



2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Church 10-11 Movie Night 7 pm Popcorn at 6:30 pm	3 Mardi Gras Parade Tacos 5 pm Tim Eggebraaten 6 pm	4 Architec. Comm 9:30 a Potluck 4:15 p Bingo 6:30 pm	5 News Hour 8 am Snowbird Café 11:30 am-1pm Hobby Show & Ice Cream Social 1-3 pm	6 Throwback Thursday with Rose & Dave Ceramics/Clay Spaghetti Dinner and 50/50 4-6 Patio	7 Snowbird Café 11:30 am—1pm Pickleball Fundraiser Music Reflections Dance 7 pm	1 8 Pancake Breakfast 7:30-9 am
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16 Church 10-11a Pinewood Derby and Ice Cream Social 2 pm	17 St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef Dinner 5 pm Steel Drums 7 pm	18 Architec. Comm 9:30 a Potluck 4:15 p Bingo 6:30 pm	19 News Hour 8 am Snowbird Café 11:30 a-1p Village Voices Concert 7 pm	20 BofD Meeting 1 pm Throwback Thursday with Rockin' Rollers Billiards/Tennis Burger Night and 50/50 4-6 Patio	21 Phil Elwell's Birthday Bash 6 pm Last Day for Activities Office	22 Pancake Breakfast 7:30-9 am
23 Church 10-11a Candle In The Wind 7 pm	24 Activities Office CLOSED Tacos 5 pm (Last Day for season) Ken Sorensen Events of March 6 pm	25 Architec. Comm 9:30 a Blood Pressure Check 8-10 am Potluck 4:15 p Bingo 6:30 pm	26 News Hour 8 am Volunteer Thank You at Organ Stop 11	27 Going Away Party with Steve Briggs MUST GOs potluck Silversmith 50/50 4-6 Patio	28 Ken Sorensen 1 pm BR Walt Disney	29
30 Church 10-11a Movie Night 6:30 pm	31				<i>Goodbye</i> 	

Activity Office Hours 9 am to 3 pm, Monday through Friday
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Villager

March 2025



Members of our Veterans Club that helped retire the old and raise the new flag in the Citrus Complex.



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Wow, the season is just about over.
 What fun we have had!
 Be sure to come back next year for even more fun in the sun!

As you are packing up to go home, please bring any keys you have for any of the locks in the common areas and petty cash bags to the Activities Office and we will put your name on them for next season. This is just in case something happens and you are not able to return. Thank you for helping us keep track of all of our keys.

Safe travels home and hurry back!! We will be waiting for you!

Heidi McKee
 Activities Director

Manager's Korner!!

--A very special, heartfelt thank you goes out to our amazing volunteers in Greenfield Village! Your efforts are appreciated and do not go unnoticed! To honor you, we are inviting all volunteers to join us at Organ Stop Pizza for music, fun and food on March 26 at 11:00 am!! Please sign up at the Activities Hallway if you plan to attend.

Please plan to attend an information meeting on having fiber optics installed in our beautiful community this spring! Representatives from Ubiquity and FiberFirst will be on-site in the Ballroom March 11 from 12-4 pm AND March 12 from 9:30 am to 3 pm to field any questions you have and enroll you for installation for internet services!

For those who have to leave in March, please check out with our office. 480-832-6400. Tend to your weeds, trim your foliage, pick fruit off the ground, make sure your irrigation system is working properly, not excessively, and pay your 3rd quarter HOA assessment if you have not already done so, before departure. List a **LOCAL** caretaker for your property in your absence. HOA payment coupons for the year have been placed in your mailbox if you are here or sent in the US Mail service. Feel free to make an entire year's payment in one smooth move, that way you will not incur late fees for forgetfulness! Remember we absolutely **Do NOT** accept post-dated checks for payment. This is an unacceptable accounting practice.

--It is required that you wear your name badge when out in the Common Area, including offices. It is difficult to call people by name when you don't know them! By doing so, I believe we can continue to build a sense of community and friendship!!

-- Keep the sincere kindness, smiles, jokes, and hugs going all around! Spread the Goodness in Greenfield!!

--Please obey all traffic signs and respect others.
Thank you for another fabulous season together!!!!!!

My Best,
Mary Ash,
General Manager

Please pick up your photo directory in the Activities Office ASAP!!



