

Hobbies



Amateur (Ham) Radio

The Amateur Radio Club offers one of the most exciting hobbies in the world. First and foremost, our FCC licensed "Hams" are part of a network that provides emergency communications for disasters such as forest fires, tornadoes, hurricanes, power outages, as well as for parades and marathons. We are connected with local and national government emergency agencies. Most of the time, we are building, maintaining, and operating our home stations and our national network for our own enjoyment. We even have our own satellites in space. We can visit with other hams around the world from our cars.

Some of our 130 members meet every Monday morning at 10:00 in the Card Room where we usually have a lecture by noteworthy people via ZOOM. People are welcome to join us by ZOOM as well. We also meet on Thursday mornings at Red Mountain County Park to set up antennas and talk to hams around the world.

Everyone is welcome to visit to see what we are doing. The club also offers classes to help people easily obtain an FCC license. Electronic expertise is not required. A license is not required to be a member. Dues are \$10 a year. More information is available at Sunlifearc.org and ARRL.org. The contact in GVR is Jim Hood, Lot 684, jimhood2@yahoo.com callsign K5TT.



Audio/Visual/Lighting/Sound System

This small group of volunteers handles any event in the ballroom requiring sound and lighting as scheduled by the Activities Office or by request. This could be an entertainer, a meeting, church, a banquet. Sometimes a request for sound is needed outside. Must be flexible as requests are constantly changing.

Prior experience is not needed, but you must have the ability to learn the many pieces of equipment.

Audio – operation of the sound board in coordination with microphones, lights, projector, etc.

Microphones – keeping them operating, placing them in position as needed, able to work under pressure.

Lighting – understanding of light board, overhead and spotlights and how it works, or the ability to learn,

Overhead Projector / screen– & how it works with the sound board.

Computer – used in conjunction with screen and sound board.

CD player and how it works with the sound board.

This group also maintains the 'green room' for outside entertainers and is responsible for placing numbered seat covers on the chairs for events.

This is a fun job and a great way to meet people with the same interests. Help here is always needed.

If interested, call Tom Robertson 206 660- 8625 or Heidi in the Activities Office.



Ballroom Decorations

Ballroom decorating is a volunteer group, open to anyone in the Resort, who would like to decorate the Ballroom, front offices, and outdoor area (Christmas). Heidi, our Activities Director, often has special requests for an event. Sometimes there are requests for table decorations also. The only experience needed is some lifting of boxes, climbing ladders and enjoyment of working with many people, some with great ideas. We are always looking for volunteers to 'drop in' on a designated decorating day. Decorating is done Oct – May. If you have a holiday or month you would like to coordinate, let us know. It's a great way to meet people and it's rewarding to see your handiwork.

There are two decorating closets, one for Christmas indoors and outside and one for seasonal and events. This closet is open to any club or activity in the Resort to use, with permission. Decorations are replaced on an as need basis.

This is an all-volunteer group. It is a fun way to meet your neighbors as there are many creative people in our Resort. Everyone, men and women are welcomed.

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Library

The library is open to anyone in the Resort and is open 24/7. Residents can drop-in, browse and take out whatever they find interesting in books, puzzles etc., no limit on how many items may be taken out at a time. Nothing to sign out or nothing to sign back in. The library is a great place to relax, and we have a great variety of books and magazines, plus wi-fi. Stop in and work on a puzzle. There is always on going.

Reading is fun and interesting...never know what you might discover.



Pet Group and Pet Park

Greenfield's Pet Park is located in the Citrus Complex just before the pickle ball courts. This is a great place to bring your pup for a run and play in the grassy fenced area where you can meet others and their furry friends.

Greenfield residents who use our Pet Park for their "best friends who woof" are responsible for picking up their pet's poop, using the smaller bags for individual use (that are to be furnished by Greenfield and placed there by the Maintenance workers). Then putting it in the large plastic bag in the poop container hanging on the pet fence. PLEASE TAKE YOUR TURN at taking the almost full plastic bag to the brown garbage dumpster close by and replace it with a clean empty bag from the bottom of the container. Maintenance is in charge of the automatic sprinkler system which keeps the grass nice and green and growing. If you decide to pick up sticks when you're in our Pet Park, please put them in the white dumpster inside the gate, to the right of the brown garbage dumpster.



Pinewood Derby

The Pinewood Derby is a wood car racing event founded by the Boy Scouts of America. They are unpowered, unmanned miniature cars made from wood, usually from kits containing a block of pine wood, plastic wheels, and metal axles. The pinewood derby is open to anyone (man or woman) living in Greenfield Village. The race takes place in our Ballroom once a year in March and is open to all friends and family of GVR. If you would like to participate to race you can purchase an unfinished kit car from the activity center. Kit cars cost \$10 and include everything you need to build your car. New kits should be available to purchase after January 1st. This is a great way to learn new skills, Meet new people. And bring back the kid in you!

Only Boy Scouts of America kits are allowed.

There are 2 classes to enter:

- (1) Must not weigh more than 5 oz*
- (2) And unlimited weight*

A detailed description of all the rules will be given to you at time of signing up and purchasing your kit. A \$10 charge will be applied for prizes the day before the race when turning in your car.