Activities Director Good Bye Letter

We have had quite the season! We have had the worst weather for two months that I can remember. We have had to cancel events due to the cold and the rain. We have moved other events into the Ballroom, which then just made us have to move all of the tables and chairs off of the floor for the next event on a weekly basis. UGH!!!! Not something I want to do regularly. I appreciate all of the volunteers that stayed and helped with the table and chairs this season. I also want to thank the volunteers from church that helped set up for several of our concerts this season. No concerts on Sundays next year!

Because of the bad weather I debated on moving Throwback Thursdays to Win(e)down Wednesdays but there are too many conflicts so I am leaving them alone and praying for a better weather pattern in 2024. We had Dancing with The Stars back this season and it was fun to see such beautiful dancing. Thank you to Peter VanderLoon for volunteering to Dance with The Stars!

We had two new events– a Chili Cook Off and Show. We had 12 contestants and three judges and after everyone tasted all of the chilis we watched a wonderful song/comedy show. And a highly successful Bakery Auction for our Mesa Fire Department Station 205. The Bakery Auction will be back next season!

Our Health Fair was back this year with an array of medical professionals willing to take on new patients. The Blood Mobile was here for us to give our services to those in need. And Right Path Screening was here to give us 11 different screenings to help us with our health. Take advantage of these options as they return next season.

Tour of Homes continues to amaze us all with all of the wonderful homes we have in our Resort! Don't miss out next season. A lot of volunteer hours go into this event with a lot of volunteers needed to make it happen.

Ham-O-Rama this season was a smash hit!! Hope you are all planning and practicing your skits and songs for next season's show.

Snowbird Café, under the direction of Kris and her crew, have done an amazing job in bringing new specials to our lunches on Wednesdays and Fridays. I wonder what she'll come up with for next season.

Monday Madness has grown in popularity where we now have two cashier lines and two serving lines. Ken Sorensen and Derby Night seem to be everyone's favorites.

Klassik Karaoke has become the main event on Wednesdays. Even if you don't sing, come support our awesome singers out on the patio. Now that the weather is nice we are having a blast!

Next season will bring a few changes in how we do things or set up certain events. If you have any suggestions or comments as to how this season went, feel free to send me an email, gvactivities@gmail.com and I will take it under consideration.

I am planning five concerts in our Concert Series for 2024: <u>Rockin' Rewind</u>-begins with songs from the 90s and goes backwards to the 60s <u>What A Night</u>-Jersey Boys meet Mamma Mia <u>Rock Me Gently</u>-from Jim Croce to Dan Fogelberg, and Carole King to James Taylor <u>Rock the Boat</u>-the very best of Yacht Rock, Kenny Loggins, Michael McDonald, Hall & Oates, Christopher Cross, Ambrosia, The Doobie Brothers, Rupert Holmes, England Dan & John Ford Coley and many more <u>Rhinestone Country</u>-country hits from the 70s and beyond-Glen Campbell, Reba McEntire, Tim McGraw, Shania Twain, Keith Urban, Carrie Underwood and Dolly Parton

In December we will have a "Sweet Things" evening with Jonathan Williams.

Come prepared to have a great time next season! We look forward to each of you returning and hope you have a wonderful summer with your families. Travel safely and stay healthy!

Come leap with us until you float!!!







One driver parked on the left to do some work. The second driver thought nothing of it to park directly across from that first car on the opposite side of the street. Then the pick up came down the street and the driver sat there honking his horn to get through. What would happen if that pick up had been an emergency vehicle that couldn't get through and you were the one waiting for them to save your life? DO NOT park on both sides of the street at any time!!!! Even if you think-"it's ok, I'll only be a minute". That minute could be someone's last. Please use some common sense!

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Preview trifold for 2023-24 season available soon



Manager's Korner!!

A heartfelt thank you to each volunteer, particularly our Board of have it on file, secure your Directors, in this fabulous resort!! You are the heart and soul of Greenfield Village!! You are so appreciated!!! Hope you all had a great time at the Volunteer Appreciation Bash at Organ Stop Pizza!

*****Did you know it is required of every owner to submit a completed Application for Permit to have **any** work done to the outside of your unit, including plantings, except to wash the unit or trim existing foliage? This includes installing Dish or Direct TV equipment. *****Please provide pictures and diagrams, where needed, to fully describe what you want done. All must be approved by myself and A/LPC members in order to proceed.***** Upon approval, display your pink card prominently while the approved work is being done. Return the pink card to the Admin. Office once the job is completed. Thank you much. For precautionary reasons, if you are the second driver coming through the East or West gate, please continue to press the clicker button as you proceed through the gate.