My Best,
Mary Ash,
General Manager

Our lost and found is overflowing. Please stop by the Activities or Administrative Office and retrieve what you have lost. We have missing assorted jewelry, car keys, park model keys, clothing, sunglasses, regular glasses. We will donate everything to the Thrift Store in April if not claimed.



Let's Summarize the Annual Homeowners Meeting

The Greenfield Village Annual meeting was held Wednesday, February 12. One hundred eighty-three Members attended in the Ballroom, and 37 attended via Zoom. The annual election resulted in four Association Members elected to the Board of Directors, passing of the Operating budget and the Replacement and Repair Reserve plan and assessments for fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, and passing of the Amended and Restated Bylaws. Members will find the tallies for each Issue of the Ballot posted on the on-site Bulletin Board and on the Condo-Web. Below is a summary:

Eligible (no arrears) Ballots tallied: 485

Directors elected: Hugh Birgenheier, Todd Brink, Merilee Eckhardt, John Hurst (in alpha order)

Issue #2 – General Assessment – Operating Fund: Passed - 60%

Issue #3 – General Assessment – Replacement and Repair Reserve Fund: Passed – 81%

Issue #4 – Amended and Restated Bylaws: Passed – 54%

Issue #5 – IRS Revenue Ruling 70-604: Passed – 95%

Four Board Directors 'retired' from service to the Resort: John Boerfyn, Mike Burton, Wilma Dodge, and Ron Lamabe. They were honored for their dedication and leadership.

Auditors Butler-Hansen PC, CPA, reported a clean audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

Members of the Management staff, your Board of Directors, and the various Advisory and Processing Committees presented annual reports, which are posted on the Condo-Web under Documents – Annual Homeowners Meeting 2025. Complete Minutes of the AHM will be posted.

Thanks to all Members who attended the meeting, both in the Ballroom and on Zoom.

Huey Burk, Director

Cribbage

Games are played in the Card Room on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm. Please arrive by 6:15 pm. Cost is \$5 per evening with all monies paid back to the winners. Last day will be March 26. Any questions call Keith at 507-254-2549 or Francis at 605-210-1483.

Please join us for our "Keep It Simple" Group!

We're a support group that focuses on healthy relationships and coping mechanisms. We work on self-awareness and self-improvement as a way to achieve these goals.

We meet Monday evenings at 7 pm in the Cactus Room. Please contact Bobbi at 480-280-5405 or Marilyn at 480-326-1265 for more information.

Cha Cha and Rumba Classes

Wednesdays at 10 am in the Ballroom.

Security and Personal Safety Report (please keep this information in a convenient location)

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

For non-emergencies please call 480-644-2211. Confirm your address: 111 S. Greenfield Road (your Lot #) Mesa, AZ 85206.

YOUR BIKES, E-BIKES here is what to do:

The Mesa Police have asked that all bikes and e-bikes be locked up when not in use. Also, please register your bikes with the GVR Administration Office by completing the Bike Registration Forms. Please note: if 1/2 of the lots in Greenfield register their bikes with the Mesa police, the 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.

Lindy is our resource person for the Mesa Police Department. She is glad to come and speak at any type of social event, block party or gathering. Her phone is: Lindy Marino, M.A., M Ed. 480-644-3921

Melinda.Marino@mesaaz.gov

CPR and AED Training:

On February 5, 40 Greenfield residents completed CPR and AED training. Since the inception of the program in 2013 over 365 residents have received CPR and AED Training. The Resort staff have also undergone training. The 2025 session was free with the aid of the Mesa Fire Department for the third year. Thanks to Wilma Dodge, Greenfield Board and Heather Patterson of the Mesa Fire Department for their efforts in putting this on. Between 2013 and 2022 it was a pay for training by the American Heart Savers Program. Misconceptions we hear:

"I'll just call the fire department, and they will save my loved one."

If CPR is started within 4 minutes of collapse and defibrillation provided within 10 minutes, a person has a 40% chance of survival. For every minute outside of 4 minutes your chances of surviving decrease by 10%. Over 46% of cardiac arrests occur at home. Brain death occurs between 4-6 minutes. Response time from the Mesa Fire Department averages over four minutes. Your loved one may survive but not fully recover with fire department aid only.

"I'll just call security, and they will bring the AED and save my loved one"

If security takes over 4 minutes to arrive and defibrillation is delayed, similar problems may occur. The other issue is that the heart can be in defibrillation and the AED will do no good. This has occurred in our Resort.

Co-Chairs Wilma Dodge and Mike Burton

Golf

The golf season is almost over for us. Our leagues will continue through the end of March. Hopefully you've had a great season!

