

DECEMBER



2023

COUNTRY ROADS COURIER

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General Manager Vanessa Harris

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Holidays...Celebrations ... & It's Budget Time !!

Join in the Employee Celebration on 12/20 at 2PM in the Ballroom.

While in the midst of Holiday Spirit, please take a couple hours to join your BOD and Manager as we work to make the best financial decisions:

12/13 9-11 Town Hall Meeting 5 year Plan Funding (Ballroom)

12/14 9-11 2025 Budget Planning (Mojave Room)

12/19 9-11 BOD Meeting - Budget Approval (Ballroom)

Interested in Running for a BOD position?

Join BOD Members Martha & Jim for coffee and Q & A discussion : 12/21 2PM Navajo Room

Thanks in advance....

Stay Healthy, Have Fun and Enjoy our Sunny Yuma Holiday Season.

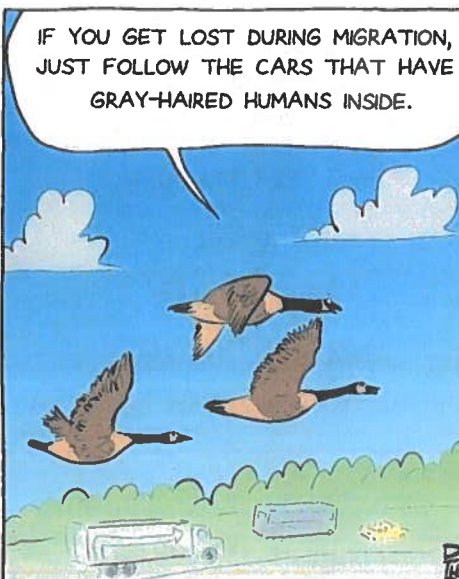
Pat Tuckwell
CRRVV President



MONTANA GATHERING

Montanans are planning to gather for an in Country Roads Montana Happy Hour on Sunday, December 3 from 3:30 to 5:30 pm in the Inca/ Aztec Room. The purpose is to visit with old friends and to make some new ones. Anyone who ever claimed Montana for home is welcome! No specific agenda is planned but do come to visit and be HAPPY!!

For this Happy Hour please bring your own bottle (BYOB) and a snack to share with the group. While RSVP is not required, it would be helpful for setup purposes to have an idea of how many plan to attend. If you hope to be there, please call either Pat Hall (406) 600-5852 or Bert Rice (410) 507-3366. We hope you will join us for Happy Hour!



Country Roads Annual Christmas Parades

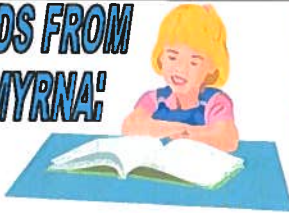
This year's theme is "Snow in the Desert". Come join the fun on back to back nights this year! Decorate your golf cart, bike, or convertible. Our own "Desert Voices" choir will be singing carols along the way, AND you never know who might show up from the North Pole!

First parade night - Thursday, December 14: We will parade the WEST side of park. Start time is 6:00p.m. Parade participants start lining up at 5:30p.m. on Good Time Blvd. (across from eastside of ballroom)

Second parade night - Friday, December 15: We will parade the EAST side of park. Start time, line up time, and location is same as first night. Questions? Call Darline Moody, 541-520-6016



WISE WORDS FROM EDITOR MYRNA!



Please send your articles to:

denmyrn41@gmail.com

The articles must be submitted by the 10th of each month for publication the following month. Please forward in Microsoft Word if possible. Give me a call if you have any questions. Thanks,
Myrna Mattson #679

928.726.6697

The purpose of the Country Roads RV Village Newsletter is to connect and inform our Residents of current events and announcements.

We appreciate your submissions and are looking for articles and content that align with this mission.

