



# CIRCLE RCW RANCH BULLETIN



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## The Doo-Wah Riders

There is no one else like the Doo-Wah Riders. For over 30 years they have been riding their own patch of the musical range throughout the west. They possess the rare combination of many years of experience and youthful energy, fired by a love for what they do. The Doo-Wahs are country, with a unique, original sound. They define their sound as "high energy country with a cajun twist". Their tight musicianship and powerful arrangements of classic and original songs have made them favorites everywhere they go.

The Doo-Wah Riders have appeared in concert with: Garth Brooks, George Strait, Alabama, Faith Hill, Tim McGraw, Brooks and Dunn, Chris LeDoux, Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings, Dolly Parton, Alison Krauss, The Judds, Tracy Lawrence, Brad Paisley, Lone Star, Clint Black, Asleep at the Wheel, Jodee Messina, Randy Travis and many many more!

General admission tickets are available for sale starting Monday, January 2nd. The concert is on **Friday, January 27th, in the Auditorium at 7:00 pm**, general admission tickets are **\$14.00**. This show is included in the NPA series tickets. This will be a show you won't want to miss! There website is below:

[http://www.doowahriders.com/fr\\_home.cfm](http://www.doowahriders.com/fr_home.cfm)



## The Marty Berk Comedy Show

*Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012*

*7:00 pm in the Auditorium*

*Tickets: \$6.00*

Marty Berk's Hilarious Variety Show is one of the most creative, innovative and unique comedy shows you will ever experience. This show has it all, singing, dancing, comedy, celebrity impersonations and audience participation! We hope to see you there!

## Bruce & Betsy Mullen

*Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012*

*7:00 pm in the Auditorium*

*Tickets: \$6.00*

Bruce & Betsy's shows will have the sounds of classic country music with impersonations of many great country artists. You may hear songs from Marty Robbins, Roy Orbison, Loretta Lynn, Conway Twitty, Johnny Cash, Kitty Wells, Willie Nelson, Patsy Cline, and Elvis too!

## Sunday, Jan. 1

5:00 pm Solos' Social

Place: Rec. Hall

Bring: beverages and snacks

Sign up in the Coffee Room on the Solos' bulletin board

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## Tuesday, Jan. 3

9:00am-8:00pm Olan Mills (Jan. 3rd-7th)

Place: Rally Room

Sign up for an appointment in the Activity Office or online

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7:00 pm Bingo

Place: Auditorium

Doors open at 6:15 pm

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## Thursday, Jan. 5

7:00pm Marty Berk's Comedy Show

Place: Auditorium

Ticket: \$6.00

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## Friday, Jan. 6

8:30 am Knife Sharpening by Jim Haack

Place: Rec. Hall

A donation will be collected for the food bank.

9:00 am Coffee & Donuts by Lazy Days

Place: Auditorium

50/50: Digital Imaging

7:00 pm Bruce & Betsy Mullen

Place: Auditorium

Ticket: \$6.00

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## Saturday, Jan. 7

7:00-9:00 am Pancake Breakfast

Place: Auditorium

Ticket: \$3.00 (\$4.00 at the door)

## Sunday, Jan. 8

4:00 pm Wine Tasting

Place: Rec. Hall

Tickets: \$4.00

Bring: 2 glasses and snacks

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## Monday, Jan. 9

11:30 am Solos' Luncheon

Place: Red Lobster (Calle Santa Cruise Plaza)

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## Tuesday, Jan. 10

4:00 pm Q Street Social

Place: Rally Room

7:00 pm Bingo

Place: Auditorium

Doors open at 6:15 pm

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## Wednesday, Jan. 11

9:00 am Neuropathy Seminar

Place: Rec. hall

Topic: Natural ways to control cholesterol.

Tickets: Free in the Activity Office

4:00 pm G Street Dinner

Place: Rally Room

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## Thursday, Jan. 12

11:30 am Ladies Lunch

Place: Thunder Canyon Brewery

Ticket: \$8.00 (all inclusive)

Address: 7401 N. La Cholla Blvd at the Foothills Mall

## Thursday, Jan. 12

5:00 pm I & J St. Potluck  
Place: Rally Room

6:30 pm Pie & Coffee  
Place: Rec. Hall  
Ticket: \$3.00

7:00 pm Meet the Clubs  
Place: Auditorium

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## Friday, Jan. 13

9:00 am Coffee & Donuts by Freedom RV  
Place: Auditorium  
50/50: Garden Railroad

7:00 pm Jim Curry's Tribute to John Denver  
Place: Auditorium  
General admission ticket: \$12.00  
1st show in the NPA Series

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## Saturday, Jan. 14

8:00 am Parking Lot Sale  
Place: RCW Parking Lot

5:00 pm Senior Financial Seminar and Pizza  
Dinner with Mike Hulse  
Place: Auditorium  
Tickets: Free in the Activity Office

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## Sunday, Jan. 15

5:00 pm Solos' Potluck  
Place: Rec. Hall  
Bring: a dish to share

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## Monday, Jan. 16

5:00 pm Digital Imaging Potluck  
Place: Rally Room

## Tuesday, Jan. 17

7:00 pm Bingo  
Place: Auditorium  
Doors open at 6:15 pm

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## Thursday, Jan. 19

7:00 pm Carnival of Illusion  
Place: Auditorium  
Ticket: \$7.00

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## Friday, Jan. 20

9:00 am Coffee & Donuts by Up & Running  
and Dedicated Dental  
Place: Auditorium  
50/50: Ham Radio

6:00 pm Strawberry Shortcake  
Place: Rec. Hall  
Ticket: \$3.00

7:00 pm Free Movie "The Help"  
Place: Auditorium

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## Saturday, Jan. 21

7:00-9:00 am Pancake Breakfast  
Place: Auditorium  
Ticket: \$3.00 (\$4.00 at the door)

11:00 am Red Hat PJ Potluck Brunch  
Place: Rally Room

5:00-6:30 pm Spud Out by Garden Railroad  
Place: Auditorium/Rec. Hall  
Ticket: \$6.50

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## Sunday, Jan. 22

4:00 pm Wine Tasting  
Place: Rec. Hall  
Tickets: \$4.00  
Bring: 2 glasses and snacks

## Tuesday, Jan. 24

4:00 pm **Villageaires Social**  
Place: Rally Room

7:00 pm **Bingo**  
Place: Auditorium  
Doors open at 6:15 pm

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## Thursday, Jan. 26

4:30 pm **East Coast Potluck**  
Place: Rally Room

6:00 pm **Ice Cream Social**  
Place: Rec. Hall  
Ticket: \$3.00

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## Friday, Jan. 27

9:00 am **Coffee & Donuts by Lazy Days**  
Place: Auditorium  
50/50: Crafts & Sewing

1:00 pm **California Pot Luck**  
Place: Rally Room  
Bring a dish to share

7:00 pm **The Doo Wah Riders (NPA Series)**  
Place: Auditorium  
General admission ticket: \$14.00

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## Saturday, Jan. 28

7:00 pm **Ken's Fun Dance**  
Place: Auditorium  
Tickets: \$5.00  
BYO beverages and snacks

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## Monday, Jan. 30

4:00 pm **Garden Railroad Potluck**  
Place: Rally Room

## Tuesday, Jan. 31

9:00 am-8:00 pm **Olan Mills (Jan. 31st-Feb 4th)**  
Place: Rally Room  
Sign up for an appointment in the  
Activity Office or online

7:00 pm **Bingo**  
Place: Auditorium  
Doors open at 6:15 pm

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## Knife Sharpening to benefit the Food Bank

RCW resident, Jim Haack with Shear Magic, will be sharpening knives on Friday, January 6th in the Rec. Hall. Sharpening will start at 8:30 am. Please bring your knives in a rolled up towel with a slip of paper with your name and lot number.

