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Happy Valentine's

SUPER BOWL



Month

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February 2025

### From the Activity Desk

It's February already!

What a fun-packed month we have planned for you!

Soup Luncheon
CPR/AED Training
Blood Drive
Monday Madness
Happy Hours
Friday Night Dance
Bakery Auction
Toby Tribute Concert
Rave Ons Concert
Valentines Dinner and Dance
New Image Fashion Sale

Get ready to have some fun this February!!

**Heidi McKee**Activities Director

### Manager Korner!!

I hope everyone is having a great new year so far!!! How are those resolutions going?? I came across an important reminder in the City of Mesa's newsletter (January 2025) from the City of Mesa, and felt a strong need to share the info with

"Saving Water—A Simple New Year's Resolution to Keep"

"Is getting better organized or shedding a few pounds on your list of resolutions for 2025? How about an easy resolution that will benefit the environment, help you live a more sustainable lifestyle and provide you with dollar savings, too? From simple behavior changes like replacing fixtures that save H20 without even thinking about it, here are some ideas to get you started: \*\*Turn off water while brushing teeth, shaving or washing dishes. \*\*Trade your showerhead, faucet or toilet for a WATERSENSE-labeled model.

- \*\*Check your toilets for silent leaks with a few drops of food coloring in the tank.
- \*\*Select low-water use plants that are adapted to our desert climate.
- \*\*Do a thorough check of your irrigation system to find and fix leaks. Tap into the City of Mesa's water conservation pages for more inspiration, including a calendar with monthly water conservation activities to help you keep your resolution on track."
- --Remember to include your name, Lot #, and a good call back phone number when writing to the Administration Office and the Board of Directors.
- --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!!
- -- A very special, heartfelt thank you goes out to our amazing

volunteers in Greenfield Village! Your efforts are appreciated and do not go unnoticed!

-- Keep the sincere kindness, smiles, jokes, and hugs going all around! Spread the Goodness in Greenfield!! --Please obey all traffic signs and respect others.

My Best, Mary Ash, General Manager

General Manager

#### Fiber Optics is coming to Greenfield Village!

You are invited to attend an information session by Ubiquity, a local fiber optics company and their preferred Internet Service Provider, Fiber First, on Wednesday, February 12 at 10:30 am in the Ballroom. You may consider staying after the session with your HOA dues in order for to eat lunch at the Snowbird Café, followed by the Annual Meeting! Registrations starts at 12:30 pm. See you there! Mary Ash,

#### **Annual Homeowners** Meeting

Once a year we have a Homeowners meeting with all the Clubs and Committees giving their end of year reports along with announcing our new Board of Directors and other Ballot issue results.. Please be sure your dues are paid up to date so that your vote counts. All Election Buddy votes must be done by 2 pm on Tuesday, February 11. We also pull the Ballot box out of the Administration Office at 3 pm on Tuesday, February 11 to count the paper Ballots. Last minute Ballots will close at 1 pm on Wednesday, February 12 when the meeting begins. You must be paid up to date your Ballot to count. One Ballot per household.



#### **Block Watch Captains** Needed

WE still need block watch captains in several areas. Contact Mike Burton at xxcoach7@gmail.com if you are willing to help. This is not a available and hope you will join us BIG job-but it is very rewarding.

#### **Pickleball**

COME OUT AND JOIN THE FUN:

February 6: Pickleball Club Burger Night, 4-6 pm, it will be Pickleball's 50/50

February 18: Pickleball AGM, 7-9 pm, in the Pima Room. Please join us, we want to hear from you. February 21: Dessert in the Desert, 6-7:30 pm, Ballroom and Patio, please watch for sign up sheets, down at the courts, requesting you to bring toppings etc. for the ice cream.

March 1: Pickleball Tournament, 8 am - 6 pm – Sign up sheets will be posted in February.

March 7: Pickleball Dance, 6-11 pm, Ballroom. Dance to Midnight Confessions

March 13: Pickleball Club Burger Night, 4-6 pm Check the bulletin board, at the

courts, to find the Schedule for the Week and the information you need for HoldmyCourt.

Please don't come to the court if you are not feeling well & please remember to wear your name tags.

Debbie Warnke GVR Pickleball Club Secretary Cell: 780-361-9590 E-mail:

farmurrswife@gmail.com



#### **GOLF**

Our Greenfield Golf

**Tournament** is fast approaching... March 2! We have 80 slots for this fun event. Our tournament will be at Fountain of the Sun Golf Course in Mesa. Tournament fee will be \$60 per player (includes golf, cart and tax.) Your \$10 membership dues with Greenfield Golf must be paid to play in the tournament.