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OUR CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- Billiards
- B.I.N.G.O
- Book Club.
- Bridge
- Bunco
- Can/Am Friendship
- Catholic Fellowship
- Ceramics
- Choral/Drama
- Church Choir
- Clogging
- Computers
- Cornhole
- Country Red Roses Red Hatters
- Craft Fair
- Creative Writers
- Dance
- Diabetes Support
- Fitness Club
- Four Wheelers
- Guys and Gals Golf
- Hand Appliqué Sew & Stitch
- Health
- Horse Shoe
- Knit n' Stitch
- Lapidary/Rock Hunting
- Line Dancing
- Mahjonn
- Material Girls
- Men's Fellowship
- Painting
- Pickleball
- Pinochle
- Pinochle (2 Deck/7 Card)
- Poker: Dealers Choice/Hold'em
- Pottery
- Quilting
- Relay for Life
- Scrap Book
- Sewing
- Singles Social
- Shuffleboard
- Swimming Aerobics
- Tennis
- T.O.P.S.
- Water Aerobics
- Veteran's Club
- Volleyball: Water/Sand
- Whole Food Plant-Based Group
- Women's Fellowship
- Woodcarving
- Woodshop
- Zumba Gold



LIST OF ALL THE COUNTRY ROADS RV VILLAGE FACEBOOK GROUPS

This is their complete and exact group name on Facebook. Contact Andre at adgrenier@msn.com if any groups are missing. If you wish to join any of these groups, under "groups" do a search for that group name using these exact words. When a list comes up, make sure you choose "groups" on the left side of the page. The group should come up.

- COUNTRY ROADS RV VILLAGE BUY/SELL/TRADE/ISO
- COUNTRY ROADS RV VILLAGE REAL ESTATE (SELL AND RENT)
- COUNTRY ROADS YUMA HOME OWNERS
- COUNTRY ROADS RV VILLAGE GROUP YUMA
- CR RV VILLAGE YUMA HIKING NEWS
- COUNTRY ROADS PICKLEBALL CLUB GROUP
- COUNTRY ROADS MEMBERS ADVENTURES
- COUNTRY ROADS VETERANS CLUB
- COUNTRY ROADS GUYS & GALS GOLF CLUB
- COUNTRY ROADS TENNIS CLUB
- COUNTRY ROADS POTTERY PALS
- COUNTRY ROADS QUILT CLUB CR LAPIDARY
- COUNTRY ROADS PRAYER WARRIORS
- COUNTRY ROADS RANTS AND RAVES
- COUNTRY ROADS TOPS AZ 0380 YUMA
- COUNTRY ROADS POKER CLUB
- COUNTRY ROADS SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB
- BUY NOTHING COUNTRY ROADS RV VILLAGE
- COUNTRY ROADS SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST
- COUNTRY ROADS CRUISING CLUB
- COUNTRY ROADS BUSINESS REFERRALS
- COUNTRY ROADS MEMBERS ADVENTURES
- COUNTRY ROADS CHURCH
- COUNTRY ROADS WORKSHOP CLUB
- COUNTRY ROADS SINGLES CLUB
- COUNTRY ROADS RV VILLAGE VOLLEYBALL CLUB
- COUNTRY ROADS UTV
- CARRIE COUNTRY ROADS (PRIVATE FACEBOOK PAGE)
- COUNTRY ROADS RV VILLAGE (NOT A GROUP PAGE)

Ladies Out-to-Lunch Bunch

December Luncheon

Sign up in Activities Office by 12:00 pm Monday, December 11

Date: **Tuesday December 12, 2023**

Time: **12:00 PM**

Place: **River City Grill**
600 W 3rd St.
Yuma, AZ 85364

Support Your Local Business!

Organizer: Smidty Schripsema - (650) 619-6423 (call or text) smidty_111@msn.com - Lot 877 (Going Nowhere)

If you can give a ride or need a ride, check appropriate box when you sign up, then meet at the flagpole at 11:30 am prior to the luncheon

Don't forget to bring your optional white elephant gifts!

