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St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance

Put on the Green and join us for the St. Patrick's Dinner and Dance on Wednesday, March 17. For dinner we will be serving corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, dessert and a beverage. Finish off the holiday by joining us for an evening of dance.

"Two's Company" is the band for the evening. Get your tickets early so you don't miss out.

Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m. with the dance to follow at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8.00 for the dinner only; \$7.00 for the dance only and \$14.00 for the Dinner and the Dance.

For the dance portion of the evening, bring your own beverages and snacks. Beer, soda and ice will be provided.

Tickets are now on sale. The deadline to purchase Dinner tickets is Thursday, March 11 at 4:00 p.m.

Keith Longbotham Gospel Concert

We've always had big crowds for Keith Longbotham's concerts. He's been a favorite performer at Rincon Country East for many years, but this is the first time we've booked him for his Gospel Concert.

The date is Friday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m. The cost for a ticket is \$6.50. There are only a few days to purchase your ticket, so don't put it off.

See you there!

Girl Scout Thank You

Kristin and I wanted to thank everyone who bought Girl Scout cookies. She sold 99 boxes to Rincon Country, 30 of those went to the troops over seas. Thanks again for allowing her to sell there. Everyone was so kind and generous!

Lori Martzke
(Kristin's Mom)

Monday, March 1

9:00 am **Line Dance Lessons**

4:00 pm **Horse races and Chili Dinner**

In the Auditorium
BYOB and service
Tickets \$5.00

Tuesday, March 2

9:00 am **Kokonuts**

Place: Auditorium

Wednesday, March 3

9:00 am **Coffee by CareMore Health Plans**

Bring your own Cup
Place: Auditorium
50/50 Kokonuts
Country Gentlemen to entertain

7:00 pm **Bingo**

In the Auditorium

Thursday, March 4

5:00pm **Ham & Bean Soup Dinner
by the Sawmill Club**

Place: Auditorium
Tickets: \$5.00 available from
any Sawmill member

Friday, March 5

7:00 pm **Keith Longbotham Gospel Concert**

Place: Auditorium
Tickets: \$6.50

Saturday, March 6

9:00 am **Pay coffee sponsored by
Photo Club**

Place: Auditorium

Sunday, March 7

6:00 pm **Vespers - with Guest Bob King**

Place: Auditorium

Monday, March 8

9:00 am **Line Dance Lessons**

3:00 pm **Branson Brothers Concert**

Place: Auditorium
Tickets: \$10.00

Bus leaves for Copper Canyon Trip

Tuesday, March 9

9:00 am **Kokonuts**

Place: Auditorium

10:15 am **Cathedral Health Testing**

Place: Rec. Hall

Wednesday, March 10

9:00 am **Coffee by Advanced Estate Services**

Bring your own Cup
Place: Auditorium
50/50 Ceramic Club

7:00 pm **Bingo**

In the Auditorium

Thursday, March 11

10:00 am **Desert Breakfast**
Place: Saguaro National Park East
Bring your own service, tables and chairs

7:00 pm **Bingo**
In the Auditorium

Friday, March 12

7:00 pm **Free Movie: Everybody's Fine**
In the Auditorium
Bring your own snacks and beverages
This movie rated PG-13

Saturday, March 13

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

Sunday, March 14

6:00 pm **Vespers with Clifford Lance**
Place: Auditorium

Monday, March 15

9:00 am **Line Dance Lessons**

Tuesday, March 16

8:00 am **Bus Trip to Casino Arizona Leaves**
Meet in front of Office

9:00 am **Kokonuts**
Place: Auditorium

Wednesday, March 17

9:00 am **Coffee by SkyMed**
Bring your own Cup
Place: Auditorium
50/50 Country Gentlemen

**Coffee entertainment will be by
The Irish Step Dancers**

5:00 pm **St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef &
Cabbage Dinner**