You can sign up as a single, a pair or as a foursome. On March 12, our Golf Banquet will be held in the Ballroom. Watch the golf bulletin board for more information regarding our banquet. Tournament sign-up sheet will be posted on the Golf bulletin board across from the Post Office on

January 27. All who want to play must be signed up no later than February 14.

Cheers! Debbie Weed & Deborah Holcomb Co-Presidents Greenfield Golf

#### **Strength and Balance Exercise**

Chair exercise is popular in our Resort so we have a new Strength and Balance Class. Focus is working with weights and balance techniques. We meet in the Floor Exercise Room on Tuesday and Thursday at 9 am. All are welcome

> DO NOT Walk through others' lots to get to your destination. **Walk around** the block!







#### **Great Lakes Gathering**

Just a reminder the Great Lakes Gathering is February 22 from noon to 3 pm in the Ballroom. The sign up sheet is posted in the Activities Hallway. We are planning a potluck (minimum 10 servings). There will be games and prizes with a 50/50 drawing. For those of you who were kind enough to bring donations for our gift baskets, please drop them off at Lot #422 by February 15. Any questions contact Pete VanderLoon at 616-893-5547.

#### Lapidary Design Studio

If you are interested in what we do in Lapidary come in on Tuesday evenings between 6:30 and 8:30 pm for a tour with Barry Earl. The class schedule for February is: **Introduction to Grinding & Polishing:** Tuesday, February 4 at 3:30 pm

Use of Equipment: Tuesday, February 11 at 3:30 pm How to Epoxy your Creation: Tuesday, February 18 at 3:30 pm Introduction to Intrasia: Tuesday, February 25 at 3:30 pm Come out and support our Fundraiser on February 20 on Throwback Thursday for Pulled Pork on a bun, chips and coleslaw for \$8 and for dessert an Ice Cream Bar for \$1.

#### 50th Wedding Anniversary

on February 15 for Keith and Brenda Trom. Congratulations!!!



#### **Come Help Celebrate**

Phil Elwell's 80th birthday/ appreciation to ALL Greenfield residents and Staff celebration evening on Friday, March 21 from 6-10 pm in the Ballroom. Tap kegs, eat the delicious goodies prepared by our own resident caterer Donna White, socialize with friends and neighbors and dance the night away to the 50s, 60s and 70s music of DJ John, who also plays requests. Personal scrapbooks and picture memorabilia of Phil's will be on display for viewing. Memorabilia will include a 20+ year collection of scrapbooks pertaining to Greenfield events, former and present residents and memorabilia pertaining to celebrities and friends who graced Phil's life in Vermont. No gifts please, your presence will be the best gift of all!! Please sign up in the Activities Hallway if you plan on attending so that we can make sure we have enough snackies for everyone.



#### Thank You!!!

First of all: We want to say Thank-You to Rochelle Heidt and her team for all their hard work in making our Resort beautiful. Thank-You All!! With that being said, I would like the opportunity to re-start the GVR Beautification Sub-Committee for the 2025-2026 season. This Sub-Committee will be in charge of planting and taking care of the flower pots in our Resort. Volunteers are needed for planting. putting down mulch and of course we must water these pots. All heavy work like moving pots, etc., will be done by our GVR maintenance crew. If you are interested in joining this group, a GVR Beautification sign—up sheet will be in the Activities Hallway. If anyone has ideas on other ways to beautify our Resort or has fundraising ideas please join our **GVR** Beautification Sub-Committee. One last thing, I want to put out a big Thank-You to the groups that watered and fed the flowers that were planted in their area this past season! I look forward to seeing your green thumbs in Kelly Keller #79 November!!



#### **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.

#### PLEASE FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH ALL **EMERGENCY PHONES:** Their locations are:

Building D-Red phone adjacent to the entrance to the restrooms and showers

Building C-Red phone (east and north of the Post Office) Ballroom Kitchen-white phone (inside northeast door of kitchen) Ballroom-black phone (right side of stage by stairs)

Tennis-black phone (east side of Court 1)

Kokopelli Building Pickleball-silver phone on the East side

#### 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 ½ 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. Look out for your neighbors and get to know your neighbors.

#### **AED** machines (Automated External Defibrillator) are located:

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

Satellite building on the northeast corner by the ice machine

Kokopelli building on the north side We are having some issues with by the restroom doors Ballroom on the southeast side by

the door to the kitchen Building D 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 Host House inside the security office at the front gate

Please note: The AED machines will walk you through how to use them.

Mike Burton, Mary Ash, Wilma Dodge, Bob Thompson, and Ron Lamabe.

#### **Blood Pressure**

We all know how important keeping our blood pressure under control is and how hard that is to do at times. We have lots of retired nurses in our Resort who are willing to help monitor yours. Come see them on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in the Cactus Room from 8-10 am. They will check your blood pressure and give you a card to keep so that you have a record that you can share with your doctor as needed. This is FREE to everyone in the Resort so there is no reason you could not come, have your blood pressure taken by a trained nurse, and have some peace of mind.