Every Wednesday Bunco Got Dice?



come play with me

Where: **Aztec room**
When: **Every Wednesday 10-12 AM**
How much: **\$2 ante**

Smidty Schripsema
(650) 619-6423 - smidty_111@msn.com - Lot 877



Health Clinic is open every Friday, until March 31st in the Inca room from 9:00 to 12:00.

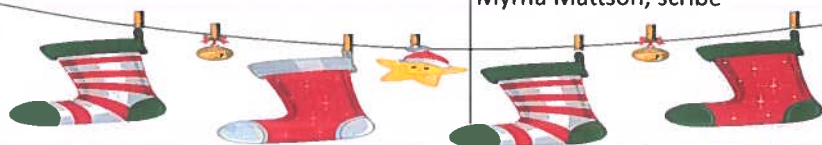
We take blood pressure



blood sugar and get your



glasses repaired



We've written letters to the child we used to be and told stories of what we thought our pets wondered about us. We are even learning how to use words to better explain what needs to be said without offending an audience. ie: " He tugged on the black door but it wouldn't open. He pulled on it with one hand. Angry, he tugged with both hands with all his might. But it still wouldn't budge He pulled violently cursing the door, it's mental abilities, and its sexual history. " What a cool way to say what he was really thinking. I have so much to learn about writing.

You can find our class of fun in the Aztec Room every Thursday from 9:30 until 11:30 am There is no price for this class. You get to find a whole new group of friends for free. If you have any questions please call me at 360.298.2567 -or- e-mail: denmyrn41@gmail.com

Myrna Mattson, scribe



BINGO!

BINGO HAPPENINGS

Some readers may not know that these pieces for the December Courier have to be given in on the 10th of the previous month. So – I’m writing in November about stuff that hasn’t happened yet. None-the-less, I hope it will be an accurate forecast. Randy Bopp has stepped up to take on the Bingo Manager job. My hope is that he has by the time you read this, become comfortable with the job and has been approved by the BOD as the new Bingo manager. Randy’s wife Charlett has also volunteered to work at bingo and I’m sure she’ll fit right in. We have had some shuffling of volunteers – a normal happening as people have to adjust their arrival times in the park due to illness, vacations, family affairs, weather and a bunch of other things that can bump plans. Fortunately, we have enough volunteers that we can easily fill all the needs every night. This year we will also be introducing a few new bingo callers. Our two senior callers – Vicki Derksen and Charlie Hartman are training the new volunteers and hopefully in a few weeks, they will be able to take on a full night of calling. It’s a special job that does take some learning to co-ordinate the calling with the timing set of the computer system. Our first Bingo was last night and we had 252 players in attendance – the best we’ve had in five years for a first night. Hopefully this will continue for the fall and into 2024. The light at the end of the Covid tunnel is getting brighter! It has been a great pleasure to work with all the bingo volunteers and helpers in my time as Bingo Manager. I would like to thank them for their hard work – Bingo’s success is a direct result of how well they do their jobs every night.

Thank you all for your support.

Dave Wylie

Bingo Manager



"I'm a two-handicapper trapped in a 30-handicapper's body."



Happy December!!

The CR Golf Club is up and running. I heard there are some amazing scores being posted. And the first week of play 3 EAGLES were scored. Good job golfers. Lots of golf planned this month. We are now alternating Saturdays, playing FUN GOLF at Foothills and Butterfield in Welton the next Saturday. Sign up for both.

If you are new to CR, or have been here a while, just a reminder that we meet every Monday in the ballroom at 8AM for results and info about the club. Come early and sign up for the course of your choice and meet some fellow golfers in CR. Membership is \$25 for the season. That includes your ticket for the end of season banquet and discounted golf through the club at all the courses we play. If you are not here the whole season, you can join at \$5 per month to receive discounted golf rates.

Happy Holidays from your CR Guys and Gals Golf Club!

