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Christmas Eve with Sandy

Please join us for the Annual Christmas Eve party. Sandy Sanford will be playing the keyboard for your listening and dancing pleasure. Visit with old friends and make some new ones. Relax and just enjoy the Holiday Season. BYO beverage and snacks.

Pre-sale tickets can be purchased in the Activity Office for \$4.00 or \$5.00 at the door. Meet at 4:00 pm in the Auditorium.

Christmas Dinner

Our annual RCE Family Christmas Dinner will be held in the Auditorium on, December 25 at 1:00 pm. Our cooks will be in the kitchen preparing ham, potatoes, and rolls. You will furnish the rest of the meal for your own table of 8.

You are welcome to invite family, including children, but you will need to sign up for one food item (enough for 8 people) for each two guests.

Table sign up sheets will be in the Activity Office. Please remember, you must purchase your ticket at the time of sign up. Tickets are \$5.00 and must be purchased by Wednesday, Dec. 22.

New Year's Eve

Come and party with us on New Years Eve. Dance to the music of the "Partners" band and share this New Years Eve with your friends and family.

The Auditorium will be decorated in all it's splendor. We'll meet in the Auditorium at 8:00 pm on December 31, 2010 and ring in 2011.

The dress code will be anything from casual to the normal New Year's Eve shimmer. So get yourself all "bedazzled" and dress to the nines or wear whatever you choose. Whatever you wear, you will have a wonderful evening.

Beer, soda, champagne and a light snack will be provided. There will also be hats and noise makers.

Sign up for your table in the Activity Office. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and \$35.00 per couple. As always, tickets must be paid for when you sign up for your table. Be sure to purchase your tickets early as ticket prices are increased at the door.



Wednesday, Dec. 1

9:00 am **Coffee by Cathedral Health Services**
50/50 Shuffleboard

Bring your own Cup
Place: Auditorium

2:00 pm **Jam Session** in the Rec. Hall

7:00 pm **Bingo**

Thursday, Dec. 2

9:00 am **Caremore Health Services Seminar**
In the Rec. Hall
Sign up in the Activity Office

Friday, Dec. 3

10:00 pm **Q & A Financial Services Seminar**
In the Rec. Hall
Please see article for more information.

7:00 pm **U of A Steel Drum Concert**
In the Auditorium
Tickets: \$6.00

Saturday, Dec. 4

9:00 am **Pay coffee sponsored by**
Library
Place: Auditorium

Monday, Dec. 6

9:00 am **Line Dance Lessons**
In the Auditorium

10:30 am **Advanced Estate Services Seminar**
in the Rec. Hall

4:30 pm **Singles Potluck**
in the Rec. Hall

5:30 pm **Texas Hold-em Tournament**
In the Card Room

Tuesday, Dec. 7

9:00 am **Kokonuts practice**
In the Auditorium

10:00 am **Desert Breakfast**
Saguaro National Park
Bring your own tables , chairs, and service
Tickets \$5.00

Wednesday, Dec. 8

9:00 am **Coffee by Dedicated Dental**
50/50 by Horseshoes
In the Auditorium

2:00 pm **Jam Session**
In the Rec. Hall

7:00 pm **Bingo**



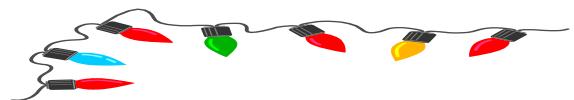
Thursday, Dec. 9

GASLIGHT THEATRE PRESENTS :
"The Secret Santa"
Tickets: \$18.50
sign up in A.O.

2:15 pm Doors Open
3:00 pm Gaslight Theatre Show Starts

Friday, Dec. 10

8:00 am **Bocce Ball Pancake Breakfast**
Place: Auditorium
Tickets: \$3.50
SEE BOCCE MEMBER FOR TICKETS



Saturday, Dec. 11

9:00 am **Pay coffee sponsored by**
Sawmill Club
Place: Auditorium

Sunday, Dec. 12

6:00 pm **Hay Ride Through Winterhaven**
Tickets \$15.00
Children under 3 Free
see article in Newsletter for more information

Monday, Dec. 13

9:00 am **Line Dance Lessons**
In the Auditorium

7:00 pm **Concert with**
“Havin a Blast” Singers
In the Auditorium
Tickets \$6.00