Our annual Golf Tournament is on Sunday, March 2 at Fountain of the Sun Golf Course. Greenfield Golf still has a few spots left for our annual tournament @ Fountain of the Sun Golf Resort on Sunday, March 2. If you're interested in joining us, please contact:

Sandy Gores – 206-817-6266
Debbie Weed -206-794-9225

Deborah Holcomb – 206-713-8609

The year-end banquet is being held on Wednesday, March 12 and tickets can still be purchased from league captains or Sandy Gores (Lot #332). All golfers and their guests welcome! Many thanks to each of our league captains for their hard work. We know you've had extra juggling to do with all of our frost delays!

Tom Fookes – Sunland Village East
Chuck Boos – Golden Hills Golf Club (formerly Arizona Golf Resort)
Sandy Gores & Dave Shores – Sunland Village

Sylvia Dunlop and Carey Hoepner – Painted Mountain

Barry Thompson – Ken McDonald

It was a great season! Thanks to all of you who participated in one or more of our golf leagues. We look forward to seeing you in November when the leagues resume for the 25/26 season!

Cheers!

Debbie Weed & Deborah Holcomb
Co-Presidents



More Joey O'isms part 2

37. Allow the past to be past.
38. A negative attitude about anybody will never do you any good.
39. Good golf swings come in cans, not can-nots.
40. You never know, but ya gotta know.
41. Nothing can be forced in life, including the golf swing.
42. don't compare yourself to others. Be the best you can be.
43. Do your thing.
44. If you eat everything that's good for you, you might live six months longer. And you might not want to.
45. The friends you keep can make you smile or weep.
46. Once you have the game won, quit playing.
47. Seeking approval is actually a disapproving act.
48. Have fun! Think and know it is already so-and so it will be!
49. The older you get, the more selective you become of whom you hang out with.
50. Never let an old person move into your mind.
51. What we plant, we get.
52. When you put as much attention to the solution to the challenge, instead of the challenge, you have a healing.
53. Bob Hope returned all of my phone calls. I just want others to return one. LOL.
54. When we dwell on what we don't like, what we don't like will expand in our world.
55. Love yourself so much that you're selfless.
56. Never do anything that doesn't give you peace.
57. Give happiness to others and you'll be happy, too.
58. You wonder how I can hit a ball from a six-foot unicycle. I wonder how you can read.
59. Never use a negative word in a positive affirmation.

60. those who bring happiness to others can't keep it from themselves.
61. Talk about what you want, not what you don't want.
62. What you think of yourself is the most important decision you will ever make.
63. Don't allow someone's negative attitude about you change how you feel about yourself.
64. A lot of people say thoughts are things. I say thoughts become things.
65. Listen to your inner voice and you'll make an awesome choice.
66. What you put into your mind is more important than what you put into your mouth because what you put into your mind comes out of your mouth.
67. Even if no one believes in you, believe in yourself.
68. Honesty is the fertilizer of achievement.
69. Plan and know it's already so.
70. If you knew you couldn't fail, what would you do?
71. Being broke is a one-time situation. Being poor is a lifetime of consciousness.
72. Never accept no for an answer unless no is the answer you want.

MAGA Year End Party

Saturday, March 29 at 3 pm on the Patio. BYOB and something to share if you choose!

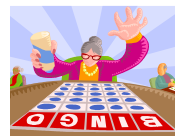


Chair Exercise Thank You!

Sincere thanks to ALL who come to chair exercise. Your generous support, encouragement and co-operation with each other and your leader is amazing (and fun). We'll continue to the end of the 24-25 season (March 31) with dwindling numbers as you return to your summer homes. God willing we'll make plans for next season. Thank You!!! Blessings, Shirley

Bingo

Come join the fun! Doors open every Tuesday at 6:30 pm with play beginning at 7 pm. What a fun way to spend an evening and win some money! We take a short 10 minute break around 8 pm for ice cream. If you are not playing and would like to purchase an ice cream, you may do so but please do not disrupt Bingo.



The first signs of spring!

Activities News

Hobby Show

Dear Greenfield Villagers Please join us for the 2025 Greenfield Village Hobby Show on Wednesday, March 5th, from 1-3 pm in the Ballroom. This is a wonderful opportunity to discover the amazing variety of creative, interesting, and enjoyable activities available here at Greenfield Village. Clubs and individual hobby enthusiasts will be displaying their creations and sharing information about their hobbies. Some of the clubs will be conducting raffles and sales to support club activities. Individual sales however are not permitted during this event because of tax restrictions. We hope to see you there! For further information or to participate please email Maxine at borowko@telus.net.