Valeri Shoemaker Secretary

CHRISTMAS KARAOKE

6 PM SATURDAY DEC 23



NEW YEAR'S KARAOKE

6 PM FRIDAY DEC 29



FROM THE POOL ROOM

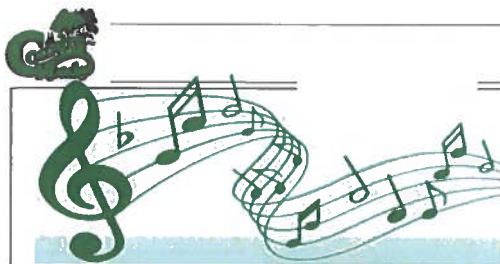
The Holiday season is upon us and the Billiards Club and officer's would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year .

We have quite a lot going on and want to invite you all to join us.

We have Women's tournaments on Monday evenings, mixed tournaments on Wednesday evenings, and Men's tournaments on Friday afternoons. I encourage all club members to come and participate in these events. We also have inter park tournaments and offer pool lessons for those interested in improving their game. I would also like to invite all interested residents to join our billiards club.

Our billiard room is open 24/7 for your enjoyment. We only ask that you are respectful of our equipment, the other players, and follow our posted rules.

Respectfully Yours,
John Bowman
Billiards Club President



CHORAL AND DRAMA CLUB

The season has officially begun and Desert Voices is readying their vocal chords for the Christmas Concert on December 20th at 7PM in the Ballroom. You won't want to miss it! There are some great new songs as well as familiar songs with a new twist. As always, there will be an opportunity for you to sing along with the Desert Voices during the concert. We're so grateful to have Peggy Scott as our Director and Nancy Kirkelie as accompanist.

The Golf Cart Parades will be December 14 and 15 and we will again have a "float" in the parade. If you'd like to join us in singing those old favorite Christmas Songs please show up in the parking lot by the Ballroom. The "float" will be on the street by the parking lot. Watch the Blast for times and be sure to come early to get a spot on the "float" as seating is limited.

Our first Improv night was November 29 and as of article submission deadline it hasn't occurred. We anticipate it will be successful and a fun time for those who attended and/or participated. This will be a regular activity.

****TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS**** will be held on January 20, 2024 at 1PM in the Ballroom. We hope for a great turnout of varied acts for the performance on Friday February 24 at 7PM in the Ballroom.

(continued...)

Get your act ready and come to the audition in January. We have so much talent in this park!! We need an opportunity to Showcase it.

As always we look forward to adding members to our groups, both Desert Voices and Drama and hope you will give us a try. Any questions, contact Sue Anderson at 406-698-6348 or suander22@gmail.com



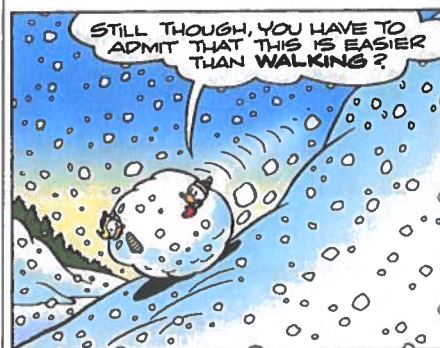
The next Country Roads Veterans Club coffee meeting will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 0800 hours (8 am) in the Ballroom. Please bring your own first cup of coffee or beverage and a second cup of coffee will be provided. Light pastries will be served. All Canadian and US veterans are invited to attend. Subsequent meetings will be held on the first Thursday of the month through April 2024.

We will review our Club's participation in the Veterans Day program on November 11 and discuss programs for upcoming meetings. Suggestions for guest speakers are most welcome. We anticipate having a guest speaker at our meeting on December 7,

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day!!

For further information please email Bert Rice at bert07@comcast.net OR call (410) 507-3366.