Any knives not picked up before I finish will be left on the counter. Be sure to wash your knives before using.

A donation jar will be on the table. Last year I sharpened 168 knives and thanks to the generosity of Rincon Country residents, \$500 was donated to the food bank.



## Wine Tasting

We will have two tastings in January, on Sunday the 8th and the 22nd. We meet in the Rec. Hall at 4:00 pm to taste, talk, nibble and laugh. Bring a ticket (\$4.00) from the Activity Office, 2 glasses and some snacks to share. The wine will be waiting for you.

Judy Fried



## Parking Lot Sale

Clean out your shed! Go through the house! Here's a chance to sell treasures you don't need any more, but someone else would love to have. A parking lot sale is scheduled for **Saturday, January 14th at 8:00 am.**

Tables are available to use but you must get them out and put them away after the sale.

The Card Room will be selling coffee and baked goods during the sale.

Let's have lots of sellers and buyers!

## Strawberry Shortcake

Friday, January 20th  
6:00 pm in the Rec. Hall  
Before the Free Movie!

Tickets: \$3.00



Jim Curry

## "A Tribute to John Denver"

Jim Curry - This California native grew up as a great fan of the pop-country superstar John Denver. Amazingly, as he matured it became quite evident his vocal prowess as well as his physical stature actually started taking on the Denver persona. In recent years, Jim Curry has enjoyed tremendous success, as Denver fans all over the world have begun to identify him as an almost reincarnation of their idol. He has become the center of attention at Denver tributes and has enjoyed monumental acceptance from Denver fan clubs everywhere. Jim Curry has since realized the incredible wide appeal John Denver's music possesses as people of all ages cheer his music wherever he appears.

Our second performer of the evening is Jim Connor. Jim is perhaps best known as a member of the New Kingston Trio and for penning the now-classic record hit song, "Grandma's Feather Bed", which was recorded by John Denver in 1974 and later by the Muppet's Kermit the Frog. Connor was a recording artist for Capital Records in the 1960's. Connor has performed with a diverse assortment of entertainers, including Barbara Streisand, Judy Collins, Donald O'Connor, Red Buttons, Steve Martin, and Phyllis Diller - to name a few. Connor hardly needs to rely on talents of others; he has one Platinum record and eight records to his credit. Jim has appeared on the Grand Ole Opry, Johnny Carson's "Tonight Show", "Hootenanny", "The Jack Benny Show", and "The Dave Garroway Show".

We invite you to join us in the Auditorium on **Friday, January 13th at 7:00 pm.** This is the first concert of our NPA series. General admission tickets will go on sale on **Monday, January 2, 2012** in the Activity Office and are \$12.00.



## Pie & Coffee

### *Before Meet the Clubs!*

Sponsored by Ham Radio  
Thursday, January 12th  
6:30 pm in the Rec. Hall  
Tickets: \$3.00

## Meet the Clubs

Thursday, January 12th is your chance to walk and browse through the Auditorium and become acquainted with the various clubs and activities here in Rincon Country West.

Members of the clubs will be on hand to answer questions. Meet the clubs will begin at 7:00 pm.

So plan to stop by and find a new hobby.

Be sure to visit the Ham Radio Club members in the Rec. Hall and Kitchen. They are selling pie and coffee starting at 6:30 pm!

## Fun Dance w/ Ken Jeffries

Here we go again! Ask and you shall receive... Ken Jeffries is going to host another dance!

Ken will be hosting his famous FUN DANCE. You may recall many of the novelty dances like the Twist, Virginia Reel, Cotton-eyed Joe and even the Chicken dance. Don't worry you will also dance to the two-step, waltz, polka, line dancing a circle dance or two and Rock and Roll. There will be music for couples and singles.

Meet us in the Auditorium on **Saturday, January 28th at 7:00 pm**. Tickets are only \$5.00 and may be purchased at Friday coffee, in the Activity Office or even at the door. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Ladies Luncheon

What a bargain for after Christmas  
lunching – only \$8.00!

Date: Thursday, January 12

Arrive by: 11:30 am

Ticket price: \$ 8.00 all inclusive (incl. beverage)

Place: THUNDER CANYON BREWERY

Address: Foothills Mall, 7401 N. LaCholla Blvd

The restaurant is located on the East side of the Foothills Mall - Take the first mall entrance after crossing Ina Rd on LaCholla Blvd.

Our meal choices are from their Lightning Lunch Menu, which includes salads, sandwiches, soup and a salad combo.

Only 30 tickets available, so get your tickets early.

Tickets can be purchased through Tuesday, January 10th, in the Activity Office.

If you need a ride, or have room for others in your car, please contact Pam Anderson by November 11 (Home: 520-889-1310, Cell: 218-348-4777)



## Carnival of Illusion Illusion Show

National award-winning entertainers Roland Sarlot and Susan Eyed create a fun, up close, inspired illusion show! Laugh, Have Fun and Celebrate at Arizona's ONLY Old-World Intimate Illusion Show. Roland Sarlot and Susan Eyed transport you on a beguiling magical journey around the world.

Join us **Thursday, January 19th at 7:00 pm** in the **Auditorium!** Tickets are \$7.00 and can be purchased in the Activity Office or at Friday morning coffee.



**Ken Jeffries**  
By: Norm Miller

Ken Jeffries was born in Commerce, MO; he graduated from high school in Anniston, MO, at the age of 17. Anniston has a current population of 265. He worked as a "cotton picker" in his youth and in his teens. When he was 18 he moved to Indiana where he went to work in the steel mills for 17 years.

In 1972 he moved to Colorado and went to work for Mountain Bell. Along the way Ken became a professional square dance caller and remains one today. Although he retired from the "work force" he says he is not retired, because he still works in the Activities Office and calls square dancing professionally, as he has for the past 45 years.

In the early days of his square dance calling, the callers would put on skits during intermissions and "after parties", and that is where he acquired his enjoyment of performing in front of audiences.

Ken moved to Tucson in 1986 and was a substitute caller for his friend and RCW square dance caller Max Forsyth. He carried his enjoyment of entertaining to RCW when he moved here in 1996 and started working in the Activities Office in 1999 and performing at the Friday Coffees.

Ken's hobbies include woodworking (which he says he is not real good at), square dancing, shopping, and in the 1980's, he ran marathons.

He loves to read labels and do the shopping for the Activities Office.

Ken makes his summer home in Prescott Valley, AZ, where he has formed a square dance group. Prescott Valley, while warm in the summer, is over 5,000 feet elevation and is, therefore, 15 to 20 degrees cooler than Phoenix, AZ.

When asked what he liked about RCW and his job, his response was "the people". He enjoys the people and performing for them. What he does not like is "cranky" people (but who does?).

## Neuropathy of Tucson Cholesterol Seminar

Back by popular demand. Dr. Trent Freeman DC (Dr. T). Will be here at RCW to give a seminar on natural ways to control cholesterol.

His clinic is certified with the Neuropathy Treatment Centers of America and he has received advanced training in the treatment of neuropathy.

Want to find out more? Join Dr. T on **January 11th at 9:00 am. in the Rec Hall.**

Stop in the Activity Office and pick up your **complimentary ticket.**

Ice Cream Social  
 Thursday, Jan. 26th  
 6:00 pm in the Rec. Hall  
 Tickets: \$3.00  
 Bring your own bowl & spoon

## "The Help"

Free Movie

At the dawn of the civil rights movement, three Mississippi women are about to take one extraordinary step. Twenty-two-year-old Skeeter has just returned home after graduating from Ole Miss, and her mother won't be happy until she finds a husband. Aibileen, a wise African-American maid and caretaker, suffers after the loss of her own child. Minny, Aibileen's sassy best friend, struggles to find and hold a job. Seemingly as different from one another as can be, these women will nonetheless come together for a clandestine project that will put them all at risk.