Place: Auditorium
Dinner Tickets: \$8.00

6:30 pm **St. Patrick's Day Dance
with Two's Company**

Place: Auditorium
Dance Tickets: \$7.00



Dinner and Ticket Combo \$14.00
See article for more details

NO BINGO TONIGHT

Thursday, March 18

8:00 am **Park Wide Walk Around Sale**

Friday, March 19

8:00 am **Mesa Swap Meet Trip**

Saturday, March 20

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

Sunday, March 21

6:00 pm **Vespers w/ Country Gentlemen
& Linda Lazzaroni**
Place: Auditorium

Bus Trip To Las Vegas
Sunday Mar. 21 - Wed. Mar. 24

Monday, March 22

9:00 am **Line Dance Lessons**

7:00 pm **Sock Hop with Tom Chesnut**
Place: Auditorium
Tickets: \$5.50

Wednesday, March 24

9:00 am **Coffee by TBA**
Entertainment by the Kokonuts
Bring your own Cup
Place: Auditorium
50/50 Shuffleboard

2:00 pm **Strawberry Shortcake &
Jam Session**
Tickets: \$3.00

7:00 pm **Bingo**
In the Auditorium

Thursday, March 25

1:00 pm **Volunteers Thank You**
In the Auditorium

Friday, March 26

7:00 pm **Old Pueblo Brass Band Concert**
Place: Auditorium

No Ticket Required,
Donations Requested

Saturday, March 27

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

Sunday, March 28

No Vespers, Finished for the Season

Monday, March 29

9:00 am **Line Dance Lessons**

Tuesday, March 30

8:00 am **Lazy Man's Breakfast &
Craft Fair**
Tickets: \$2.50
In the Auditorium

Wednesday, March 31

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

7:00 pm **Bingo**
In the Auditorium
LAST BINGO OF THE SEASON

Thank You Thank You

It's been about six weeks since I came home from the hospital thinking I was going to hit the streets running. That was not to be, but when I got out of the car that night, this handsome gentleman with dark curly hair, broad chest, muscular arms, a trim waist and slim hips (you know, like all the retired men in RCE) came up on his bike. With his nose about three inches from mine, he said, "Aren't you glad that you were here when this happened?" "Sure," I answered, not really knowing what he meant. Let me tell you, that's when my understanding began.

The next morning my doorbell started ringing. I had offers to take me to the grocery store, the drug store, bank, doctor and on and on. I received a multitude of cards. They filled my refrigerator with delicious food. They picked up my trash and informed me that they were not specialists and would take my recycling also. One young fellow noticed my railing was loose and had his son-in-law fix it so I wouldn't fall, then chided me because he saw me go up the steps without holding onto the railing.

I even had one special, loyal friend who offered to do my laundry. Can you believe it? She came to pick it up and said, "All of it!." I tell you, that humiliated and insulted me and I refused to let her have them. She just sassed me, picked it all up and took off. I must admit that I'm glad now that she sassed me because now my underwear drawer is full of clean clothes and I can heed my mother's warning of long ago. You know that one you're all familiar with: "You change your underwear before you leave, you never know when you might have an accident." Boy, she sure got that right!

Well, back to that handsome, dark-haired guy on the bike. I wish I could remember his name or his face, but you know how it is, these guys at RCE all look alike. I sure hope he knows who he is, because I want to tell him, "YES, I'm SO GLAD I was here when this happened." I feel like the most fortunate gal in the world to be living here amongst

these kind, thoughtful, caring, giving people who are the residents and the Heart of RCE.

I thank you all so much for what you did for me, and I love you all.

Loni Garwood

What Happens in Vegas Stays in Vegas

That's how the saying goes. Well, who wants to test out that theory?

That's right, we are taking a trip to Las Vegas this month. 4 days and 3 nights in beautiful downtown Las Vegas. The trip is for March 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th. The bus leaves RCE parking lot at 6:30 AM. There will be a morning stop for donuts and coffee and a stop in Wickenburg for lunch.

You will be staying in the Plaza Hotel and Casino in downtown Las Vegas. You will be on your own and free to do what you please until Wednesday morning at 9:00 AM at which time the bus will depart Las Vegas for Tucson. On the return trip there will be a stop in Wickenburg and you will arrive back in Tucson at approximately 7:00 PM.

The cost of the trip will be \$165.00 per person for double occupancy and \$225.00 per person for single occupancy. The price includes the bus trip and your hotel room. The cost of meals is not included in the price of the trip and is your responsibility.

If you are a bingo lover, there will be a "Mini Bingo Tournament", (\$40,000 prize) held on March 22nd and 23rd. There will be an additional charge of \$60. entry fee for this tournament.