We look forward to seeing and visiting with you on Thursday, December 7, 2023



COMPUTER/PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES CLUB

Computer / Personal Electronic Devices Disappointed with your Personal Electronic Device? Are you able to teach others? Drop in to the Coronado Room Wednesday's from 9- 11:30 am. The club will start about the second week of November and require a full executive going forward, but drop in to see if your issue can be solved by one of our members. Contact Anthony @ 928-975-9563 or anthonyh630@gmail.com. Lot #550

COUNTRY ROADS WOOD SHOP

CLASSES BEING OFFERED



SOME OF THE CLASSES BEING OFFERED

- PEN MAKING—CHARCUTERIE BOARDS
- CHEESE BOARDS—SEGMENTED BOWLS
- FEATURE RING BOWL

If interested watch Facebook we will be posting dates/times.

Email: renettebenning@gmail.com for more info, or come to the shop and get more info.

More information coming asap



Line Dancing

It's been wonderful to see so many line dancers in the ballroom on Thursday afternoons and Saturday mornings! Keep coming; we're doing great things for our bodies and minds, and having fun while doing it!

We are looking forward to the Christmas Line Dance Jamboree in the Ballroom on Monday December 4th, where we invite the Yuma community to come dance with us! Doors open at 6 PM. Tickets available at the Activities Office, all proceeds go to the Building Fund.

Here are our classes for December

Thursdays 2:15 - 3:00 PM Baby Steps

Thursdays 3:00 - 3:45 PM Beginners

NOTE: Dec. 7 we may be on the patio due to the John Denver show, more details later.

NOTE: Class cancelled Thurs.

Dec. 28.

Saturdays 9:30 - 10:15 AM Line Dance 1

Saturdays 10:15-11:00 AM Line Dance 2

NOTE: Class cancelled Sat. Dec. 30

Cost is \$5 per day for out of park folks, and tips only for Country Roads residents.

Please wear comfortable shoes and clothes, bring water, and no fragrance. See you on the dance floor (for balance and thinking class:

AKA line dancing!)

JoAnn Opp

Lot 1147

503-312-1226



PAPER CRAFTING



On Nov 15 the Paper Crafting Club started the 2023 / 24 season in the Navajo Room, next to the ballroom.

The club's members do cardmaking, scrapbooking and various paper crafting projects.

Club membership is \$20 per season which runs from Nov 15/23 to Mar 30/24. Membership allows you to use the club's cutting machines, stamps, die cuts, embossing folders, paper and cardstock.

Drop Ins are welcome for a small fee. Our club times are:

Wed evenings from 6:30 – 9:30 pm

Fri afternoons from 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Sat mornings from 9:00 – 12:00 pm

The club will be offering "Make & Take" card classes in the new year – the schedule and instructions will be posted in next month's newsletter.

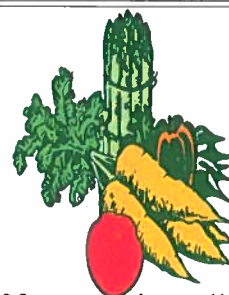
We are also interested in having anyone that does a paper craft, come and give our members a demonstration of it – to tie in with our "Technique Fridays" where we review and explore different ideas and techniques.

The club wants to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Best wishes for the New Year!

France Pelletier – Pres Lot #763

Barbara Baron – Sec / Treasurer Lot #1221

928-248-5746



Whole Foods, Plant-Based Lifestyle Group

Next meeting will be Tuesday December 5th, 10 AM in the Mojave Room.

We say WFPB Lifestyle because these healthy habits we are learning truly are a lifestyle, not a fad diet or program that you do for a month. It's something you benefit from right away, and that is sustainable -- you can keep it up for life and the benefits accrue more and more! Our group's goal is to improve our health in our Senior years, no matter what has gone before, or where we find ourselves today. The body wants to heal, the body is capable of healing, the body is just waiting for us to provide it with what it needs to do its work. However, sadly, our Western diet and lifestyle do not lead to great health in our later years. How can we change that? You are welcome to come to our WFPB group meetings and find out!