Tuesday, Dec. 14

9:00 am **Kokonuts practice**
In the Auditorium

10:00 am **Cathedral Health Services**
Health Clinic

SEE ARTICLE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Wednesday, Dec. 15

9:00 am **Coffee by SkyMed**
50/50 Lapidary Club
Bring your own Cup
Place: Auditorium
Kokonuts will entertain

12:00 noon **Free Pizza and Seminar by SkyMed**
Place: In the Rec. Hall

2:00 pm **Jam Session** In the Rec. Hall

7:00 pm **Bingo**

Thursday, Dec. 16

8:00 am **French Toast Breakfast and in park**
Craft Fair in the Auditorium
Breakfast tkts: \$3.50
SEE ARTICLE FOR MORE INFO

Friday, Dec. 17

5:30 pm **Christmas Caroling in the Park**
Meet in the patio in front of the office.

Saturday, Dec. 18

9:00 am **Pay coffee sponsored by**
Library Club
Place: Auditorium

Monday, Dec. 20

9:00 am **Line Dance Lessons**
In the Auditorium

5:30 pm **Texas Hold-em Tournament**
In the Card Room

7:00 pm **Christmas Dance w/**
Two's Company
Tickets \$6.00

Tuesday, Dec. 21

9:00 am **Kokonuts practice**
In the Auditorium

Wednesday, Dec. 22

9:00 am **Coffee by Merrill Lynch**
50/50 by Croquet
Bring your own Cup
Place: Auditorium

2:00 pm **Jam Session**
In the Rec. Hall

NO BINGO TONIGHT



Friday, Dec. 24

Offices CLOSED today

4:00 - 6:00 pm **Christmas Eve Party w/ Sandy**
Sandy Sandford will be at the Keyboard
for your listening pleasure
In the Auditorium
BYOB and snacks
Tickets \$ 4.00

Saturday, Dec. 25 Christmas Day

1:00 pm **Christmas Dinner with Friends**
Place: Auditorium
Tickets: \$5.00

NO SATURDAY COFFEE TODAY

Monday, Dec. 27

10:00 am **Blood Drive**
In the Rec. Hall
By Appointment

5:00 pm **Pizza Party with Dave the "Pizza Guy"**
Place: Rec. Hall
tickets: \$6.50

Tuesday, Dec. 28

9:00 am **Kokonuts practice**
In the Auditorium

Wednesday, Dec. 29

9:00 am **Coffee TBA**
50/50 by Pickleball
Bring your own Cup
Place: Auditorium

2:00pm **Jam Session**

NO BINGO TONIGHT

Friday, Dec. 31

8:00 pm **New Years Eve Gala**
with Partners Duo
In the Auditorium
Tickets \$20.00 or \$35.00 a couple
See article for more information

Saturday, Jan. 1 New Years Day

NO SATURDAY COFFEE TODAY

Tickets

To avoid confusion, remember that all tickets must be paid for at the time of sign up.

Functions involving food will have a cut off date either to give the caterers a count or for us to do the shopping.

Please purchase your tickets early. As we discussed at coffee, tickets at the door will now be at an increased price. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Holiday Dance w/ Two's Company

Come and celebrate the holidays on Monday evening, December 20th at 7:00 pm. in the Auditorium for everyone's favorite band, Two's Company.

Beer, soda, and ice will be provided. Bring your own snacks. Pre-sale tickets are \$6.00 and are available in the Activity Office. Tickets are at an increased price at the door. Don't wait, get your tickets now.

Decorate yourself up and let's dance till we drop!

Christmas Decorating Contest

If this is your first year at RCE, you are in for a treat! If you aren't new to our family then you know about our Christmas decorating contest.

Does anyone know a little southern spitfire named Mary? You may recall her challenge from last year or, you may remember her going up and down her street asking everyone if they needed help decorating their home, (and then she would send Harvey over). Now mind you, she would help anyone anyway, but if you really know her, you know she is "a little" on the competitive side and she wants to **WIN !!**

Plan now to enter. Let's give her a run for her money. Winners will be determined by park residents and announced at the Christmas Eve Party and the Christmas dinner.

There will be 3 categories:

- 1- The Best decorated RV (motorhomes or pull trailers).
- 2- The Best decorated park model.
- 3- The Best decorated Street.