Also, please tell your delivery drivers, contractors and other visitors to use the Main gate ONLY when coming in and GOING out of the Resort. Parking on only one side of the street is highly recommended for safety reasons. Follow suit when you see another parked on that particular side of the street. Do your part to ensure safety all around the Resort!!!!!!

PIGEON FEEDING. It is a violation in the City of Mesa to feed pigeons and doves on private or public property. Don't forget to pay your HOA assessment in a timely manner, complete your Summer Care form

naming a LOCAL caretaker so we valuables, including your Park Model and vehicles to help deter theft. Be kind and considerate of others. Always. Respectfully submitted, Mary Ash, General Manager

News from your Post Office

Beginning immediately we are no longer able to offer you the weekly grocery ads. Please consider purchasing the AZ Republic on your own.



Easter Breakfast

Come join us for a delicious Easter Breakfast in the Ballroom on Sunday, April 9 at 11:30 am. Tickets are available in the Administrative Office for \$10 and must be purchased by Tuesday, April 4.

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





To the residents of Greenfield Village Resort.

Thank you!

Thank you so very much for your generous donation to Mesn Fire Station # 205! The fire crews will use the money for a project at the station they all can enjoy

we are so fortunate to be able to serve In such a great community

with yeat Appreciation, Station 205

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



Security and **Communications** Committee

Emergency please call 911 followed by a call to our Safety Officers at 480-832-3846.

Non-emergency please call: 480-644 -2211. Address: 111 S Greenfield Road Mesa, AZ 85206 **EMERGENCY PHONES** are located at:

Building D – Red phone; across from the pool; entrance to the change rooms Building C – East and North of the Post Office; Red phone Building A - Ballroom Kitchen -White phone Building A - Ballroom - right of the stage –Silver phone Pickleball - East side of Kokopelli Building Tennis - East side of Court 1

Greenfield Village Resort has worked hard to make their residents safe with different programs with one being AED machines throughout the Resort. The machines are checked monthly and training in their use offered annually to staff and residents. Machines are located:

"Satellite" building on the northeast corner by the ice machine Kokopelli building on the north side by the restroom doors Inside the Ballroom on the southeast side by the door to the kitchen

<u>Building D</u> on the southeast corner

by the wood shop **Building D** on the west side by the entrance to the restrooms and showers

Ballroom building outside by the Tennis Courts Serving Area on the east side of the building **Security Booth** inside the Security Booth at the front gate The AED machines will walk you through how to use them.

The Mesa Police have **asked that** all bikes be locked up when not in use. Also, please register your bikes in the Activities Office by completing the Bike Registration Forms. Please note: if $\frac{1}{2}$ of the lots in Greenfield register their bikes the Mesa police will post a sign at our gates "Bikes are Registered". If any of the registered bikes go missing – the police may be able to assist us. Look out for your neighbors and get to know your neighbors.

Mesa Police and Fire have an online form to fill out to give them needed information if they need to come to your home in an emergency. Here is the link: https:// www.mesaazpolice.gov/ community/crisis-interventionteam/rap Mike Burton, Mary Ash, Wilma Dodge, Bob Thompson, Ron Lamabe and David Owen

Save the Date

Our Ballroom Decorating Fundraiser will be back next season. Save the date of Saturday, Feb. 3 for our Soup Luncheon. This is a much anticipated event and we are looking for soup makers to sign up come November.

Our movie nights finally found some good weather. Our last movie of this season will be the original Jaws! Come out and enjoy some popcorn and a movie under the stars on Saturday, April 1.



Water Aerobics

In April we are trying an additional time slot at 9:15 am. NO water aerobics tapes are allowed to be used on the weekends at any time. Please use your headphones only! If you happen to own a water aerobics CD, DVD, or VHS please share with us to put on the MP3. To share, call or text Ronda at 780-815-0914. Also text me if you are willing to donate \$3 towards an additional audio program for next season.

Chair Exercise Thank You

The end of the season came too quickly. I cannot thank all of you enough for attending chair exercise class. You are beautiful, caring and supporting people. We had much fun. Thank you!! God willing we'll see each other next season. Shirlev





Veterans Club

We are closing another very successful season for our Veterans Club. Our membership continues to grow and I appreciate all those who volunteer for our various activities. Our 50/50 raffle was very successful and allowed us to make a \$600 donation to the Mesa DAV chapter and our parade helicopter was very well received by our Resort. Have a great summer and watch for the November newsletter with details of our first meeting of the season and our Veterans Day activities.