We meet the first Tuesday of every month from 10 AM - 12 noon in the Mojave Room. We focus on healthy diet and exercise, good sleep, stress relief, and positive relationships, all of which have been shown to increase our chances of not falling victim to heart disease, stroke, cancer, diabetes, obesity and other chronic diseases that plague our population. Nothing is a 100% guarantee, but we are working towards improving our odds. Dues are \$10 per year per household. See you in the Mojave Room at 10 AM on Tuesday Dec. 5th!

To your good health,
Jerry and JoAnn Opp
Lot 1147
503-312-1226



DESERT SNOWBALL DANCE



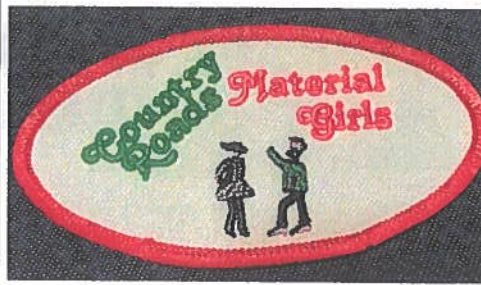
Saturday, December 16,
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Get your holiday attire out for the Snowball dance located in our festive ballroom! Dance to the music of the Blue Reys. We will be announcing and crowning the king and queen of the club winners for the food drive. Our beautiful Christmas photo back drop will be set up and available for you to capture memories of our event. Purchase tickets for the dance in the activity office. Questions? Call Darline Moody, 541-520-6016



Food Bank Drive

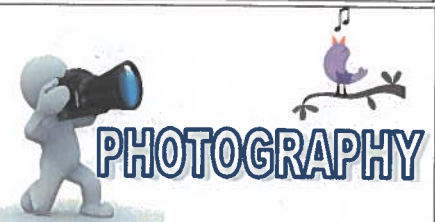
Our non-perishable food drive starts November 24 and ends December 15. Choose which club box you want to drop your donation into! The club that donates the most pounds will have their king and queen crowned at the Desert Snow Ball dance. Boxes for your food items are located in the ballroom foyer. Questions? Call Darline Moody, 541-520-6016



Material Girls is for people who love to sew and enjoy making a variety of items. This is a wonderful way to make new friends in the park. The meetings are held on Tuesdays in the Coronado Room at 9am. The membership fee is \$10. per season.

Come to a meeting to sign up for a future class project. Your creativity makes it part of the fun. We have instructors to teach each of the projects, step by step and give you a supplies list to bring to the project class. You must bring your own sewing machine.

Membership dues are \$10. each season. Come to Coronado Room on Tuesdays at 9am and check us out. One of our members will be happy to show you around. You may also call President Denise at 509-834-9542 for more information



Country Roads Photo Club meets every Friday in the Aztec Room at 10:00 A.M. If you use a camera in your phone or just a regular camera, you are wanted to share ideas and skills about the taking of images, both still and/or moving. Bill Muehl 608-770-7611 Lot 717

COUNTRY ROADS POKER CLUB

Poker is played in the Coronado Room six days a week. Regular dealer's choice and limited Texas Hold'em games meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The buy-in is \$11. They meet at 6 PM and play until 9 PM. It is important for anyone playing to sign up on the sheets provided inside the North door ahead of time so they know how many seats to have available. On Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays there are Texas Hold'em Tournaments. They start at 1 PM on those days. The buy-in is \$20. You MUST sign up ahead of time for those tournaments in order to play. It costs \$10 to become a member which is due the first time you play and is good for the season. You must be living in Country Roads to be available.

Jay Garrett, President

Myrna Mattson, Scribe lot 679



TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Our TOPS group has begun the new season with weight losses from over the summer! We are excited about the progress of several of our members and encourage them to reach their weight loss goals. Once they reach their goals, they will become a KOPS which stands for Keeping Off Pounds Sensibly. Our Country Roads chapter includes men and women and consists of approximately half TOPS and KOPS. TOPS stands for Taking Off Pounds Sensibly and is an international weight loss organization.