Ballots will be distributed to each mail box and can be dropped in the ballot box until Wednesday, December 22nd at 5:00 pm.

The Ballot Box will be in the Activity Office.

Walk or ride through the park, take a look at all the lights and decide who you are going to vote for. Our park was beautiful last year, I have a feeling it will be even more so this year. Good Luck !



Christmas Caroling

On Friday, December 17th join us for a night of fun and festivities while riding around the park and singing carols with your friends. There will be a sign up sheet in the Activity Office to reserve your spot. Cocoa and cookies will be served afterward in the Auditorium.

Sign up to ride, walk or drive your golf cart. We'll have a blast! We'll meet in front of the office at 5:30.



The Gaslight Theatre presents: "The Secret Santa"

It's the swinging sixties and it's the Christmas season in Merryton, but not everybody has the holiday cheer. Local politician Maxwell Power is out to squash the Christmas spirit in the towns-people.

As usual, Max will stop at nothing to get his way. Luckily, help comes from an unexpected place...a mysterious old toy maker. He and his assistant Candy enlist the help of Reporter Barclay Baxter along the way and are determined to bring Christmas back into the heart of Merryton.

Join us on Thursday, December 9th at 3:00 pm at the Gaslight Theatre for yet another one of their hilarious Christmas stories that will warm your hearts and tickle your toes.

Show starts promptly at 3:00 pm, doors open at 2:15 pm. Tickets are \$18.50 and are available in the Activity Office. Seating is VERY limited, so reserve your seat early so you don't miss out.

French Toast Breakfast and Craft Fair

Come on down to our "In Park Only" Craft Fair. Along with this we will be having a French toast breakfast (YUMMY). The menu will consist of French toast, sausage, fruit, coffee and juice. Tickets for the breakfast are \$3.50.

In previous years the Craft Fairs that had "out of park" vendors grew smaller and smaller as fewer vendors participated. There are many talented people in our Park and this will give everyone a chance to show off your hand made items. Christmas is coming and I know there will be some great Christmas gifts being sold.

If you are interested in showing and selling your craft items, please see Debbie and sign up in the Activity Office as soon as possible. Tables are only \$5.00.

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Beer, soda, and ice will be provided. Bring your own snacks. Pre-sale tickets are \$6.00 and are available in the Activity Office. Tickets are at an increased price at the door. Don't wait, get your tickets now. Decorate yourself up and let's dance till we drop!

Only you can prevent speed bumps !!!

Please remember that the speed limit is 10 mph throughout the park. Please think safety first, drive the speed limit. Thank you.

Christmas Concert

Do you love 4 part harmony as much as I do? On Monday, December 13th at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium we will have a great Christmas concert by "Havin a Blast singers"

We have had this group here before and everyone did have a "blast". They sing lots of Christmas songs and will get us all in the spirit of the season.

Join us for a great time. Get your tickets early tickets are available in the Activity Office and are \$6.00 presale and are an increased price at the door.

Dumpster Dudes

Do you need help getting your trash and or recyclable to the dumpster? Now you can call on the "Dumpster Dudes".

These volunteers will help you if you are unable to make the trip to the dumpsters yourself. We only ask that you please don't wait until you have a whole truckload, we're "Dudes" not "Supermen".

Here's the list of Dudes you can call:

Dick Bernius 731-6514

Bill Dalager 296-3840

Leroy Wienzetl 218-766-9041

We are looking for more help so if you would like to volunteer to be a "Dude", please contact Dick Bernius or Debbie in the Activity Office.

Name Badges

You do have one right? No? Well, just come into the office and ask one of the girls to order you one. Fill out the form with your name and home state and in a few days we will be able to all call you by name. The cost is just \$2.16 (can't forget the tax) for a tag with a pin backing and \$5.41 for the tag with a magnet. We are now taking orders in the main office and the Activity Office.

Holiday Hayrides

The date is Sunday, December 12th and the wagon leaves **promptly at 6:00 pm**. Come along with us and take a Holiday Hayride through Winter Haven. We will be riding on a wagon pulled by mules. Yes I said mules. Just imagine how much fun we will have.

We will meet and park at the corner of Prince and Country Club. We will be departing from the N.E. corner in front of Shooter's Steakhouse & Saloon which is located at 3115 E. Prince Rd.

Bring your snacks, beverages and blankets if you wish. The price is \$15.00 for ages 4 and up. Children under 3 are free. Your families are welcome to come with you.