#### Use of Our Kitchen

people not abiding by the kitchen rules. If you are unsure of the rules, please ask either your Club president or come into the Activities Office and we will be happy to answer your questions.

The garbage needs to be removed and put into the donkey (brown trolley outside southwest end of Ballroom) when you are finished using the kitchen and a new bag put into the cans. This includes the Ballroom cans.

The can near the 3 compartment sink is STRICTLY for dirty rags and aprons. Absolutely NO food remnants, napkins, plates, cups, etc are allowed in the can. It is marked "No Trash"!

All counters, cabinets, handles (fridge, freezer, door) need to be wiped down.

The floor needs to be swept and mopped by everyone! No exceptions! You will find the broom and mop bucket in the store room.





### **February Events**

#### Soup Luncheon

Our Annual Soup Luncheon is Saturday, February 1 at 12 noon in Ballroom. Advance tickets on sale in Activities Office for \$7. No tickets will be sold at the door. Come try many different soups with proceeds going toward Ballroom Decorating. Includes soup, assorted rolls and breads, coffee and dessert too! Remember to bring your own spoons bowls or muffin tins for your soup.

#### New Image Fashion Sale

New Image Fashion is under new ownership this year. They are bringing some new items with them February 22 between 9 am and 1 pm. They will be set up outside the Ballroom. Their flyer is included in this Newsletter.

#### Movie Night

We have an awesome movie crew that has been bringing you the best movies once a month. The ladies started this two seasons ago and it has become the best new event of GVR! Thank you ladies!! Come support them at their next event on Feb. 2 in the Ballroom at 6:30 pm. They start the night off at 6 pm by selling popcorn and candy for \$1 and they ask for a donation to help pay for their supplies and movies.

#### **GALS**

Come and lunch with friends at GALS on Thursday, Feb. 13 at 11:30 Dance to Johnny K and am in the Ballroom. Visiting time is from 11:30 am to noon, followed by lunch. Please bring a dish to share and your own table setting, plate, utensils, cup or glass. Sign up in the Activities Hallway so we know how many to plan for. Looking forward to seeing you!

#### **Photo Directory**

If you had your picture taken last season or the season before, please be purchase your ticket please let the sure to pick up your Photo Directory in the Activities Office. We still have chicken marsala or salmon for a lot of them that have not yet been picked up.

#### **Bakery Auction**

Our third annual Firefighters

Fundraiser for Mesa Fire Station 205 will be held on Tuesday, February 25 at 1 pm in the Ballroom. Support this worthwhile project by donating baked goods, volunteering to help and by bidding on items. Once again we will have two so come check them out on Saturday, beautiful quilts to auction off. These quilts are donated by two of the generous and talented quilters from our very own Quilt Club. Come and support the local fire department that serves us! It is a fun event and a very committee here in Greenfield Village. worthy cause!

> Cash only!!!! No checks or credit cards will be accepted! Plan accordingly and bring enough cash with you to pay for all of the items you bid on and win.

#### **Sky Med Seminar**

Sky Med will be here Monday, February 3 at 12:30 pm for a free pizza lunch and seminar in the Pima Room. You must sign up in the Activities Hallway if you plan on attending.

### Valentine's Day Dinner and **Kompany**

Beginning at 5 pm on Friday, February 14 we will have happy hour followed by a delicious dinner Catered by Ed. Please purchase your tickets by Friday, February 7 so that we can plan the food accordingly.

You may purchase a combo ticket for \$25 or choose just the dinner or just the dance for \$15. When you volunteers know if you would like dinner. If you have already purchased you ticket and did not let us know, please stop in at the Activities Office or call us and let us know what you would like to eat. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm and at 7 pm you will be able to enjoy dancing and listening to music by Johnny K and Kompany. Johnny is a very versatile singer including music from the 50s, 60s and 70s. Optional sock hop theme to make this last dance of the season a fun

#### **Dance Committee wanted**

Many years ago there was a dance I am looking to bring that committee back. If you are an avid dancer and would like to be on this committee, please let the Activities Office know. We will set up a meeting later in February or in March to go over the details for this committee.

#### **Blood Drive**

Giving blood is a great way to give back to the community. We are having a blood drive on Wednesday, February 5 from 10 am to 2 pm. The blood mobile will be parked in the Citrus Complex. Be sure you sign up in the Activities Hallway.



