.)
- **The Corn Hole** group would like you to join them on Thursday's at 1 o'clock. Or use The Boards and get a friendly game together with friends. Boards and Bags are kept in the tote on the side of the building.
- Sign-up for **Golf Scramble** play on Nov 16<sup>th</sup>. Don't let this popular activity disappear Dec 1<sup>st</sup>.....We need a new Coordinator to take over, Pat will train you.

- **Motorcycle Group** This week's ride will be led by TJ Snow. The route will be to Picacho Peak, across Park Link Rd to Rt 79 and North to Florence and The River Bottom Grill for lunch. This ride is approximately 120 miles. Please plan to be at the SD2 Ranch House ready to ride at 10AM Wednesday.
- **Pickleball News** Are you new to Sundance Pickleball? Don't be shy! Come out to the courts, introduce yourself, and have some fun. Most organized play will start on December 6. Watch for the full schedule to be posted soon. The courts are always open for play, but following is what is happening right now:
  - **Ladies' Social Play** Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1 pm. Come play one or two games or play for the entire afternoon. This is a relaxed, fun group of ladies. (Men, there are usually a few open courts, so don't let the ladies hold you back.)
  - **Evening Social Play** at 6 PM. Open to all – just show up.
  - **Mixed Ladder Play AKA Round Robin** on Wednesdays. Ladder play requires players to be at the courts to sign-up by 8:45 am, play will start at 9 am. A ladder is simply an organized way of mixing players into different groups. Plan to play 6 games (approximately 2 hours). For players that may not be able to play all 6 games, find a partner and split the play.
  - **Open Play** Monday – Saturday there will be courts for open play. Most players are up at the courts around 8 AM but come when you can and leave when you must.

All players must sign a waiver and contribute \$10.00, which is used for balls, net replacement, and shade screens. Ask at the courts for more information. Mark your calendar for Thursday, December 7 for the next pickleball player's meeting. Meeting will be held in the Gambling Room. Ideas to improve the program are always welcome. See you on the courts!

- **Shuffleboard** is meeting at the boards and playing at 9:30 AM//MO-TU-WE & FR. With beginner shuffleboard/orientation on Monday mornings at 11:30 am.
- The **Sundance Mustangs Softball league** began their Fall League play at the Palm Creek Field. Copies of the Fall game schedules are available in the Activities Office on the Softball Clipboard. Come out and support Sundance Softball this fall. Sundance Softball practices are on Mondays at the O'Neal Field on the Corner of Casa Grande Avenue and Cottonwood at 10 AM. Come out and meet some of the players, take some swings at bat and throw the ball around.

**We haven't heard from the coordinators yet with schedules for ATV/RZR Club, Bicycling, or Hiking, RC Club. Please stay tuned.**