For further information and reservations, sign up in the Activity Office by Monday, March 8th. As with all trips and activities, payment must be made at the time of sign-up. Please remember, we need 40 people to make this bus trip happen.

Horse Races and Chili Dinner

The owners have picked their steeds. The horses are in training. If you don't have your tickets for the big day, run—don't walk—to the Activity Office.

The big day, March 1, is here! The Chili Supper is at 4 PM and the Horse races begin at 5:00. BYOS (Bring your own service).

Tickets are \$5.00 and are available in the Activity Office. Tickets are **NOT** available at the door, so hurry in and sign up for your table. Tickets are going fast.

For those of you who have never attended a Horse Race event, it's been one of RCE's biggest—and loudest—events for a lot of years. So pick a horse, let down your hair and join the fun.

Casino AZ Bus Trip

Another bus trip to Casino Arizona has been scheduled for this month. The trip will be on Tuesday, March 16th.

The bus leaves RCE at 8:00 am and leaves the casino for the return trip at 2:30 pm. You will receive \$10.00 in a slot play coupon and a \$5.00 food coupon.

There is a sign up sheet in the Activity Office and you must sign up by Thursday, March 11. Remember we need 40 people signed up to make this trip happen.

Food Functions

Please remember, whenever there is any activity involving food, BYOS (bring your own service, including a cup) or BYOB (bring your own bottle or beverage) unless otherwise stated.

Thank you.

Burley Boys Thank You

Have you ever wondered how all the tables and chairs get moved around when no one is looking? You leave the Auditorium at night after a function and the next morning when you go in for coffee it is all changed around.

It's not magic, it's the work of the Burley Boys. Our Burley Boys are very possessive about their tables and chairs. If you move any furniture you are expected to return it where it came from.

I can't even begin to thank these guys enough for all they do for me and the activity department. The next time you see one of the Burley Boys tell them thank you.

Thank you, Thank you Burley Boys, we love you.
Debbie

Bean Soup Supper

The Sawmill Club is sponsoring their annual Ham and Bean Soup Supper on Thursday, March 4th at 5:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Corn bread and ice cream also will be served. BYOB; coffee will be provided.

Tickets are \$5.00. You can purchase them from any member of the Sawmill Club. See Jerry Alee or Jack Conroy if you have questions.

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JEWELRY, KITES, & BIRDHOUSES

Farmers Market Behind City Court House

Wednesdays & Fridays

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Cathedral Health Testing

On Tuesday, March 9, Cathedral Health Services will again be at RCE to provide health screening designed to detect cardiovascular and other diseases.

The program provides the following screenings:

- Heart Screening
- Atrial Fibrillation
- Stroke Screening
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm
- Thyroid Screening
- Peripheral Arterial Disease

(Blood Oxygen Saturation, Blood Pressure and Pulse testing is provided to all who participate.)

Individual screening tests are offered for as little as \$45.00. The heart screening is \$100, while the complete screening package is offered for \$175. Appointments are required.

Along with the health screening, CHS provides a consultation to review the results and to help identify personal health risk factors. For more information visit www.cathedralhealthservices.org

Desert Breakfast

We're looking forward to beautiful March weather, so we invite you to join us for the last Desert Breakfast of the season on Thursday, March 11, in the Saguaro National Park East. We dine at 10:00 a.m. at the Tanque Verde Trail Head. The menu is John Wayne Casserole, sausage, rolls, fruit and coffee.

Always a favorite activity of our RCE family, space is limited so please sign up early.

Please bring your own tables, chairs and service. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased in the Activity Office.

The Branson Brothers Concert

The rescheduled concert featuring the Branson Brothers will be Monday, March 8th. (This is the concert that had to be canceled in January because they were snow bound.)

So, dig out your tickets. There are only eight days before the Branson Brothers concert comes to RCE. It's a great show and a good way to spend an afternoon.

The Branson Brothers come to us with a diverse style, including wonderful harmony, oldies, contemporary, classic country favorites, foot-stomping gospel and stirring ballads.

The trio is made up of David Ponder (who appeared in the Gaither Homecoming Shows and videos), Dee Allen (son of Oak Ridge Boys lead singer Duane Allen) and Jimmy Ponder.