Join us after Strawberry Shortcake on Friday, January 20th at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium for this free event!



## Olan Mills

We will be making a photo directory this year and Olan Mills will be here taking pictures Jan. 3rd -7th and Jan. 31st-Feb. 4th in the Rally Room. If you have already signed up, please report to the Rally Room at the time of your appointment. If you haven't signed up there are still openings!

There are two options for signing up and picking an appointment date/time.

1. You can sign up online by going to:  
<https://signup.olanmills.com/familyinfo.aspx?chcontract=65158>
2. Come on into the Activity Office and pick a time on the sign up sheet. Have a couple dates and times in mind in case your first pick is taken.

Remember, the only way to get a picture directory is to have your picture taken.

## Spud Out

Saturday, January 21st

5.00 pm in the Auditorium

Tickets. \$6.50 includes a huge hot baked potato with your choice of toppings, salad, desert and a beverage!

They will be giving away over 80 door prizes!!!!

Sponsored by: RCW Garden Railroad

## Senior Financial Services Seminar & Pizza

The financial markets still rock and reel like an old drunk. The uncertainty of the stock market and unusually low cd and money market rates make us question where to put our hard earned retirement money. Will I out live my money? How can I keep up with inflation and the necessary cost of daily living?

Join me to find out the answers, in a one hour information packed workshop on Saturday, February 14th at 5:00 pm. We will serve pizza and beverages. Find out what financial strategies are available to you. Many of your RCW neighbors are already taking advantage of these opportunities. Thanks and we look forward to seeing you in the Auditorium. Sign up in the Activity Office.

Mike Hulse, President and Founder  
Seniors Financial Services

## POT LUCKS

*In the Rally Room*

Jan. 1	Solos' Social Hour (Rec. Hall)
Jan. 10	"Q" Street Social Hour
Jan. 11	"G" Street Pot Luck
Jan 12	"I & J" Street Pot Luck
Jan. 15	Solo's Pot Luck (Rec. Hall)
Jan. 16	Digital Imaging Pot Luck

## "East Coast" Potluck

Jan. 21	Red Hat Brunch
Jan. 24	Villageaires Social
Jan. 26	East Coast Pot Luck
Jan. 27	California Pot Luck
Jan. 30	Garden Railroad Pot Luck
Feb. 5	Solos' Social ( <i>Rec. Hall</i> )
Feb. 6	Ohio Pot Luck
Feb. 7	Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma
Feb. 9	Iowa, NE, N D & S D ( <i>Rec. Hall</i> )
Feb. 10	Tennis Pot Luck
Feb. 13	Oregon Pot Luck
Feb. 14	Michigan Pot Luck
Feb. 15	Wisconsin Pot Luck
Feb. 16	Washington, Alaska Pot Luck ( <i>Rec. Hall</i> )
Feb. 16	Minnesota Pot Luck
Feb. 18	"G" Street Pot Luck
Feb. 19	Colorado Pot Luck
Feb. 19	Solos's Pot Luck ( <i>Rec. Hall</i> )
Feb. 20	MT, ID, WY Pot Luck
Feb. 21	"R" Street Pot Luck
Feb. 22	"I & J" Street Pot Luck
Feb. 23	Habitat for Humanity Pot Luck ( <i>Rec. Hall</i> )
Feb. 25	Canadian Pot Luck
Feb. 27	Hikers Pot Luck
Feb. 28	Villageaires Social
Feb. 29	Illinois Pot Luck
Mar. 1	"I & J" Street Pot Luck
Mar. 3	Monday Golf Group
Mar. 4	Solo's Social ( <i>Rec. Hall</i> )
Mar. 4	Villageaires Pot Luck
Mar. 5	Genealogy Pot Luck
Mar. 7	"F" Street Pot Luck-Both sides
Mar. 8	Shuffleboard Pot Luck
Mar. 10	Men's Golf Recognition Event
Mar. 12	"S" Street Pot Luck
Mar. 13	"Q" Street Pot Luck
Mar. 14	Bowling Banquet
Mar. 14	Computer Club Pot Luck
Mar. 15	Garden Railroad Pot Luck
Mar. 16	Tennis Pot Luck
Mar. 18	Solos's Pot Luck ( <i>Rec. Hall</i> )
Mar. 18	Split "P" St. Pot Luck
Mar. 21	"O" Street Pot Luck
Mar. 22	Playcrafters Pot Luck

From the rocky shores of Maine to the Everglades of Florida; it's time for the 2012 "East Coast" Potluck. All current and past residents from the Eastern Seaboard are cordially invited. (Note: The "Eastern Seaboard" includes all states bordering on the Atlantic Ocean plus VT, PA, WV and KY.)

**When & Where:** Thursday, Jan 26 beginning at 4:30 pm in the Rally Room. Social hour and appetizers at 4:30; Dinner at 5:30.

**Sign Up:** Please sign up in the Coffee Room before Tuesday, January 25.

**Bring:** A covered dish consisting of about 12 servings, your own beverage and place settings. \$1 per person to cover coffee and incidentals.

**Questions?** Contact Ruth Anne Starnes at 215-353-7672 or wdsras@aol.com. (Site V 828)

## Wisconsin Pot Luck

The Wisconsin pot luck will be on February 15, 2012 at 4:00 pm in the Rally Room. Bring a dish to share that serves 12 and your own service. The cost is \$1.50 per person and the sign up sheet is in the Coffee Room.

Please contact: Bob & Judy Benning,  
520-573-7211 Lot# 845

## Event Photos

Have you been taking digital photos at different events? If so Nicole would love a copy of your digital photos! If you feel like sharing just bring in you memory stick, flash drive or disk.

We are trying to keep facebook and twitter as up-to-date as possible but also want to make sure we show the full range of events put on at RCW. So even if the photos are a couple months old that is okay! Bring 'em on in!

# Dancing



## Line Dancing

With the holidays over and the New Year's resolutions made, come to Carol Bandy's line dance class for some great exercise. We dance every Thursday morning from 8:30-11:00 am in the Auditorium and there is something for everyone. The class schedule is as follows:

- 8:30-9:00 am first time beginners just starting line dancing.
  - 9:00-10:00 am beginners.
  - 10:00-11:00 am advanced beginner, easy Intermediate
- The class fee is \$5.00

Please mark your calendars for our next Sunday afternoon dance being held on January 15<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-4:00 pm in the RCW Auditorium. The cost is \$5.00 and you pay at the door. Feel free to bring your drink of choice and a snack to pass.

Saturday morning practice and review classes are being held from 10:00 am-2:00 pm in the Rec Hall. No line dance review on January 18<sup>th</sup> due to Quilt Show.

## Dance- A- Round With Ronnie & Bonnie Bond

We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and we want to thank you for your continued support and friendship. January will be a fun month of dance and parties.

**Sunday, Jan. 1 - New Year's Day** join us at:  
1:30 pm Pot Luck  
2:30 pm All Level casual Round Dance.

**Sunday, Jan. 8**  
3:00 - 5:00 pm 50's Style Round Dance Party.

We are offering a Social (Ballroom Style) dance class for beginners. This class is tentatively scheduled to start on Wed., Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> depending on how much interest we have in the class. You need to sign up early. You may contact us during any class, stop by the Auditorium, or call us 928-525-6388. Stop in and see us. We hope you will see something you like, we would love to have you join us in any of our classes.

### Round Dance Schedule:

#### Monday:

- 12:00 noon Ph 2-3 Class
- 2:00 pm Ph 4 Class
- 6:30 pm Ph 4-6 Dance

#### Tuesday:

- 3:00 Beginner Round Dance Class

#### Wednesday:

- 10:45 am Ph 5 Class
- 1:00 pm Social (Ballroom) Class
- 7:00 pm Pre-Rounds

#### Second Sunday of each month:

- 3:00 pm All Level Dance Party

All dances and classes are held in the Auditorium. See you around.