Patio Sale

Our last patio sale of the season will be held on Saturday, March 15 from 9 am to noon. If you just purchased a park model, now is the time to get it furnished. You will find lots of wonderful items for sale. If you are planning on selling your items, please sign up in the Activities Hallway so that we can get you on the map. Maps will be available at the Front Gate with Security after 3 pm on Friday, March 14.



Volunteer Thank You

As you all know, this is a volunteer run Resort in many ways. Without all of our wonderful volunteers in every area of the Resort, we would not be the Resort we all love. This is the time of year that Mary and Heidi like to say "THANK YOU" to all of you.



If you have volunteered this season and would like to join us at our Volunteer Thank You Party, please stop in and sign up in the Activities Hallway. We will treat you to a delicious pizza lunch and show at Organ Stop Pizza on Wednesday, March 26 at 11 am. Please join us so we can THANK YOU!!!!

Going Away Party

Our last fling of the season is on Thursday, March 27 from 4-6 pm on the Patio with Steve Briggs. We will bring back our "MUST GOS" potluck. Bring whatever you have in your fridge that you would like to share. Silversmith will be holding a 50/50 raffle. This is the last raffle of the season so try your luck and support a great club. The Veterans Club will also hold their quilt and smart box raffle.

Snowbird Café

Thank you to the many new and returning volunteers that made the Café so successful this season, and to those of you that supported it on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays throughout the season. Our last day of operation for this season is Monday, March 24. See you there and THANK YOU for your support throughout this season!

Thirsty Thursdays

March 6-Rose and Dave-Ceramics/Clay will serve a spaghetti dinner and hold a 50/50.
March 13-The Breeze-Pickleball Burger Night and Lapidary Auction and 50/50
March 20-The Driveway Band-Billiards and Tennis Pulled Pork and 50/50
March 27-Going Away Party-Steve Briggs-MUST-GO's Potluck-Silversmith 50/50

Monday Madness

Tacos from 5-6 pm for \$3 each. At 6 pm the Madness begins: March 3—Mardi Gras March 10-Derby Night March 17-**NO** Monday Madness-St. Patrick's Day dinner and Show March 24-Ken Sorensen speaking on the Events of March

Part 2 of Ken Sorensen will be Friday, March 28 at 1 pm in the Ballroom. Ken will tell you all about Walt Disney.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Show

Monday, March 17 we will have a delicious Corned Beef and Cabbage Meal catered in beginning at 5 pm. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm. Tickets are \$15 in the Activities Office. There will absolutely be **NO** tickets available at the door. The Steel Drums will entertain you beginning at 7 pm. Tickets available in the Activities Office for \$15 or at the door for \$20. If you would like to attend both the dinner and the show, please purchase your tickets in the Activities Office prior to Thursdays, March 13 for \$25.

POST OFFICE NEWS

**Any mail addressed to:
99 Quinn Circle
will be returned by the Post Office. This is NOT a valid address. Please make sure that all mail you are receiving has the correct address of:
111 S. Greenfield Rd. Lot #
Mesa, AZ 85206**



Activities News

Food Drive

We all have "must-gos" this time of year as we get ready to return to our summer homes and our other lives. Most of us can't, or don't want to take this stuff home with us. For your convenience there is a box in the Activities Office for the United Food Bank. The food bank takes any unopened non-perishable items that are not out of date.



Desert Winds Concert Band

Back by popular demand, the Desert Winds Concert Band will be returning to perform once again in our GVR Ballroom on Sunday, March 9 at 7 pm. This 50-piece ensemble (including two of our own Greenfield Village residents) has been delighting audiences for many years throughout the East Valley, and their repertoire this season is as entertaining as ever, featuring selections by Aaron Copland, John Williams (Star Wars, Superman, etc.), Stevie Wonder, and Louis Armstrong, plus some famous marches and other patriotic pieces as well! Tickets are not required as admission will be free.

Karaoke

Karaoke has become quite the place to be on Wednesday afternoons from 4-6 pm on the Patio here at GVR. If you haven't heard them, come out and give a listen, or take your turn at a song. This is just a fun group that decided to get together on a weekly basis and others have joined.