Make your Holiday season special with a Mule drawn Hayride. **Get your tickets early !**

Right Path Health Screening

On Tuesday, December 14th, Cathedral Health Services new **Right Path Health Screening** program is coming to Rincon East RV Resort. The RightPath Screening program was created when Cathedral Health Services and Health Screens, Inc., the two largest nonprofit health screening organization in Arizona, joined together in September. They now are the largest nonprofit health screening organization in the country. Together they bring 34 years of mobile screening experience to our community.

The goal of the organization remains the same: to help save lives through education, information and early detection of disease. Many diseases are preventable or more easily treated if detected early – prior to symptoms. Timing is the key.

So call to schedule your RightPath Health Screening now! For more information and to schedule your annual screening and stay on the right path to good health call **800-770-0240**.

Holiday Pizza Party !!

What better way to spend an evening during the holidays than to invite Dave, our "Pizza Guy", to bring his ovens and have a pizza party! He always makes delicious pizzas.

Dave will stand there and make pizzas till the cows come home. As long as your eating, he's cooking. All you can eat and just how you like it. Come down to the Rec Hall on Monday, Dec. 27th and enjoy some pizza, beer or soda and catch up with your friends.

Tickets are \$6.50, and as always meal tickets must be purchased in advance in the Activity Office. No tickets will be sold at the door for food functions.

What Your Banker Won't Tell You

People are living much longer today than at any time in history. The Life expectancy of a person born in 1900 was age 42. Today Americans are living well into their late 80's and 90's. What if your Banker came up to you and said, "You've been a valued customer of our bank for many years. We have a new program where if you develop a healthcare challenge in the future, the money in your certificate of deposit will automatically be tripled to help pay for those expensive bills. For example, a \$50,000 CD will become \$150,000 immediately."

Well, you probably won't be hearing that from your Banker, but such a solution to unforeseen healthcare costs does exist. You are invited to learn about this new exciting program and many more at our educational workshop at the Rec Hall on Monday, Dec 6 @ 10:30 am. Bring your friends. Drop by the activity office to register for this timely workshop. Also, free pizza will be served after the seminar. The workshop will be hosted by Thomas Sims, owner of Advanced Estate Services LLC, a Registered Investment Advisor. For more information call Tom at 520-886-3500.

Desert Breakfast

It's time for the Desert Breakfast again. The first one of this season will be held on Tuesday, December 7th.

Meet at the Saguaro National Park East and dine at the Tanque Verde Trail Head. Breakfast will be served at 10:00 am. The menu is John Wayne Casserole, sausage, rolls, fruit and coffee.

Each person wishing to attend must sign their own name (spouses will, of course, be allowed to sign each others name).

There will be a total of four breakfasts planned over the next few months. Space is limited, so sign up early.

Please bring your own tables, chairs and service. Tickets are \$ 5.00 and must be paid for at the



Toys for Tots

We are collecting new toys that will make Christmas a bit brighter for children less fortunate than our own children and grandchildren. Each year the outpouring of generosity from our RCE family here makes so many children happy by donating to the Toys for Tots program.

If you wish to donate a new toy, please bring it into the Activity Office or the Main Office and feel free to place it under one of the the Christmas trees.

The deadline for the toy collection is on Friday Dec. 17, 2010. Hopefully we will be able to have our local Firefighters come back and pick up the toys again this year.

Thank you for your generous donations. Your Christmas gifts will give some children a very bright Christmas morning.

Food Bank

Each year the residents of Rincon Country East have been most generous with their donations to our local Food Bank. The bins for the food donations for the food bank are located outside the Auditorium and we will continue to collect non-perishable food items throughout the holidays.

Lets all enjoy this season of giving.

Singles Christmas Meeting

The December meeting of the Singles Club will be held on Monday, December 6th at 4:30 pm in the Rec. Hall.

Please bring a white elephant prize for Bingo, a dish to share and your own service.

New Comers are always welcome.

Geneva Dannewitz 722-4332
Audrey Wann 730-9352

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SkyMed Takes You Home

SkyMed provides the peace of mind that if you or your loved ones are ever hurt while traveling we will provide emergency transportation to your local hospital and medical care providers.

Many plans sold as “emergency travel” insurance merely provide transport to the closest “appropriate” hospital. The closest “appropriate” hospital can be thousands of miles from home!