Ronnie & Bonnie Bond  
928-525-6388



## Square Dancing

It's back to the full square dance schedule starting January 9th with the plus donut dance at 10:00 am.

It is great to see everyone back and we continue to welcome dancers from all over the Tucson area. All dances and classes are casual except the Wednesday night PLUS Dance with Rounds when square dance attire is requested.

Sunday: 7:00 pm Mainstream with Review in Aud.

Monday: 10:00 am PLUS Donut Dance in Aud.  
7:00 pm Beginner Lessons in Rec. Hall

Tuesday: 9:30 am A-1 and A-2 workshop in Aud.

1:00 pm PLUS Review in Aud.

Wednesday: 9:30 am Beginner Lessons in Aud.  
7:00 pm Pre-Rounds in Aud.

7:30 PLUS Square Dance with Rounds in Aud.

Thursday: 9:30 am PLUS DBD (Dancing by Definition) in Rec. Hall

Schedules are available in the RCW Activity Office or at any of the dances.

Marshall Flippo, Lot 129 520-294-6490

## Coming up in February...



### Chili Dinner

Sponsored by Lapidary and Silversmith Club

Serving 5:00-5:30 pm Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>

Tickets \$7:00 Available in Activity Office

Serving Chili, Salad, Cornbread, Desert, and Beverage

Door Prizes made by Club Members

Raffle Tickets for beautiful 14K Gold Pendant with Pearl Necklace

Raffle Tickets: @ \$2.00 ea or 3 for \$5.00  
Available from Club Members or in the Lapidary/Silversmith Shop

## Keith Longbotham

Keith Longbotham, will be here to perform for you on Friday, February 3rd at 7:00 pm.

Keith does a wonderful variety show where he sings country western and gospel songs and tells some fun jokes. The program will be held in the Auditorium and will have a variety of music. Tickets for this event are \$6.00 and are available in the Activity Office.

This is usually a sellout show so buy your tickets early. This is a not to be missed event.

# Clubs

## Sewing and Crafts Room

Have you checked out classes offered in the Sewing and Craft Room yet? We have lots to choose from, so please stop by. You'll find samples in the glass cases and sign up sheets below the cases.

You can also work on your own projects in the room as long as another activity is not scheduled. Check the large calendar by the south door to find free times.

If you would like to teach a class, contact Sally McFarlin in space 654-L. She will help you with scheduling and paperwork.

Also, don't forget our bake sale on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 5. We'll be outside the Auditorium with lots of goodies.

The Sewing and Craft Room is governed by its own board, which usually meets on the first Wednesday evening of each month (check the calendar for specifics). All room users are welcome (and encouraged) to attend.

Officers this year are President Ruby Burrows (604); Vice President Sue Mattson (458); Secretary Sally McFarlin (654); and Treasurer Sonja Bridges (726).

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## Nana's Needles

Bring your knitting and/or crocheting to Class Room 1 on Friday mornings after coffee. Work on your own project or join us in donation knitting (or crocheting) for 'New Borns in Need of Southern Arizona'. Beginners and experts are all welcome. There is usually some one available if you are having difficulties or wish to learn. We accept any materials (especially yarn) you wish to donate. Check your drawer and closets.

Shirley Crites #146 807-9773

## Comfort Quilts

The Comfort Quilt Group is busy every Thursday from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm in the Sewing and Craft Room. If you want to help us, just stop in and we will put you to work, sewing, cutting, pressing or tying. We also love to have the RCW residents stop in just to see the work in action. It is a joy to see how each quilt is made with loving care from our quilters.

In December, we were able to make deliveries to the VA Hospital with quilts for our veterans and military people. We also made a nice delivery to Emerge Center, the center for abused women and children. They were ever so grateful to get a delivery before Christmas.

If you have cotton fabric that we can use in these quilts, we will gladly take a donation of the fabric and put it to good use. We especially love to share our beautiful quilts with any RCW resident facing health challenges. Please let us know if you are aware of anyone at RCW in need of one of our Quilts.

Co- Chairman: Charlotte Baker  
# 807, 402-490-7929 and  
Jan Anders, # 711, 520-573-0850

## Brazilian Embroidery

The Brazilian Embroidery group meets every Thursday morning, from 9:00-11:00 am in Class Room 1. Brazilian Embroidery is hand stitching beautiful dimensional stitches using colorful rayon threads. If you are already familiar with this lovely craft, come join our camaraderie. If you would like to know more about it, visit any Thursday morning and see our work. We can get you started on your first project.

Pam Maddox

## Cactus Quilters

Happy New Year! Start the year by joining us on Monday morning. We meet every Monday morning from 9:30-11:30 am at the Rec. Hall. The members of our group are fun, talented women.

On January 26<sup>th</sup> we are taking a bus trip to the Phoenix Quilt, Craft, and Sewing Festival. Sign up early as seats go fast. This is a trip you don't want to miss.

We are busy getting ready for our quilt show on February 18, 2012. This year we will raffle a beautiful queen size quilt. Purchasing raffle tickets will give you an opportunity to win. You will be able to see the quilt at different events before the quilt show. We are also lucky to have Sue Housman of America Sews as our guest speaker.

On the last Monday of the month, instead of a meeting, we have an outing to a quilt shop followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Often the quilt shops provide us with a mini demonstration on our visit.

Check the sewing room for all the classes being offered. There are many classes offered from beginners to advanced.

Come and join us on Monday morning and see what we're all about.

## Needlework

Knitting, Crocheting, Counted Cross-stitch, etc.

If you have a needlework project you'd like to complete, or want to start a new one, bring the project and come to the Sewing Room any Wednesday afternoon. We'll be there from 1:00 -3:00 pm and would love to have you join us. Even if you don't have a project going, come by to see all the beautiful handiwork these ladies do.

Any questions, call  
Adeline Bailey, 294-2728

## Quilt Show

The RCW Quilt Show will be held Saturday, February 18, 2012, from 12:00-4:00 pm in the Auditorium and Rec. Hall.

If you live or are staying at RCW, you are eligible to enter a quilt that you have recently made in the show. Pick up entry forms in the Craft & Sewing Room.

Everyone is encouraged to come and admire the beautiful quilts made by our residents and vote for your favorites in various categories.

This year we are raffling off several beautiful quilts, so buy raffle tickets (\$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00) for a chance to win. Tickets can be purchased through Sue Mattson. We also will have a boutique where you can purchase quilted items. Sue Hausmann will be our featured speaker (you may have seen her on the PBS shows "America Quilts" and "America Quilts Creatively,") and we will have a number of quilting demonstrations.

So, come for one hour or all four. You will be amazed at the talent we have in the park.

Sue Mattson, co-chairwoman  
#458, 425-442-8320

## Swedish Weaving

Create a lovely runner for your coffee table or dining table (intermediates), or learn how to make a small piece (beginners) that adds color and charm to your bath. Classes will be in the Sewing room as follows:

Wednesday, January 11th - 10:00 - 12:00  
Friday, January 20th - 10:00 - 12:00

Sign up under the display for either the Beginner or Intermediate class and your choice of runner size. All materials will be supplied for both levels, including a supply of yarn to choose from. Should you desire a specific color, feel free to bring your own washable, 4-ply yarn. Class fee will be \$8.00.

Please call me should you have any questions.

Judy Simmel  
807-1053

## Lapidary and Silversmith Shop

The lapidary and silversmith shop is open to all that are interested. No experience is necessary as we have classes for various forms of jewelry making. Stop in and sign up and talk to the monitors about the various courses. Class sign-up sheets are posted for Chain Making, Soldering, Silversmithing, Wire Wrapping, Lapidary, Precious Metal Clay, Casting and Wax Carving. A description of each class is posted in the shop.