Safe travels, Jim Sanner, Commander

GALS

What a wonderful way to close the GVR GALS 2023 season! Twenty nine GALS met at the Olive Garden to celebrate delicious food and closure of another club year. Janell, Gail and Virginia gave gratitude to the various past and future volunteers and the continuation of GALS luncheons. Elated to share in addition to Jane Lawhead and Merla Murphy staying as co-Treasurers, Pat Lundgren and Patty Kruse have accepted to carry the Club torch for the 2024 season. Safe travel home my friends, aka..back-to-reality... and looking forward to seeing you for the 2024 season.

 Janell McMannamy
 360-710-8292

 Gail Theile
 513-703-2250

 Virginia Minter
 612-384-5064

Co-Treasurers Jane Lawhead and Merla Murphy

2024 Chairs Pat Lundgren and Patty Kruse Veterans Club Commander Jim Sanner handing a donation of \$600 to Dr. Carl Forkner, Commander of the Mesa DAV





Grange!

Shuffleboard Club

It just doesn't seem real that this season has come to an end. Just where did that time go? We've had a GREAT season at Greenfield Village Resort. The In-Resort League, Sunday Shuffle, Ladder League, Daily Morning Shuffle, and Wacky Wednesdays continue to be a hit!!!

We hosted eight very successful Pancake Breakfasts! Congrats to the 50/50 winners and to those that won the beautiful, donated glass beadwork pictures. Thank you to Elmer and Norma Lang for that donation.

Our club hosted so many fun-filled
tournaments—Pre-Western, Annual
Turkey Shoot, Gals vs Guys,
Memorial Tournament (formerly
Sports Day), Canada vs USA,
Horse Collar, St. Patrick's Day
Leprechaun Shoot, and the Easter
Bunny Tournament. GVR Shufflers
participated in District 1Bulletin Board
Office.
Thanks again
Kinzel, Sandy
Sylvia Dunlop
Thompson.
See you in No
Sherry Noyes
President

tournaments and Out of Resort Leagues. We even hosted the District 1 ASA Rules, Court Etiquette, and Strategy and this fall we will be hosting the Western Tournament. Our GVR shufflers took home many trophies this year. We couldn't be prouder! Also....a big SHOUT OUT to our volunteers. We couldn't do it without you! Webster defines VOLUNTEER as "a person who freely offers to take part in an enterprise or undertake a task". Our Shuffleboard Club has the GREATEST volunteers! So great we hold an Annual Shuffleboard Club Volunteer Pizza Party! Welldeserved volunteers! Our Shuffleboard Club continues to

grow and is always looking to add new members. If you aren't shuffling come to the courts and give it a try! Lessons are FREE! We wish you all safe travels back to your respective homes and look forward to your return in the fall. Until next seas Debbie Meise Publicity

Golf

The 2022- 2023 golf season is over and we had a very successful year. Our membership was 131 members. We had 75 golfers at our tournament at Fountain of the Sun Country Club and 77 people at our year end banquet. Look forward to seeing everyone return in the fall to start another season. Please keep an eye out for articles in the October and November Villager and on Golf Bulletin Board across from Post

Office. Thanks again to Tom Fookes, Bob Kinzel, Sandy Gores, Dave Shore, Sylvia Dunlop, and Susan Thompson. See you in November Sherry Noyes President

NW Party

Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho & California will get together on Wednesday, January 31 from 4:30-6:30 pm. Please bring gifts representing your home State for raffles when you return in the fall!! Your committee co-chairs Mary Jo Schneck-WA.-509-999-6209 Bev Baarspul-Oregon-503-810-8192 Esther Reem-Alaska-907-355-0321 Debra Bacus-Idaho-208-409-4940 California-welcome any volunteer Contact us with any questions on gift ideas!!!

Resident Spotlight

Meet Shirley!

Shirley is one of the many people who make Greenfield Village a

Until next season, Shuffle On!

great place to live and winter. A woman of many talents, interests, and hobbies; she finds a way to do it all.

Shirley and her husband started coming to Greenfield Village when it was first being started- around 30 years ago. They rented lot number 85 until later buying the lot she still lives on today.