We are looking forward to several events this season: The first one will be our healthy Christmas potluck in the Mohave Room Monday, December 18 starting at 5 p.m. Our annual TOPS area rally with clubs from Yuma and LaPaz Counties is scheduled for Saturday, February 3 at the Yuma Elks. It is always a really fun and educational event. February 23 is our annual TOPS area walk with other Yuma TOPS clubs at the West Wetlands Park.

If you are interested in our fun chapter, don't hesitate to join us on Fridays in the Mojave Room between 7:30 and 8:30 for weigh in, or if you want to just visit a meeting complimentary, we start at 9 a.m. In addition, we will be participating in the Activities Showcase Thursday, January 11. There you can talk to members to learn more about our group. Our Leader is Diane Shelton. You may contact her at 360-319-6017.



Jingle Bells - Ho Ho Ho. How can it be Christmas already?

Good news, though - even with the slowed holiday mailings, there's still time to create gifts for your loved ones - if you start soon.

A beginner 'Cab class' (that's where we all began) only takes 1 day, and you'll create something beautiful in that time, starting you on a new journey of discovery and learning.

Club dues and fees are very reasonable, space is available, fun times await!

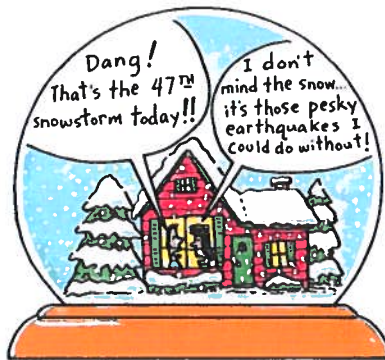
Lots of free help from more experienced members, all quality tools and safe practices available.

Stop by and see us 9 am Tuesday through Thursday in the Lapidary/wood carving room.

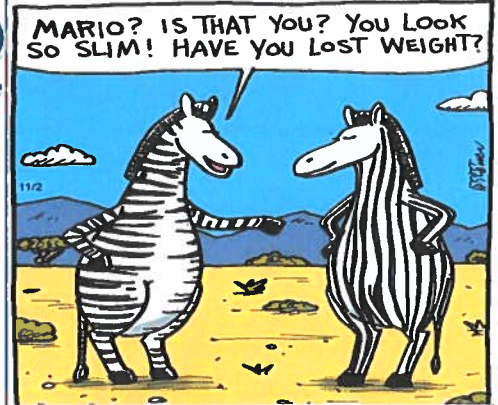
If you come in and folks are woodcarving, no worries (they're a great group, visit with them too) that just means it's Monday or Friday. So many choices to do, I sure need to keep my calendar current- just come again when we're here.

Call President Ray Brant Lot 174 (541) 409-2166

It's all fun - see you there!



Life inside a snow globe.



As it stands on December 1st, USA carvers have got our Canadian chippies outnumbered, but that won't last long with winter in the air and the North Wind blowing across the great north lands. By the end of the month we will have to stop teasing our canuck buddies because there will be way more of them than us. The mixture of the two countries brings different skills and technics we all share to make us all better carvers. If you are interested in any type of carving or wood bruning, you should come check us out. We do not use extensive power tools like chain saws because of the noise factor in our little room. We have been blessed with both expert wood burners and carvers to help you learn this fun art. We meet every Monday and Friday 9 am until 2pm There is a \$10 seasonal fee. We have starter kits for purchase if your need one.



Momma Beaver Myrna Mattson Lot 679



COUNTRY ROADS KNIT AND STITCH

Knit and Stitch is meeting regularly on Wednesdays in the Navajo Room from 1 to 3. If you're working on a needlework project or craft come and join us. We have yarn and needles available for anyone's use, and people to help you when you need it. We'd love to have you come for a visit or join our group on a regular basis.

Sandy Lansfield lot 113



SUNRISE CAFE!