The Chili dinner will be on February 4<sup>th</sup> this year so make your plans to attend. If you wish to see the raffle prizes and door prizes, stop by and take a look in the display case. Starting January 9<sup>th</sup>, Raffle tickets will be on sale in the Lapidary and Silversmith shop.

We look forward to your visit to our shop to see what is being made by our members. If you wish to join us, we would be happy to have you.

Bob Howland



## Beads Beads

Monday mornings at 9:00 am anyone who wants to string or make beads is welcome to use the Ceramics/Pottery room. Have fun with beads, earrings, bracelets or your choice of wearable art.

Judy Fried

## Pottery and Ceramics

The New Year is here and new adventures await. Stop by the Pottery Room and have a go at something new. Tuesday mornings, items may be made by pouring slip into molds. These are taken out the next day and prepared for firing in the kiln. Jan Mulvaney is available at 9:00 am to help. Judy Fried instructs Potters on Thursdays. She is available at 9:00 am and teaches beginners at 1:15 pm. Join us for an excellent adventure.

Jan Mulvaney and Judy Fried

## Woodcarving

Welcome back woodcarvers and new woodcarvers. Now that the new season is starting up why not try a new hobby. Woodcarving can be fun and rewarding. Just imagine creating something from a piece of wood or bark. Stop in and see the exciting projects you can do.

Woodcarvers meet every Monday at 12:30 pm and Thursday at 1:00 pm in the Rec. Hall. Both sessions end at 4:00 pm. The annual dues are \$5.00. There are cutouts and tools for sale to get you started.

Come join the fun and before you know it you will have completed a project that will surprise yourself, family and friends.

Diane Evans

## RCW 2012 Photo Contest

Get your cameras ready to take new photos and consider some of the good photos you have already taken. You might just have one, or two or more that fit into the categories for the 2012 Photo Contest, and there are three new categories for this season.

The Photo Contest Results Night is Friday, February 25.

### What are the Categories?

1. People
2. Outdoor Scenery. (Landscapes, cityscapes)
3. Critters. (Domestic or wild; dogs, cats, insects, birds, fish, etc.)
4. Flowers/Plants (Any photo that *features* flowers, cactus, etc.)
5. Black & White or Sepia (New Category)
6. Oldies but Goodies (Old things - cars, buildings, furniture, etc.) (New Category)
7. Night Shots (Pictures taken *after* sunset - fireworks, street lights, city lights, etc.) (New Category)
8. Digital Art. (Emphasizes photo manipulation via computer.)
9. Video Montage (aka Slideshow). A five-minute maximum DVD. You can include videos and photos with sounds and music.

Note: For category 5 through 9 any computer enhancement is allowed.

### How do you enter?

Entries will be accepted from January 30th to February 15th. The Digital Imaging Club will mount your photos if you wish. See entry form for details. entry forms will be available in the Activity Office in early January. The entry forms will list all the categories and explain all the rules, entry fees and specific times to enter your photos or DVDs.

Start thinking about using an existing photo, taking a new one or making a DVD Slideshow. Help us continue to make the photo night bigger and better every year.

## Digital Imaging Club

Welcome back to all. Join us every Monday afternoon. The video group meets 1:00-3:00 pm in the Digital Imaging Lab (off the sewing and crafts room). The digital camera/photo group meets 3:00-5:00 pm in Class Room 2.

Our programs involve use of digital cameras, photographic techniques and photo software. Our video group "focuses" on all aspects of digital video.

## Help Needed Please

Playcrafters have been sponsoring the San Xavier Mission del Bac School for years. We collect Campbell Soup labels and labels from cereal boxes. Please consider saving them to place in our can in the Coffee Room. I will take them out to the nuns at the mission who will put them to good use. Thank you.

Dottie Gregerson Site 132 A 741-1903

## RCW Acoustic Jam

If you are a keen acoustic musician of whatever level, beginner through accomplished pro, on any acoustic instrument (including voice if you don't play an instrument but just love to sing); we would be glad to have you join us for a weekly acoustic jam session.

We will gather in the Rec. Hall on Tuesdays from 3:00-5:00 pm. This will be a true jam session, meaning that our musical choices will be those of the participants, so feel free to bring along your favorites - folk, country, old-time, bluegrass, even classical if that is your wish. With sufficient interest we hope to be able to keep this going and growing on a regular basis from November through March. If you are interested please let us know. We hope to see you Tuesday.

Ken and Sharon Burrill  
kenburrill@me.com

## Playcrafters

For those of you who are curious about what we do at meetings, welcome. We are a group that meet every Thursday afternoon from 1:00-3:00 pm. We are interested in plays, skits, learning about theatrical productions and all its facets. You do not have to have any acting experience, just an interest. This December our Christmas production consisted of 6 skits. We had an enthusiastic audience both Friday and Saturday nights.

On March 16 and 18 we will present a full play. Joy Fehrenz will direct and will soon be having try outs. Practice will start immediately and consist of 3 times per week for approximately 2 hours. There is more to a play than what you see on stage. There will be a job for every interested member.

Money taken in by productions is spent on equipment to make our productions more professional. The group also donates to several charities.

Readers theater is our community outreach. We will be organizing in January. This is a great spot for those who like to perform and hate to learn lines.

We are truly a something for everyone group and would love to have you join us.

Barb Norwick - 806-4088



We welcome anyone interested in Ham Radio to join us on Wednesdays at 11:00 am in Class Room 1. We'll be happy to help you get your license. Our club is growing and we have a well equipped ham shack to show you.

Join us for Pie and Coffee on January 12, 2012 in the Rec. Hall from 6:30-7:30 pm. The price is \$3.00 per ticket.

## Villageaires Spring Concert

Rehearsals for the Villageaires Spring Concert begin 9:00 am in the Rally Room, Tuesday, January 2. Our jovial but demanding director Professor Al Wortman of Minnesota State University, Mankato; has chosen "100 Years of Broadway" for our spring concerts. They will be held in the Auditorium March 2nd and 3rd. Come sing with us and learn more of all these delightful tunes. Chorus practice is 9:00-11:00 am every Tuesday. Our group also has social hours and much laughter together.

For more information:  
Mary E. Hallesy 889-3926 #39

## Solos

We welcome all single newcomers to our park. If you are single and would like to meet other singles with the same desire for friendship, join us on the First and Third Sundays in the Rec. Hall.

Best wishes to all for a Happy healthy New Year!

For the New Year we start with our first gathering on Sunday, January 1st with a Social in the Rec. Hall at 5:00 pm. Bring snacks to share coffee and tea will be available B.Y.O.S.

Monday, January 9th we will have a luncheon at Red Lobster in the Calle Santa Cruise Plaza Seating for 11:30 am. (Remember: they don't take reservations)

Our first Pot Luck of the New year will be held in the Rec Hall on Sunday, January 15th at 5:00 pm. Coffee and tea will be available. B.Y.O.S

Please watch the Solos' Board in the Coffee room for sign-up sheets and any changes to the event(s) scheduled.

Carl Stubbington  
889- 3509

## Bible Study

A new season of Bible Study is starting soon!

We will be reading "The New Testament book of Ephesians," study guide by John MacArthur. Beginning Thursday, January 5th from 9:30 - 11:00 am in Class Room 2 (next to the Woodshop).

Everyone is welcome, couples and solos! Come for a time of blessing and sharing.

Contact Walt Scott, 528-308-8873 or  
Heidi Schmidt, 562-618-7112



## RCW Red Hats

The RCW Red Hat Chapters enjoyed our December social hour with spouses and friends.

**January Pajama Potluck Brunch** will be Saturday, January 21st from 11:00-1:30 pm in the Rally Room.

Bring your own beverage (coffee, ice, & table settings will be furnished). Sign up in the coffee room so we will know how many tables to set up. Bring a brunch dish to share. PJs, nightgowns and robes are fun to wear to this event but not required. Any ladies interested in joining a Red Hat Chapter are invited to attend too.