Party Time

Come help celebrate Phil Elwell's 80th Birthday/Appreciation to ALL Greenfield residents/staff on Friday, March 21 from 6-10 pm in the Ballroom. Kegs, Wine and punch; food prepared by our own caterer Donna White. Dance to the 50s, 60s,70s music of DJ John Hanley. Memorabilia of both Vermont and Greenfield years will be on display for viewing. Most important, please sign up in the Activities Hallway, ASAP; head count for the caterer. No gifts please, your presence will be the best gift of all!

Village Voices Concert

March 19 at 7 pm in the Ballroom Doors are at 6:30. Songs "Blowin' In The Wind", "Let There Be Peace On Earth", plus 50's song selections Free Will Offering (It's our ONLY fundraiser)



Room Request Forms

Room Request Forms for the 2025-2026 season will be available in the Activities Office beginning March 3. Please fill your form out completely and return it to the Activities Office at your convenience. When things quiet down later in March I will book the rooms in the order the forms were received. Look for your confirmations in your mailbox as I can no longer email them and double check them to make sure everything is correct so it can be changed now and not mid season when there is no availability to do so.

Two Remaining Concerts

K-Tel All Stars-The Totally 70s Show! Step back in time to the ultimate era of music, the 1970s, featuring a dynamic stage show that captures the essence of the 70s like never before. From Disco beats to Classic Rock anthems, through number-one hits, one-hit wonders, and other unforgettable gems that defined the era.

Candle In The Wind-The Elton John ultimate tribute to the music of Elton and his songwriting partner, Bernie Taupin. A truly authentic portrayal of the iconic artist and his music. "Mine and the band's mission is to thoroughly re-create the Elton John concert experience, to the level or degree that after the show, fans truly feel as if they just saw Elton himself perform."

Tickets are still available for both shows at \$28 each in the Activities Office or wait and purchase them at the door for \$35 each if not sold out.



welcome Committee

Welcome to all new and returning Owners and Renters! The Welcome Committee has reached out, by way of a personalized welcome card and/or personal contact to 5 new Owners registered since November 30, 2024. We will continue our efforts to have contact with any more recent new owners or renters registered to the present date. The Welcome Committee will provide new residents with up to date information about Greenfield Village and all the different activities we have to offer, in a gift bag and answer questions they may have. We can also let you know about all the different volunteer opportunities.

If you are a new Owner or Renter and haven't been contacted yet, please let us know by contacting the Welcome Committee volunteers for the month of March at the numbers indicated below.

Sandy Devine #579 Brian 306-530-2317 Or
Gayle Doyle #294 Lemon 309-236-7213

Respectfully submitted,
Co-Chairs Barbie Stockstad and Gayle Doyle

Tennis

Our Tennis league games have come to a finish with more than 80 members playing at their levels. We will be completing our season with some Tournaments and fun times. Open to all resort residents is our Round Robins. Every morning at 7:30 am, and Sundays at noon all are welcome. Monday afternoons at 1:30 pm is for all ladies and Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm is for the men. These round robins will continue as long as there are 4 players playing. Here is a note from the Tennis Social Committee

ATTENTION "KNIGHTS AND LADIES"! IT'S OUR YEAR END "TENNIS BALL" (get it) MARCH 22.....Happy hour 5:00.....Dinner 6:00.....BYOB Look for the sign up sheets at the courts about the first week of March. Club members are complimentary and guests must PREPAY \$10 cash or check made out to GVR and given to Tammy Bain, #718 by March 17.

Ceramics/Clay

March 6 at Throwback Thursday from 4-6 pm come enjoy Eddie's Spaghetti Night Ceramic/Clay Fundraiser heaping meaty sauce on spaghetti with garlic bread, salad, parmigiana and a sweet ending! Come in the Ceramic Studio and meet our monitors for a free lesson after joining the Ceramics/Clay Club! One fee for all techniques! They will get you started on your first project whether it be clay or slip mold! We do it all! If classes are full, that doesn't mean you can hop in and get going!

1. Lucky
2. LEPRECHAUN
3. Irish
4. ST PATRICK
5. pot o' GOLD
6. shanrock
7. MARCH 17th
8. pinCh me
9. RAINBOW
10. 🍀🍀🍀🍀

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Pet Park

Picking up after your pet is a necessary chore for all dog owners. Not only does it ensure a tidy and sanitary



environment for your playing pets, but it also helps to prevent the transmission of any potential diseases. Don't put Roofus at risk-clean up after your pets!