Breakfast 7-10:30.

Lunch 11-1:30

A lot of popular items from last season. And new menu items that we tested during our soft opening. We will have a daily specials...and liver and onions on Tuesday.

Valeri



BOCCI BALL

Come out and join our fun loving group every Tuesday and Saturday at 9:00. Very fun easy game to play. No pressure or mandatory to be there. Everyone gets to play. Looking forward to meeting you.



AQUA ZUMBA

Aqua Zumba including poolside participation with Licensed Zumba Fitness instructor, Darla Schofield will continue in December 2023. Classes will take place at the Main Complex pool on Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10:45. You may purchase punch cards for \$40 cash that will give you 10 classes and one free! Zumba is an exhilarating way to exercise to music in or out of the water. Bring your friends, drinking water & 2lb weights if you have them. Don't forget your smiles!
Linda Kuhl (Lot #855)
360 986. 8483



UGLY SWEATER CHRISTMAS COOKIES

FROSTED CHRISTMAS SUGAR COOKIES



Christmas cookies dates back to medieval Europe when sweetened treats, such as gingerbread, marzipan, and fruitcakes, were enjoyed during festive celebrations. The custom of baking cookies specifically for Christmas became popular in the 16th century, and Europeans brought the tradition with them to the Americas. Early American Christmas cookies were often made from simple ingredients such as butter, sugar, and flour and were cut into festive shapes with cookie cutters. Over time, new ingredients and techniques were incorporated, such as cinnamon, nutmeg, and molasses. The popularity of cookie exchanges and cookie parties also helped to spread the tradition of Christmas cookies. Today, Christmas cookies take on various forms, flavors, and textures and are enjoyed all around the world during the holiday season





COUNTRY ROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH

If you are looking for a place to celebrate your faith, we would love for you to join us at Country Roads Community Church! We meet every Sunday at 10:00 in the Ballroom. We welcome

Christians from all denominations, as well as seekers. We'd love for you to experience the

connection and belonging that comes with joining your CR friends and neighbors at church.

Many of our members have found spiritual renewal, peace, and hope in our church community.

We celebrate communion on the first Sunday of each month, and we have a potluck on the

second Sunday of each month throughout the season. We can't wait to see you there! If you have any questions or need support in any way, please reach out to pastor Glenn Connell at 928-257-9148.

Becky Tscherne,
Church board secretary

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Country Roads is beginning to look more like the season has started. Park models and lots are filling up and more than enough activities are going to occupy our time. One of those possible activities is Men's Fellowship. It meets early enough (Wednesday at 7am, starts time 7:15am in the Aztec/Inca rooms) to not interfere with most other things going on.

You might ask, why? For the simple reason it's good to tend to the soul. More and more Drs are advocating for a holistic approach to health care. Physical, mental and spiritual components make up the human body. It works best when all are healthy. Men's Fellowship addresses the spiritual. Our meetings would not be considered a church service. It's more like a weekly booster. We address the social aspect with good communication with new and old friends. We check out your funny bone as well, There's some nourishment for the stomach. You'll be entertained by songs. Your mind and heart may be exercised and challenged with stimulating thoughts and truth. All done in an encouraging environment of fun, friendly and more importantly caring guys who've got your back.

You could consider it a full body workout. Come out and join us.

Jerry Opp
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LADIES BIBLE STUDY

December 2023

Ladies Bible Study

Ladies Bible Study meets Monday morning at 10am in the chapel. All are invited to join us for our small group bible study. We are studying the book of Ephesians. The study book is, "Understanding your Blessings in Christ" by Elizabeth George.

Come for hope, spiritual growth, fellowship and encouragement. We would love to have your presence as we gather to meet God in and through his Word. There are many wonderful Godly topics for us in dealing with what we face in today's world.

For more information you can contact Jan 360-710-1552 or Susan 641-856-7705

*Merry
Christmas*
& **HAPPY NEW YEAR**