Travelers who suffer serious medical problems can be left stranded by the very “emergency travel” insurance they relied upon for protection. In many cases, the “appropriate” hospital may even be outside of the country covered by the traveler’s medical insurance.

While other plans leave the patient stranded at a distant location, SkyMed returns the member, spouse or companion, their children and/or grandchildren, stranded vehicles and pets—to the only place that really matters...home.

Join us on Wednesday, December 15th at 12:00 noon in the Rec. Hall for a pizza lunch and informational seminar. Please sign up in the Activity Office.

Same Song

It seems I’m always singing the same song over and over again. Yup, you guessed it. **VOLUNTEERS !!** I need them, you are them, but only if you let me know what it is that you would be willing to do.

I especially need volunteers to do the set up and clean up for Wednesday morning coffee. I also need volunteers for Bingo. Bingo callers rotate from selling cards, call back people and concession sales. And I always need volunteers for meals. If you feel that you can spare some time to help out, please stop down. You will have a great time and meet lots of new friends.

Debbie

RCE Presents: The University of Arizona Steel Drums

The University of Arizona Steel Band program is comprised of three steel bands with the top group, known as UA Steel. The steel band program was founded in 1987 by Professor Gary Cook and then doctoral student, Jeannine Remy. Born from a small group of personal steel drums, the band now has over 50 instruments and involves students from across the campus. Stephen Tipping is the current Director of the UA Steel Band program.

UA Steel is dedicated to the preservation and expansion of the steel pan art form. The band plays many styles of music, several with Caribbean roots of soca, calypso, and reggae as well as classical, contemporary jazz, pop, or whatever music the members think should be given a chance to earn the privilege of being interpreted by the steel pan.

The UA Steel Band program is primarily self-supported through public and private performances and CD sales. CDs are only \$10! All proceeds earned go directly toward instrument purchase, maintenance, and tuning; music for the library; support for recording projects and travel; and sponsoring guest artists.

The Steel Drum Band will be here at RCE to do a special concert for us. Tickets are \$6.00 presale and will be more at the door. Please purchase your tickets early.

Computer Class

The first computer class of the season will be held on Wednesday, January 12th in the Auditorium. Start time is at 10:30 am, just after coffee and will end at 12:00 noon.

This will be a basic, beginners class. The instructor will be Jay Kirkbride. Please sign up in the Activity Office to reserve your place in this class.

Are You Crafty?

Do you like to sew, quilt, knit, crochet or anything else that is crafty? I recently had the pleasure of visiting with two ladies representing the Lions club. I knew that the Lions Club does a lot of charity work, collecting eyeglasses and such but I was unaware of the extent of their generosity.

These ladies told me that they work with University Medical Center, Child Protective Services and the Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind just to name a few. These volunteers provide cloth dolls for children at UMC, lap quilts, full size quilts, scarf & hat sets and large bibs made from old bath towels.

They are looking for volunteers to help with the sewing, cutting, quilting and anything else you can help with. These items are given to sick children, or those who are disabled or displaced.

If you would like to volunteer to help this organization, please sign up in the Activity Office and we will set up an informational meeting.

Healthcare Reform Workshop

Do you want hassle-free, easy to understand Medicare information? Come and join the Q & A Group on Friday, December 3, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Rec. Hall to learn about healthcare reform and the impact it will have on *Medicare* for 2011.

Q & A Group is an independent advisor group with specialized knowledge in the Senior Market. We have spent much of the last year preparing for how *Healthcare Reform* is going to impact *Medicare*, *Medicare Supplements*, and *Medicare Advantage plans*. We provide personalized service to assist you in making the right choices for your healthcare and can help you with any claims which may need to be addressed. Our goal is to make the *Medicare* process painless, easy, and understandable. We look forward to seeing you very soon.

Doggie Halloween Costume Parade Results


This year we had a great turn out for our Halloween Doggie Costume Parade. We had 7 of the cutest costumes we have ever had. Not only were these dogs cute, but they did some great tricks too. One of them even ran through a tunnel for us.

Our judges this year were, Joan, (our Park Manager), Mary (from the front office) and Frenchy Dennis. The dogs were judged on originality, memorability and mobility. It was a hard decision for our judges but, they did a great job.