Our group that meets at 3 pm every day are finding a lot of dog waste while picking up our own dog's mess. Please be respectful of all and take a minute to clean up after yours.

These are some of the dear dogs we have lost in the past few years.

They gave many happy memories. Submitted by Carol Underwood
In memory of

Lulu, Tonya Toy, Spud, Sophie, Scotia, Itsy Bitsy, Little Bit, Jesse, Buddy, Snoopy, Ally and Toby. Well, it is the last month for most winter visitors already. Have a wonderful summer and we will see you in the fall. Take care of yourself and your puppy friends.

Audrey Davies

Pinewood Derby

Come join us Sunday, March 16 for Greenfield's annual Pinewood Derby Race in the Ballroom. Doors open at 1 pm for a fun filled 50's theme event and witness our new Pinewood Derby Track. Come early and enjoy our Ice Cream bar served with Char Overweg's homemade Hot Fudge. Vote for the best looking and creative cars before the race and get a chance to get in a raffle for the winning cars all while listening to 50's and 60's music. Race will start at 2 pm.

There is still time to purchase a new car kit from the activity

office for \$8 or sponsor a finished car ready to race (See Ed Vander Loon).

Please have your cars finished and turned in before March 15 to Lot #517 Dustin to be weighed and assigned a number. Any questions call Ed Vanderloon 616-481-1949.

Computer Room

Free to all!

SCAN PRINT PLAY READ
4 work stations, printer/scanner, check your email, scan a document and email to yourself in the room or to someone else. Play a game or surf the net. Link to our printer with your phone or laptop, we will show you how. We offer printer and photocopying for CASH.

Black and white is \$0.10

Color copies \$0.25.

Monday 10 am-2 pm

Tuesday 9 am-1 pm

Wednesday 9 -10:30 am & 1-3 pm

Thursday 10 am-12 pm

Friday 9 am-12 pm

There may be schedule changes, if the sign is out someone is there to be of assistance.

After hours

Call Pat for access 218-760-0718

Call Ronda for access 780-966-3096

Silversmith

Thanks for all of you that have shown interest in silversmithing this year. We have made some great connections this year. And are hoping to meet many more of you. Come observe.

The season is going quickly. Come and look at our beautiful things being made. We have all kinds of jewelry, such as earrings, pendants, rings and much more. We are learning new things all the time. We also do repair, cleaning, and checking for prongs on stones. We also do custom pieces.

We will be doing a 50\50 drawing on March 27.

We will also be in the Hobby Show March 5.

Thanks again for all your support! Contact Donna Swanson if you have any questions.

Bible Study

Please join our Greenfield Village men and women in weekly Bible Study. Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30 am in the Card Room. Our study time is casual, inspirational, and a place to share and grow in your faith. All are welcome! More info: Arnold Jol 780-916-8722

Greenfield Village Christian Church

Please join our non-denominational services for song, prayer and worship Sundays at 10 am in the Ballroom. We start with coffee and fellowship at 9:30 am, all are welcome!

See our special day of Baptism notice in this Villager. More infor: Pastor Shealds Smith 480-818-2229.

Thank You to All Decorating Volunteers

Wow! Thank you to all who came to decorate our Ballroom Sunday, February 2 for Valentines and again on Tuesday, February 18 to change it to Mardi Gras. Many hands make light work and you all demonstrated that. Thank you: Hugh Walker, Diane Reuter, Mary Ann Fugitt, Gail Theile, Lesa Nugent, Debra Bacus, Mark Lind, Katy Torok, Marlene Perkins, Sandy Short, Sue & Don Hay, Audrae King, Joan Guillemete, Len Bousquet, Janell McMannany, Joan Timmerman, and my co-chairman Ivanna Zuccolin. I hope I haven't forgotten anyone.

Sincerely,
Lois King

News

Meet, Donna Casmere – Vander Loon,

Donna grew up in Detroit, Michigan and recalls a love for art at an early age. Her mother regularly dropped her and her brother off at the Detroit Art Institute with a baloney sandwich sack lunch, then picked them up after her errands were completed. Of course, once the Detroit riots started the Institute visits and baloney sandwich sack lunches ended. But her love of art didn't wane.