Invite your Tucson friends and get your tickets in the Activity Office.

Date: Monday, March 8
Time: 3:00 p.m. in the Auditorium
Ticket Cost: \$10.00
Nonresident tickets are \$15.00

Strawberry Shortcake With Jam Session

Every Wednesday afternoon a group of instrumentalists join together for a jam session here in RCE. This month we decided it would be fun to serve strawberry shortcake as they play. Good music, good food, good friends, how can you beat that combination?

So, join us in the courtyard (if the weather is nice) or in the Rec Hall (if the weather is not nice) on Wednesday, March 10, at 2:00 p.m.,

Get your tickets in the Activity Office. The cost is \$3.00.

Jim & Frenchy Dennis

Jim Dennis, is the guy who kind of looks like a younger Colonel Sanders. We've all seen him. If you need him, you'll probably find him working the sound system, or doing some other "behind-the-scenes chore. And if you read this newsletter regularly, you've at least seen her name – "Frenchy." She's part of the behind-the-scenes activity in the Activity Office.

Jim and Frenchy met during high school days and married shortly after Frenchy graduated in 1957. Both were Minnesota farm kids. Jim, the youngest of five children, learned to dread his dad's favorite expression, "Well, boys . . ." which meant it's time to head to the barn to do chores and milk. "I guess we weren't seriously injured by the work," he admits.

Frenchy (whose full name is Vivian Ruth French Dennis), the second of five children, says her favorite farm chore was teaching the young calves to drink from a nipples pail. "Messy, but fun" she says.

Right after high school, Jim went to work for IBM. Frenchy was "a stay-at-home mom who made zillions of cookies, and mopped at least a million miles of floor." The Dennis's have five children—Mark, Bruce, Don, Julie & Bill and 13 grandchildren.

When he was 53, IBM offered a generous buy out package. "I took it," Jim said smiling. Frenchy was working so "I enrolled in an architectural technology course at a community college, following in the foot steps of my sons (they all graduated from that same school). "It was a great experience: seventeen teeny-boppers and me for a year and a half."

A hairdresser until illness interfered, Frenchy then honed her writing skills and worked as an editor/writer for 10 years, announcer scriptwriter for an international religious radio program, plus a three-year stint as a travel columnist.



In 1995, the duo moved to northern Arkansas overlooking Norfolk Lake. We loved it, but after five years, "the irresistible urge to go RVing claimed us." They wintered in Florida the first year, but have been at RCE for the last nine.

Summers the pair overlooks the Mississippi River at Two Rivers Campground near Rice, MN. Jim says, "Shorty let's me drive the tubing operation shuttle bus and do some of the thousands of chores. Like everything else, some things are scheduled and some things gotta be done, now."

That's kind of like things here at RCE where Jim is involved in many things that have "gotta be done, now." The best thing about RCE," he says, "is the people. Nobody cares how much money anyone has or how great they 'were,' just what kind of person are they now." Jim and Frenchy are the kind of people places like this could not do without—volunteers! At RCE they are a valuable and appreciated part of the family of volunteers who make things happen around the park.

You've read her writing, now you've read about her. Maybe you could write Frenchy a "thank you" when you get a chance. And if you see that guy who looks like ... tell him "thanks" too.

—Mike Green

MARCH EVENTS

Around Town

Major League Baseball Spring Training.

Major league Baseball warms up for the regular season as the Arizona Diamondbacks, Colorado Rockies, and other Cactus League teams play ball at two ball parks in Tucson.

For game tickets and times call Tucson Electric Park 520-434-1000 or Hi Corbett Field 520-327-9467.

WA:K Powwow

March 13th & 14th

The Tohono O'odham, or "Desert People," conduct a gathering with intertribal dancing, drumming, music, arts & crafts, and food. Mission San Xavier del Bac. For more info call 520-294-5727.

Fourth Avenue Spring Street Fair

March 19, 20, 21, 2010

10am to 6 pm each day

Arts & crafts booths, food vendors, and performers line this bohemian shopping district's streets.

For more Info call 520-624-5004.

Spring Artisans Market

March 26th -28th

10am to 5 pm each day. More than 120 Southwestern artists and artisans gather at Tucson Museum of Art's courtyard. For more info call 520-624-2333.