#### Joey O-isms

- 1. The only time to offer advice ever is never.
- 2. People get bigger houses to store stuff they never use.
- 3. Never let a material object own
- 4. The words you choose determine whether you win or lose, and your thoughts determine whether you swim or sink.
- 5. Would you ever put fertilizer on a weed? No! Then why would you ever think or talk about someth
- 6. ing you don't want to grow in your life?
- 6. Never see things as they are; see and feel them as you want them to be.
- 7. We don't always get in life what we want, but we always get what we think about and take action on.
- 8. Never wish your life away. Make each day the best ever.
- 9. My book is a million seller. If you don't believe it, I've got a million in the cellar.
- 10. I have a limited supply of books. If we run short here, I have another limited supply in my car.
- 11. Wisdom is knowledge in action.
- 12. There's a big difference between being smart and being intelligent.
- 13. It's not the place you live that gives you peace. It's the peace in you that puts you in your place.
- 14. Life's a ride, not a race.
- 15. What you focus on, you become.
- 16. When you value the invisible, you get the visible.
- 17. The only person who can control your destiny is looking right at you in the mirror.
- 18. Focus on what you can bring to a relationship, not what you can get from it.
- 19. Find your gift and give it.
- 20. You don't know how you will die, but you can choose how to live.
- 21. We get what we expect in life-a beautiful golf swing, included!
- 22. When things go wrong, don't go with them.
- 23. Focus on the good and the good
- 24. Often it is wiser to unlearn than to learn.
- 25. Beautiful golf swings and life are

more about subtraction than addition. Poker Club

- 26. To receive love, give love first.
- 27. Everything is a gift if you believe
- 28. The secret to being happy is to be a happy being.
- 29. Happiness has to be thought; it cannot be bought.
- 30. You're only as good as your preparation.
- 31. The whole key to life is to use your intelligence intelligently.
- 32. Life, it's only a hobby, so enjoy
- 33. Allow the speed of the club to swing you.
- 34. Keep your mental garden in
- 35. What you talk about you bring about. What you think about you bring about.
- 36. You don't have to be good to begin, but you have to begin to be

Part 2 in next months Villager.



Games are played in the Card Room at 6:30 pm.

(please arrive by 6:15 pm. and wear your name tag, penalty for no name tag is one red chip.) Texas Hold'em is played on Tuesdays and Thursdays. High-Low Omaha will be played on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month. Cost is \$5 per evening.

Haven't played before? **NEED** 

#### LESSONS OR A REFRESHER?

Call 920-573-1315 and we will arrange that! You are welcome to join us either way.

The \$5 entry fee is waived for first time players that *live or rent* in Greenfield. If you decide to become a club member, there is a \$5 membership fee for the season. Ouestions?

Call Bill at 920-573-1315 or Kelly at 712-299-2673.

FEBRUARY SCHEDULE: Texas Hold'em 2/4, 2/6. 2/13, 2/18, 2/20, 2/27 High-Low Omaha 2/11, 2/25

\*\*Masks are optional\*\*









### **Sponsored By**



8 Ball



Round Robin every Tuesday and Thursday at 1 pm. \$3 Entry Fee with Cash Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place

#### **Darts**



Every Tuesday evening from 6 pm. to 8 pm.

### **Everyone Welcome**

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

THANK YOU FOR **VOLUNTEERING!** 



#### **Tennis**

Hopefully everyone got to meet Jackie, Tammy and Ellen at the Activity Fair in January. Just three people that help put the fun in Tennis.

Tennis 101 is popular and is twice a week! Learn how to play Tennis on Mondays and Wednesdays at 3 pm. We are getting some good players out of the deal.

We have people playing league Tennis Monday through Friday. League is a great way to meet others in the Easy Valley that play tennis at the level that you play. We play at different Resorts or we host here in Greenfield. Bringing other players to our courts gives us an opportunity to showcase our beautiful facilities to others not familiar with us. March will bring the end of our Tennis leagues and an end of year party! But the fun doesn't end as March is the month for tournaments! Start thinking of who will be your partner. It's not too late to be a part of our group. Come to the courts and ask questions or enjoy coffee and goodies while you watch a league match!

#### **Bird Walks**

For those of you that enjoyed the Bird talk and walk with Amanda Haney in January, she has planned two more walks in February. Tuesday, February 4 at 9 am and Monday, February 17 at 3 pm are the next two scheduled bird walks. They will both go to the Riparian Preserve at Gilbert Water Ranch. Please sign up in the Activities Hallway if you plan to go as there is only space for 16 people on each date.







#### **Meet Rick Stockstad**

Life has been full of blessings with many adventures at each turn for Rick. At an early age, he found a love for music. He started playing the piano and trumpet in fourth grade which became the beginning of a long musical career with a few interesting detours along the way. Growing up in Walla Walla, Washington, there was a large emphasis in the school district for music and drama. Rick found out he liked sports with track and field being his sport of choice during high school and college, but music continued to be his passion.