Donna grew up and went off to earn a degree with a major in Fine Arts and a master's degree in education. Earning an Art degree isn't as easy as some may think. Being creative is just the first step as there is so much more. Taking classes such as chemistry, physics and geology are a necessary part of the learning in the many different mediums of art like painting, fiber arts, jewelry, lapidary and ceramics. Donna brings her vast knowledge of the many art forms to our Resort and would love to visit with anyone at any level from beginners to someone who may be more knowledgeable about the arts. After earning her degrees, she was able to work forty years teaching. She has taught all grades from K-12 to college classes including people with special needs, at nursing homes, with foster care children and even those in the jail system. We are fortunate to have all her knowledge and experience here at GVR as she teaches and helps guide the eager budding artists in the Ceramics Studio.

Her favorite medium to work with in the winter is clay since she does not have a firing kiln back in Michigan. But during her summer months she loves to paint. Donna has illustrated seven books and written and illustrated her own children's book entitled "Do Unto", about doing unto others as you would like to be done unto you. Her book talks about

many things she has experienced and seen over the years. GVR is fortunate that she has copies for sale here in the Resort if anyone is interested.

When asked for her favorite quote she told me it was by George Bernard Shaw. "This is a true joy in life: Being used for a purpose recognized by yourself as a mighty one, being a force of nature instead of a feverish, selfish little clod of ailments and grievances, complaining that the world will not devote itself to making you happy. I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the whole community and as long as I live, it is my privilege to do for it what I can. It is a sort of splendid torch which I have got hold of for the moment and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to future generation." After hearing Shaw's quote, Donna's statement during the interview takes on new meaning, "I have received a lot in my lifetime and now is my time to give back and share what I learned" Donna Casmere - Vander Loon.



Veterans Club

Be sure to go to the Citrus Complex and check out our new 15' by 25' American Flag that is a beautiful addition to our Resort. Thank you to all that attended our flag raising ceremony. The old distressed flag will be taken to the American Legion in Gilbert to be disposed of properly.

Thanks to Ray Toews for securing a "Huey" helicopter for our Mardi Gras parade. This helicopter can be viewed one hour prior to the parade at the Citrus Complex for those who would like to learn more about it. Our March meeting will be the 13th at 10 am in the Pima Room. We reached a milestone with 60 members in our club and all are welcome to join.

Jim Sanner
Commander

News Hour

Every Wednesday at 8 am come join us in the Ballroom for the latest update for the week as to what's happening. Bring \$3 and enjoy a "Cup of Joe" and a donut.

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.

Vern Steger Feb. 2 # 60



News from the Shuffleboard Club!



Pancake Breakfasts

Our Pancake breakfasts will conclude this month but what a GREAT season we've had! Thanks to all those who came and enjoyed breakfast. Special thanks to all our Volunteers! Shuffleboard continues with the **50/50 raffle** each time. And best of all, you don't need to be present to win! **WE WILL FIND YOU!**

Breakfast Tickets:

- Purchase in the Activity office: **\$5.00**

At the door: **\$6.00**

Upcoming Dates:

March 8 and 22

Shuffleboard Events in March:

Saturday 1 Gals vs Guys

Rematch 9:15 a.m.

Monday 3 Mardi Gras

Parade

Wednesday 5, 12 and 19 Play

begins at 6:30 p.m. Last game is

March 19, 2025

Saturday 8 Pancake

Breakfast 7:30 – 9 a.m.

Saturday 8 Out of Park

League Banquet – Organ Stop Pizza

noon – 2 p.m.

Friday 14 Monthly

Shuffleboard Meeting

Saturday 15 Annual

Banquet – save this day!

Sunday 16 St. Patrick's

Day turkey shoot 1 p.m. beer to

follow; bring snacks (TBD)

Saturday 22 Last Pancake

Breakfast for the season 7:30 – 9

bring plates, cutlery

Mon-Th 24-28 Easter Bunny

Classic Tournament \$10.00 Trophy,

Non-Trophy; Open Play in the

Evening - FOOD as per Food

Committee

Wow, time really does fly when

you're having fun! It's hard to believe

the season is wrapping up already.

I hope your time at GVR was filled

with laughter, triumphs, and

unforgettable moments. If you

enjoyed it as much as we think

you did, why not keep the good

times rolling by joining the Shuffleboard Club? It's a great way to stay connected and keep the fun going!

We can't wait to welcome you back next season at GVR. Until then, have a fantastic, safe, and healthy summer! Until next time, Shuffle On!
Debbie Meise – Publicity

Card Making

Many people showcased their unique and creative summer project cards. We were able to get some new ideas from the cards people showed. At the end of the month a new challenge will be presented.