In 3rd place was Maggie Rose, (she owns Janey Spangler), and she was a Doctor. 2nd place was Missy, (she owns Jacqui Berry), and she was a Cave Dog, (complete with the shaggy hair). 1st place was Abby, (she owns Connie & Irv Heiden) and she was a Doctor.

The top 3 places got ribbons and all the contestants got "doggie bags". Everyone had a great time. If you didn't go down and watch, you should make sure you go next year because it gets better every year.





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From the Office

Videos relating to history, travel, music, exercise and spiritual are all available in the library to check out. The books on tape are also located in the library now - no need to come to the office. There is no charge for these videos.

If you have not stopped into the office to tell us you are here, please do so. We do get calls from friends/relatives, etc. asking if you have arrived. If we have not heard from you, the computer says you are not yet here. Help us out by coming in when you arrive **AND** when you leave.

The office is now open from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. On Christmas Eve the office will close at noon. Christmas Day we will be closed and on New Year's Eve we will close at 2:00 p.m. New Years Day the office will be open from 10:00-3:00.

You are encouraged to lock your car, shed, and home when you are out and about. Just like Bankers do not leave money laying out for anyone to take, so should we not tempt anyone by leaving everything unlocked. This includes your bikes.

If you need additional parking for your second rig, come to the office for a permit. Parking on an empty space is prohibited and will incur a \$5.00 a day fine.

There has already been a \$100 Refer A Friend recipient this season. If you are not familiar with this program, stop in the office and find out how you can earn \$20 or \$100 credit on your account.

It is amazing that the weeds continue to grow although we are in what is termed winter time. Remember it is your responsibility to remove weeds from all sides of your lot – front, back and sides. If you are unable to do this, please notify the office. We can perform this duty for you at a cost of \$75.00.

For those having your mail forwarded to Rincon, please notify the sender of your change of address. This will help the post office a great deal.

The storage lot gate will be locked starting immediately at 10:00 p.m. and will be opened Monday thru Friday at 6:30 a.m. and on the week-ends at 7:00 a.m. The walk through gate will remain open if you wish to take your garbage after 10 p.m.

Mail goes out at 9:30 a.m. Monday thru Saturday. Mail received after 9:30 a.m. will be taken to the post office the following day. There is an 'outgoing' box in the coffee room and one outside on the post office door.

Remember, only you can prevent speed bumps! Slow down and stop at the stop signs please.

Holiday Office Hours at RCE

Christmas Eve Day, December 24,
Office Closed all day

Christmas Day, December 25
Closed all day

New Years Eve Day, December 31
Office open 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

New Years Day, January 1
Main Office: open 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Activity Office: Closed

Visiting Grandchildren During the Holidays

Grandchildren over the age of 3 years are welcome to use the pool facilities between the hours of 12:00 pm and 4:00 pm from Monday, December 20, 2010 to Sunday, January 2, 2011. They may also use the other facilities during these days.

As always, children must be accompanied and supervised at all times by the **resident**. All guests should be registered in the Office.

Around Town

By Rachel Margolis

Downtown Tucson Parade of Lights

Saturday December 18th at 6:30 pm

Downtown Tucson's holiday parade of lights and floats features Santa Claus, seasonal music, and a tree light. Produced by Downtown Tucson Partnership. For more information call 520.837.6504. On the web at www.downtowntucson.org.

Holiday Spectacular

Saturday December 18th at 7:30 pm

Sunday December 19th at 2:00 pm

Tucson Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, Mariachi Aztlan del Pueblo High School, and Tucson Regional Ballet perform at Tucson Music Hall. For more information and ticket prices call 520.882.8585 or on the web at www.tucsonsymphony.org.

La Fiesta De Tumacacori

Saturday and Sunday, December 4th and 5th from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Free Admission

A celebration of the culture of the Santa Cruz River Valley held on the first full weekend in December each year at the Tumacacori Mission. For more information call 520.398.2341 or on the web at www.nps.gov/tuma.

A Southwest Nutcracker

Saturday December 4th at 2:00 and 7:30 pm

Sunday December 5th at 2:00 pm

Ballet translates the traditional Nutcracker to Tucson in the 1880's, by Tucson Regional Ballet with Tucson Symphony Orchestra at the Tucson Music Hall. For more information and ticket prices call 520.885.0862 or on the web at www.tucsonregionalballet.org.