Over the years, Shirley has joined many groups that she enjoyed- such as The Village Choir, Village Players Drama Group, wood carving, watercolor painting, aerobics and Tai Chi. Shirley previously taught Tai Chi and today she teaches Chair Exercise class three days per week. At the age of 92, Shirley has what it takes to keep the class on their toes (or should I say in their chair) getting a good workout!

In addition to the above groups, Shirley is also musically talented! Shirley was with the Village Voices Choir since the early days when there were close to 60 people singing under Milt Meyer. Shirley just retired her voice here at the Resort but still sings in the choir in church where she is a member. At home- Shirley plays the tenor recorder and has been learning how to play the ukulele.

Needless to say- Shirley is an inspiration to everyone who knows her.



Lapidary Club

Thank you to everyone who participated in Lapidary's Silent Auction and 50/50 and helped make Computer Room it a success. The funds raised helps both Lapidary and Silversmith. We look forward to seeing you next season.

AZ Blankets 4 Kids

AZB4Ks wants to thank all the many dedicated volunteers for supporting us in helping make blankets for so many children in the Mesa, Phoenix area. We couldn't have done it without you. We look forward to next season when we can see you again on our Sewing Bee Tuesdays! Sue, Merla, Florence, Denise, and Dotty

Village Quilters

Thank you to all the officers, teachers, volunteers, committee members and Club members for making this a successful season at the Kokopelli Room (where it is always sunny!) Mark your calendars for our next Village Quilters meeting on Thursday, Nov. 2 at 10 am in the Kokopelli Room. The theme for next season's "challenge" is to embellish a panel of your choice. This is due at our Feb. 1 monthly meeting. Have a safe and wonderful summer!

HAVE FUN while getting FIT with **ZUMBA!!!!**

Easy to follow choreography that improves cardiovascular conditioning, balance, strength, range of motion and coordination. Tuesdays at 10 am in the Floor Exercise Room. Drop in \$5 per week Instructor: Corina at 480-299-1944 corinaqmoves@gmail.com

"I've been attending Zumba classes for years and Corina is the best!" - Debbie Mackay

Greenfield friends, We are open for business and a revised schedule will be posted on the door. If the door is locked, and you need assistance or to print something you may call Ronda at 480-815-0914 afternoons and evenings up to 11 pm until May 9 or Pat at 509-979-2051 mornings and afternoons up to April 29.

Decorating Committee

A big thanks to Denise Robertson and all those who have assisted in making our Resort look festive. Denise is wanting to step down as chair, but has assured us she will be available to help.

As we look ahead to upcoming events this year, and next season, we will need your continued help and support. We will post a sign-up sheet in the Activities Hallway. Having your name, lot number, and email address will help facilitate communication.

It would be helpful if club representatives would contact us ten days before your event if you are needing decorations or assistance

coordinating Ballroom events/decorations. We would like to establish a

Ballroom Committee to assist with special events decorating such as Veterans luncheon, Valentine's dinner, etc., as well as seasonal decorations.

The Decorating Committee is excited about our Resort looking festive. We will post times for decorating in the Villager and in Monday updates so you can plan your time to help.

A sincere thank you, Lois King 816-835-8244 boocfr@yahoo.ocm 250-919-1854 Ivana Zuccolin ivanazuccolin@yahoo.com

Tennis Club

This April issue brings a close to the season but is a reminder that we have experienced many wonderful memories that make saying goodbye much easier; because we can take them with us!! Thank you to all the volunteers who helped create the memorable times we have shared....Fun Days, socials, court times, laughs, new friendships/new members and much more. March was busy with two tournaments that included 24 teams (48 members!) from Greenfield...9 teams represented Greenfield in the SVE tournament and 15 in the SSV. You see from the pictures, how well Greenfield did at SVE and how much fun was had by all! CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE!!!! It was also fantastic to see the many fans who came to cheer the players on! On March 11, the Tennis Club celebrated the season with an End-of - Season Social. The evening included music by the McKays (thx, Debbie and Kelly!) and a meal of pizza and salad bar (Thank you, Donna and crew!!!). It was a great night of laughter and dance!! Next season, we will be looking at a new system of league play. Details of this will be forthcoming but rest assured...it will be exciting! As members of our club, let's each of us do our best to greet any new residents to Greenfield and encourage them to join our tennis community. Right now, we are 215 members strong! Let's see how many we can add to this for the 2023-24 season!

Safe travels home and see you all next season!!