After graduating from the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Rick served for several years as the alumni director at his alma mater. Later, his Business and Music major led down some interesting avenues. Rick was writing jingles, using his strong voice doing voice overs and commercials, he hosted a T.V. show past August they celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> and was a radio announcer. Rick veered in another direction for a bit becoming a director for some Non-Profit organizations. His love for international travel was next on his horizon. He was an International Tour Director which was something he did for a time when he was younger. Traveling to Italy, China and Asia organizing and leading tours is something he looks back on with much delight. But that part of his life came to a screeching halt with the dreaded 9-11. Tourism was almost at a standstill. It was time for a new direction.

After 9-11, Rick headed back home and went back to school, this time to work on a master's in education. His degree led to teaching music to elementary age children. This was exciting and he was back to his musical roots, and getting to share his knowledge with young enthusiastic, eager learners. His final job before retirement was in the Tacoma School district as a Music Instructional Facilitator. This was

also a job he thoroughly enjoyed because he was able to help music teachers throughout the district with finding new curriculum and provide trainings and programs to further music teachers' education. But the best part of this job was he was able to visit all the classrooms and go to the concerts the students in the district performed. This was full circle for him since he fell in love with music as a child.

loves music, that is evident, but what to anyone at any level of experience. is more evident is that his wife, Barbie, is the love of his life. They met by divine intervention over fifty talents with the rest of us at years ago on one of his international Greenfield. walkabouts in Munich, Germany. Barbie just so happened to be staying at a hostel where Rick was also staying. They decided to briefly travel together, and back packed and hitchhiked their way into love. Rick says that "Barbie was the best souvenir he ever took home". This

After retirement, they found GVR and he has spent the last eleven years doing what he loves, volunteering with the Ham-O-Rama, Village Voices, and directing the GVR church choir. He also performs in the 50 – piece Desert Winds concert band {which will be performing in the GVR ballroom at 7:00 pm on March 9<sup>th</sup>} Rick says the rewarding part of volunteering is seeing the smiles on peoples faces. If you're interested in music stop and But let's rewind just a bit here. Rick visit with Rick, he would love to talk Who knows, you might decide to join him and share your musical



#### **Bingo**

Bingo is played every Tuesday in our

Ballroom. Doors open at 6:30 pm with play beginning at 7 pm. We take a break around 8 pm and have ice cream for sale in the kitchen. We have many new players coming, so if you haven't been in a while, now is a great time to come back. You could win big! The jackpots are growing!!

#### **Village Voices**

After ten vigorous rehearsals, the Village Voices Concert will commence on the evening of March 19 in the Ballroom. Once again we will be under the enthusiastic direction of Ms. Ashley Jones, PhD, ASU School of Music. Repertoire includes perennial favorites such as "Blowin' In The Wind" and "Let There Be Peace On Earth" and 50's selections that will have you tapping your feet and swaying to the beat! Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a couple of sing-alongs. For more information contact: President Sharon Virnig at lot 690 or call/text 715-560-1577

#### **POST OFFICE NEWS**

Any mail addressed to: 99 Ouinn 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

#### Sam Rotman - Concert **Pianist**

**International Concert Pianist** Sunday, February 9 at 10 am in the Ballroom.

Please join Greenfield Village Christian Church when we host MR SAM ROTMAN, a renowned international concert pianist who has performed over 3,400 concerts in 62 countries.

Mr Rotman tells his story of being raised in an Orthodox Jewish family, and becoming a Christian at age 21. He is eager to share how God has worked in his life through Jesus Christ.

All are welcome to enjoy this one of a kind piano recital and testimony. For more info:

Roger Camerer 612-840-6130

#### **Snowbird Café**

The Snowbird Café is open every Wednesday and Friday from 11:30 am to 1 pm. The main menu is burgers, cheeseburgers, salmon burgers, brats and taco salads. Most days you will find a homemade special of some kind, be it homemade soup or a croissant sandwich or ??? plus a delicious dessert. The specials are only there until gone! So come early and don't miss out. The volunteers love to see you. We have had some delicious meals this season and look forward to many more. Thank you volunteers for keeping this important event going!!

#### **Beginner Line Dancing**

Come join us for Beginner level Line Dancing with instruction by Kathy Kramer. We meet every Friday morning from 9:30-10:30 am in the Ballroom. There is a charge of \$5/person/class. We have lots of fun and have approximately 24 members that have been regulars since the group began in December. \*\*Please note there is no class February 28 due to a previously scheduled event. For more information contact BJ Pearson, Lot #564. Cell phone 760-799-0609.

#### **Central States Party**

The Central States Party is Luau themed this year. Please join us on Friday, February 7 at 5 pm in the Ballroom. You will need to purchase your tickets from the Activities Office for \$10 if you plan on attending. Please note the tickets were printed with last seasons date so make sure you mark your calendars for Feb. 7!!