Tucson Marathon & Expo

Sunday December 12 at 7:30 am

This fast and scenic downhill course from Oracle to Oro Valley runs along the Santa Catalina

Mountain Range and is a Boston Marathon qualifier. For more information call 520.320.0667 or on the web at www.tucsonmarathon.com.

Luminaria Nights

December 4th - 6th from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Fee: \$3-\$9 at the gate

The paths at Tucson Botanical Gardens glow with lights from 2,000 luminarias, seasonal music is performed, and holiday treats are offered. For more information call 520.326.9686 or on the web at www.tucsonbotanical.org.

Zoo Lights

December 4th - 20th, Th, Fri, Sat, and Sun Nights 6-8 pm

\$1 - \$4 at the gate

Thousands of twinkling lights and holiday decor adorn the 17-acre Reid Park Zoo. For more information call 520.791.3204 or on the web at www.tucsonzoo.org.

Fourth Avenue Winter Street Fair

December 10th - 12th from 10 am to 6 pm

Free Admission

Hundreds of arts and crafts booths, food vendors, and performers line the streets of 4th Avenue, between Ninth St. and University Blvd. For more information call 520.624.5004 or on the web at www.fourthavenue.org.

Winterhaven Festival of Lights

December 11th -16th

For 59 years, the residents of Winterhaven have hosted the Festival as their gift to the community, and only ask for donations to the food bank when you attend this winter wonderland. For more information on how to get to Winterhaven, visit their website at www.winterhavenfestival.org. You may wish to take the Hayride on Dec. 12 with the Rincon Country Group for \$15.00. See article in the Villager for further information

You can get more information on all of these annual events plus more events online at the Visit Tucson website www.visitTucson.org.

MEDICAL NEWS YOU CAN USE

By Betty Blackstock

LOCATING YOUR STROKE CENTER

If you or a loved one were to show sudden symptoms of a stroke, would you know where to go for the best emergency care? If your answer is no, you're one of the 60% of Americans who don't know the location of the specialized stroke care centers nearest them, according to a recent American Stroke Association survey. In an emergency, that lack of knowledge could mean inferior care and more extensive brain injury – or even spell the difference between life and death.

Specialized stroke centers are hospitals that have been certified as providing superior stroke care by state agencies or the Joint Commission, a not-for-profit organization that accredits and certifies more than 18,000 health care organizations and programs in the U.S.

The warning signs of stroke – sudden onset of symptoms such as confusion, trouble speaking or understanding, seeing, walking, loss of balance, weakness affecting an arm or leg or one side of the body, or sudden severe headache – should signal a call to 911 and rapid transport by ambulance to the nearest stroke center, experts say. These symptoms are indications of a health emergency. Rapid treatment response is key to limiting brain damage and disability and lowering risk for future stroke. In most individuals, comprehensive treatment must make place within 3 hours of the onset of symptoms to minimize injury to brain tissue.

To locate the nearest certified stroke center online, visit the “What’s New” section at www.strokeassociation.org and click on “find stroke care near you”. Or call the American Stroke Association directly at 1-888-478-7653.



Line Dance Class

Would you like to try line dancing? No partner needed. Dancers agree that it is a fun way to add exercise to your day.

Please join us at Rincon Country East RV Resort in the Auditorium. Class is held on Monday mornings from 9:00 to 11:00 am. and cost \$3.00 per class.

Basic beginner line dance lesson will learn the basic steps in Line Dancing. (Newbies/New beginners). Dance time for this is 9:00 - 9:55 am.

(Beginner Plus) In this class the dancers have at least 1 season of experience in Line Dance. Dance Time is 10:00 - 11:00 am.

See you on the dance floor.

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Game of 31

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Place: Rec Room

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500 Card Game

If your Saturday evenings are just ho-hum, spice them up a bit and join the 500 card club. We play Saturday evening at 7:00 in the Rec Room. Advance sign-up is necessary. Sign-up sheets are located on the mail room bulletin board.

If you do not know how to play and would like to learn, please contact Henry and Marge DeBerg at 712-461-1124. For other questions, contact Wanda Mehsikomer at 520-885-8283 or Juanita Peuse at 651-245-7524.

Texas Hold-em Tournament

There were thirteen enthusiastic poker players in the Texas Hold'em Tournament that took place on Monday, November 1.