At Centennial Hall

Mark Morris Dance Group

March 12 at 8 PM

This group is not just dance at the highest level, but simultaneously, concert-going at the highest level—a perfect blend of sound and movement, all happening in the moment. They perform with, live music.

Place: UA Campus, Centennial Hall

Tickets are \$60, \$45, \$30 at 520-621-3341, or online at uapresents.org

The Dave Brubeck Quartet and The Ramsey Lewis Trio

Friday, March 26, 8PM

Two legends in one remarkable evening of great jazz. Dave Brubeck has been wowing audiences ever since he led jazz into the "Swinging '60s" with hits like "Take Five" and "Blue Rondo a la Turk." His daring improvisations continue to awe critics and thrill fans. Pianist and composer Ramsey Lewis is an American jazz icon. Among the world's great jazz pianists for more than 40 years, he is the recipient of seven gold records and winner of three Grammy Awards.

Place: UA Campus, Centennial Hall

Tickets are \$75, \$55, \$35 at 520-621-3341, or online at uapresents.org

An Evening with Lily Tomlin

Saturday, March 6, 8PM

One of the best-loved women in America, Lily Tomlin has won two Tonys, two Peabodys, six Emmys, a Grammy Award, and the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor, and an Oscar nomination for *Nashville*.

Place: UA Campus, Centennial Hall

Tickets are \$150, \$60, \$50, \$30 at 520-621-3341, or online at uapresents.org

The Vienna Boys Choir

Saturday, March 20, 8PM

For its first 400 years, only kings and their courts were privileged to hear them. Franz Schubert was a member and both Joseph and Michael Haydn sang with them. But since 1926 they have entertained around the globe. Their repertoire spans their history from medieval chansons to Renaissance.

Place: UA Campus, Centennial Hall

Tickets are \$48, \$34, \$15,

Meet Joan Zook

Just because she's tiny, don't underestimate our Park Manager, Joan. She's had a lot of tough jobs, and talking to her for an hour is like taking a trip around the world.

Born in Portland, OR, as a "Service Brat" Joan lived all over the country. She graduated from high school in Bellingham WA, and seven days later married Bob, a local youth pastor. They worked in churches in Michigan, a youth ranch in Montana and with Young Life, a Christian Teen ministry.

After Joan suffered a number of miscarriages, and the one baby who made it to full term died after two days, Bob and Joan started thinking about adoption. Very soon they heard about a baby in desperate need. It's a long story, but Joan got a call saying "if you're interested in the baby, come immediately." Bob was at work, so Joan went alone. She returned home with their first daughter—one-year-old Lindy. That was only a beginning. Two years later, they adopted 13 day old Lisa. Now living in Salem, OR, the couple started taking in foster children. Sixty-nine children passed through their home in two years.

Day Care was Joan's next endeavor, until they moved to Klamath Falls. There they adopted their third daughter, one-year-old Kim, an Aleut Indian. At first they were told they couldn't adopt interracial in the State of Oregon. The happy outcome was Bob & Joan became the State's first interracial adoptive parents. To help balance the now estrogen-heavy family, their next adoption was 10 day old Mark.

When the family moved to Eureka, CA, Joan became involved with The Council on Adoptable Children. She also started a nonprofit Day Care for special needs children. As if that wasn't enough, for years Joan had been taking night classes. She finally received her degree so she ran the day care from 6 AM to 6:30 PM and taught at a college from 7 to 10:00 PM.

And the adoptions continued. Marinita, 7, and Vicente, 5, came from Ecuador. Anna Lee, 3,



and Hai, 9, came from Korea. Sulynn, 7, was from Viet Nam. Rosie, 13, was from India.

After 23 years, Joan's marriage ended. A couple of years later she met and married Jim Zook. The duo joined the Peace Corps and went to the Solomon Islands. When their stint was finished, they traveled by bus for six months through South and Central America.

When that marriage ended and the children were grown, Joan served for two years with World Vision in Mongolia. In charge of Relief and Development, she started a street child program, foster care program, feeding program and day care program. For her work she received a Medal of Service—the first female and third foreigner to receive the award.

Obviously not a person to sit still, Joan's travels have taken her to Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, China, Viet Nam, New Zealand, Australia, much of South America, parts of Central America and Mexico.