#### The Softones Afternoon Dance

If you enjoy dancing, we have an afternoon dance on February 4 and 18 from 1:30-4 pm in the Ballroom. The Softones are a great group out of Canada that love to play all your favorites.

#### **CPR** and **AED** Training

Wednesday, February 5 from 6:30-9 pm in the Ballroom. This will be a free course but you must sign up in the Activities Hallway by February 2 to participate. Wear casual clothing as you will be practicing CPR/First Aid. Questions? Contact Mike Burton 206-660-4720 or stop by Lemon Lane #285.

#### 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.

12/8 Lot #127 Dick Clausen John Hartley 1/3 Lot # 818



## Happenings

#### Thank You!

A super fantastic thank you to all of those who have shared their time and effort to decorate our Resort for the holidays. You were all so willing with smiling faces and a few laughs. We have a few more dates ahead of us and we look forward to working together. Thank you; Gail Theile, Hugh Walker, Mary Ann Fugitt, Linette Sorrentino, Barbara Flowers, Sandy Short, Audrae & Daryl King, Nicole Simpson, Deb Warnke, Char & Dave McHone, Sandy Hagen, Marg & Gord Beckerjeck, Deb & Rod Bacus, Karen Lindquist, Len Bousquet, and to my super co-chair Ivana Zoccolin. Sincerely, Lois King

#### Spaghetti Dinner Thank You

Thank you to all who came out to the Spaghetti Dinner! We have heard from so many of you that you enjoyed the evening. We couldn't have done it without all our amazing volunteers who stepped up, stepped in and helped wherever they were needed. You are appreciated! A special shout out to Chris Butz for procuring all the items from various clubs around the Resort for our drawing. We thank Silversmithing, Lapidary, Stained Glass, Leatherworking, Woodworking, Sewing/Quilting, Clay and any that I have forgotten (please forgive us). It is wonderful to have the support of all the other clubs for our fundraising event and we truly appreciate you! Thank you again for spending your Saturday evening with us and for making our fundraiser for Clay

Club so successful!

Robyn Butz and Melanie Braum (co-chairs)

#### An Anonymous Letter from of other people that have worked a resident

And a good time was had by all (that were present at the New Years Ball in the Hall!!!)

Over the years we have heard a lot

of different ideas what we should

have in our Resort. If the taste of

music comes up, you can't help

having different tastes. But is it

really that important that some of the songs played during an evening are not your taste: Our idea of the get togethers is having a good time with whoever is at the venue and maybe have a few dances as an extra. At the last New Years, quite a few did indeed have a good time. When I asked why it was not sold out, I got several answers that was perceived to be the reasons for some people. Some went for a dinner with friends and others thought that last years music was not to their liking. That was last year. Why not come down now, support Heidi's efforts and even if your taste of music is of a higher caliber than most of ours, just enjoy getting together with the other revelers. It is enjoyable to go for dinner with friends of course, but there are usually still a few hours left in the evening where you could enjoy the celebration of the New Year. After some of the happenings in the World, we can use some positive times. And in an environment where the "young people" are close to retirement and the rest start yawning at 10 o'clock because it is past their bedtime, you can still join the night owls for a few hours and have fun. I know that some couples did. Thanks for supporting the efforts. I am sure that the people that organized the evening do appreciate it.

This is just my opinion. But then I enjoy getting together with a bunch

their whole life to get to where they are at now and enjoy the time we have left before our knees and hips and maybe our backs won't let us do stupid things anymore.

If you've taken the time to read my rambling, you realize that the reason for it is that I, and not only me I think, was disappointed in the turnout. I don't know how many people were at the dance but there was ample room for you also. So, see you next year at the New Years Dance.

#### Flag retiring ceremony

We are having to retire our American flag in the Citrus Complex. Come help us do that at 10 am on Monday, February 17. We will be looking for some help is bringing this flag down and raising a new one. Then we will need to fold the old flag and get it ready for official retirement. Come out and support your Veterans Club as they honor this flag for the last time.



#### Welcome to Greenfield Committee

Welcome to all new and returning Owners and Renters! The Welcome Committee has reached out, by way of a personalized Welcome Card, to all of the 37 new Owners registered from January 2024 to November 2024. We will continue our efforts to have personal contact with all the new owners, provide them with up to date information in their Greenfield Village gift bag and answer questions they may have. Our next step will be to gather the data on the new Owners from November to present and reach out to them. We also provide new Renters with information gift bags when we are made aware of who they are.

We met and distributed 16 information and gift bags to new Owners and renters at the Activity Fair. It was a very successful and fun event! If you are a new Owner or Renter and haven't been contacted yet, please let us know by contacting any of the Welcome Committee volunteers at the numbers indicated below.