**Octoberfest, 2012.** We need volunteers to make this fun "End of the Red Hat Sunbird Season" take place. If we do not get volunteers by the end of January, we will be forced to cancel the band so they can make other commitments.

Jan Hedgpeth, GQM RCW Red Hats  
#1082 741-9565



## News From The Library

It's great to see so many residents checking out the Library! It does look great with its newly updated appearance. We, the volunteers, are endeavoring to present our 'holdings' in the most user-friendly way possible.

A special gift of Western books (new to us) has been given in Memory of Al Gruner, a former RCW resident. We love being able to update this very popular section. Thanks Maxine for making this happen.

You may have noted that the surplus/discard stand is no longer available. Instead we are using a process to assure the best use of these books. They are taken to the Southern, AZ VA Hospital for patients use. Each time books are delivered, RCW receives a letter acknowledging the VA's appreciation for these donations. The recognize RCW's concern for our veterans and for the service they provided for all of us.

Get out your calendars. You may want to make note that on March 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, the Tucson Festival of Books will be held on the U. of A. campus. To see all the many authors who are scheduled to appear and the events and exhibits planned, check out [tucsonfestivalofbooks.org](http://tucsonfestivalofbooks.org). You could also volunteer your help, if that interests you.

Among the several 'sets' of books, like the Handyman's Series and the Classics, we have just received a 'set' called Creative Crafts. What a wonderful set packed full of ideas. Please also note that as the newly donated books are processed, we place this group on the shelves by the east windows. So, check them out!!

See you around the Park.

Marti Fox

## Tops

Put that New Year's Resolution to lose weight into action. January is here and the Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) group meets every Monday morning in the new Card Room 2 (the old lounge). Our program starts at 7:30 am, with weigh-in for members at 7:00 am and Officers weigh-in at 6:45 am.

TOPS is a non-profit organization designed to help men and women take off pounds sensibly and to keep off pounds sensibly. Come look us over and possibly join us for weekly learning, support and fun concerning nutrition, portion control, food choices, etc.



Joy Fehrenz



Yoga

Yoga meets every Tuesday morning at 8:45 am in the Rec. Hall. Bring your mats and join us for an hour of stretching and relaxation. If anyone is qualified and would be willing to volunteer as an instructor please call Shirley Crites at 807-9773. We use various DVDs and would welcome a greater variety with emphasis on yoga for seniors or beginners.

Shirley Crites #146

## Habitat for Humanity

RCW Habitat for Humanity, *Thursday work days*, begins Thursday, January 5th. We will meet at the flag pole, by the office, at 7:20 am along with our snacks, lunches and water before we carpool to the affiliate's building site. We will be building on numerous houses under all stages of construction. The affiliate is currently building near the *Triple T truck* stop off I-10 and Craycroft. We are looking for both men and woman and all skill levels are welcome.

Questions: Gerry Keener  
520-889-4184 227 E St.

## Low-Impact Aerobics

Welcome back for those of you who have just returned to RCW. We hope your holidays were special no matter where you spent them. Now it is time for all of us to get down to business and return to a healthy, active lifestyle so we can enjoy all the activities we want to do.

Some of us have already started low-impact aerobics. Exercising really can be fun when you do it with friends. I hear a lot of laughing at the back of the room and know that if they are on their feet and moving, that's the important thing.

Come join us for some fun and exercise for seniors Monday through Thursday 7:45 am - 8:45 am in the Recreation Hall. There are different DVDs every day for fall prevention, strength building, cardio, and balance training. Just wear comfortable clothes and bring 2 or 3 pound weights. Resistance bands are also used on Wednesdays. Weights and bands are available to borrow if you just want to give this activity a try.

Need more information?

Call Sue Charlot: 509-952-5645

## RCW Bowling League

Interested in bowling but haven't bowled for a long time or have never bowled? We have a fun non-sanctioned bowling league from the park that bowls at a local bowling establishment, on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm, with anywhere from 60 to 96 bowlers. The league average about 130 with a low of 75 to a high of 180 and 95% handicap.

We bowl for 16 weeks and you can bowl for 1 or more weeks. If you sign up to bowl but cannot bowl a particular week/weeks you do not have to get a substitute bowler and you do not have to pay for bowling. We practice bowl on Mondays for \$1.00 per game if you want to try it. Assistance for bowling is available including a way to the bowling lanes.

For details call Ron at 520-807-6416

## Shuffleboard

Happy New Year. If you are just returning to RCW, and have been shuffleboard deprived, the shuffleboard courts are awaiting you. Play continues on Mondays and Thursdays at 8:45 am and 6:30 pm. If you are new to the game, instructions will be given during play. If you would like private lessons, covering every aspect of the game, call Ron Petry at 807-6416.

*Congratulations to the following RCW tournament winners.*

**Turkey Classic Tournament** of November 14-16: Adrian Utrup, 1st Place Consolation and John Lawrence, 2nd Place Consolation.

**Yuletide Tournament** of December 5-6: Jo Bender and Jack Durette, 2nd Place Championship, Donna Utrup and Adrian Utrup, 2nd Place, Consolation, Annette Hayes and Ron Johnson, 3rd Place, Consolation, and Shirley Lessnau and John Lawrence, 4th Place, Consolation.

*Coming up in January:*

**District Qualifying State Split Singles**  
January 3-4, Site TBA

**District 2 Board Meeting and Split Singles Drawing**

January 7, Far Horizons Tucson Village, 2:00pm

**District 2 Split Singles**  
January 9-11, FHTV

**State Split Singles**

January 16-17, District 2, Tucson

**Tucson Senior Olympics:**

Men: January 23, Women: January 24  
RCW

**Doubles**

January 26, Voyager

Our Hot Fudge Ice Cream Sundae night will be Thursday, January 26th at 6:00 pm. Tickets may be purchased in the A.O., Friday Morning Coffee, or at the door. Please bring your own bowl and spoon.

Marian Eising, Secretary  
H-550, 741-8412

## Desert Explorers HIKING CLUB

Come join the Desert Explorers on Wednesdays for moderate hikes. We meet in Class Room 1 at 7:15 am. Put on your boots, bring a hiking stick, water, snack and money to share the cost of driving. Schedules of hikes are posted outside the main office and on the board near Lapidary.

For questions about Wednesday hikes,  
Contact: Jerry or Nancy Paulson at 295-0196.

## Stretching & Flexibility Group

The start of the New Year, is a good time to make a resolution to exercise more. Those who are returning to RCW, and those who have been here through the summer, are welcomed to participate in a flexibility/stretching exercise which will help maintain balance and improve flexibility. It should help you in your daily living.

The stretching/flexibility group continues under the leadership of Gary Johnson and Al Kent. The group meets each morning, Monday through Friday, at 7:15 am in the Auditorium. The exercise follows an audio CD. Please bring a mat or towel and plan on 25 minutes of healthy stretching exercise.

Everyone is welcome. If you have questions, please contact:

Al: R1034, 520 784 3142 or Gary: S 958



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## Bicycle Club

The RCW Bicycle Club rides Mondays at 9:30 am, and Fridays at 1:00 pm from the parking lot behind the Woodshop, weather permitting.

Monday rides are on bike trails, or roads with little traffic, and are 8 to 14 miles (round trip) at an easy 10 mph pace - no-one is left behind. Transportation of bikes to the starting location is often needed. Vehicles that can carry several bikes ensure no-one is left behind.

Friday rides are for experienced riders who are ok with biking on busy streets such as South Mission, and start from the park. Rides are 25-40 miles at a 14+ mph pace.

A coffee stop is mandatory for all rides! For ride and schedule info join google group <http://groups.google.com/group/rcwbikers> or check the bulletin board outside the office. Helmets and signing a waiver release form are required.