After returning to the States, Joan became an international recruiter for World Vision, a job she dearly loved. So I find it absolutely amazing that Joan came to us at Rincon Country East in 2007. She relates that the major part of her job is problem solving. "The people here are great," she adds.

Oh yes, there's one more thing you probably don't know about Joan. She's writing a book about her daughter Marinita who was sold into slavery at the age of 5. She's hoping to finish it this summer. I can't wait to read it.

Frenchy Dennis

Free Movie: Everybody's Fine

Widower Frank Goode has had to make plenty of adjustments since losing his wife about a year ago, but maybe the hardest one has been maintaining his relationships with his four adult children. It would seem that Frank's wife was the glue who held the family together, and when all of the kids bug out on a planned visit home, he decides to set out on a trip around the country, dropping in on each of their lives in order to help put things right. But their relationships aren't as simple as they once seemed, and Frank's paternal intuition is telling him that his sons and daughters are hiding something from him - and if the Goodes want to become the family they once were, the truth will have to come out before Frank returns home.

This movie is rated PG-13 for thematic elements and brief strong language. Come and watch this fun movie on our NEW big screen in the Auditorium.

Friday, March 12th at 7:00 pm. Bring your own snacks and beverages.

Walk-Around Sale

The end of the 2009-2010 season will be here before you know it. So what about all that stuff you've accumulated since you got here? If you can do without it, why not let someone else make it their new possession?

The March Walk-around will be held on Thursday, March 18, starting at 8 AM and running till it's over.

Not only is the Walk-around a good place to sell your overabundance, it's a great way to get acquainted with people—old and new—at RCE.

Be sure to come into the Activity Office and fill out a Walk-around form which will put you on the Walk-around sale location list.

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Happy St. Patrick's Day!!

Thank You To All

I would like to express my thanks to all the volunteers who donate their time and expertise in helping to create a fantastic recreation program. Everyone does some specific job, some small, some large. Some volunteers work in the lime-light and some work behind the scenes. No matter what job you volunteer to do, you are very much appreciated.

Thank you to all who cook, clean and serve. The guys who make the Chili for the Horse races and their wives who serve. The Bingo volunteers, more of whom we had this year than ever before. My beloved Coffee workers, without whom we would have no coffee and huge caffeine withdrawal headaches. My Activity Office volunteers who sell tickets and do just about anything else they can do while in the office.

Thank you to the Horse race Bookies, Liz for making the corn bread and Jim for his financial expertise. All the Desert Breakfast workers and a huge thank you to all the very special decorators that make our rooms look so awesome.

Thank you, thank you, it couldn't happen without you all.

Debbie

REMEMBER
BYOB = Bring your own Beverage
BYOS = Bring your own Service

From the Office

To reach the pet exercise area when it rains, proceed through the storage area and use your pet gate key (that also works for the pet walk). Pet gate keys are available in the office for a \$1.50 refundable deposit.

The office will be open M-F 8:30-5:00 and Saturday and Sunday from 9:00-1:00 until further notice. Check the sign for actual hours open, in the window of the office.

Remember to get your Refer A Friend forms before you leave for home. If you refer someone in an RV that has never stayed at Rincon Country East or Rincon Country West (or not stayed in the past 3 years) you are eligible for the Refer A Friend program. If the guest stays one week you receive a \$20 credit as well as the guest. If the stay is for a month or longer, you each receive a \$100 credit to your account.

Mail Forwarding: To avoid confusion, please do not turn in your green card until the date you want your forwarding to start. Even if you feel you would not have any mail coming, please still fill out a green card so your mail can be forwarded to the location you desire.

Effective February 15th, Joan has been named Park Manager. As in the past, please continue to bring suggestions and/or problems to her attention.

REMINDER: ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT SPEED BUMPS! There have been a number of accidents, resulting in fatalities, in RV parks across the nation this past year. Please slow down and keep our residents safe.

Singles Potluck

The March Singles Pot luck has been canceled, but we'll see you all at the horse races!

Our next potluck will be April 5. See you there!

Golden Wedding Anniversary Thank You

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank some people for the hard work they did doing the decorations for the golden wedding anniversary.

You turned our Auditorium into a beautiful, oasis of wedding bliss. The room looked beautiful.