Co-Chair: Barbie Stockstad, Lot # 662, Cell: 253-318-9914 Co-Chair: Gayle Doyle, Lot # 94

Cell: 309-236-7213 Brenda Jabusch, Lot # 729 Cell: 306-222-2795

Gwen Peters, Lot # 453 Cell: 303-842-5328

#### **Christmas Day Potluck**

Our Christmas Day potluck chairperson will be stepping down for next season. Please talk with Heidi in Activities if you are able to do this next year for us.

#### Beginning Cha Cha and Rumba Class

Come join us on Wednesdays at 10 am in the Ballroom for beginners Cha Cha and Rumba Dance class. \$5 per person per class. Birgit and Martin Haltmayer are your teachers.

#### Keep It Simple

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 selfawareness and self-improvement as a way to achieve these goals. We meet Monday evenings at 7 pm in the Cactus Room. Please contact Bobbi 480-280-5405 or Marilynn 480-326-1265 for more information.

#### Woodshop

Welcome to the Woodshop. We are open daily from 9 am to noon and 1-4 pm with the exception of holidays, Saturdays and Sundays.

We also have wood carving, leather tooling and wood burning classes. Wood carving is on Mondays and Thursdays at 1 pm.

Leather tooling is on Mondays at 9 am and Tuesdays at 1 pm. Wood burning is on Mondays and

Wednesdays at 1 pm.

We also 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 are \$30 per year. Come in and look around, see you

#### Square Dancing is Here!

Come join us on every Friday night for a fun filled evening of square dancing. This will be a mainstream square dance, but even if you dance at a higher level come join us anyway. Fridays 7 - 9 pm in the Floor Exercise Room. Cost: \$8 Casual Dress

#### Clay Club Classes

Please come down to the Ceramics Room and look at the listed classes! The free glaze class is on the 3rd Thursday of the month on February 20 to learn about the world of glazes! There is an Orb class to learn how to make "the loony birds" and other cool spherical creations! You can come into the Ceramic Room and go to the back of the room to sign up! February month classes start February 6 and go through the month of February.

If you are interested in next year's month long January or February classes be sure to give your \$10 deposit to save your spot on the sign up sheets in the Ceramics Room. People are already singing up for these classes and some take this class over and over again! Please do! They go fast!

Do you want to start in clay but classes are full? No worries! Just come into the Ceramics Room and ask for the Clay Monitory! They are happy to teach your first lesson on line and will give their personal expertise in Clay! We offer private classes for the potter's wheel too! Host Tray Class back by popular demand! Single or want a cool date night idea-February 14th from 6:30-9 is a Make and Take! Single class where you can jump start your creative soul! Karen Hall and Nancy Byam will show you the way! Sign up and pay to reserve your spot!

#### News from the **Shuffleboard Club!**



#### **Pancake Breakfasts**

Our Pancake breakfasts continue to be a **BIG** hit! 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 bes 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:**
- February 8 and 22 March 8 and 22

**Shuffleboard Events in February:** 

Friday, Feb. 7-Monthly Shuffleboard Meeting 11:30 am at the courts Saturday, Feb. 8-Pancake Breakfast 7:30-9 a.m. bring your plates, cutlery

Saturday, Feb. 8-District 1 Spring Meeting 1 p.m. – Greenfield Ballroom

Saturday, Feb. 15-Canada vs USA 9:15 am Sunday, Feb. 16-Canada Days

Tuesday, Feb. 18-Volunteer Appreciation Pizza plus Party Cost \$10.00 for non-members Saturday, Feb. 22-Pancake Breakfast 7:30-9 a.m. Bring your plates and

Cutlery Saturday, Feb. 22-Horse Collar (allday event) Begin 10 am and second session at 1 p.m. Lunch will be served.

Mon - Thurs, Feb. 24-27-Annual In-Park Tournament 8:30 a.m. Cost

I hope this season at GVR continues to bring you lots of joy, success, and new adventures. And speaking of NEW adventures, why not learn to Shuffle?!?!? Shuffleboard is always looking for new players. If you want to learn a new activity and have a good time, come down to the court at 9:15 am Monday through

Saturday!

Until next time, Shuffle On! Debbie Meise – Publicity

#### Card Making

We have enjoyed the presence of new card makers as well as many makers who have experience. Thanks for giving card-making a try and hope to see you in February. During the month of February we will be working on 4 different cards. There will be a pinwheel ribbon, balcony fold, back fold, and a speedy fun fold card. One of these cards will be shown each week.

#### **Hobby Show**

The Greenfield Village Annual Hobby Show is scheduled for Wednesday, March 5 from 1-3 pm in the Ballroom. At this time we do not have a chair person to put this event on. Please see Heidi in the Activities Office if you would like to help put this together. We always like to see what our fellow neighbors have for Hobbies so let's not lose that opportunity by not having this event. An ice cream social goes along with this event and those volunteers are in place. So please help us with the rest of this fun day.