Contact: Dave or Marilyn Fitzjohn  
H543, 520-440-7689

## Ambassador Club

The Ambassadors welcome newcomers every Tuesday morning at 9:00 am in Card Room 2. Come in to get acquainted with RCW, the Tucson area, how to find a hospital or urgent care clinic, grocery stores, malls, restaurants, and the interesting sights of the area. Also, we will try to answer any questions you may have.

For newcomers, Card Room 2 is located through the Coffee Room and at the rear of the building facing the shuffle boards.

## I'm OK

Here at RCW we want to make sure you are A-OK! The "I'm Okay Club" is a program for people living alone. This is just a daily check-in by phone that allows us to make sure you are OK. Please stop by the Activity Office to sign up! We look forward to seeing you!

## Bird Club

Welcome to a new year of great birding in Southern Arizona. We'll have a short orientation meeting on January 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am in Class Room 1 for both new and veteran birders. Bring water, a light lunch, binoculars and a bird ID book because we'll be having an outing after the meeting. Remember to bring these items to each of the following bird outings as well. A walking stick might also be helpful. We carpool and decide on drivers and riders at the early morning meetings. Bring money to reimburse the driver for gasoline if you are a rider. Note meeting times of individual outings below.

Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>

7:30 am: Short orientation in Class Room 1 and then outing to Sweetwater Ponds and Reid Park.

Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30 am: meet in Class Room 1. Field trip to be announced.

Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am: meet in Class Room 1. Field trip to Arivaca Cienega and Pena Blanc Lake—involves about a 1 and ½ mile walk.

Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>

7:30 am: meet in Class Room 1. Field trip north of Tucson to Redrock area, cattle yards and grasslands.

Charlie Kvoool  
RCW Bird Club President  
Site B-1  
[charlie@kvoool.com](mailto:charlie@kvoool.com)



## Garden Railroad Club

All park residents are invited to attend RCW Garden Railroad meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in Class Room 1 at 3:00 pm. Any park resident interested in promoting the RCW Garden Railroad is encouraged to join the club. You may serve in any capacity that you wish. You are not required to work on the layout.

During the month of January, trains will run (weather permitting). Check the posted schedule at the layout located at the end of the boulevard by the Auditorium for times and updates. This year the old dry wash has been removed and replaced by a running stream. Now the layout has two water features for park residents to enjoy that operate throughout the day. In January many new figures and a tourist trolley will be added to the layout. Also look for the arrival of the circus and the new circus tent. The club will also be adding sounds activated by push buttons to the farm and circus. Many buildings are now lighted for your evening viewing pleasure!

On Saturday evening, January 21st, the Garden Railroad Club will again sponsor this year's Spud Out dinner. We will be serving the same great menu of baked potato with all the trimmings, salad, dessert and a beverage at the same low price of \$6.50. Over 80 prizes will be given away during the dinner as has been done in previous years. Don't miss the great food and a chance to win some outstanding prizes. Buy your tickets early as this event usually sells out. Your participation in this event allows us to continue to expand and improve the RCW Garden Railroad layout.

Future events for park residents will be our Train Meet Extravaganza, The Western B-B-Q dinner in February and our night running of trains. Be sure to look for our bargain tables at any future RCW Parking Lot Sale.

## Mission Road Clean-up

The RCW Bicycle Club is once again sponsoring a Mission Road Clean-up on Friday, January 6th from 10:00 am to noon. Meet at the front game with old clothes, gloves and a hat.

For more information contact  
Tom Nimlos, 294-3331

## Golf

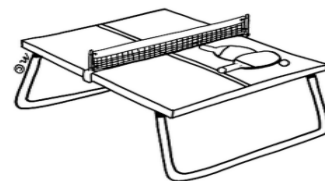
Well, here it is, a New Year. The Thursday mens group will be playing Quarry Pines, Vistoso, Arizona National, and San Ignacio golf clubs. It should be a fun filled month. For the new people in the park, a sign-up sheet is located in the Coffee Room and the group meets Wednesdays at 5:30 pm for a short meeting in the Rec. Hall. Hope to see all golfers at the meeting.

On Tuesdays, there is a mixed couples group that also has great courses available for your enjoyment. In January, they will be playing Torres Blancas, San Ignacio, quarry pines and Canoa Hills. The Tuesday group is open to all players.

Congratulations to Greg Rollyson for his 1st hole in one. The Monday group was playing at the forty-niner and Greg aced the 138 yard 10th hole using a 9 iron. Nice going Greg.

Hit em straight and have a good new year.

Pat Mulvaney



## Table Tennis

Table Tennis players have more fun! Come join us Sundays, Tuesdays, and Fridays from 1 to 3 pm in the Rec Hall. We have all necessary equipment, so just show up for fun and exercise.

## RODEO TICKETS

Saturday, February 25, 2012

11 am Gates Open

12:30 pm Dodge Mutton Bustin  
& Justin Junior Rodeo

2:00 pm Pro-Rodeo Competition

Always go EARLY because the above times  
are approximate via the Internet

Tickets are available in the Activity Office  
Cost: \$25.00

## Genealogy Club

The Genealogy Club is off to a great start for the season. Please plan to join us each week for interactive, interesting and informative sessions focused on discovering new and exciting ways to explore and document your roots.

Our regular meetings are on Mondays in Class Room 2 from 7:00-8:00 pm. If you are interested in continuing your ancestral search, wish to learn how to begin, or are just plain curious about a particular topic we would like to see you at our meetings.

The first Monday of each month is set aside for a short business meeting followed by a class covering a beginning genealogy subject. The following topics are planned for the January meetings:

Jan 9: Business meeting and beginners class.

Jan 16: Using Pictures and Text Boxes in Documents.

Jan 23: "Find A Grave" with Dave Fawcett.

Jan 30: "Googling Dead People" with Nathan Hughes.

(There will be no meeting on January 2<sup>nd</sup> due to the holiday weekend.)

For additional club information, contact  
Lee Foxworthy at 520-889-0966.

## RCW (Thursday) Hiking Club

For those of us who love hiking, there's nothing more inviting than the many trails through the canyons and valleys all around Tucson, and beyond! Join us on Thursday mornings. You are guaranteed to enjoy great views and lots of memories while getting a terrific workout and meeting other hikers.

Early mornings may be cool but can warm up quickly so make sure to wear layers to maintain comfort. Good hiking footwear, hiking poles, water and adequate food to sustain you are recommended. If you don't wish to drive your own vehicle, you may join other drivers. You will be asked to share the cost of gas.

We meet at 7:15 am in Class Room 1 and depart at 7:30 am. The proposed (but changeable) list of hikes is always posted in the glass enclosed activity bulletin board on the east wall outside the RCW office! We look forward to meeting you and sharing with you the Tucson outdoors.



## Villager Information

Please observe the following rules for submitting articles for the Villager.

1. The deadline for the monthly Villager is the 10th day of the month prior to issue date. For example, the deadline for the January Villager would be December 10.

2. Please email your articles to:  
[nicole@rinconcountry.com](mailto:nicole@rinconcountry.com)

3. Please be sure to include correct times, dates and room locations in your articles.

4. Please do not bold, under line or use ALL CAPITALS.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Macintosh User Group

The RCW Macintosh User Group, Apple Computer Club, meets on Tuesday afternoons from 1:00-3:00 pm in Class Room 2. If you have a Mac laptop, bring it to class. If you have a question about your Mac, someone will be able to help or direct you to where you can get help.

The class schedule for January is listed below:

- Jan. 3rd : Looking after your Mac using disk utility, disk warrior and backing up using time machine.
- Jan. 10th: Communications using Skype, iChat, FaceTime, Google call phone etc.
- Jan. 17th: Review of iTunes
- Jan. 24th Review of iPhoto
- Jan. 31st TBD

Please email Allan if you have topics you would like him to cover this winter.