Thanks so much to Marty & Dee Perez, Carol & Jan Dennis, and Erling & Irene Burns for the decorations. Thanks also to Frenchy Dennis & Willie McCuiston for the lovely music, and also Jim Dennis & Dave Olson for the sound and lighting.

Everything was gorgeous and everyone had a great time. Thank you to all for making it such a great day for all the celebrants.

Debbie

Lazy Man's Breakfast & Craft Fair

Our third annual Craft Fair will this year be coupled with our "Lazy Man's Breakfast." Join us on March 30th in the Auditorium. Both the breakfast and the craft fair will begin at 8:00 am.

The main entree will be Henry's special Lazy Man's Breakfast casserole. Orange juice and coffee will also be on the menu. Breakfast tickets are \$2.50 and are available in the Activity Office. Please bring your own cup and service.

The Craft Fair will be open to the public to browse, but only vendors from RCE will be able to sell their products. If you wish to sell at the craft fair, tables may be rented for \$5.00 each. Come in and sign up in the Activity Office.

Let's go to the Hop

Gals, get out your saddle shoes, poodle skirts and guys, roll up those jeans and shirt sleeves we're going to the Hop!

On Monday, March 22 join us in the Auditorium at 7:00 pm for a Sock Hop with everyone's favorite DJ, Tom Chesnut.

For only \$5.50 you can be transported back to the 50's. Tickets are available in the Activity Office. Hurry and don't miss out on a great time.

Shopping Anyone?

Our third annual bus trip to the Mesa Swap meet will be on Friday, March 19th. We will be leaving the RCE parking lot at 8:00 am.

The cost of the bus ride is \$22.00. Because of the cost of gas, we **must** have at least 40 people to make this trip happen. Cut off date for this shopping trip will be Tuesday, March 16th.

The bus has lots of space to store your purchases. You may want to bring a snack and some water although there are plenty of places to eat lunch when you get to the swap meet.

As with all activities, you **MUST** pay at the time of sign up. Stop in to the Activity Office and sign up asap.

Good Bye Barbara

It is with heavy heart and great sadness that we must say good bye to Barbara Whiteman, our mail lady. Barbara has been with us for several years and will be missed very much.

I'm sure she can't wait to retire and I'm also sure everyone reading this can understand exactly how she feels.

Have a wonderful retirement as we will all miss you.

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The Old Pueblo Brass Band

The Old Pueblo Brass Band, a thirty-piece British style brass band, will return to one of its favorite venues, March 26, Friday evening, at 7 p.m. Selections from the King and I; The Golden Helmet of Cortez, an original composition about the explorer Cortez, and the traditional Suite in Eb for Band by Gustav Holst will be on the program among featured soloists and sections.

The band has played Rincon Country for most all of its fourteen years of performance, in honor of Dick and Mary Lou Jones. Dick and Mary Lou were former Park Managers we lost in a terrible car crash.

Conductor and Music Director Barbara Chinworth applauds the growing support for the band from Rincon Country RV Resort. The bands' musicians truly play for the love of playing and donate many hours of preparation and performance. It is a treat to play for Rincon Country East. "I treasure the good will generated from the making of music all 'round the town by the Old Pueblo Brass Band" says Barbara.

As is our annual tradition, the Old Pueblo Brass Band will be here to present another concert on Friday evening, March 26th at 7:00 pm. This great band plays for a donation, so please let's remember to be as generous as always.

Volunteer Thank You

Volunteers are cordially invited to attend our Volunteer Thank You gathering.

If you volunteer, please be our guest on Thursday, March 25th in the Auditorium at 12:00.

Complimentary tickets are available in the Activity Office. Deadline to get your ticket is Friday, March 19th.

Debbie

Haiti Relief Fund Update

A big THANK YOU to George O'Leary for donating to the account with a sum of \$200 which went for the cost of materials used in the quilt.

The raffle ended on February 17th at Coffee with the winner being drawn by Dick Bernius. The winner of the quilt was Margaret Ahlquist from space 328.

A total of \$680.00 was sent to the Haiti Relief effort.

Thank you to Kris Hubbard for all her hard work making the quilt and to Jean Braun who helped sell tickets and purchased the quilt rack to hang in the sewing room. Thank you also to George and all who have participated to help this needy cause.