#### **Quilt Club**

Current Classes: Applique or French Braid Placemat on February 5 Rope Basket on February 26 and March 12 Princess Bag on March 19 Jelly Roll Jive on March 26 There are still some openings in these classes. Come to the Kokopelli Room and check them out. Also, non-quilt club members can take the class with a \$10 fee.



#### **February Concerts**

Toby-a tribute to Toby Keith, will be here on Saturday, February 15 at 7 pm in the Ballroom.

The Rave Ons-a tribute to Buddy Holly, will be here on Sunday, February 23 at 7 pm in the Ballroom.

These are both reserved seating concerts. Get your tickets in the Activities Office for \$28. They will be \$35 at the door.

#### **Congratulations to Dancing** with The Stars winner-**Cheryl Wright**





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

#### Disc Golf

We have a group of disc golfers in our Village that like to get together and go play around the area. Robert Varney was one of these guys prior to his passing. A disc was made in his honor and displayed in the Activities Office for the past year. Early this season the disc golf group took the disc and "threw it" in his honor. Fast forward a few days and Jennifer Allen, one of the top disc throwers in the World, found it. She posted her thoughts about this on facebook. Here is her post: "Such a beautiful moment that I hope Robert Varney was looking down to enjoy. So many of us truly love this game. It brings us peace and happiness. Cherishing our loved ones through those happy memories also brings us peace when our hearts are sad.

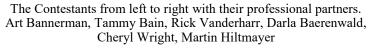
@mcoplea@toddmowendiscgolf and I enjoyed being able to throw for Robert today! Inches from getting an ace for him." The GVR Disc Group felt this was worth sharing.



#### Dancing with Stars was a huge success!!

This was so much fun for the contestants and the audience. If you missed it, be sure to catch it next time they come to town. Here are a few pictures from the event on January 24.







#### Zumba

Get in shape with "Zumba Gold" with our amazing instructor Corina! Fun and easy to follow choreography that improves memory, balance, range of motion and coordination. Tuesdays at 10 am in the Fitness Exercise Room. Cost:\$5.00

For more information contact Corina (480) 299-1944 or Corinaqmoves@gmail.com

#### **Monday Madness**

Monday Madness is a lot of fun and changes every week. If you haven't been, here's what this event is all about. At 5 pm on Mondays we serve \$3 tacos for an hour. You bring your own drink of choice or purchase a soda or water for \$1. Then at 6 pm the "Madness" begins. February 3 will be our Derby Night. February 20-Gig Noonan-Lapidary February 10 Dan Kane will be talking about "Understanding Humanitarian Welfare Overseas? February 17 brings us Ken Sorensen speaking on the History of Valentines Day. February 24 we will bring Lindy

Mareno back to talk about "Summerizing your Park Model"

#### **Veterans Club**

January has once again been a very busy month with new members joining our club. Remember those who were RCMP's are welcomed. Thank you to all the Veteran volunteers that work selling our quilt and 50/50 raffle tickets and to all our resort residents who continue to support our programs. We have decided that the quilt will be awarded during our resort going away party on March 27. There will be many opportunities between now and then for you to purchase your lucky ticket! Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 13 at 10 am in

the Pima Room. Mark your calendars for our Mardi Gras parade on March 3. Watch for our new "Storm" American flag to be raised at the citrus complex to replace our distressed one. Thank you to Mary Ash for taking care of this.

Jim Sanner, Commander

#### **Throwback Thursdays**

Every Thursday from 4-6 pm on the Patio. We supply the music, you bring the rest.

February 6-The Breeze Trio-This is a scheduled for Monday, March 3, Pickleball Burger Night Fundraiser serving burgers. Pickleball will hold their 50/50 as well. February 13-Midnight Moon-Silversmith will serve chili dogs and

Stained Glass will hold a 50/50. Club will serve pulled pork sandwiches for \$8 and ice cream for \$1. The Wood Burners will be holding an auction and a 50/50. February 27-Rockin' Rollers-Tennis Club will be serving pulled chicken and Root Beer Floats and they also have the 50/50.

#### Karaoke

Every Wednesday beginning at 4 pm on the Patio. Come on out and try your singing voice or just come Veterans from all countries including listen, dance and support the singers of GVR! We have a very talented group of singers here in GVR.



#### Mardi Gras Parade

Our annual Mardi Gras Parade is The sign-up sheet will be posted in the Activities Hallway. Deck out your golf carts, bicycles and yourself and let's have some fun. We will stage in the Citrus Complex and end at the firepit for tacos, Tim Eggebraaten and Best of Show announcement.