Martin Rathbun at 520-806-1303  
Allan Schreiber 520-889-0998  
allanschreiber@gmail.com

## Broadway Palm Theatre

Join us on **February 23rd** for the Broadway Palm show "Me and My Girl." Tickets are **\$69.00** and includes bus fare, bus driver gratuity, buffet lunch and one ticket. The bus will leave from RCW at 9:00 am. We will arrive in time for the 11:45 am lunch at the theatre before the show at 1:15 pm. Stop by the Activity office to sign up and pay. The show description is below.

It's 1937 and the Earl of Hareford has died leaving no apparent heir. The family has gathered, eagerly awaiting to hear how the estate will be split. The unlikely heir is commoner Bill Snibson, a pugnacious Cockney ne'er-do-well from Lambeth. Hilarity ensues as the Duchess tries to turn Bill into a proper gentleman. The British blue-bloods eventually warm to his charm and so will you as you dance in the aisles to Lambeth Walk.



## PC Computer Club

Remember the first time you turned on your first computer? You had invested hundreds of dollars or more and were scared to death that you would hit the wrong key and destroy your entire investment. Even when you became more familiar with your computer, some of that fear or uncertainty arises whenever you try something new.

We also know that most of us use less than 2% of our computer's full capability and probably use less than 10% of any of our software's capability.

The objective of the RCW Computer Club is to help new users, novices, and more experienced users reduce the fear and raise the use percentage. You then get more value and enjoyment out of these incredible and useful tools.

So, even if you do not yet own a computer, come any Wednesday night at 7:00 pm to Class Room 2 for just a visit to see what this is all about. Or join us and learn something every week that will increase the value of your computer investment.

January will feature at least one outside speaker, two member presentations and a business and Q&A meeting. While the emphasis is on PCs, Mac owners are always welcome too.

We also provide one-on-one problem solving and training on Tuesdays beginning at 1:00 pm in Class Room 1. If practical, bring your laptop or computer.

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## Thank You

I thought I would take a moment to thank all the people, I call on a regular basis, who help set up chairs for events and activities. These guys are on our volunteer list and always there when we need them. A big thank you goes out to Norman Hahn, Chuck Cooper, Dale Garman, Roger Larson, Dennis Lynch, Steve Douglass, Ned Bell, Bruce Larson, and Martin Rathbun... Thank you guys!

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Lastly, we appreciate all those who jump in to help whenever they can! People have walked by the Auditorium before and have just jumped right in the fun!



## MEDICAL NEWS YOU CAN USE

By Betty Blackstock

A Question I Have Had Recently:

I take over-the-counter antihistamines for my allergies. I've heard that antihistamines may cause memory problems in older people. Should I be worried?

A number of the most common over-the-counter antihistamines are members of a class of medications called anticholinergic agents that affect neurotransmitters in the brain. Some research has linked the long-term use of anticholinergic drugs with cognitive impairment in older adults. Other commonly-used anticholinergic drugs include certain medications for gastrointestinal problems, Parkinson's disease, genitourinary, respiratory, and psychotic disorders.

In one study, researchers assessed data on 544 healthy men ages 65 and older who were enrolled in a long-term research project. The scientists followed participants for 2 years and found that use of anticholinergic drugs was associated with significantly poorer performance on tests of both memory and executive tasks such as planning and decision-making. The greater the use of anticholinergic drugs was, the greater were the negative cognitive effects. Cognitive impairment was noticeable even though most drugs used were prescribed at moderate doses and had only mild-to-moderate anticholinergic effects.

Anticholinergic drugs can be helpful and are not a cause for concern if they are used at moderate doses for a short period of time. But if you are using anticholinergic drugs regularly - and especially if you are using multiple anticholinergic drugs regularly - consider reviewing your medications with your doctor to explore whether other medications without anticholinergic effects might be substituted for medications you are taking now.

A Tip From Johns Hopkins: The results of a recent study suggest that people who have not achieved sufficient blood pressure reductions with a single drug might be better off adding a second medication instead of increasing the dosage of the first. Ask your doctor which strategy is best for you.



## Around Town January 2012

Researched by Rachel Margolis

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays Downtown Urban Street Festival

Location: At Congress St and 6<sup>th</sup> Ave

Admission: Free

5:30pm - 10:30pm

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month, Tucson's family-friendly arts-and-entertainment even happens outdoors and indoors along Congress and adjacent downtown streets. For more information, you can go online at

[www.2ndsaturdaysdowntown.com](http://www.2ndsaturdaysdowntown.com).

### Wings Over Willcox

Admission: Registration required

Location: Willcox AZ

Adventure, entertainment, and education combine for a fun-filled weekend of birding pleasure. East of Tucson in Sulphur Springs Valley. For more information call 1.800.200.2272 or on the web at [www.wingsoverwillcox.com](http://www.wingsoverwillcox.com).

### Arizona Best Fest

Admission: Free

Location: 101 N Stone Ave

The Best of Arizona showcase celebrates Arizona's 100 years. There you'll find interactive historic pavilions, cultural villages, a western town, seven stages of entertainment, Arizona artists, food, wine and beer. For more information, you can call 1.602.364.3713 or on the web at [www.az100years.org](http://www.az100years.org).

### 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Old West Round-Up Trade Show and Auction

Admission: \$8 for tradeshow only; \$18 combination ticket for tradeshow and Old Tucson Studios.

Location: Old Tucson Studios

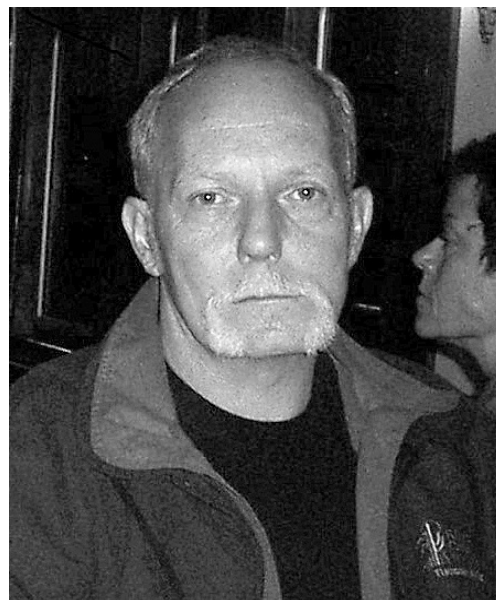
Hours: Friday and Saturday 10am - 6pm;

Sunday 10am-3pm

A trade show/auction featuring Old West and American Indian cultural memorabilia and collectibles (hats, boots, saddles, beadwork, weavings) at Old Tucson.

## Gem, Mineral, and Fossil Showcase

For two weeks (at the end of January and beginning of February) every winter, the world meets in Tucson as it becomes a bustling, international marketplace of buyers and sellers at the Tucson Gem, Mineral and Fossil Showcase. The "Gem Show" is much more than a single event at one location. Rather, there are thousands of participants and attendees at more than 20 sites around town. Dozens of shows take place at the same time - in giant white tents, at hotels, and resorts and at exhibit halls. For more information, you can go on the web at [www.jewelrystockshowguide.com](http://www.jewelrystockshowguide.com).



**Stan Knox**

**May He Rest In Peace**

Sadly, we announce the sudden passing of Stan Knox, our friend and employee. Stan had many talents. He was a finish carpenter of the first degree, but that wasn't all. He was a plumber, an electrician, a cement finisher; you name it, Stan could do it. Everywhere I look, RCW, RCE, my home in Tucson, my house on the farm of my birthplace in Ireland, Stan's handiwork is there for all to see. I think the crowning glory of his craftsmanship can be seen at Rincon Country East in the front office and activity director's office, which he remodeled a few years ago. We will miss him greatly. May he rest in peace.