Bocce Ball

By now our annual party is over, and we hope you all had a great time. The season goes on for another month, however, as most participants wanted to play longer. Okey dokey.

The Bocce tournament will be held the week of March 22 through 26. Have fun and good luck to all.

Bob & Pat Schultz

Cribbage

January 19, 2010

1. Phyllis Gessler	723
2. George Golibersuch	705
3. Jim Palk	703
4. Juanita Peuse	702
5. Jinny Buchholz	700
Last. Libbie Rolfe	561

January 26, 2010

1. Jimmy Monzel	612
2. Geneva Dannewitz	609
2. Juanita Peuse	609
4. Ercell Dupont	595
5. Russ Rowe	580
Last. Jacquie Hatkoski	519

February 2, 2010

1. Jim Buchholz	613
1. Juanita Peuse	613
3. Mary Lou Lawrence	605
4. Libbie Rolfe	602
5. Peter Gleen	593
Last. Waite Doughty	516

February 9, 2010

1. Jimmy Monzel (Great Score)	736
2. Jinny Buchholz	720
3. Kathy Buskey	719
4. Phyllis Gessler	715
5. Bernie Kolp	714
6. Mary Lou Lawrence	708
Last. Peter Gleed	612

Horseshoes

The annual tournament will be held at noon on Friday, March 5. It is open to all pitchers. The annual picnic, featuring Wayne's Super Steaks, will be held March 11, 4:00.

Have a good summer and for goodness sake, practice.

Hank & Jim

Rincon Scarlett O'Hatters

Sixteen of us went to the Territorial Tea House in Amado on January 20. It was a beautiful day and enjoyed by the 18 of us. Connie Leslie was in charge of the event. Thank you Connie

On Wednesday, February 10, we went to the Tubac Art Festival. This is always a favorite event of the ladies for shopping and enjoying the arts and crafts and, of course, eating. On Saturday, February 13, eleven of us attended the Annual Red Hat Birthday Bash at the Desert Diamond Convention Center. This is a gala event including a five-course meal along with entertainment. This year, the entertainment was a Neil Diamond impersonator among other entertainers. Red Hatters from all over Arizona and parts of Nevada were at this event. Usually there is an attendance of 2,000 in the two-day event and it is just a profusion of reds and purples in the room. One has never seen so many beautiful hats.

We also took a Trolley Tour in downtown Tucson and had lunch at Delectables on February 24.

Events planned for March are: Wednesday, March 10th a trip to Nimbus Brewery and lunch; Wednesday, March 24th we will be traveling to the Mesa area and going on the Dolly Steamboat Tours of Canyon Lake and having lunch later at a famous Western town called Tortilla Flats.

Ladies, be sure and check the bulletin board intermittently by the Activity Office and also the one inside. We have 27 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.

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Texas Hold'em

The first place winner at the Texas Hold'em Tournament, held on Monday, January 4, was Bill Cambers. Second place was won by Leo Jennings; third place was George Golibersuch; fourth was Terri Driver. There were 20 players in this tournament.

At our tournament on January 18, there were 18 participants. First place was won by George Golibersuch, followed by Ed Pierson in second, Bill Driver in third, and Terri Driver in fourth.

February 1. Vic Kania was our first place winner. Second, Ed Pierson; third by Terri Driver; fourth by Doc Odegard; and fifth was Jeff Teachout.

February 15 there were 18 participants with Bill Cambers winning first place, Virgil Darling came in second, followed by Church in third place, Bill Driver in fourth and George Golibersuch in fifth.

We continue Texas Hold'em Tournaments on the first and third Monday of the month in the Card Room. Play begins promptly at 6 PM. All are welcome to join in play. If you have questions, please contact George Golibersuch, 885-6666.

Vespers Club

The year is winding down, but we still have three special Vespers programs.

March 7 - Bob King will play piano and lead our worship. Bob is a musician/piano teacher and has joined us several times in the past. Rec Hall.

March 14 - Clifford Lance will be our special speaker. Cliff works with Gideons International and helps distribute Bibles all over the world. Rec Hall.

March 21 - The RCE Country Gentlemen will perform and Linda Lazaroni will share some inspirational thoughts. Auditorium.

We meet at 6:00 in the designated room. Come and join us for these special services.



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