During the month of March we will be working on a side closure as well as a corner closure card and a fence card. We will end the season with a repeat of a favorite card or construct a box. Thank you to the many people who have attended the card-making classes. Have a great summer!

Have you seen our Laundry Angel?

Do you know who he/she is? I want to say "Thank You"

to our resident Laundry Angel.

I have come back to the laundry room several times to find my clothes nicely folded and stacked. You are a true "Angel"!!! We can all learn something from this Angel and be nice or do something nice to and for each other.

Written by a "Thankful Resident"



Baptism

Greenfield Village Christian Church will celebrate a Special Day of Baptism-Poolside-on Sunday, March 9 at 9:30 am. Worship service will begin at 10 am as usual in the Ballroom. More info: Pastor Shealds Smith 480818-2229.

NW Party

Washington, Oregon, Idaho, California, and Alaska residents; We are planning a potluck dinner party for you near the end of January 2026. This summer while in your State, please bring back some item or items that represent your State for the door prizes.

Also, be thinking of a white elephant gift for a gift exchange.

More information to follow in the Fall.

For more information or to volunteer for this fun, energetic, exciting committee, feel free to contact one of the following volunteers.

Bob Barker 206-954-4790

Linda Mahoney 509-898-3146

Nancy Buckner 425-583-7250

Amber Snoddy 208-597-6573

Ceramics

Our Ceramics group has been very busy this season! We have developed an "Orientation for New Members" program which provides a booklet, a ceramic piece, tools and guidance to learn the cleaning, painting, and firing of a ceramic piece. And most important an introduction to awesome members for a fun time.

We have had our annual beginner brushstrokes class along with introducing a texture painting class. Many are excited for the upcoming carving technique class. The weather will now allow us to start our outdoor firing techniques too. Come on down outside the ceramics room on March 12 Sager firings or March 26 RAKU firings, around noon to 1 pm'ish, to see our process in action as pieces will begin to leave the kiln!

Watch for an all new Trivia Night coming next season!!!!

Soup Luncheon Thank You

A HUGE thank you to all who helped make the Annual Soup Luncheon a success. We had 35 soups donated, assorted bakers and helpers of all kinds. Of course, thank you to all that purchased tickets to enjoy the day and help support the decorations committee. Plans for a bigger and better event next year have already started!

Pickleball

Pickleball Dates to remember:

March 1: Pickleball Tournament, 8 am - 6 pm

March 7: Pickleball Dance, 7-10 pm, Ballroom. Dance to Midnight Confessions

March 13: Pickleball Club Burger Night, 4-6 pm, if possible, please bring correct \$ amount, i.e.: \$8.00 / \$16.00 etc.

A note to members, in particular NEW members: If you are not receiving E-mails from Pickleball, please send your E-mail address to: **Karen Sanner**

at karen.sanner@gmail.com so she can verify your address.

Check the bulletin board, at the courts, to find the information you need to book a court **HoldmyCourt** and to check out the **Schedule for the Week**. Note: we have added some evening Round Robins.

The Executive would like to say **Thank You** to all the players that came out for lessons, skills and drills, ladder league and tournaments, and to all the volunteers that make all this happen at the courts and at the fund raisers.

Please remember to **wear your name tag** when you come to the courts and don't come to the court if you are not feeling well.

Debbie Warnke
GVR Pickleball Club Secretary
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Woodshop News

Welcome to the Woodshop. We are open daily from 9 am to 12 noon and 1-4 pm with the exception of holidays, Saturdays, and Sundays. We also have Wood Carving on Mondays and Thursdays at 1 pm. On Mondays at 9 am and Tuesdays at 1 pm you can join Leather Tooling. Woodburning is done on Mondays and Wednesdays at 1 pm. We offer Lathe classes periodically. These classes are for beginners and all are welcome. The Woodshop provides monitors to assist you. We have the power tools and hand tools to facilitate and help you with your projects. Membership dues to use these facilities is \$30 per year. Come in and look around, see you soon.

Lapidary Design Studio

If you are interested in what we do in Lapidary stop by the Design Studio as we love to share our craft. We are also pleased to offer a free introductory session! No worries, if you think you are not creative. We have plenty of ideas to share and before you know it, your creativity will blossom. Playing with rocks can be addictive!

March 13 during Throwback Thursday we will host our annual display table, silent auction and raffle. Lapidary class schedule for March 3 at 2 pm is:

Tumbling Class

Who doesn't like shiny gems & minerals (aka rocks!)

Thank you for supporting our February Fundraiser and March Sale.