The first place winner was "Fast Ed" Kania with Barbara Golibersuch placing second, Virgil Darling third and newcomer Maryanne Stark fourth.

At the October 18 tournament, there were eight diehard card players with Phyllis Faustich taking first place, Bill Driver second, and Ed Pierson coming in third.

The tournaments are held on the first and third Monday of each month in the Card Room. A sign-up board is available and everyone is welcome.

Pinochle News

Thursday, October 21st: We had 3 tables and Barbra Golibersuch was the winner, followed by Dick Shaver, Phyllis Faustich and low was Jacqui Berry.

Thursday, November 4th: We had 3 tables and Vic Scheuring was high followed by Bonnie Shaver and Phyllis Faustich. Charlene Mitchell was low.

Thursday November 11th: We had 3 tables. Toni Smith was high for the night followed by Jacqui Berry and Geneva Dannewitz. Low Eva Nickell.

Attention Rincon Scarlet O'Hatters

We are about ready to get up and going for our Red Hats for 2010-2011. We have 26 members of the Red Hat Society.

If any of you have new ideas of outings or would like to organize an outing, please get with me either via e-mail: genieklinger@yahoo.com or telephone 722-5048.

Make sure that your dues are paid up with the Red Hat Society under our Chapter Number of 64610. Dues are \$20 again and can be mailed to: Red Hat Society, 431 S Acacia Avenue, Fullerton, CA 92831; you can also pay by credit card. We will be having an organizational meeting right after coffee on Wednesday, Nov 10, and I will provide the forms for your membership update. I also have the dates that your membership is due and will provide that also.

Our first outing will be on Thursday, December 2 at the Claim Jumper for lunch and we will all meet in front of the hall at 10:00 a.m. Sign-up sheet is posted in the Activity Office. Be sure and sign your name and also if you can drive. We will need to make reservations accordingly.

Ladies, be sure and check the bulletin board intermittently by the Activity Office and also the one inside. We have 26 members now and must sign up early for each event in order to make reservations for a group as large as this for luncheons and we also need drivers for each outing.

QUEEN MOTHER
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722-5048

Cribbage

Cribbage meets every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the Rec Room. If you do not know how to play and would like to learn, please contact Wanda Mehsikomer at 520-885-8283 or Juanita Peuse at 651-245-7524.

Horseshoes

Another summer is past and again it is time to remove the rust from the horseshoes and put on a coat of fresh paint. We'll be playing Cutthroat most afternoons to put the callouses back on finger tips and thumbs. We'll hone the fine art of dropping a shoe over a stake from a great distance.

We form teams and have league competition on Friday afternoons in January and February. Horseshoes is open to anyone who would like to pitch. We have shoes available so there is no expense to play and you all are welcome at any time.

Hank Greenwaldt #154 218-821-4852
Jim Dennis #391 520-834-3485

Pancake Breakfast by Bocce

Tired of cooking? Then leave it to us. Start your day off right by joining us for our Pancake Breakfast, Friday, December 10, from 8:00-9:00 a.m.

Tickets are \$3.50 per person and can be purchased at both the Wednesday or Saturday coffee or from the Bocce coordinators.

Jan & Carol Dennis #248 885-0470
Dee & Martin Perez #452 885-7677

Gospel Choir

There are a lot of people at RCE that love Gospel music. Now is your chance not only to listen to it but to sing in the choir.

We are in the process of organizing a new group with Chuck Dixon as director and Linda Lazzaroni at the keyboard.

Talk to Frenchy Dennis or Bill Mitchell about the starting date, time and place of practice.

Bocce Ball

Welcome back everyone!!!! The courts are ready to go and so are we. Come and join our Fun League that started in November. There is always room for another team.

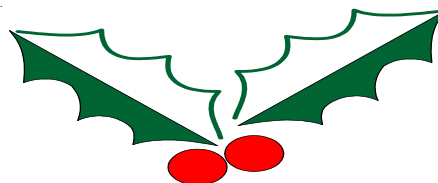
The regular season will start Monday, January 3, so get your team members, designate a captain and the day you prefer to play and give it to one of us. We will be posting schedules in the Bocce shed and in the Activity Office as soon as possible.

Thanks to all of you who have signed our volunteer list to help with the bocce events. We appreciate all the help we receive.

We are looking forward to another great season. See you on the Bocce courts!

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